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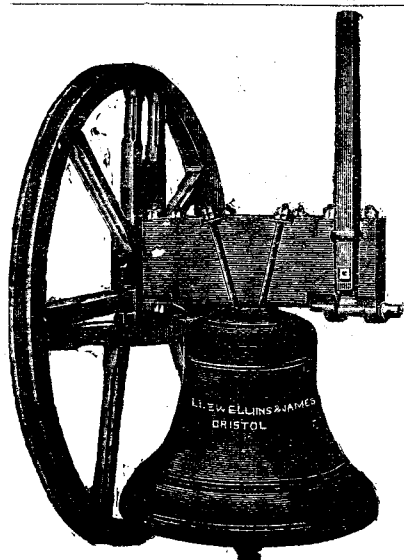
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PERRY BARR (Staffordshire). St. John the Evangelist. Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Eight bells. All by Taylor; no date given. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Tuned and rehung by Barwell; no date mentioned. Ropes new 1898. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st and 3rd in month, 10 to 11. Practice: Monday, 8.

PERSHORE (Worcestershire). Holy Cross. Worcester and Districts Association. Eight bells. All by Rudhall, 1729, except treble recast by Mears 1814, and 4th by Barwell 1897. Tenor 28 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. Clocking permitted. Partly rehung by Barwell, 1897. Ropes bad. Method: Grandsire. No Sunday ringing, only clocked. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

PETERBOROUGH (Northants). All Saints. Eight bells. No return.

St. John the Baptist. South Lincolnshire Association. Eight bells. All by Dobson, 1808. Tenor 28 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Taylor, 1897. Belfry windows require bricking up to stop noise, but there are no funds. Ropes new. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st in month, 10 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

PETHERTON, SOUTH (Somerset). Eight bells. No return.

PETWORTH (Sussex). St. Mary. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1827. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Warner, 1899. Needs promptly attended to. Ropes new 1899, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 8.

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## THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Another enjoyable and successful meeting of this Association was held on Saturday, February 6th, at Wath and West Tanfield, when the attendance amounted to about 25 ringers from East Witton, Middleham, Thirsk, Sharrow, Stockton, Middlesbrough and Wath, which was the headquarters for the meeting. Several 720s were brought home at Wath, and one at West Tanfield by the East Witton ringers on their way home. These parishes are on the outskirts of Wensleydale, and their churches are of the very interesting character usually found in that beautiful district, West Tanfield church being the mausoleum of the redoubtable Marmions whose tombs of several generations extend the full length of the north aisle, and by one of whom the church was built in 1343, whilst Wath church, which is still older, is associated with the Grahams of Norton Conyers, who proved themselves so staunchly loyal to the unfortunate Charles I. Each tower contains a sweet ring of six bells, that at West Tanfield having been presented by the late Rector and his brother, whilst the five bells at Wath were increased to six by the addition of a treble which constitutes the parochial memorial of the late Queen, the formal opening of which was duly reported in "THE BELL NEWS" at the time.

Tea was provided in the schoolroom at Wath, and presided over by the Rector (Rev. H. R. Hunter), supported by Mr. Clarkson, the President of the Association, Vice-President Wrightson, of Thirsk, being also present. After the toast of "The King" was duly honoured, the President proposed "The Bishops and Clergy," including with it a vote of thanks to the Rector of Wath and Vicar of West Tanfield for the use of the bells of their respective churches, and taking the opportunity of reading a letter from the Archbishop of York expressing appreciation of the work of the Association. He also referred to the progress now being made at Wath in the way of establishing a company of change-ringers, the members of which had recently accomplished a 720 of Bob Minor.

In reply the rev. chairman expressed a hearty welcome to his visitors, and held out the prospect of another meeting at Wath at a future date, at which their entertainment would be free.

Several new members were elected, including most of the Wath band.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the Nottingham District was held in All Saints belfry, Nottingham, on Saturday, February 20th, members being present from Nottingham, Beeston, Cotgrave, Sandiacre, Sawley, Long Eaton, Mansfield, Lenton and Ripley. Touches of Kent Treble Bob and Stedman were rung during the evening.

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## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD OF BIRMINGHAM.

## THE HENRY JOHNSON COMMEMORATION DINNER.

The above was held on the 27th ultimo, and although so many years have passed since these anniversary commemorations were first started, the interest in them increases rather than abates, and the gathering seems to be now looked upon as an opportunity for a several hours' re-union among the ringers of the Midlands.

Doubtless the interest in the gathering was stimulated by the announcement that Mr. R. A. Daniell, Master of the Royal Cumberland Youths, and who is so well-known in our columns for his historical researches, was to preside over the meeting.

Early in the afternoon a considerable body of ringers assembled at the Birmingham parish church—St. Martin's—and the well-known ring of twelve was heard in various touches during the afternoon. At the appointed time besides the invited guests, among whom were the Rev. Canon Sutton, Vicar of Aston, Rev. T. B. Harvey Brooks, M.A., Rector of Solihull, and the churchwardens of Birmingham and Aston, there were present representative ringers from most of the surrounding towns and from as far away as Manchester and Rugby—a company of over 100.

An excellent dinner was served in excellent style by the proprietary of Ye Olde Royal hotel, and at its close the Chairman introduced "The Health of the King" in a few well-chosen words, and referring to him as the most able statesman of his time. This was heartily honoured, and the whole company joined in the singing of the National Anthem.

After a short interval enlivened by a selection on the piano, given by Mrs. Davies, the Chairman was again on his feet and gave the toast of "Church and State." Contrasting the condition of affairs at the present time with those existing during the earlier years of the last century, and alluding to the developments which had taken place in the interval, he made a strong appeal to his audience to do all in their power for the advancement of their country's interests, and finally expressed the hope that Church and State might long be happily united, coupling with the toast "The Health of the Rev. Canon Sutton."

Hereabouts the Chairman, who wore the interestingly ancient insignia of his office as Master of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths, caused a photo copy of Stedman's will and other curios to be circulated round the room for the company's inspection; thereby interesting them as he so often does in our columns on the historical side of the Exercise.

Canon Sutton responded to the toast of his health, and was surely never in more humorous and racy a vein of humour. Referring to some of the Chairman's remarks he was able to point them more strongly by some amusing anecdotes which he had heard in his boyhood about the clergy who lived in the early part of the nineteenth century in his native county of Lincoln. His listeners will surely never forget these nor the happy style in which they were told. After mentioning the beautiful ring of 10 bells at his parish church of Aston, and the celebrity they had obtained through the large amount of good ringing which had been done upon them, he earnestly urged the ringers to be seen as often in the interior of the church as they were in the ringing chamber.

In giving the toast of the evening "The memory of the late Henry Johnson," the Chairman's remarks were in the most appropriate terms, and still following the historical vein. Remarking that the pursuit of change-ringing, unlike the response to the calls of Duty, of Art, or of Science, inasmuch that it was purely a recreation, so that no one ever took it up in the sense of making it so much worth his while as to expect to live on it, still developed in its votaries powers of intellect and of character. Consequently in all these celebrities of the past might be traced a level of high mindedness not excelled in any walk of life. Dwelling on the history of some of the earlier celebrities of a science which dated back at least two-and-a-half centuries, he instanced the labours of others like the late Henry Johnson, such as Stedman and Ben. Annable, and referred to the will of Fabian Stedman, which many of his audience had then an opportunity of reading. In the disposition of his effects could be seen a calm determination and kindly thoughtfulness—not at all like a hurried panic, which some wills suggested. The Chairman's remarks were listened

to with almost breathless attention, and the toast was honoured in silence, all standing.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett, proposing "Continued prosperity to the St. Martin's Guild," thought that he might very appropriately do so, seeing that he was not only the Guild's presiding ringing master, but was one of the oldest members of the Guild and its predecessors, the Society of St. Martin's Youths and the Holt Society of Aston. It was now thirty years ago since he rang in his first peal at Bishop Ryder's church. Looking at the history of the Guild during the past year, he was pleased to observe that there were no melancholy associations connected with it. The most notable performance during that time was the 14,112 of London Surprise rang at his parish church of Kings Norton on May 11th last, in 8 hrs. 40 mins., in a most masterly style. While on this subject he should like to compliment his friend, Mr. James George (then present) on scoring his 250th peal, conducted by himself (Mr. Pritchett) on June 20th last on the bells at Kings Norton, and urged him to make haste and secure a record of 250 peals of Stedman Triples, when he (the speaker) would be glad to conduct the 250th for him. Among other things he could mention as accomplished during the last year was the formation of a regular Sunday morning ringing band at St. Martin's, and he was glad to hear that since its formation there had never been less than ten bells rung in changes, while often the whole twelve were. In short at the present moment there was every sign of prosperity for the Guild, and looking round he could not help congratulating some of his older fellow members, mentioning more particularly Mr. John Carter, Mr. S. Reeves, a former Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and Mr. W. Rock Small. In concluding he coupled with the toast "The Health of their Honorary Secretary, Mr. Godden," paying him every possible compliment for the zeal and tact he exhibited in conducting the Guild's business. We can only say that the Secretary must have felt highly honoured with the warmth of the reception this toast was accorded.

In briefly replying and thanking Mr. Pritchett and the company, the Secretary took the opportunity to refer to the many letters of apology he had received for non-attendance that evening, mentioning in particular those from Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart., the Rector of Birmingham, the Ven. Archdeacon Diggle, the Rev. F. E. Robinson, etc.

In proposing "Prosperity to the Central Council," Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower first explained that he was acting as the deputy of his bashful friend, Mr. F. E. Ward, who as they could all see was down on the toast list for that toast, but was asking to be excused on account of having a very bad cold. Digressing from his subject for just one moment he should like to say as confirming a remark that Mr. Pritchett had made anent the hospitality shewn to ringers generally at the tower of St. Martin's, that he had himself experienced that hospitality in his own person, and had had the pleasure of his first touch of Stedman Cinques there. The speaker then went on to say that he could have wished the terms of the toast instead of being "Prosperity to the Central Council" had been "Continued Prosperity" for surely that was the wish most dear to all of them. He made a rapid sketch of the history of the Council since the first resolution as to its formation was made in 1891, until the present time, and instanced the many features in which the Council had made good and prosperous progress. In mentioning their various publications, and more particularly "The Glossary," he paid a high tribute to the late Honorary Secretary, the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer. There was however one thing in which the Council had not been so successful as they could wish—not altogether perhaps for want of zeal—and that was reduced railway fares. He urged them all to keep on trying, and seeing that their representatives persevered in trying for these. When mentioning the fact that the Council had always exercised the power of co-opting members into its ranks, he stated this had always enabled them to secure the assistance of such men as Mr. John Carter, present with them then, and paid a high compliment to Mr. Carter's ability and zeal.

Mr. Carter having made a few remarks the next toast "The Ringing Papers," ("BELL NEWS" and *Church Bells*), was given by the Secretary, who wished their own special organ "BELL NEWS" such an increased measure of prosperity as would tend to enlarge its scope and interest.

In giving "The Health of the Chairman" Mr. J. S. Pritchett

was particularly happy in his remarks, and the heartiness with which the toast was received testified to the pleasure the company had received in making their first acquaintance with Mr. Daniell as chairman.

The Chairman's remarks in reply gave evidence that the pleasure had been a mutual one, and he reiterated his intention of making himself better acquainted with Birmingham and Birmingham ringers.

Shortly after the meeting closed in the usual way. During the evening the proceedings were enlivened by a particularly tastefully selected musical programme, and we cannot help congratulating that portion of the Guild's executive responsible for its arrangement. With one exception Mrs. Davies presided at the piano, and capital songs were rendered by Messrs. T. Davies, T. Jones and V. Walker. A course of Stedman Caters in hand was given by Messrs. C. H. Watts, T. Miller, B. Witchell, W. A. Hancox and A. Walker. Tunes on the handbells are always a most popular feature of such gatherings, and the present was no exception, such well-worn favourites as "The Harvest Home," "Soldier's Joy," and "Blue Bells of Scotland" seeming to be as much appreciated as ever. What struck us as particular meritorious performances were given by Mr. H. Withers on a beautiful toned dulcimer, one being three leads of Treble Bob and the other a complete touch of Stedman Triples. We understand that Mr. Withers is opened at any time to play (if such a term be allowed) a touch of Stedman Triples to anyone's calling. Taken altogether this cannot be considered the least successful of these anniversary commemorations.

#### THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

The annual dinner of this Society took place in the Masonic Hall on Wednesday, February 3rd. The Rev. Hugh A. Studert-Kennedy, Hon. Chaplain of the Society, presided, in the unavoidable absence of the Rector and President, who sent a letter of apology regretting his inability to join his ringers at their annual meeting. Mr. George E. Over, Rector's Warden, occupied the vice-chair. Thirty-five members and friends were present, including Rev. Alan Dalby, M.A., Messrs. S. F. Spencer (churchwarden), R. Over, W. Brooke Lane and several ringing friends from the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, viz., Messrs. W. H. Godden (hon. secretary), Hancock, Walker, Withers and Watts, and also the following officers of the St. Andrew's Society: Mr. J. George (Ringing Master), Mr. Arthur Coleman (Hon. Secretary), and Messrs. Dübber, Fenton and Watson (members of committee). Letters regretting inability to attend were announced from Mr. A. J. Lawrence, Mr. F. Thompson (Rugby), and Mr. J. Carter (Birmingham). An excellent dinner was provided, and after the removal of the cloth, a long list of toasts was submitted. The chairman proposed the usual loyal toast—"The Church, The King and Royal Family," which was enthusiastically pledged and suitably acknowledged by Mr. G. E. Over. The toast of the evening—"The St. Andrew's Society of Change-Ringers," was proposed by the Rev. Alan Dalby, who paid a flattering tribute to the efficiency of the members of the society. He spoke in praise of the good feeling existing amongst the ringers, and their readiness at all times to obey the call of duty.

The toast was well received, and Mr. George suitably acknowledged the compliment, mentioning the great improvements and progress made by the society since their last meeting.

Mr. A. Coleman (Hon. Secretary), submitted the toast—"Our Guests," and said the St. Andrew's Society regarded the visit paid by the gentlemen from St. Martin's Guild as a very great compliment, for the visitors were recognised as the most efficient and experienced ringers in Great Britain.

Mr. W. H. Godden (Hon. Secretary of the St. Martin's Guild), responded, and said the visitors took it as a great compliment to join their Rugby friends at dinner, and thanked them for their kind hospitality.

Mr. S. F. Spencer submitted the toast—"Our Musicians," and was responded to by Mr. A. White. During the evening vocal selections were rendered by the Excelsior Glee Quartette (Messrs. G. A. Woods, W. White, A. White, and F. Barrett), who contributed three very pleasing part-songs. Mr. Frank Griggs sang humorous ditties, and was encored each time, and

songs were also given by Messrs. W. White, A. White, and G. A. Woods, and the St. Martin's Guild performed selections on the handbells with great ability, and were encored every time, their time and ringing being regarded as the essence of perfection, and was very greatly appreciated by all those present.

A most enjoyable evening terminated shortly after eleven, the health of "The Chairman" proposed by Mr. W. Brooke being drunk amidst much enthusiasm with musical honours. After singing Auld lang syne the company dispersed, the gathering being regarded by all as the most successful in the history of the society.

#### Review.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (London: Bell News office.)—This sixth annual publication of the doings of this Association is on very similar lines to its predecessors. The lists of officers and members for both the districts are given in extenso, and all other information necessary for the use of the members is to be clearly found therein. The peal-record is somewhat smaller than last year, but certainly not less important.

The annual report compiled by the Hon. Secretary of the Association—Mr. Arthur T. King—is, as usual, of a most interesting character. Mr. King commences his observations thus:—

There are few links between the past and the present, so engrossing to the antiquary and so full of charm to the changer-ringer as the subject of bells. We do not indeed read that among the antiquarian litter so well described by Sir Walter Scott as forming part of the dusty accumulations of Mr. Jonathan Oldbuck, there is any mention of our beloved bells; but the omission is probably due to the fact that in his day the contents of belfries were not recognised as affording any sort of scope for interesting research, albeit, even in Scotland there exists much bellfounders' work of a bygone generation. It is unfortunate, however, that so few Scottish enthusiasts have turned their attention to bells, though we have one such in the person of Mr. F. C. Eeles, who in his work on the "Bells of Kincardineshire," has given us a comprehensive survey of all the bells in that county, and, if we are correctly informed, a vast amount of information of surpassing interest about the bells of Scotland has been accumulated by that accomplished campanologist—the late Godfrey Cunninghame, Esq., of Edinburgh. In England, we are happily more familiar with writers who, during the past quarter of a century, have thrown so much light upon the *quæ sint quæ fuerint* of the contents of our belfries nearer home. Though much has been written, there is yet room for a great deal more; and we need not fear that as our Art becomes better understood, there will be wanting enthusiasts, both in Scotland and England, who will fill up any gaps that may remain in our county histories of bells and bellfounders. Even the members of an Association like ours may do much to help on investigation by noting down and communicating to the Hon. Secretary any interesting details. Sometimes when bells are being rehung, an opportunity may be found of inspecting the bells of a church—for instance, we were most of us made aware for the first time during the recent restoration of the frame and fittings of the parish church at Edgware that they were the work of Thomas Jannaway in 1769. The fact may have been known, but it was at least not generally known. A casual visit of one of our members to St. John's church, Perth, has proved full of interest, and the particulars are worth noting here. He says: "We should hardly expect to find a Sanctus bell in Scotland, and yet there is probably one here, bearing a black letter inscription of *Ecce Agnus Dei*. There is also a set of carillon bells in the church, some of them being 16th century bells bearing the founders' name (Van den Gheyn), and the date, though these are somewhat difficult of inspection by reason of their being outside the tower. The glorious heritage, however, of this church is the great bell, 53 inches in diameter, giving out a grand note D, even under the pernicious conditions of 'clocking.' It is im-

possible to describe adequately the beauty of this bell, which bears date 1506. The ornamentation is superb, and below it there is on one side a figure, evidently of St. John the Baptist, and on the opposite side a monogram of the founder embossed on a shield. It is a fine example of the work of Peter Waghevens, one of the early Low Country bellfounders whose bells, though not uncommon in Scotland, are almost unknown in England.

This invitation to members to take notice of things outside actual ringing while they are spending a holiday is a happy idea. When we see a ringing-brother interested in archæology, ecclesiology, or any of those charming subjects which are connected with the Church, we may conclude that such person has a broad mind. A study of church architecture, no matter how amateurish it may seem to the professional, and a survey of the locality in which one may for the time be situated, denotes the play of intelligence. Therefore the Hon. Secretary of the Middlesex Association thinks it useful to encourage the members to take notice of things that are going on around them while in the pursuit of ringing.

The annual meeting of the Association in 1902 is thus referred to:—

The meeting was very well attended, over a hundred members taking part in the day's proceedings. Members were requested to meet at the afternoon service at Westminster Abbey; but, prior to the service, a sufficient number had arrived to enable a short touch to be rung on St. Margaret's bells. At the close of the service, the Canon in Residence, the Rev. Canon Duckworth, was good enough to conduct all the ringers over the Abbey, or rather over such portion of it as was possible in the rapidly declining daylight. It is hardly necessary to say that under his enlightened guidance, we were privileged to hear much that we had never heard before in our progress among the tombs of Kings, Courtiers, Warriors, and Statesmen, and we regretfully withdraw when the deepening shadows warned us to be gone, with only half the interesting story told. We are glad to be able to say that Canon Duckworth has kindly undertaken to complete the tour of the Abbey with us on some future occasion. We can promise him an attentive audience, when that day comes; and we thank him for the treat in store for us.

In alluding to the peal performances Mr. King makes reference to the bells of St. Saviour, Southwark, which will be of interest.

Perhaps one of the most remarkable was the peal of Stedman Cinques rung at St. Saviour's church, Southwark, on February 7th in the present year. No peal had been rung on these bells since February 28th, 1885, and it must have been a welcome surprise to ringers to hear these magnificent bells (tenor 52 cwt.) pealing forth course-end after course-end for 3 hrs. 58 mins. Those who are familiar with the bells will be ready to admit that this peal reflected great credit upon those who took part in it, not alone for the excellence of the striking, but for the physical effort required to achieve success. It is not too much to say that, in the present state of the old framework, a peal would hardly be possible except in the prevailing dampness of the month of February. The authorities are quite alive to the necessity of rehanging the bells in an iron frame, when the necessary funds can be provided. The cost of making these bells pealable will undoubtedly be considerable; but unless a bellhanger can be selected whose definition of what is meant by the term "pealable" coincides with that of the practical ringer, it would be better to leave the bells alone, even if the funds be forthcoming.

Then there is a brief account of bell repairing throughout the year. From this is culled the following:—

The cracked bell at St. James's, Clerkenwell, has not yet been recast. The renovation of the bells at St. John's Church, Hackney, has been completed by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. These bells now rest upon a massive iron frame, which has been constructed to carry ten bells on the level. Two new trebles will be added when the funds suffice. The same firm is also responsible for rehanging the bells of St. Bride's Church,

Fleet Street, the opening peal (Stedman Cinques) having been rung by our Association on the 28th March, 1903, under the conductorship of Mr. W. Pye. The other work which the Whitechapel firm has in hand is the rehanging of the bells at Pinner, and (welcome news to many) the rehanging of the tenor bell of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. The bells of All Saints' Church at Isleworth are in the hands of Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who are only awaiting the delivery of the girders for the new iron frame, to bring the work to a speedy completion. The bells of St. Mary's Church, Lambeth, have been set in good going order by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Limited, since the date of our last annual meeting, and it has been our privilege only so recently as the 3rd October, 1903, to ring the first peal on the bells since their restoration.

We find that as regards members the Association is still progressing. The year commenced with 520 and ended with 570. The concluding paragraph of this satisfactory report is worthy of being given in full.

It has more than once been said that we oftentimes teach the hearts and minds of people where the clergy could not get at them. If this be so, we are doing a really religious work in causing our bells to sound out their messages of hope and love and peace. There is a wonderful link of association in the sound of church bells. There is no other sound like it for conjuring up happy memories, for bringing the careless and indifferent to choose a better life, for causing stubborn hearts to melt, as the music tells of innocence long since gone. If a man objects to the sound of church bells, depend upon it his aversion to them not infrequently comes because their music serves to remind him of a forgotten duty. As ringers, then, we must in the first place do our work because there is a sacredness in our calling, and we feel that it is right to do it, and we may then without inconsistency go a step further and ring on week days, just as we play cricket, because we like it. Only let our behaviour in the belfry be at all times such as we are continually reminded of by many an inscription on the bells we ring:—*Omnia fiant ad Gloriam Dei.*

The balance-sheet of the Central Fund shows a balance of £15 odd; that of the North and East district of £25; and the South and West of £9. An interesting account, from the pen of the Hon. Secretary, upon All Saints (Edmonton, Middlesex) bells follows, containing some very attractive memoranda, but our liberal extracts from the report prevents any further allusion to this. There are no less than fifteen pages of compositions, some of which we think have been discovered false, a most unfortunate circumstance. Perhaps some good may come out of this evil. If it only is the means of preventing composers sailing too near the wind in such complex methods. In conclusion we think that as a book of interest, the Middlesex report is, if not *primus intra pares*, at least second to none, of similar compilations.

WINCHESTER.—On Wednesday, February 3rd, for practice at the Cathedral, 360 Grandsire Caters. W. T. Lampard, W. C. Lampard, E. G. Lampard, J. W. Elkins, W. H. Loveland, W. Andrews, W. T. Tucker, C. Russell, W. H. George conductor, D. Frome. Also a course of Stedman Triples. J. W. Elkins, E. G. Lampard, W. Andrews, W. Loveland, W. C. Lampard, W. T. Tucker, W. H. George, D. Frome.

ROMSEY (Hants).—On Tuesday, February 2nd, for Divine service at the Abbey, 224 Bob Major. B. Paskins, A. White, J. Calk, W. T. Tucker, J. Walker, F. Russen, W. G. Fowler, W. H. George conductor.

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JOHN BURFORD*	.. .. 1-2.	W. JAMES HINTON	.. .. 5-6.
JOHN THOMAS†	.. .. 3-4.	*CHARLES H. GORDON	.. .. 7-8.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\*First peal on handbells. †First as conductor. Umpire—W. A. Apperley.

**Date Touches.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**CALVERLEY.**—On Sunday, February 21st, at the parish church, a date touch, 1904 changes, in 1 hr. 7 mins. Ezra Keighley, S. Wheatley, W. Hallings, W. Poplewell, C. Pratt, A. Wheeler, F. Page, W. Davison conductor. Composed by John Cordingley.

**HOLBECK.**—On February 21st at St. Matthew's church, a date touch of Bob Major in 1 hr. 10 mins. H. Tomlinson, J. Boshell, H. Howland, W. Burn, J. Mathews, C. Moss, J. A. Teale, D. York. Composed by H. Tomlinson and Conducted by J. A. Teale.

**Miscellaneous.****CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**EAST WITTON.**—At midnight on December 31st, 1903, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. R. Peacock, G. J. Clarkson, J. Croft, J. Jaques, W. Peacock, C. Bucktin conductor.

**WATH.**—On Saturday, February 6th, 1904, 720 Kent Treble Bob. T. Metcalfe conductor, J. Wrightson, J. H. Burton, J. Metcalfe, J. Neasham, J. W. Neasham. Also 720 Bob Minor. G. Langshaw, F. Greenwood, H. Taylor, E. Burnett conductor, J. W. Neasham, W. Pick. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. J. Clarkson conductor, W. Pick, T. Metcalfe, J. Metcalfe, J. H. Burton, J. W. Neasham. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob. W. Pick, J. Wrightson, J. Langshaw, E. Burnett, T. Metcalfe, J. W. Neasham conductor. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob. R. Peacock, J. Shields, J. Crofts, J. Jaques, W. Peacock, C. Bucktin conductor. On the same date 720 Oxford Treble Bob at West Tanfield, by the same band standing in the same order. Also 360 of Plain Bob with Dr. Pauli on the 3rd. On Sunday, February 7th, for evening service at Wath, by the Wath company, 720 of Bob Minor. F. Jaques, J. H. Taylor, E. J. Hammond, H. Metcalfe, J. W. Taylor, J. Metcalfe conductor.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**BECCLES (Suffolk).**—On Tuesday, February 16th, for practice at St. Michael's church, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples taken from Holt's Original, 1260 changes, in 48 mins. E. Etheridge, C. E. Parnell, H. Ling, G. Baxter, H. Hopson, G. E. Symonds conductor, E. Poppy, R. Freestone.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**

**MELTON MOWBRAY.**—On Tuesday, February 16th, at the parish church for practice, 518 Grandsire Triples. W. Spiby, Rev. C. B. Hulton, C. Dalby, H. Foll, W. James, A. V. Potter, R. H. Bartram conductor, R. Young. Also 434, Mr. A. Craven taking part.

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**SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).**—On Sunday, February 21st, for Divine Service at Christ Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. G. Bester, A. Glasscock, J. Armstrong, J. Miller, H. Miller, W. Pickworth, S. Wade conductor, A. Dodson.

**STAINES.**—At St. Peter's church, on Thursday, February 11th, 720 Plain Bob Minor on the back six. T. Collins, A. Godfrey, T. Sadler, A. Wicks, W. C. Butler, A. J. Redman conductor. On Monday, 15th February, in honour of the birthday of Sir Edward Clarke, K.C., the patron of the church, who recently presented this new ring of eight, and became patron of the St. Peter's Society, the following touches were rung by local ringers with the assistance of Mr. W. H. Fussell of Slough;—A 518 of Grandsire Triples. A. Godfrey, H. Day, A. J.

Redman, W. E. Butler, A. Wicks conductor, W. H. Fussell, J. Phillips, A. Butler. 700 Grandsire Triples. A. J. Redman, H. Day, W. Parker, A. Dickenson, W. H. Fussell conductor, W. E. Butler, A. Wicks, A. Butler. 336 Bob Major. T. Collins, A. Godfrey, T. Sadler, H. Day, W. H. Fussell conductor, A. Wicks, W. E. Butler, A. J. Redman. Two courses of Kent Treble Bob Minor. A. Wicks, T. Sadler, W. Parker, W. E. Butler, W. H. Fussell, A. J. Redman.

**CLIFTON.**—Recently at the parish church a quarter-peal of London Surprise Major. A. Harvey, W. H. Thomas, W. E. Apperley, R. J. Wilkins, S. Thomas, J. Thomas conductor, J. Burford, G. Jayne.

**EDENHAM (Lincolnshire).**—On Sunday, March 6th, for Divine Service, 240 Stedman Doubles, 240 Grandsire Doubles, 120 New Doubles. B. Goswell, C. Neverson, H. Cunningham, J. Alford, W. G. Jones, A. Holmes conductor.

**EYNSFORD (Kent).**—On Sunday evening, January 10th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor with the tenor covering. E. H. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, R. Baldwin, R. Brett conductor, G. Taylor, W. West. On Sunday, February 7th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor with 6-8 covering. W. West, E. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, R. Brett, R. Slade. R. Baldwin conductor, H. Bates. After service another 720 by the same band, conducted by R. Brett.

**HASLEMERE (Surrey).**—On January 22nd, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. R. Combes, W. Young, T. Mack, G. Goodchild, H. Mullard conductor, R. Hayes. Also on January 24th, for Divine service, 720 Bob Minor. R. Combes, J. B. Bridger, R. Hayes, G. Goodchild, T. Mack, W. Young conductor.

**HEADINGLEY.**—On Sunday, February 21st, for evening service at St. Michael's, 1680 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. T. Flint, G. Johnson, Robert Thomas, H. Williams conductor, W. Wood, B. Shaw, H. Lindsay, A. Haste. By the same band for evening service on Sunday, February 28th, 1184 changes London Surprise Major.

**LEWISHAM (Kent).**—On Sunday evening, February 7th, for Divine Service at St. Mary, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. H. Barrett, T. G. Deal, G. King, C. H. Walker, A. E. Sharpe, T. Taylor, H. Warnett, T. Clews.

**MORTON (Lincolnshire).**—Recently 720 Bob Minor. J. Bainbridge, C. Neverson, J. Machin, A. Holmes, J. Fowler, C. Fowler conductor.

**NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).**—On Wednesday, January 20th, 360 Bob Minor. E. Dumper, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., A. Marks, W. Rowe, sen., W. Tucker conductor. On Sunday morning, January 25th, 180 in the same method. W. Mundy 1, the rest as before. On Wednesday, February 10th, 720 Bob Minor. W. Mundy, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., A. Marks, E. Dumper, W. Tucker conductor. Also another 720. E. Dumper, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., A. Marks, W. Rowe, sen., W. Tucker conductor.

**STOKE, NEAR COVENTRY.**—On Saturday, January 9th, at the parish church, 360 Grandsire Doubles. J. H. White conductor, W. Maund, S. Hope, A. W. Flowers, W. H. Horwood. Also 480 in the same method. J. H. White conductor, S. Hope, W. H. Horwood, W. Maund, A. W. Flowers, W. Raven. On January 30th, 720 Bob Minor in 23 mins. A. W. Flowers, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Horwood conductor. Also 360 Grandsire Minor standing as before. And two courses of Bob Minor. J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Rees, S. Hope, A. W. Flowers, W. H. Horwood. On handbells four courses of Grandsire Triples. A. W. Flowers, J. H. White, R. Bosworth, W. Maund.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 1904.

MANY of our readers have beyond doubt discovered that the schedule of "Our Church Bells" which appears each week contains many features of interest, and that it is not mere detail. Items have appeared sent by some correspondents which may have caused a smile; others unfortunately have been of a lugubrious character. Of the latter class one may be seen this week. We have it



on the highest authority that the church of Holy Cross, Pershore, contains the best ring of eight in the kingdom. Such an assertion goes to show, at any rate, that the bells possess musical qualities of a sterling order. Yet we read in the schedule that the "bells do not go well; ropes are bad, clocking is permitted, and there is no Sunday ringing, only clocking." This is an unhappy state of affairs.

The sacred edifice in question—Pershore Abbey (as it is frequently called) has been liberally restored under the auspices of the highest authority, and therefore it is painful to read that its celebrated bells are in bad order. We appeal to the authorities at this famed Abbey to first of all stop the "clocking;" then to take measures, not to have the bells "partly rehung," but entirely restored. No stupendous effort is required; the difficulties attendant upon a complete restoration could be easily surmounted, and we believe if an attempt were made with spirit sufficient funds for the purpose could be soon obtained.

#### HEAVY WOOLLEN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, January 9th, the yearly meeting of the above Society was held at Dewsbury. Members were present from Kirkburton, Kirkeaton, Holmfirth, Armitage Bridge, Lindley, Mirfield, Liversedge, Batley, Dewsbury, Horbury, Earlsheaton. Mr. S. Goodall presided. After a few remarks from the chairman the Secretary, Mr. W. Idle, read the balance sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1903, which had been audited before the meeting. This showed the Society to be in a rather better condition financially than at the commencement of the year, the balance to the Society standing at £11 1s. 4d. against £10 10s. at the beginning of the year. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. S. Goodall; Vice-president, Mr. J. Blackburn; Secretary, Mr. W. Idle; Treasurer, Mr. J. Garforth; Auditors, Messrs. J. E. Carter and G. H. Hardy.

#### Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### TREBLE DOMINATED—OR DOMINATED TREBLE?

SIR,—As Mr. Daniell don't appreciate my distinction about foundations, I will try one other illustration. I remember the Opera House scheme upon the Thames Embankment, and I know the headquarters of the Metropolitan Police, which Mr. Daniell says is built upon the foundations put in for the opera house. Now be this the case or not, I don't care a fig. I will go a brass halfpenny to a brass button. The load now upon these foundations is not appreciably greater than what was intended originally. That's my argument, and what I intended when saying the foundations dominated the superstructure, but do not dominate the design.

Alliance Foundation. What did I do? Why cut out the dodging-places in 3-4 and 5-6, and thus made a combination between the plain and dodging hunts; giving new specifications and conditions to the method-builder, and placing the treble (or hunt) on a new path.

Mr. Daniell refers to The Glossary, page 10, to prove the hunting-course is not a method. Now really as a member of the Glossary committee I don't read quite like that in definition there given. The speciality of the hunting-course is "hunting." The movement of every bell is regular and orderly. The changes are continuous and without repetition, and is capable of yielding the full extent of the changes possible upon this or any odd or even number of bells. I believe this is almost more than can be said of any other set of figures this century has yet produced.

H. DAINS.

#### The Metropolis.

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A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR JONES .. .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 6.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. .. 3.	*CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. 7.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method.

##### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Friday, March 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5035 CHANGES.  
Tenor 24 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Treble.	EDWARD WALLAGE .. .. 6.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. .. 2.	FRANK SMITH .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. .. 3.	ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 8.
ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 4.	THOMAS LANGDON (P) .. .. 9.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.	HENRY STUBBS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

The above band consists entirely of the officers and committee of the Association. They were congratulated by the Hon. Chaplain on the excellent striking.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, WATERLOO ROAD,  
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5008 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. Treble.	RICHARD BEVAN .. .. 5.
ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 2.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 7.
FREDK. J. PERRIN .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST PYE .. .. Treble.	HARRY F. DAWKINS .. .. 5.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 2.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	*REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method away from the treble. This is the conductor's 500th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

#### The Provinces.

##### LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

##### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART.

THOMAS WILD .. .. Treble.	CHRISTOPHER PICK .. .. 5.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 2.	JAMES THOMAS .. .. 6.
ALBERT GOLDING .. .. 3.	JOHN W. DAVIS .. .. 7.
NOAH REES .. .. 4.	FREDERICK SANDFORD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

## STREATHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF EMMANUEL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

DR. ARTHUR B. CARPENTER <i>Treble</i> ..	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. . 5.
JAMES D. DREWITT .. .. . 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. .. . 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWITT .. .. . 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. . 7.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. .. . 4.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Daniels, who had been a ringer and also steeplekeeper for many years at the above church.

## NORTON-IN-THE-MOORS, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Surprise, City Delight, Duke of York, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDERICK T. DAWSON .. <i>Treble</i> ..	BERTRAM PEGG .. .. . 4.
JOHN T. TAYLOR .. .. . 2.	ELIJAH E. JOHNSON .. .. . 5.
WILLIAM A. TABERNOR .. .. . 3.	JOHN E. WHIELDON .. <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by JOHN E. WHIELDON.

First peal by all except the conductor, and is the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells. The age of the treble ringer is 14 years.

## CAMBRIDGE.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW THE GREAT,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR; 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

W. B. KEMPTON* .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	*H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. .. . 5.
E. V. COX* .. .. . 2.	A. F. JAMES .. .. . 6.
E. H. LEWIS* .. .. . 3.	G. TAYLOR .. .. . 7.
A. E. PITSTOW .. .. . 4.	F. PITSTOW .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed and Conducted by F. PITSTOW.

\*First peal in the method. This is the first peal in the method on tower bells in Cambridge. Rung on the occasion of the visit of their Majesties the King and Queen to Cambridge.

## BUNWELL, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 1, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

ROBERT HUTTON .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	FRED. HOUSEGO .. .. . 4.
ARTHUR STURMAN .. .. . 2.	WALTER CHANDLER .. .. . 5.
GEORGE SMITH, JUN. .. .. . 3.	W. E. BASON .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by R. HUTTON.

## HEADINGLEY, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION THE HEADINGLEY ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, March 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

TOM FLINT .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	HENRY LINDSAY .. .. . 5.
PERCY JOHNSON .. .. . 2.	BENJAMIN SHAW .. .. . 6.
ROBERT THOMAS .. .. . 3.	HARRY WILLIAMS .. .. . 7.
WALTER WOOD .. .. . 4.	ALBERT HASTE .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by HARRY WILLIAMS.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 2, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE H. STURT* .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	FRANK BENNETT .. .. . 5.
ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. . 2.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. . 6.
WILLIAM PELLING .. .. . 3.	KEITH HART .. .. . 7.
GEORGE PENFOLD .. .. . 4.	JOHN F. STEADMAN .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\*First peal.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 3, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK HOWCHIN .. <i>Treble</i> ..	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. . 5.
FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. .. . 2.	WILLIAM DUFFIELD .. .. . 6.
EDWIN CALVER .. .. . 3.	ARTHUR FULLER .. .. . 7.
ROBERT HUTTON .. .. . 4.	WILLIAM ROOPE, SEN. .. <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by HENRY DAINS and Conducted by FREDK. HOWCHIN.

## BRISTOL.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	JAMES RICHMOND .. .. . 6.
FRANCIS J. LEWIS .. .. . 2.	SAMUEL PHILLIPS .. .. . 7.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. .. . 3.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. . 8.
GEORGE T. DALTRY .. .. . 4.	HENRY HOWELL .. .. . 9.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. . 5.	URIAH BRAVEN .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

## FAVERSHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARIE OF CHARITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS'S. Tenor 20 cwt.

HENRY WALLIS .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	ALBERT BIGGS, JUN. .. .. . 5.
JACK WALLIS .. .. . 2.	EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. .. . 6.
ALBERT BIGGS, SEN. .. .. . 3.	*WILLIAM HOLDSTOCK .. .. . 7.
FREDERICK HURST .. .. . 4.	GEORGE WOOD .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Conducted by E. E. FOREMAN.

\*First peal with a bob bell.

## DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lbs.

H. PEVERELL .. .. <i>Treble</i> ..	JAMES BAXTER .. .. . 5.
G. W. PEVERELL .. .. . 2.	W. E. WALAND .. .. . 6.
J. G. HALL .. .. . 3.	J. G. GREEN .. .. . 7.
MAURICE B. DALEY* .. .. . 4.	ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. . <i>Tenor</i> .

Composition from *The Clavis*, and Conducted by JAS. BAXTER.

\*First peal of Treble Bob with a bob bell.

## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER CHARMAN* .. .. Treble.	JAMES W. CHAPMAN .. .. 5.
JOHN RICE .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS* .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 4.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method. J. Armstrong and J. W. Chapman were elected members previous to starting.

## FRIESTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 15½ cwt

EDWARD CLAYTON .. .. Treble.	HARRY BISHOP .. .. 4.
CHARLES F. W. SKELTON .. .. 2.	ERNEST SELLERS .. .. 5.
CHRISTOPHER STAFFURTH .. .. 3.	WILLIAM BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM BARKER.

## SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs. in F sharp.

HORACE F. STREET* .. Treble.	*HARRY ARGYLE .. .. 5.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY* .. 2.	*THOMAS W. CHAPMAN .. 6.
WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 7.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and  
Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

\*First peal in the method.

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

ELIJAH PAGET .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM FEAST .. .. 5.
ERNEST MILLS .. .. 2.	GEORGE GRIFFITHS .. .. 6.
THOMAS TAYLOR .. .. 3.	WILLIAM COOPER .. .. 7.
ARTHUR GRIFFITHS .. .. 4.	JOHN WHEATLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM COOPER.

Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Albert Mills, a ringer and member of the above band.

## MIDDLETON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS OLDHAM .. .. Treble.	HARRY WALMSLEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE WALMSLEY .. .. 2.	JOHN HARRISON .. .. 6.
JAMES ARROWSMITH .. .. 3.	DAN RENSHAW .. .. 7.
JAMES BASTOW .. .. 4.	TOM WELLENS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by DAN RENSHAW.

First peal of Major by the ringers of 2 and 5.

## HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE WARNER .. .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 2.	FREDERICK DENCH .. .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	*HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 7.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and  
Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

\*First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells.

## ASHTED, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:  
SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

ARTHUR DEAN .. .. Treble.	JOHN HOYLE .. .. 5.
JOHN WYATT .. .. 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 7.
HENRY CORBETT* .. .. 4.	DAVID ANSCOMBE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

\*First peal in the method.

## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM BALLS .. .. Treble.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. .. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM* .. 2.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 6.
GEORGE WHITING* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM RUMSEY .. .. 7.
EDGAR HICKS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and  
Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal in the method.

## GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES WASKETT .. .. Treble.	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON .. 5.
ERNEST J. RUNTER .. .. 2.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 6.
REGINALD EDWARDS .. .. 3.	ARTHUR HEAD .. .. 7.
THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.  
Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 6.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 4.	WILLIAM WOOD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rang to celebrate the two respective birthdays of Mrs. Motts, mother of James and William Motts, and Mrs. Wood, the wife of W. Wood, all wishing them many happy returns.

## DRIFHLINGTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. Treble.	HENRY GOOD .. .. 5.
BERNAL E. HOWE .. .. 2.	FREDERICK W. DIXON .. 6.
JOHN BODDY .. .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 7.
ARTHUR GILL .. .. 4.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by FREDK. W. DIXON.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S.

JAS. TAYLOR .. .. Treble.	J. B. TAYLOR .. .. 5.
O. EASTWOOD .. .. 2.	W. TAYLOR .. .. 6.
H. WALLS .. .. 3.	J. T. WRIGHT .. .. 7.
L. TAYLOR .. .. 4.	J. W. ORMEROD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

Rung in honour of the birthday of Miss Tattersall and J. B. Taylor, the ringers wishing them many happy returns.

ROTHWELL, NEAR LEEDS, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND  
DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

VILLIERS STACEY .. .. Treble.	J. W. T. HOLGATE .. .. 5.
ALFRED CHAPMAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM ABBISHAW .. 6.
JOSEPH C. ABBISHAW .. 3.	GEORGE W. STEEL .. .. 7.
JOSEPH HAIGH .. .. 4.	WALTER CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by W. CHAPMAN.

LINDFIELD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qrs. 19 lbs.

ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. Treble.	JOHN W. TAYLOR, JUN. .. 5.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 7.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Mr. Taylor, for whom this peal was arranged, was elected a member of the above Association before starting.

RIPPINGALE, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
Being forty-two 6-scores, each called differently.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM GIBBONS .. .. Treble.	JOHN W. BATRAM .. .. 3.
WILLIAM B. WILLIAMSON .. 2.	ARTHUR J. HOLMES .. .. 4.
THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE.

THE RINGERS' ONLY TRUE BADGE.—In Gold, Silver or Bronze.—Clocks, Watches, and all kinds of Jewellery.—COLDWELL (Ringer), Mirfield, Yorks.

## WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, WOOD GREEN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

A. COOPER .. .. Treble.	J. MALPASS .. .. 5.
A. PLANT .. .. 2.	E. J. TYLER .. .. 6.
A. H. HARBER .. .. 3.	C. TYLER .. .. 7.
C. WALLATER .. .. 4.	O. BROWN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by S. BIDDLESTONE, and Conducted by E. J. TYLER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. H. Harber on his twenty-first birthday, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

FREDERICK W. RICE .. Treble.	JAMES W. CHAPMAN .. 5.
JOHN RICE .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 6.
ALFRED D. MILLS .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 4.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

## GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

CHARLES CLARKE .. .. Treble.	HENRY BURCH .. .. 5.
JAMES MOTTS .. .. 2.	JOSEPH LAST .. .. 6.
WILLIAM LAST .. .. 3.	HARRY CUTTING .. .. 7.
FREDERICK CLARKE .. .. 4.	GEORGE ABLITT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

## BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

KEITH HART .. .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 2.	JOHN W. TAYLOR, JUN. .. 6.
GEORGE SMART .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 7.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This is the first peal on these bells, which have just been augmented from 5 to 8, and was rung after the Dedication service conducted by the Bishop of Chichester on the above date.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—The umpire to the peal of Treble Bob Major rung on handbells at 37, Canterbury Road, Dalston, on February 25th, was W. H. Pasmore.—The peal of Minor rung at St. Mary's, Upchurch, on Tuesday, February 23rd, should read William T. Hyland, 3; not William T. Gilbert as published in last week's "BELL NEWS."

## A SHORT SERVICE FOR RINGERS.

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## Notices.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's church, Manchester, to-day, Saturday, March 12th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7.  
J. SMITH, Branch Sec.

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held to-day, Saturday, March 12th, at Holmfirth. Meeting house, The Friendship Inn. Meeting to commence at 5.30 o'clock.  
WALTER IDLE, Sec.  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Herts Association.**—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Broxbourne to-day, Saturday, Mar. 12th, when the newly augmented ring will be open from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tea at The White Bear at 5.30, 6d. each. Business meeting after. All members and friends are cordially invited.

W. H. LAWRENCE, Dist. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Todmorden Unitarian to-day, Saturday, Mar. 12th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6 o'clock. All ringers invited.

J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, March 12th at St. Leonard's the Less, Salford. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5.30.  
R. SANDERSON, Hon. Sec.

**The Kent County Association.**—Rochester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Gravesend to-day, Saturday, 12th Mar. Tower open for ringing at 5 o'clock. Committee meeting at 6.30.

A. OSBORNE, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Great Bentley on Saturday, March 19th. Tea will be provided at The Lion inn, and business meeting will follow. Members intending to be there should give three days notice.

ERNEST W. BECKWITH,  
Coggeshall, Hon. Dist. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A special meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, March 19th, at Ormskirk. Bells ready at 4. Members are requested to attend.  
WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursday, March 24th, at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on Tuesday the 15th, and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday the 30th. Business meetings after the two latter.

W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.  
'Frodingham,' Elmhurst Street, Clapham, S.W.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The yearly meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, March 26th. Bells (12) available 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Nag's Head hotel, Kirkgate, at 7.30 p.m. Election of officers for ensuing year.

F. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. J. R. Haworth's address is now 31, Dean's Court, Old Bailey, London, E.C.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

**THE PEAL AT WALWORTH.**—W. Pye's 500 Peals.—Grandsire Triples 12 conducted 3; Caters 4 conducted 2; Cinques 1 conducted 1; Stedman Triples 97 conducted 81; Caters 63 conducted 46; Cinques 17 conducted 13 including a 11,111; Seven Minor Methods 2; Bob Major 4; Kent Treble Bob Major 20 conducted 15 including a 10,464; Royal 20 conducted 13; Maximus 4 conducted 4; Oxford Treble Bob Major 7 conducted 6; Royal 2 conducted 1; Double Oxford Bob Major 1; Duffield Major 1; Double Norwich Major 57 conducted 46 including a 15,072; Superlative Surprise Major 91 conducted 73; Cambridge ditto 10 conducted 7; New Cambridge ditto 12 conducted 11; Royal 3 conducted 3; New Cumberland Surprise Major 1 conducted 1; London Surprise Major 16 conducted 16 including a 14,112. On Handbells: Grandsire Triples 1; Stedman Triples 21 conducted 14 (1 non-conducted); Caters 8 conducted 7; Cinques 1 conducted 1; Treble Bob Major 6 conducted 4; Royal 3 conducted 2; Double Norwich Major 4 conducted 2; Superlative Surprise 6 conducted 3 (1 non-conducted); New Cambridge Surprise Major 3 conducted 3; London ditto 2 conducted 2. Total 500, conducted 380. In addition to this Mr. Pye has taken part in 6 false compositions.

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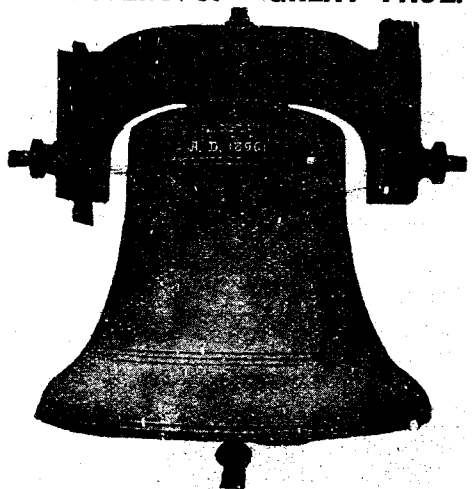
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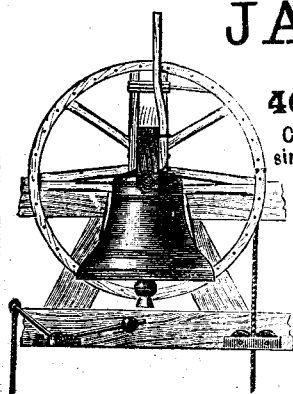
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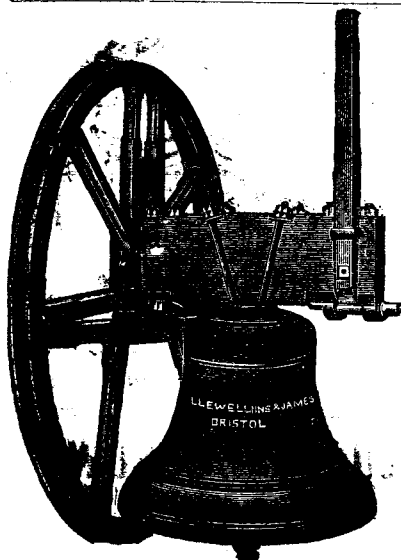
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PILTON (Devon). St. Mary. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd, 3rd and 4th by Taylor, 1853; the rest by Rudhall, 1712. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1853. Rehanging is again under consideration. Ropes good. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 9 to 10. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

PINNER (Middlesex). St. John the Baptist. Middlesex County Association. Eight bells. All by Pack, 1771. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Banks, 1879. Ropes new 1898. No half-pull ringing now. Sunday ringing: alternate Sundays 6 to 6.20 p.m. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

PLYMOUTH (Devon). St. Andrew. Ten bells. No return.

Charles Church. Devonshire Guild. Ten bells. The two trebles by Mears, 1898; 3rd, 9th and tenor by the same, 1856; the rest by Chapman, 1782. Tenor 24 cwt. Iron frame. Bells are pealable. Clocking permitted. Back eight rehung by Blackbourn, 1898, and treble added. Ropes new 1898, fair. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing on festivals, and occasionally practice, Wednesday, 7.30.

PLYMPTON (Devon). St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

St. Maurice. Eight bells. Treble and 2nd by Mears, 1895; 7th, 1833. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. by Pannell; the rest by I. P., 1768. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Frame and fittings defective, but there are no funds. Ropes new 1895, bad. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 1st in month, 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED.

The monthly meeting was held on January 30th at Pudsey. The proceedings commenced with an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, which however came to grief after ringing about an hour. Other tower ringing also took place during the afternoon, Treble Bob Major, Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples being the methods rung. An adjournment was afterwards made to The Royal hotel, where a good number were assembled. About 7.0 p.m. dinner was announced, when upwards of forty members sat down to an excellent fare. Dinner over, the business meeting was announced to take place, Mr. G. Barraclough being in the chair, and Mr. T. Maude in the vice-chair. Mr. Farrar (Vicar's warden), and Mr. S. Whetham (people's warden), were also present. The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed and passed as read by Mr. G. Bolland, seconded by Mr. M. Broadbent. Mr. Farrar in reply to a vote of thanks said it gave him great pleasure to see so many present at the meeting, and thanked the members present for their kind vote of thanks.

Three new members were elected. No other business being forthcoming, the usual vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells was proposed by Mr. G. Bolland, seconded by Mr. W. Child and carried.

A special vote of thanks to the local company for the excellent dinner provided, and for the kind way in which all present had been received, was proposed by Mr. J. W. T. Holgate, seconded by Mr. L. Stokoe, and unanimously carried. Mr. Birks, on behalf of the local company, gave all a hearty welcome.

On the motion of Mr. G. Bolland, seconded by Mr. Wilson, a vote of thanks was accorded to the caterer, Mr. Stansfield, who thanked the company for the kind vote of thanks, and also for their patronage during the evening.

The following towers were represented by upwards of forty members: Armley, Bramley, Bradford, Calverley, St. Chad and St. Michael (Headingley), Huddersfield, Leeds, Liversedge, Tong, Wakefield and the local company. The St. Chad's handbell ringers gave selections on the handbells during the evening. Touches of Grandsire Caters and Royal, Kent Treble Bob Major, Bob Major and Oxford Treble Bob Minor were rung during the evening, and finally brought the meeting to a close.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

On Saturday, January 23rd, the above Association held its first district or periodical meeting. The tower selected by the committee was that of St. Luke's, Chelsea. The local band who are members and attached to the Association, made the necessary arrangements. Ringing commenced soon after 5 p.m., and was continued (except during the evensong which was at 6), till 9 o'clock. Touches were rung in different methods, including Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, and

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Kent Treble Bob, but not much good striking was obtained through the unsatisfactory "go" of the bells. The conducting was shared by Messrs. J. C. Jackson, C. Charge, H. Miles and T. H. Taffender. Some thirty odd members attended, coming from the different parishes of Hammersmith, Fulham, Kensington, Battersea, Brockley, Southwark, Bow, Willesden, etc. Altogether the meeting was entirely a successful one, as all the local men attended and gained a large amount of practice.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Cranbrook on Saturday, January 30th, and notwithstanding the wet weather was extremely well attended. Members were present from Benenden, Chiddingstone, Hadlow, Headcorn, Lyminge, Penshurst, Staplehurst, Shipbourne, Seal Chart, Tenterden, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells and Westerham. At the committee meeting twenty-three new members were elected, including the band at Edenbridge, which has lately been re-organised. At 5.30 the members sat down to an excellent meat tea at The George hotel. The Vicar of Cranbrook, the Rev. Canon Bell, presided, supported by the Rev. P. A. L. Clarke (curate), and Mr. Taylor (sexton). At the conclusion of the repeat the business meeting was held, the Vicar presiding. Before reading the minutes of the last meeting, the District Secretary read a letter from Miss Leny, of Speldhurst, expressing her deep regret at being unable to be present with them as she had fully intended to be, and giving the members a cordial invitation to visit Speldhurst again this year. The invitation was accepted with applause.

The minutes and the District Secretary's annual report were read and considered very satisfactory. Mr. W. Latter and Mr. D. Wright were unanimously re-elected to the respective offices of District Secretary and District Representative. Both briefly returned thanks for their re-election.

It was unanimously decided that the meetings for the ensuing year should be held as follows: Edenbridge in April; Speldhurst in July; Shipbourne in September; and the annual district meeting at Chiddingstone in February 1905.

There being no other business, Mr. D. Wright proposed, and Mr. W. Spice seconded a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and parish room, and for presiding at the meeting; and also to the Rev. P. A. L. Clarke for his attendance. This was supported by the District Secretary, who spoke of the cordial manner with which the Vicar assented to them holding their meeting at Cranbrook, and with the Rev. P. A. L. Clarke accepted the invitation to tea.

This was carried with musical honours. Canon Bell, on rising to reply, received a hearty reception. He said it had given him the greatest pleasure to meet the members of the Association and to hear change-ringing on the bells. He thought he might claim to have done something for ringers, for at his old parish of Sittingbourne the tower and bells got into a very bad state; he issued an appeal for funds to put them into repair, and in a very short time he not only obtained money enough to restore the tower and rehang the bells, but had a surplus of several hundred pounds with which he was able to do something towards restoring the fabric of the church. When he came to Cranbrook he found the bells there were in a very bad state and required rehangings. After he had raised the

funds to repair the school buildings he issued an appeal for money to rehang the bells. This appeal was met very liberally, members of all denominations contributing to this object, and in a very short time he was able to place the order in the hands of the bellhangers, the result of which the ringers had practically tested that day. He could say for the encouragement of those who had bells that wanted rehangings, that he found the money came in better for that object than for anything else he knew. His only regret was that he had not got a good band of change-ringers to ring the bells, but he hoped the time was not far distant when they would be in a position to apply to the Association for an instructor.

Rev. P. A. L. Clarke also replied, saying that he was trying to master the art of bellringing, and he hoped some day to become a change-ringer.

A very pleasant gathering was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem, and the members again visited the tower and rang touches in various methods until after 9 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Maidstone District was held at Lenham on Saturday, February 13th, being attended by about forty members from Maidstone, Bearsted, Boxley, Wrotham, Leeds, Borden, Tunbridge Wells and Lyminge. The committee meeting was held previous to the tea, at which Mr. A. Palmer was voted to the chair. Mr. A. Tawney was unanimously re-elected Secretary; and Mr. T. Mannering was re-elected representative. The question was raised as to the advisability of arranging quarterly peals by the district members, the Secretary being instructed to arrange the same if possible once a quarter during the coming year.

The tea was held at The Dog and Bear, the Rev. — Smith, the newly-appointed Vicar, who arrived in the parish the previous evening, presiding over the same. The Secretary gave his report which was accepted. It was proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the Vicar for presiding and granting the use of the bells.

The Vicar in reply gave them a hearty welcome to Lenham. Although not a practical bell-ringer himself he always had taken a great interest in anything connected with bell-ringers. He said that he had of late heard a great deal about change-ringing in the county of Kent and its Association, especially since he had been appointed Vicar of Lenham. He was very pleased to find there was a peal of eight bells in the tower, and he would be very pleased to grant the use of them to any members of the Association who cared to attempt a peal, especially after having heard from the Secretary's report that the number of peals rang in the district during the past year was very small. He said that he also wished to become an honorary member, which was received with hearty applause. It was decided to hold the annual meeting at Aylesford in 1905.

The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major, the bells being kept going till 9 o'clock. A 504 of Stedman Triples was brought round, which ended a good and successful meeting.

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## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Wirral Branch was held at Neston on Saturday, February 13th. There was a fair attendance of members, especially considering the unpropitious state of the weather. After ringing had been in progress at the parish church for about two hours, an adjournment was made to Miss Johnson's Restaurant for tea, to which a goodly number sat down, the Vicar, the Rev. E. C. Turner, presiding. Tea over, the business was proceeded with.

The Chairman expressed his pleasure at again meeting the church bellringers of Wirral at Neston, and regretted the absence through indisposition of the hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. Bertrand G. Macandrew.

From the hon. secretary's annual report it appeared that Burton belfry had been added to the Guild, and there had been a steady increase in the membership throughout the year. The accounts showed that the year commenced with a balance in hand of £9 10s. 1d., and ended with the satisfactory sum of £12 10s. 2d. to the good.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Dillon, seconded by Mr. F. Banton, the Rev. Canon Taylor was unanimously re-elected President for the ensuing year, and Mr. Macandrew was, on the proposition of Mr. Dillon, seconded by Mr. E. Breeze, re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer, while Mr. Banton proposed, and Mr. W. Briscoe seconded, the re-election of Mr. Dillon as hon. ringing secretary. Messrs. E. Breeze and W. Wilcox were elected Diocesan representatives, and six new names were added to the roll of membership.

The Chairman proposed a vote of condolence with the Rev. P. C. Robin, Vicar of Woodchurch, and an hon. member of the Guild, on his sad bereavement in the death of Mrs. Robin, and the hon. secretary was requested to convey the same to the rev. gentleman.

A vote of thanks to Canon Turner for providing, and presiding over the tea and meeting was unanimously accorded, the members returning to the tower, where ringing was again indulged in, in various methods, till a late hour.

## BELLRINGING IN A COALPIT.

On a recent Saturday, by invitation, the ringers of St. James's church, Bolton, Bradford, paid a visit to the Horserigg Colliery, Gildersome. Amongst the visitors were Messrs. Jackson, Kendall, Sagar and F. W. Dixon. On arriving at the pit bank the party was taken in hand by Mr. William Hartley, deputy, and Mr. Francis Barker, who conducted their guests through the bewildering passes, pointing out and explaining various items of interest. At the conclusion of the journey a peal of handbells was produced, on which was rung a course of Grandsire Caters, this being the first time that the sound of a peal of bells had been heard in the bottom of a coalpit. At the Spotted Cow inn, Drighlington, luncheon was provided, and a cordial vote of thanks was accorded Messrs. Wheatley and Render, proprietors of the colliery, for the treat which the visit had afforded: to Mr. W. Hartley (deputy), Mr. F. Calvert (engineer), and Mr. F. Barker; and to the Vicar of Drighlington for the use of the bells, on the motion of B. T. Copley, seconded by C. Jackson. The outing concluded with the ringing of a peal of 5024 Kent Treble Bob Major, particulars of which appeared last week.

## DEATH OF AN OLD BELLRINGER.

## SOME REMINISCENCES.

By the death of William Alley, which occurred from old age recently, Trowbridge has lost one of its oldest and respected inhabitants, and the district its oldest bellringer. Born on June 13th, 1820, at a house believed to be where stands the Co-operative warehouse in Church Street, he early acquired a liking for ringing, and joined the parish church company at the age of sixteen, and continued regularly to ring there until his age prevented him. He was always proud of the distinction of having rung at the Accession, Coronation, Jubilee, Diamond Jubilee, and death of the late Queen Victoria, in addition to all the important and historic public occasions during her long reign. In 1897—the Diamond Jubilee year—the Rector of the parish forwarded Alley's photograph, together with a letter of explanation to Her Majesty, who graciously replied through her secretary acknowledging the same. In the thirties he was one of the four ringers, who, during the carrying out of some repairs to the church spire, ascended in a basket raised by means of ropes to the top of the weathercock, where a selection on handbells was given before an interested crowd below. His cheerful disposition made him decidedly popular amongst his fellow-ringers, many of whom have him to thank for sound advice, both theoretical and practical in change-ringing. His motto to beginners was "A clear head, a steady hand, and a tight rope." His last pull at the bells was at the Coronation of King Edward VII., when his colleague helped him into the tower in order to give him the satisfaction of having rung on that occasion.

By trade Alley was a scourer and dyer, and was employed at different times at factories of Messrs. Lawson, Webber, and lastly at Hayward's (now McCall's). For 16 years, however, he had been on the retired list, occupying one of the Church Almshouses in Union Street. Although a change-ringer nearly all his life, and an excellent striker, he did not take part in a 5000 until 1886, viz., a 5040 of Grandsire Triples at the parish church. It is worthy of note that he was baptized by the poet Crabbe, who was Rector of Trowbridge, and whom he could well recollect.

## THE WARWICK SOCIETY.

An interesting event took place in the tower of All Saints church, Emscote, on Saturday, February 13th, when a tablet recording the three peals rung last year was unveiled by Miss Dickins. The Vicar and Miss Dickins were met by several members of the society in the belfry, the company including most of those who had taken part in the peals. The Hon. Secretary in requesting Miss Dickins to unveil the tablet, bore testimony to the gratitude of the members for the kind welcome which had always been given them by the Vicar. Several touches were then rung, after which those present were entertained at supper. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. and Miss Dickins for the interest they took in the doings of the society, and for their hospitality on this occasion. The tablet is the work of Mr. James Hunt, of Guildford, and gives the greatest satisfaction to all concerned.

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## Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## TREBLE DOMINATED OR DOMINATED TREBLE?

SIR,—I must confess that I am no more able to appreciate the distinction drawn by Mr. Dains in your columns last week than those he has drawn previously. To say that the foundation dominates the superstructure appears to me to be as much upside down as to say that a man's brains are situated in the soles of his feet. Of course a foundation will carry any load, provided the load be not in excess of the supporting capacity of the foundation, and likewise the foundation of the plain hunt is equal to supporting the more elaborate superstructure of Double Norwich, as well as the simplicity of Plain Bob; and this applies whether the foundation be a Plain, Treble Bob or Alliance hunt.

Mr. Dains appears to dislike the definition of "method" in the Glossary. That definition excludes the hunting course, for which he claims great things as utilized by himself, and far be it from me to disparage for one moment the ingenuity he has displayed in his manipulation of it. But after all he can only produce one lead with it unless a call is made which entails place-making. But who wants to confine himself to ringing one lead? Surely the term Method, as representing what the Exercise uses it for, must take account of all the place-making necessary for the composition of a touch or peal; and if this is so, the definition in the Glossary seems true to facts and common sense. And further it appears to me to demonstrate the absolute predominance of place-making in all methods, and, as a consequence, that the term "treble dominated" is nothing better than a cacophonous fraud.

Mr. Trollope has impugned the accuracy of the Glossary definition by saying that the hunting course is a method according to all rules; but as he does not set out the rules on which he relies, he does not help us much to see why he should be right and the Glossary wrong. But Mr. Dains's disparagement of the definition is a more important matter, as he is one of those who are responsible for it; and it therefore seems to me that the Exercise may reasonably ask his colleagues for assistance in estimating its value. One of them, Mr. Bulwer, has, to the great loss of the Exercise, passed away from this world. But there remain Sir Arthur Heywood, Messrs. Wm. Snowdon, C. D. P. Davies and N. J. Pitstow. I invite these gentlemen to inform the Exercise through your columns whether they still adhere to this definition of method, and if not, why not.

R. A. DANIELL.

## STEEPLEAGE IN SUSSEX.

SIR,—May I say how glad I am, as I am sure all Sussex ringers are, to see the letter that appeared in a recent issue upon the above subject. It will be agreed, I think, that the St. Nicholas' Society have taken the only wise course that was open to them, and rescinded the rule of compulsory steepleage. The question of a voluntary offering towards the church expenses, which is now invited, is another matter, and calls for no comment from me. For the rest, I make known my identity as the writer of the letters signed "Disgusted," and having gained the end I had in view—which was only in the interests of change-ringing in Sussex—I thank you for the publicity you have given to the matter.

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## Date Touches.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

LEEK (Staffordshire).—On Thursday, March 3rd, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 16 mins. G. Cope, F. Walwyn, J. H. Goodwin, J. Rider, A. Pegg, E. Sharratt, sen., E. Sharratt, jun., E. A. Ridgway composer and conductor.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Thursday, March 3rd, at St. Peter's church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 15 mins. W. T. Burton, T. Horton, W. E. White, F. Johnson, W. Clifford, jun., E. Wooding, R. Clifford, G. Johnson. Composed by R. Clifford and conducted by G. Johnson.

WIDFORD (Essex).—On Sunday, March 13th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 10 mins. A. Whight, W. Rowland, jun., W. Wellington, B. S. Thompson, R. Edwards, H. F. Cooper, H. W. Kirton, A. Head. Composed by P. O. Bixby, and Conducted by H. W. Kirton.

## Miscellaneous.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

JARROW.—On February 22nd, for practice at St. Peter's church, a 720 of Bob Minor. W. Russell, W. Shaw, A. English, E. A. Hern, J. T. Hogg conductor, R. S. Russell. On March 7th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. W. Russell, W. Shaw, G. McHattie, A. English, E. A. Hern. R. S. Russell conductor.

NORTH SHIELDS.—On February 17th, for Divine Service, 720 Double Oxford Minor. A. Lawson, R. M. Hogg, A. Tully, J. Hern, J. T. Hogg conductor, E. A. Hern. On March 9th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor. T. A. Teasdale conductor, R. M. Hogg, R. S. Russell, J. Hern, J. T. Hogg, A. Tully.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—On handbells, double-handed, during the Lent Term. 1264 Bob Major. E. H. Lewis, H. S. T. Richardson, B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey conductor. 576, 704 and 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major and a course of Double Norwich. E. H. Lewis, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake. 480, 880 and 1440 Kent Treble Bob Royal, with F. S. Poole, 7-8. 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. E. H. Lewis, 1-2; Rev. H. J. Elsee, 3; Rev. W. W. C. Baker, 4; H. S. T. Richardson conductor, 5-6. And two 720s of Kent Treble Bob Minor, 720 Oxford Bob Minor, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Caters.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.—On Wednesday, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. H. Floyd, G. N. Price conductor, W. Floyd, J. Floyd, H. Golding, C. Golding, G. Warner, G. Sells.

BUCKLEY (Flintshire).—On Monday, February 15th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins. H. Jones, T. J. Price, H. Hughes, Henry Hughes, J. Usher, W. Short conductor E. Griffiths, W. Bellis.

MANSFIELD (Notts).—On Sunday evening, March 13th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. C. Carr, W. Gosling, sen., G. Hardstaff, H. Alsop, C. Reed, W. Gosling, jun. conductor, F. May, J. Witshead.

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**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Great Bentley to-day, Saturday, March 19th. Tea will be provided at The Lion inn, and business meeting will follow.

ERNEST W. BECKWITH,  
Coggeshall Hon. Dist. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A special meeting of the above will be held to-day, Sat., March 19th, at Ormskirk. Bells ready at 4. Members are requested to attend. WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Through the serious illness of Mr. Latham, one of the churchwardens of St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, there will be no practice at that church on the 24th inst. The next meeting will be held at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on Wednesday, March 30th, after ringing at St. Michael's, Cornhill.

W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.  
'Frodingham,' Elmhurst Street, Clapham, S.W.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The yearly meeting will be held at Leeds on Saturday, March 26th. Bells (12) available 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Nag's Head hotel, Kirkgate, at 7.30 p.m. Election of officers for ensuing year.

F. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Tenterden on Saturday, March 26th. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m. Service at 5 and tea at 5.30. All ringers are heartily welcomed. Will all those intending to be present at tea kindly send in their names on or before Wednesday, March 23rd, to

C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec.  
British School Villas, Tenterden.

**The London County Association,** late St. James's Society.—The practice and meeting is cancelled for Monday, March 28th, at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next will be held on Monday, April 11th, at 7.45

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Ashover on Easter Monday, 4th April. Service at 4.30 p.m., preacher, Rev. A. F. Beeston, Vicar of New Mills. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 6d. each to members, 1s. to others. Meeting after tea. Two miles from Stretton Station on Midland Railway.

T. ALLIBONE, Sec.  
North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**The Norwich Diocesan Association.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Framlingham on Easter Monday, April 4th. The ring of 8 at the parish church and the 6 at Earl Soham will be open. Dinner at The Corn Hall (adjoining The Crown hotel) at 1.30 p.m. Notice of intention to be present must be sent by March 30th.

CHARLES E. BORRETT, Sec.  
10, Chester Street, Norwich.

**The Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—The annual meeting will take place at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 4th. Service will be held in St. Helen's church at 1.30, at which the Rev. Canon Cresswell Strange has kindly consented to give an address. Business meeting in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral, at 2.30 prompt. The Very Rev. R. W. Forrest, Dean of Wor-

cester, will preside. A free tea will be provided at The Angel hotel, Sidbury, at 4.30, to those members sending in their names to me on or before Wednesday, March 30th. Tickets will be provided to admit members to tea, which can be obtained from me on or before the date of meeting. The following towers are available for ringing: the Cathedral from 5 to 6 p.m. only; St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Swithin's, St. Nicholas', St. John's and St. Martin's (6). All subscriptions not previously paid should be paid at this meeting. The annual report will be ready for distribution. Members requiring copies of The Glossary can have same on application for them. Certificate of membership can also be obtained for 6d. each.

JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday. Particulars of arrangements will be published next week.

DUNSTABLE. W. W. C. BAKER, Hon. Sec.

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Eckington on Easter Monday. Members are invited to take tea with the Rector at 4 o'clock; those who intend being present at tea must signify their intention not later than Monday, March 28th, to Mr. S. Robinson, jun., 145, High St., Eckington.

S. THOMAS, Pres.

**The Essex Association.**—South-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Stanford-le-Hope on Easter Monday, April 4th. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.

H. T. WILSON, Dist. Sec.  
32, Windsor Road, Westcliff.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 4th, to which all members and friends are cordially invited. The bells of St. Mary's, St. Peter's, All Saints' and Holy Trinity (Lenton) churches will be available for ringing from 10 a.m., excepting during the time of tea and general meeting. Committee meeting, followed by tea (1s. 6d. each) and general meeting, in the Arboretum Refreshment Rooms. As a guarantee has to be given to the caterers, it is particularly requested that all those intending to be present will forward their names to Mr. R. Clifford, 3, Chapel St., Beeston, Notts, so as to reach him not later than first post on Thursday, March 31st.

COLTGRAVE, Notts. W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Special attention is drawn to the fact that the reprint of The Glossary (2000 copies) is now ready and may be obtained from Messrs. Bemrose, as stated in the advertisement (which see).

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, Hon. Sec.  
14th March, 1904.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

**MR. A. KNIGHTS'S 100 PEALS.**—Bob Triples 1 conducted 1, Major 9 conducted 3, Royal 2 conducted 2; Canterbury Pleasure Triples 1 conducted 1, Caters 1 conducted 1; Grandsire Triples 9 conducted 7, Caters 6 conducted 2, Stedman Triples 2, Caters 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major 6 conducted 5, Royal 2 conducted 2; Kent Treble Bob Major 45 conducted 26, Royal 8 conducted 4; Double Norwich Major 1 conducted 1; Superlative Surprise Major 4; Yorkshire Surprise Major 2. Total 100, conducted 55. Of these peals 78 had not been previously rung.

**CHANGES OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. J. R. Haworth's address is now 31, Dean's Court, Old Bailey, London, E.C.—Mr. George Condict, jun., has removed to 20, Caxton Road, Shepherd's Bush, London, W.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1904.

THE observations made last week with reference to the condition of the bells of Pershore Abbey have brought forth one or two letters of approval. One correspondent thinks it a crying scandal that so many famed bells belonging to the Church should be allowed to get into a bad condition; a scandal, he says, towards which very drastic measures should be taken for removal. Another corres-

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pendent deplores the prevailing laxity of many of the clergy, and would like to hear of a powerful crusade against such laxity. We should all like to hear of some wise attempt being made; but it should be remembered that much has been already done, for which we are thankful, though much more remains.

No doubt it is sad to be compelled to allow the fact that, although we have many of the clergy with us, and the splendid organizations among the Exercise constantly fighting against apathy, great numbers of the clergy are positively callous about their bells. Some of them, we may say, hardly know how many bells they have in their churches, and care less. Belfry economy and reform is unknown to them. These gentlemen have better fish to fry; in other words, to trouble themselves about ringing doesn't pay. This is a very bad state of affairs, and to an educated ringer, especially, such callousness with respect to a beautiful or historical ring of bells is nigh heart-break. We can only wait in patience, and keep alive all movements which may lead to a happy change.

### DRONFIELD, NEAR SHEFEIELD.

A large church clock, with four illuminated dials, and chiming the Cambridge quarters, was formally started on Saturday afternoon by Samuel Lucas, Esq., chairman of the District Council. The clock is generally to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe, and is made by John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 2.	ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 6.
JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 7.
FRANK SMITH .. .. 4.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

### The Provinces.

#### DISS, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR PART REVERSED. Tenor 24 cwt.

W. C. GILLINGHAM .. Treble.	W. C. WISKINS .. .. 5.
G. ARCHER .. .. 2.	J. SMITH .. .. 6.
W. IRELAND .. .. 3.	J. SOUTER .. .. 7.
W. SALTER .. .. 4.	W. C. CHENERY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. SOUTER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. C. Chenery, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

#### BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, three 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

FRED CUTTING .. .. Treble.	ALFRED MOSS .. .. 4.
WILLIAM SAWYER .. .. 2.	ROBERT SMY .. .. 5.
ALDERMAN LING .. .. 3.	HENRY PUTTOCK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY PUTTOCK.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late James Smith, who was for many years a ringer and chimer at the above church.

#### TUNSTALL, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford; College Single, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Kent.

GEORGE GILBERT .. Treble.	CHARLES E. SMITH .. .. 4.
JOSEPH E. GREYSTED .. 2.	FREDERICK FAIRBEARD .. 5.
THOMAS JULL .. .. 3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

#### BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 15½ cwt.

SIDNEY WALTER* .. Treble.	HARRY BARTON .. .. 5.
LIONEL SHOORIDGE .. 2.	GEORGE WILLSHIRE .. .. 6.
JAMES HENLEY† .. .. 3.	HENRY C. CASTLE .. .. 7.
GEORGE DENNE† .. .. 4.	*HARRISON SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY BARTON.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. ‡First peal in the method.

#### HOLBECK, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

W. H. ASH .. .. Treble.	J. WOODHEAD .. .. 5.
J. BOSHELL* .. .. 2.	*C. MOSS .. .. 6.
H. HOWLAND .. .. 3.	†J. A. TEALE .. .. 7.
H. TOMLINSON .. .. 4.	D. YORKE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by J. A. TEALE.

†First peal as conductor and first attempt. \*First peal.

#### ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; WASHBROOK'S FOUR-PART (No. 1.) Tenor 22½ cwt.

JAS. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. Treble.	J. BLACK .. .. 5.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. 2.	T. MYERS .. .. 6.
FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. 3.	J. W. WASHBROOK, .. 7.
ANDREW STUART .. .. 4.	R. PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. W. WASHBROOK.

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## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

ELIJAH PAGETT .. .. Treble.	JAMES HARES .. .. 5.
JAMES P. SIMPSON .. .. 2.	*JESSE SCREEM .. .. 6.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM COOPER .. .. 7.
THOMAS H. REEVES .. .. 4.	RICHARD SPEAKMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JESSE SCREEM.

\*First peal as conductor.

## WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Violet, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Duke of York, and College Exercise.

GEORGE KEMP .. .. Treble.	THOMAS DAVY .. .. 4.
HARRY DAVY .. .. 2.	HARRY CATTERMOLLE .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PLEASANCE .. .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

Rung as a farewell peal to F. Pleasance who is leaving the neighbourhood for Icklingham, the ringers wishing him every success.

## GORLESTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

H. R. WOODWARD* .. .. Treble.	W. A. ARNOTT .. .. 4.
J. GODFREY .. .. 2.	D. HAYWARD .. .. 5.
A. FULLER .. .. 3.	G. ORFORD .. .. Tenor.

(No conductor mentioned.)

\*First peal. Rung as birthday compliment to E. R. Todd who was unable to take part in the peal owing to a very bad cold.

## MIRFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. Treble.	JOHN T. EASON .. .. 6.
ALBERT SCOTT .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. .. 3.	THOMAS H. ORMOND .. .. 8.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 4.	FRANCIS WOODHEAD .. .. 9.
BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. .. 5.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by CHAS. JACKSON.

First peal in the method on the bells; also first peal by the Association on the bells.

## BISHOP AUCKLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

G. W. PEVERELL* .. .. Treble.	*H. C. MAYNE .. .. 5.
W. E. WALAND* .. .. 2.	*J. G. GREEN .. .. 6.
J. G. HALL* .. .. 3.	T. METCALFE .. .. 7.
JAS. BAXTER .. .. 4.	H. PEVERELL .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by H. PEVERELL.

\*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. Herbert Gouldsmith, M.A., who was publicly inducted as Vicar of the above church by the Ven. Archdeacon Long on Thursday, March 10th.

## HILLINGDON WEST, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWARD T. GRIFFIN .. Treble.	GEORGE BASDEN .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER .. 2.	JOHN BASDEN .. .. 6.
JOSEPH J. PARKER .. .. 3.	*HENRY FOLKARD .. .. 7.
JOSEPH J. PRATT .. .. 4.	HENRY H. CHANDLER .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JOHN BASDEN.

\*Elected a member previous to starting.

## WOODLESFORD, NEAR LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Tulip, Primrose, Cambridge Surprise, College Treble, College Exercise, Arnold's Victory, and London Scholars' Pleasure.

Tenor 9 cwt.

JOSEPH HAIGH .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM ABBISHAW .. .. 4.
ALFRED CHAPMAN .. .. 2.	GEORGE W. STEEL .. .. 5.
JOSEPH C. ABBISHAW .. 3.	WALTER CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WALTER CHAPMAN.

## LANGDALE, WESTMORELAND.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford and Kent, and one of Violet, each called differently.

Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qrs. 25 lbs. in A flat.

R. SATTERTHWAITE .. Treble.	J. BACKHOUSE .. .. 4.
W. NEVINSON .. .. 2.	J. HOLME .. .. 5.
F. WOODEND .. .. 3.	*W. ROBINSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. SATTERTHWAITE.

This is the first peal on the bells. \*First peal.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. Treble.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWITT .. .. 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWITT .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 7.
DR. ARTHUR B. CARPENTER 4.	*THOMAS STEERS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

\*First peal. Rung as a thanksgiving peal; their brother-ringer, Mr. A. Calver, having favourably passed the crisis of a very serious illness.

## CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-ON-THE-HILL,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING* .. Treble.	WILLIAM SCONCE .. .. 5.
GEO. JONES .. .. 2.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. 6.
H. W. WILDE .. .. 3.	T. J. BETHEL .. .. 7.
ROWE HUXLEY .. .. 4.	HENRY DEW .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

First peal in the method on eight bells. \*First peal on eight bells as conductor. The above peal was Reeves's five-part.



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## BRISTOL.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE T. DALTRY .. Treble.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 5.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 2.	JOHN BURFORD .. .. 6.
FRED G. MAY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM STOWELL .. .. 7.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 4.	HARRY WITHERS .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

This peal was arranged for H. Withers, of Birmingham, whose first peal it was in this method.

## BRADFIELD, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720s of Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob Minor.

R. ABERY .. .. Treble.	W. HORNE .. .. 4.
J. ABERY .. .. 2.	T. HERRIDGE .. .. 5.
A. SAVAGE .. .. 3.	FRED RICHARDSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. RICHARDSON.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' AND THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. 5.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 2.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. 3.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 7.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal in the method on the bells. This is A. Knights' 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

## PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HENRY R. NEWTON .. Treble.	HENRY S. ELLIS .. 5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 6.
ARTHUR G. ELLIS .. .. 3.	HARRY R. PASMORE .. 7.
ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

This is the first Surprise peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. G. Ellis, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

## BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE EAST LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 6-score each of Canterbury, Stedman's Slow Course, and Sunshine; also three 6 scores of Hudibras, and four 6 scores of Plain Bob, Lincolnshire Single, Dream, St. Dunstan, Earl Soham Delight, Grandsire, Primrose, Old Doubles and April Day.

Tenor 18 cwt.

J. COLMAN .. .. Treble.	A. GALE .. .. 3.
A. PALMER .. .. 2.	H. PALMER .. .. 4.
J. KIRK AND T. WOODS .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by H. PALMER.

This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## LITTLE GLEMHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOS. BEEDON .. Treble.	ARTHUR L. CARTER .. 3.
EDWARD E. EVERETT .. 2.	WILLIAM G. STANNARD .. 4.
EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM.

Rung as a last tribute of respect to the late Rector, the Rev. W. Hooper, who was buried at this church on Friday, March 11th.

## DRIFHLINGTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM ENGLAND .. Treble.	ALBERT SCOTT .. 5.
JOHN T. EASON .. .. 2.	DAVID WHITING .. 6.
JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. 7.
GEO. CHEESBRO .. .. 4.	ARTHUR MUFFETT .. Tenor.

Composed by S. BIDDLESTONE, and Conducted by ALBERT SCOTT.

Rung for evening service.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Sunday, March 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

CHARLES DICKENS .. Treble.	HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 5.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 2.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. 6.
ALBERT E. WARD .. .. 3.	JAMES DOWLER .. 7.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 4.	SAMUEL GROVE .. Tenor.

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

## LONGBOROUGH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, March 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores.

Tenor 12 cwt.

T. WILLIAMS* .. Treble.	W. LARGE .. .. 4.
C. LLOYD* .. .. 2.	*C. J. ARKELL .. .. 5.
E. HATHAWAY* .. .. 3.	*J. JOYNES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. LARGE.

\*First peal. All except the conductor were elected members of the Guild before starting for the peal. First peal on the bells.

## Handbell Peal.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, February 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

LEWIS L. WATSON .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

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**INDUSTRIAL BRANCH.**—The Premiums received during the year were £5,846,554 being an increase of £155,647.

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The total number of Policies in force at the end of the year was 15,200,300; their average duration exceeds ten and a quarter years.

The Assets of the Company, in both branches, as shown in the Balance Sheet, are £51,217,377, being an increase of £4,062,176 over those of 1902.

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**General Balance Sheet of the Prudential Assurance Company, Limited, being the Summary of both Branches, on the  
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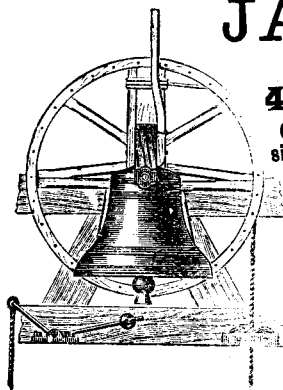
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Sherborne Abbey.	Pontypool (Trevethin
Sydney Town Hall	Church).
N.S.W.	Windermere Church.
Hammersmith Parish Ch.	Biffel Tower, Paris.
Gateshead Clock Tower.	Dunsfold Parish Church.
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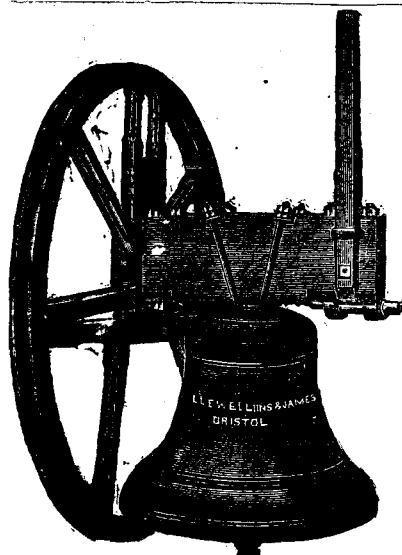
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PONTEFRAC (Yorks). St. Giles. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1835; treble by the same, 1850. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mallaby, 1887. Repairs promptly attended to. Ropes new 1895, fair. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, October to March inclusive, 7.30.

POOLE (Dorset). St. James. Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Dobson, 1821. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. No repairs for at least fifty years. Soundbows much worn. Quarter-turning has been recommended, but owing to lack of funds no steps have been taken. Ropes new 1897, fair. No half-pull or regular Sunday ringing. Practice: Saturday, 7.30.

PORTISHEAD (Somerset). Dedication unknown. Bath and Wells Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Taylor, 1897; the rest by Bilbie, 1772. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Clocking permitted. Back six require rehanging, but there is no interest. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing 2nd in month, 10 to 11, and 5 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

PORTMADOC (Carnarvon). St. John. North Wales Association. Eight bells. All by Warner, the two trebles 1902, the rest 1900. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 4 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. A chiming apparatus is fixed. Ropes new 1902. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing; 9.30 to 10, 2.45 to 3.15, and 5.30 to 6. Practice: Friday, 7.30.

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## DEDICATION OF A NEW RING OF BELLS AT ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

On Sunday, February 7th, in the presence of a crowded congregation, many being glad to stand in the aisles and outside in the churchyard, the Bishop of Worcester dedicated to the memory of the late Miss Ryland a ring of eight bells, presented by her father, Mr. Thomas Ryland, of Gravelly Hill. The Bishop's opening allusions to the late Miss Ryland were apt and felicitous, especially the two verses of her poem on "Bells," which he read out with such emphasis and beauty. Joyous thanksgiving, the Bishop truly said, was the keynote of Miss Ryland's life, and this, in the face of much suffering; so the keynote of the bells would be a call to sacrifice and praise and worship.

After the Blessing by the Bishop a course of Grandsire Triples was rung, and when the congregation were dispersing five courses of Stedman Triples. For evening service a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung, conducted by T. Russam. The bells, which are a nice ring, are by Taylor, tenor about 15 cwt. in F, and the "go" leaves nothing to be desired. There is rather too much noise at present, but no doubt that will be altered. The following members of the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, took part in the ringing: T. Russam, T. Reynolds, T. Pigott, H. Withers, W. Ellis, A. Pegler, W. C. Hunt, A. P. Smith, S. Jessop.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

### (LEWISHAM DISTRICT.)

The usual quarterly meeting of this district was held at Bromley, on Saturday, January 23rd, when about twenty-five members put in an appearance. Ringing commenced about 4.30 p.m. At 6 p.m. the business meeting was held in the belfry, Mr. W. J. Aldridge occupying the chair. The minutes of the last quarterly meeting held at Chislehurst were read and confirmed. On the proposition of Mr. R. Brett, seconded by Mr. J. H. Preston, E. D. Till, Esq., Eynsford Priory, was elected an Honorary Member of the Association. Messrs. J. W. Wells and A. Poole (Bromley), and S. Styles (Hayes), were elected practising members. Mr. J. Town proposed, and Mr. W. Smith seconded, that Woolwich be the place of the next quarterly meeting. Eynsford was proposed by Mr. R. Brett, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Preston; Crayford was proposed by Mr. H. S. Humphrey, and seconded by Mr. R. J. Carter. On being put to the vote, Eynsford was carried for the last Saturday in April. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells; also to Mr. Aldridge for so ably presiding. Various touches were rung till 9 p.m., when the bells were lowered in peal.

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## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The Dunster Deanery branch of the Diocesan Guild recently held their annual meeting at Cutcombe, and it was well attended, there being about forty-five members and friends present. The society, as a local branch, has only been a short time in existence, and holds its meetings in various parts of the district, Cutcombe being chosen on the present occasion for the reason that a new treble bell has just been placed in the church tower, this completing a ring of six bells, and it was arranged by the Rector (Rev. R. T. de Carteret), that the dedication of the new bell should take place on the day of meeting. Mr. J. Sully, of Zinch, Stogumber, undertook all the arrangements for the supply and the hanging of the bell. The bell was cast by Messrs. Taylor, and weighs a little over 4½ cwt. The bells were formerly five in number, cast by Evans, of Chepstow, in 1761, and were a similar ring to those cast by the same maker in the town of Selworthy, dated 1757, and of Luccombe, 1759, the last-named being rather heavier bells. The Cutcombe bells were rehung by Mr. Sully between six and seven years ago, when preparations were made for the addition of another bell.

The dedication service was held at 3 o'clock on Saturday, and was conducted by the Rev. R. T. de Carteret, assisted by the Rev. F. M. Etherington, of Minehead, president of the Minehead branch of the Guild. It consisted of the shortened form of evening service, the prayers being said by the Rector, and the special lesson read by the Rev. F. M. Etherington. The choir were present, and the special psalms and hymns were very nicely sung, the organ being played by Mrs. de Carteret. After the third collect, the hymn, "The Church's one foundation," was sung, and the clergy then proceeded to the belfry, where the Cutcombe ringers were in readiness. The dedicatory prayers were said by the Rector, and the new bell was rung up, a few rounds on the whole of the bells being then given. The service was brought to a close by the singing of the hymn, "All people that on earth do dwell," and the Rector pronounced the Benediction. Afterwards the Minehead and Dulverton ringers went into the belfry and rang several touches on the bells, and all agreed that not only was the splice a good one, the tone of the bell being in perfect accord with the rest, but that the "go" of all the bells was excellent.

The company then adjourned to the schoolroom at Wheddon Cross, where, under the presidency of the Rev. F. M. Etherington, supported by the Rev. R. T. de Carteret and Mr. G. Stacey, of Minehead, Hon. Secretary of the branch, they sat down to a high tea, provided by Mrs. Bryant, of Wheddon Cross, to whom all praise is due for the excellence of the provision and the way in which everything was carried out. The business meeting followed, representatives being present from the following towers: Minehead, Exton, Dunster, Carhampton, Dulverton, Winsford, Cutcombe, Stogumber, and Selworthy. Letters of regret at inability to attend were received from the Rev. J. U. Todd (Alcombe), and Mr. H. W. Todd (Old Cleeve).

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the chairman said some people did not know that the branch started in September last when a meeting of the whole association was held at Minehead, after which the local branch was formed. Meetings had since been held at Dunster and Winsford, and the present meeting was the third. Considering the weather, they might safely say that the present was a record meeting,

and it showed that up to the present the branch was doing good work. It had been suggested that as subscriptions were now due, the meeting should be considered the annual meeting, it being the first that had been held in the year.

This was agreed to, and the Secretary announced that any change in names in any of the towers should be sent to him at once, to be included in the annual report.

The chairman having stated that the first business would be the election of officers, Mr. W. Hawkins proposed the re-election of the Rev. F. M. Etherington as president, and of Mr. Stacey as hon. secretary.

Mr. S. Mason seconded, and the resolution was unanimously carried, both officers expressing their willingness to do all they could for the branch.

Mr. Louis Phillips, of Exton, was, on the proposition of Mr. H. Phillips, seconded by Mr. S. Cornelius, elected a new member.

The Chairman observed that the Society had been made so very welcome at Cutcombe that they would like to express, as broadly as possible, their hope that the Cutcombe ringers would join the branch, the subscription being only 1s. a year.

The Cutcombe ringers having expressed their willingness to join, they were, on the proposition of Mr. G. Atkins, seconded by Mr. T. Newbury, elected as probationers, and the Rev. R. T. de Carteret was elected an honorary member.

The Chairman said he would like to propose a very hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. R. T. de Carteret and the other friends at Cutcombe for the very kind welcome they had extended to the ringers, and they would see by the grand number that had turned up that their kindness was appreciated.

The Rev. R. T. de Carteret acknowledged the compliment, and hoped that they might some time have the pleasure of another visit.

The Chairman having to leave, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to him, and his place was taken by the Rev. R. T. de Carteret.

Mr. S. Mason proposed, and Mr. Cornelius seconded, that the next place of meeting should be Wiveliscombe.

Mr. Stacey proposed Old Cleeve, and pointed out that that place had been suggested on two previous occasions.

Mr. J. Grabham seconded, and on a vote being taken, there were 17 for Wiveliscombe and 15 for Old Cleeve, the former being therefore declared carried, the meeting to be, if possible, on the first Saturday in May.

A discussion arose as to the sending of instructors for the Cutcombe ringers, and ultimately representatives from Dulverton, Exton and Dunster promised to attend alternately.

Mr. Hawkins having congratulated the Carhampton ringers in their success in scoring two peals since the last meeting, the business was brought to a close, and many of the ringers returned to the church, where ringing was continued until about 8.30, mixed bands ringing touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, and Kent Treble Bob.

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## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 27th, a meeting of this Guild was held at Crossens, when forty members attended from Aughton, Crosby, Crossens, Croston, Halsall, Ormskirk, Southport, Upholland and Wigan. Several excellent touches were rung on the bells during the course of the afternoon, and a most hearty welcome accorded to each one by the genial Master of the Guild (Rev. W. T. Bulpit), who was far from well, but nevertheless was indefatigable in showing the visiting members through the church and institute, which were greatly admired by all, and by his kind invitation the members adjourned to the school, where an excellent tea was partaken of, and greatly enjoyed by all. The business was of a routine character, and greatly regretted the absence of Mr. J. Martin, who was unable to be present through unforeseen circumstances, and on the motion of Mr. J. Ascroft (Croston), seconded by Mr. Sholicar (Ormskirk), a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Rev. W. T. Bulpit for his kindness, brought a very pleasant meeting to a close. Three new performing members were elected.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

THE THREE TOWNS BRANCH (Plymouth).—During the year ending December 31st last the above branch of the Guild experienced their most successful year in regard to change-ringing since their formation. Ten peals were rung as follows: March 11th, at St. George's church, Stonehouse, Bob Major; March 14th, at the Dockyard Chapel, Devonport, Grandsire Triples; May 6th, Liskeard parish church, Cornwall, Grandsire Triples; October 3rd, the Dockyard Chapel, Devonport, Grandsire Triples; October 12th, Totnes parish church, Grandsire Triples; October 14th, Charles Church, Plymouth, Bob Royal; October 17th, the Dockyard Chapel, Devonport, Bob Major; November 18th, Charles Church, Plymouth, Bob Royal; December 2nd, Charles Church, Plymouth, Grandsire Caters; December 10th, the Dockyard Chapel, Grandsire Triples. A total of two Bob Royal, two Bob Major, one Grandsire Caters, and five Grandsire Triples. Up to the present this is the only local band in the Guild that has rung a peal of Royal. In addition to the above a half-peal and three quarter-peals of Grandsire Caters, six quarter-peals of Grandsire Triples and four 6-scores of Kent Treble Bob Minor, besides numerous touches have been rung. On December 26th twelve of the band visited Exeter and started in the morning for a peal of Bob Royal at St. Sidwell's church, but after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins. (3800 changes) broke down, partly through the organ being played by someone after getting through half the peal. In the afternoon they visited the Cathedral and rang touches of Grandsire Caters on those beautiful bells. The branch now has four honorary and twenty-two performing members.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SOUTH WESTERN DIVISION.—A meeting of the above took place at West Ham on Saturday, February 20th. Ringing commenced at 3.30, some Grandsire Triples and Caters being rung. Tea was held in the Mission Hall, to which thirty-seven members sat down, amongst whom were the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre (General Secretary), Hon. A. P. Erskine and Messrs. Dean and Jackson (the Secretary and assistant secretary of the Surrey Association). A business meeting was held after tea, at which the Master, Mr. S. Hayes, presided. Twelve new members were elected, and after some discussion it was decided if possible to hold the next meeting at Bobbingworth, a ring of six, lately rehung, the Master expressing a hope that the members having selected that place would endeavour to make a success of the meeting, which would perhaps awaken an interest in change-ringing and the Association around that part of the county. The Master having proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of West Ham and to the Rev. —, Morrow for his kindness

in making arrangements for the meeting, the members again went to the tower and rang some Double Norwich Major, Treble Bob Royal, and a good touch of Stedman Caters (conducted by A. J. Perkins). The tower of Holy Trinity was open to the members in the evening, some of whom made use of the opportunity.

## RINGERS' SUPPER.

On Thursday, January 21st, a most successful supper was held at Church House, Greenwich. The Rev. E. Lionel Gedge was in the chair and ably supported by the Rev. C. Graham, Churchwarden Croft, Mr. Howard Moss, organist, J. H. Cheesman, W. Harper, L. Silver, and the whole of the St. George's Society and friends from Milton. A most excellent spread was put on the table and ample justice done to every course. After the table was cleared many friends came in to spend a happy hour with the ringers. The chairman gave the toast of "The King," which was duly honoured, all singing the National Anthem. Mr. R. Tall, the Secretary of the Society, in thanking the Rector and churchwardens for their kindness in coming among them that evening, said how very gratifying it was to have such a man as Mr. Croft to take such an interest in the Society. He did everything he could for the benefit of the Society and bells, no trouble was too much, and he had always found him a thorough gentleman and was treated with the utmost courtesy from all the officers of the church. Mr. Croft, in responding to the toast of his health, said how pleased he was to be with them that evening. He took a great interest in the ringers, and hoped this would be the first of a long list of annual suppers in connection with the Society. He was pleased and willing to do whatever he could for the ringers. He found this was the first supper of the Society after a lapse of over fifty years. He congratulated them on their improved ringing and hoped they would go on and learn more of the Art. Other toasts were duly honoured, and a capital concert had been arranged by Mr. Croft. Some excellent songs were rendered, and the singing of the National Anthem brought a very pleasant evening to a close.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

Mr. J. W. GOLDING'S 100 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples 3, Caters 3; Stedman Triples 9 conducted 1, Caters 5, Cinques 2; Bob Major 3; Treble Bob Major 2, Royal 3, Maximus 2; Double Norwich Major 3, Royal 4; Westminster Surprise 2, St. Stephen's 1, Superlative 12, Cambridge 9 (1 silent), London 23 conducted 3 (1 silent). On Handbells: Grandsire Triples 2, Caters 1; Stedman Triples 2, Caters 1, Cinques 1; Bob Major 3; Treble Bob Major 2; Superlative Surprise 2. Total 100, conducted 4.

THE PEAL AT COLCHESTER.—Mr. L. W. Wiffen's 50 Peals.—Bob Triples 1; Grandsire Triples 3, Caters 1; Bob Royal 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 2, Royal 2, Maximus 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major 3; Stedman Triples 4, Caters 4, Cinques 2; Double Norwich Major 8 (including a 10,080), Royal 2; Superlative Surprise Major 4, Cambridge 3, New Cambridge 1, London 6.

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## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

A well attended meeting of the above Association was held at Longton on Saturday, March 5th, about fifty members being present from the following towers, viz., Longton, Fenton, Stoke, Stone, Hanley, Tunstall, Uttoxeter and Leek. Touches of Grandsire and Treble Bob were rung from 4 o'clock to 5.30, when an adjournment was made to the schoolroom, where a capital tea had been provided by the local ringers. A short meeting followed, when the Rev. H. C. Frith, Hon. Clerical Secretary and Treasurer, who is leaving the neighbourhood, tendered his resignation, which was accepted with regret. Mr. Frith has held office five years, and carries with him the best wishes of the Association.

On the motion of Mr. G. Smith, seconded by Mr. H. Page, the Rev. H. P. Barchard, of Tunstall, was elected to succeed Mr. Frith.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector for the use of the bells and presiding at the meeting, and to the Longton ringers for their hospitality.

A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. W. Twigg (Hon. Lay Secretary), who is seriously ill. Ringing was continued in various methods till about 9 o'clock.

## THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING, ESSEX.

A very pleasant little ceremony took place in the belfry of this church on Tuesday evening, March 8th, when the members of the above Society invited Mr. Churchwarden E. A. Davies, their vice-president, to meet them for the purpose of making him a small present as a marriage gift, which consisted of a beautiful bell, cast and silver-plated by Mears and Stainbank, mounted upon an oak frame so as to form a dinner gong for the hall table. The members present were Messrs. T. Faulkner, A. Hardy, C. Fenn, A. Carter, F. Faulkner, J. Cottis, H. Parker, and the South Western Divisional Master, Mr. S. Hayes.

Mr. Thos. Faulkner, in making the presentation on behalf of the ringers, said they all knew the great interest Mr. Davies had always taken in their Society to bring it to its present state of efficiency, for without his sympathy and encouragement, not alone with his advice but with his purse, he was afraid that Barking would not have made that stride in the noble science of change-ringing it had, for it was entirely due to him that St. Margaret's is what it is—a model belfry—and without his guidance their best endeavours would have fallen very flat. They asked him to accept their little present not merely as a souvenir of his marriage, but more particularly as a token of the warm affection and esteem with which they regarded him.

Mr. S. Hayes endorsed all that Mr. Faulkner had said in reference to Mr. Davies, saying that no ringers could ever have a better leader. His influence was not only felt in that belfry, but permeated the whole county of Essex, and he (Mr. Hayes) hoped that many years would pass ere Mr. Davies would set his bell and say "That's all."

Mr. Davies said that whatever he had done for the bells and ringers of St. Margaret's had been a labour of love. He had been connected with the Society since the year 1871; indeed, with the late Mr. Robert Sewell, he could claim to have been one of its founders. He had been a ringer all his life, and he was still second to none in his love of ringing and ringers. He would still continue to be not only their vice-president, but an active ringer amongst them, and whenever they wanted his help and advice, they could always command it. He felt that work in the belfry for thirty years had not been wasted when he saw around him such a good band of ringers. He would take their present in the affectionate spirit in which it was given, and it would always remind him of the happy hours they had spent together in that belfry and elsewhere. He thanked them most heartily.

## UNVEILING OF A PEAL TABLET AT ST. MARY'S, BOCKING, ESSEX.

On Saturday, March 19th, a peal tablet was unveiled in this church by Colonel Saville. It has been the custom on former occasions to put up what is called a peal-board when anything

interesting in the ringing world has been accomplished, but on this occasion the ringers thought they would like something more substantial, so with generous help they have been able to erect a beautifully designed and executed marble tablet in the Decorated Period of Gothic Architecture, setting forth the date of the peal and by whom it was rung, and which was the first peal since the bells were rehung at the sole expense of the Dean and Mrs. Carrington. After a few introductory remarks, by the Rev. —. Casson as to why the ringers had assembled, the Colonel unveiled the tablet precisely at 5 o'clock, and commented on the design and workmanship, hoping it would be an incentive to ringers to go forward and pursue the noble Art, and also hoped that it would be a lasting memorial for all time. This ceremony ended the company repaired to The Black Boy hotel, where the Rev. —. Casson expressed the pleasure he felt at being amongst church workers, and every one agreed that the best thanks were due to the Dean and Mrs. Carrington for their repeated acts of kindness, and for the splendid tea which had been provided for them. Mr. Dunlop, who has executed many beautiful works of art in the county, was present at the tea, and it is needless to say that his work with regard to the tablet was very much admired. It is to be hoped, in the near future, that the parishioners of Bocking will see their way to accede to a long cherished wish of ringers far and near, viz., that two more bells be added to complete the octave which would then be one of the best peals in the county.

## WRITTLE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27th, a peal-board was unveiled by the Rev. T. T. Papillon, Vicar, the Rev. E. G. Norris also being present, to commemorate the peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major rung here on January 6th, 1904. The Vicar read some prayers from the form used at the annual meetings of the Essex Association. He then unveiled the board, congratulating the ringers on their success and hoped they would stick together as in the past and ring more peals. A date touch in the same method was then rung by the band who rang the peal, in 1 hr. 12 mins. R. Wood, T. Lincoln, E. J. Runter, F. G. Radley, H. W. Kirton, H. Head, W. Lincoln conductor, A. Head. The local band have now rang peals of Grandsire Triples, Union Triples, Oxford Bob, Darlaston Bob, Court Bob, Plain Bob Triples, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob and Double Norwich. The board is black, lettered in gold.

## PRESENTATION AT ST. GEORGE'S HEAVILEY, STOCKPORT.

On Tuesday, January 26th, the ringers of the above church met to have a farewell ring with Mr. Edward Reader, the highly-esteemed conductor of the company, who is leaving Stockport to reside at Mellor, Derbyshire. A date touch of Stedman Caters, the composition of T. Marshall, one of the above company, was rung in 1 hr. 16 mins. After the ringing a very pleasing duty was undertaken by Mr. Jno. W. Bayley (tower-keeper, in the unavoidable absence of the Rev. J. H. Thorpe, B.D., Vicar), who presented Mr. Reader with a handsome pipe and case and a silver-mounted walking stick, given by the ringers of St. George's.

Mr. Bayley in a short speech alluded to the great loss sustained by the St. George's company by the retirement of Mr. Reader, and said he spoke for all the members when he wished him long life, good health, and prosperity in his new sphere of labour.

Mr. T. Marshall said that in losing Mr. Reader they had lost a most excellent conductor, but trusted that one or more members would try very hard to reach the standard of Mr. Reader.

Mr. Barnes (Reddish), also spoke as to Mr. Reader's excellence both as a ringer and conductor, and said that he was sorry that Mr. Reader was leaving, but hoped he would as often as possible come amongst them, and he was sure he would always receive a hearty welcome.

Mr. Reader in a few words thanked the company for the beautiful present which had come as a surprise to him, and promised that whenever it was convenient he would pay his friends in St. George's belfry a visit.



## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

NORTON (Staffordshire).—The ringers, choir and sidesmen of this church were entertained to supper by the Rector and churchwardens on New Year's Eve. The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers, and the eatables were very appetising. After supper the Rector (the Rev. E. Bromley-Kingston) said how pleased he was to meet such a splendid body of church workers as he had before him that evening, and he also wished to say how grateful he was to them for the work they so cheerfully gave to the Church, and for the very admirable manner in which it was executed. He wished them all a prosperous new year. The churchwardens (Messrs. S. Dall and J. Holdcroft) also testified to the harmony which prevailed amongst the churchworkers of Norton, which was due in a great measure to the tact and energy displayed by the Rector as the head of affairs, for without a good leader the interest and enthusiasm of any object would soon flag and fall short of what was required of it.

Mr. J. E. Wheeldon, on behalf of the ringers, said it was a great pleasure to work for the Rector and churchwardens, for whatever was done was always appreciated and encouraged, and whenever it was so it had a tendency to give an impetus to the work and helped to make it a success.

Mr. E. B. Wain showed some very interesting local views with his lantern, and also showed different sections of Whitfield Colliery, both on the surface and in the pit, which were explained in a versatile manner and held the attention of his hearers from start to finish. Songs were rendered by various members of the choir, after which the ringers rang the old year out and the new year in.

## BANGOR, NORTH WALES.

On Tuesday, January 5th, the ringers and adult members of the choir of St. David's were entertained to supper by the Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Jones at the vicarage. Before supper many games were indulged in, including bagatelle, while others took the pipe that cheers. A most sumptuous repast was partaken of, the tables being most beautifully laid out by Mrs. Jones and many fair helpers, each part-end coming up in grand style. The rest of the evening was spent in harmony, songs and recitations, and tunes on the handbells. Toasts were given during the evening and were responded to, including "The host and hostess," the performance of which must have been heard on Snowdon. The party broke up in the early hours of the morning by the singing of the National Anthem and Auld lang syne, all having enjoyed one of the most pleasant evenings ever spent.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## UNIVERSITY COMPETITION.

SIR,—There are no doubt many members of the Exercise who have been interested from time to time in the doings of Oxford and Cambridge University Guilds, and more especially perhaps of that which appeared in the columns of "THE BELL NEWS" of February 13th, viz.: a peal of Stedman Triples by the Oxford University Guild, and a peal of Minor by the Cambridge University Guild. It has often occurred to me that there may be a little more life—if I may so say—put into these two very important Guilds, and in order to obtain that object my idea is, if it could in any way be possibly done, to establish a friendly rivalry between the two Universities in the Art of change-ringing, and if it could be so arranged to have an annual contest on a very small scale similar to that of the boat race, or to that which used to exist, if not now, between the College and Cumberland Youths, I think it would lead to many more taking up the Art on behalf of the honour of the University; and many who are seeking holy orders would, when appointed to a church with a ring of bells, be able to take a rope with their ringers, and where the Art is not known would be able to teach it. The

advantages for good in this way are many, and our Associations would then be also honoured with many more ringing clergy. Having somewhat ventilated my ideas I must leave it in the hands of better men than myself, and that it may lead to success is the earnest wish of

T. DOBLE.

BRIGHTONIAN.—The matter is closed; why attempt to re-open it?

W. T. ELSON.—Correspondence on "Treble Dominated," is apparently finished, therefore your letter is unnecessary.

## Obituary.

## HENRY DANIELS.

The death of the above-named ringer took place on Sunday evening, February 21st, at Streatham, in his 78th year. He had been a ringer between fifty and sixty years, and has rung the Immanuel church (Streatham) bells since they were first hung thirty-nine years ago. A native, born in Streatham, he lived there all his life, and was closely identified with Immanuel church, both as a chorister and a ringer, and was also steeple-keeper and controller of the ringing there. Amid many evidences of the esteem in which he was held, and regret at his death, a beautiful memorial service was held at Immanuel church on the day of the funeral, Friday, February 26th, previous to the burial which took place at Norwood Cemetery the same afternoon. A half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples was rung on Immanuel bells to his memory on Saturday evening, February 27th, by the Mitcham company.

## WILLIAM CHARGE.

It is with great regret that we have to announce the death of the above named ringer, which took place on March 4th (his 23rd birthday) from consumption. He was buried in his native village, Little Hadham, Herts., on March 12th. He was a working member of the All Saints (Fulham) Society, and also belonged to the Essex and Middlesex Associations, the St. Margaret's Society, Westminster, and the Waterloo Society. Although his active ringing career had lasted only about eighteen months, he had rung thirteen peals, viz.: Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1; Stedman Caters, 4; Stedman Triples, 1; Grandsire Caters, 3; Grandsire Triples, 2; Bob Major, 1; Oxford Bob Triples, 1. His last ringing effort was to arrange the "William peal" of Treble Ten at Fulham in April, 1902, which illness prevented him from ringing in. Since that time his health had gradually failed, and his death cut short a ringing career which had been full of promise.

## WILLIAM MILLER.

The funeral of the late Mr. W. Miller, of Wolstanton, who died suddenly on Friday, March 4th, aged 55, took place on Tuesday, March 8th, at St. Margaret's church, amid many manifestations of regret. The deceased had been a bellringer at the above church for about forty years, and for thirty years of that time had been conductor. He had taken part in a number of peals, chiefly Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major. He was a careful striker and safe conductor. On the following Sunday evening 504 Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells deeply-muffled. Just before the funeral a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung, conducted by W. Fitchford, and at night, with the bells muffled, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung. The ringers representing the Stoke Archidiaconal Association at the funeral were S. Churton and W. Rigby.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1904.

THE suggestions made by a correspondent on another page relative to the formation of a recognised friendly rivalry between the change-ringing societies of the two universities may be thought somewhat novel. We don't think that any unpleasant features would accompany such a rivalry as our correspondent portrays. It would give a little more life to both bodies, perhaps, though it must

be said that within the past few years the two University Guilds have made greater progress than ever.

If such would tend to popularise change-ringing more and more among the undergraduates of Oxford and Cambridge, then good will ensue. Those gentlemen who are at present actual members of the Guilds will perhaps think upon the proposals; no harm can be done by talking about them. An increase of membership of the Guilds would be of great advantage to change-ringing, because, as our correspondent says: "Our Associations would then be honoured with more ringing clergy."

#### LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

All being well eight members of the Royal Cumberland Youths will attempt 20,000 Double Norwich at Erith on Easter Monday, starting at 7 a.m.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

A very enjoyable meeting of this branch was held on Saturday, March 12th, at Todmorden Unitarian Church, ringers being present from Rochdale, Middleton, Milnrow, Newhey and Colne. Proceedings commenced with touches of Grandsire Triples, followed by Bob Major, Treble Bob and Stedman Triples, when the company adjourned for tea, after which the usual business meeting was held.

Secretary Bastow read the minutes of the last meeting which included the election of Mr. S. Brierly as a member of the committee owing to the Rochdale branch having increased their membership to over 100. The minutes being passed as read, five new performing members were elected.

Heywood and Leesfield near Oldham were proposed and seconded as the next place of meeting, Heywood being selected by a large majority. No other business being forthcoming, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the local ringers for having all in readiness. The bells were kept going in Stedman Triples till 8.30, when the members separated to catch their respective trains after another very successful meeting.

#### LAVENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

A large chiming clock has been erected upon the parish church, and was formally started this week. It is a memorial to the late Robert Battams, Esq., who lived for fifty years in the locality.

#### The Metropolis.

##### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, March 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SPITALFIELDS,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 34 cwt.

WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. Treble.	HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 5.
ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 2.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 3.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. .. 7.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. Pittsow, and Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

First peal in the method on the bells. This is J. W. Golding's 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, March 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, ENFIELD,

##### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM PICKWORTH* .. Treble,	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
JOHN ARMSTRONG* .. .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 7.
SIDNEY WADE* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal of London; also on the bells. First peal in the method rung by the Association in the county of Middlesex.

##### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON, AND THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 28 cwt.

MARK WOODCOCK .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. 5.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. .. 2.	HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 6.
ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 7.
FRANK SMITH .. .. 4.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

Rung on the back eight (having met short), with bells half-muffled for the Duke of Cambridge.

##### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. Treble.	JAMES SCHOLES .. .. 5.
SAMUEL E. JOYCE .. .. 2.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
EDWARD WALLAGE .. .. 3.	EMANUEL HALL .. .. 7.
WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the Duke of Cambridge.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PENNING'S FIVE-PART.

GEO. BESTER .. .. Treble.	W. PICKWORTH .. .. 5.
A. GLASSCOCK .. .. 2.	M. FENSOM .. .. 6.
F. A. MILNE .. .. 3.	*J. ARMSTRONG .. .. 7.
J. MILLER .. .. 4.	A. DODSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. ARMSTRONG.

\*First peal as conductor.

#### Gandbell Peal.

##### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, March 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. W. T. COCKERILL, "FRODINGHAM,"

ELMHURST STREET, CLAPHAM,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 1-2.	HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 5-6.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. .. 3-4.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Rung on the anniversary of the conductor's birthday; also to commemorate the birth of a son to Mr. W. H. Pasmore. Umpires—H. Pasmore and A. Hardy (Royal Cumberland Youth).

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

J. G. ORFORD .. .. Treble.	F. PLANT .. .. 5.
J. SMITH .. .. 2.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 6.
J. BASS .. .. 3.	A. J. SKELDING .. .. 7.
F. BRACE .. .. 4.	R. MATHEWS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by J. G. ORFORD.

WRAYSBURY, BUCKS.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY T. LAST .. .. Treble.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 2.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 6.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 3.	†ALFRED J. REDMAN .. 7.
FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 4.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN HOWES, and Conducted by FREDK. A. HOLDEN.

†First peal, and was elected a member of the Association before starting. First peal in the method on the bells.

WILLINGTON, BEDS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire Minor and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. in G.

FRANK YORK* .. .. Treble.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 4.
THOMAS R. SCOTT* .. .. 2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3.	†FREDERICK WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal in seven methods and first attempt. †First peal in seven methods with a working bell.

ST. DECUMAN'S, SOMERSET.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, March 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being fourteen 6-scores of Stedman, fourteen of Plain Bob, and fourteen of Grandsire. Tenor 17 cwt.

F. MASON .. .. Treble.	*C. GREEDY .. .. 4.
G. ATKINS .. .. 2.	H. MOORE .. .. 5.
C. SUMMERS .. .. 3.	†C. DAWSON .. .. Tenor

Conducted by H. MOORE.

\*First peal with a bob bell. †First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, March 16, 1904, in Two Hours Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HAYES'S VARIATION OF REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' TEN-PART (No. 1).

Tenor 23 cwt.

WILLIAM PHIPPS .. .. Treble.	RICHARD BUCKLAND .. 5.
FRED HAYES .. .. 2.	†FREDERICK P. PAINTIN .. 6.
RALPH COLES* .. .. 3.	JAMES W. WILKINS .. 7.
EDWARD MARKHAM† .. 4.	BENJAMIN PAGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by RALPH COLES.

\*First peal as conductor. †First peal with a bob bell. The 3rd has recently been rehung by Webb and Bennett, the "go" being excellent.

WORTLEY, NEAR LEEDS, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE AND SHEFFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

ALBERT RUFFELL* .. .. Treble.	*CLIFF DRONFIELD .. .. 5.
THOMAS MCKEGG .. .. 2.	ARTHUR JOHN SAXBY .. 6.
GEO THIRKELL SAXBY* .. 3.	JOHN PARKIN .. .. 7.
JOHN DRONFIELD .. .. 4.	EDWARD ROBBINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN DRONFIELD.

\*First peal in the method.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN W. J. COTTAM* .. Treble.	ARTHUR HAGUE .. .. 4.
MARTIN SIMMONITE* .. 2.	JOE SMITH .. .. 5.
ALBERT KETTEL .. .. 3.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

\*First peal. Rung to celebrate the coming of age of the conductor, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns. Rung on the light six.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS, AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR;  
5440 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. Treble.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 5.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 2.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	SAM THOMAS .. .. 7.
DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

First peal in the method on the bells. \*First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the eleventh birthday of the Marquis of Titchfield, son and heir of the Duke of Portland, which occurred on Wednesday, March 16th.

ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. Treble.	ALFRED JONES .. .. 5.
JOHN WYATT .. .. 2.	*HARRY LAST .. .. 6.
JOHN HOYLE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. 7.
CHARLES DEAN .. .. 4.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

\*First peal in the method.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

(LEICESTER BRANCH)

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

LEONARD ALLBN .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM WILLSON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN. 2.	FREDK. W. HERBERT .. 7.
JOHN H. SWINFELD .. .. 3.	JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. 8.
FREDK. DEXTER .. .. 4.	R. HENRY BARTRAM .. 9.
ARTHUR CRAVEN .. .. 5.	CHARLES H. FOWLER .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by CHARLES H. FOWLER.

First peal of Royal on the bells, and first as conductor on ten bells.

## STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. Treble.	HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 5.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 2.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 6.
JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 7.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 4.	*HERBERT LITTLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

\*First peal in the method. This makes the conductor's fiftieth peal rang in this tower.

## CALVERLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES:

IN THE LONDON VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

EZRA KEIGHLEY .. .. Treble.	CHARLES PRATT .. .. 5.
SAMUEL WHEATLEY* .. .. 2.	*ARTHUR WHEATER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HOLLINGS .. .. 3.	*FRED PAGE .. .. 7.
WALTER POPPLEWELL* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM DAVISON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WM. SOTTANSTAL, and Conducted by WM. DAVISON.

\*First peal in the method.

## COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	*— BUMSTEAD .. .. 5.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 2.	*EDWARD EVANS .. .. 6.
RICHARD W. STANNARD .. .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS* .. .. 4.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

\*First peal of Double Norwich. This was L. W. Wiffen's fiftieth peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

## ELLAND, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES: IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 5.
FRED CROSSLEY .. .. 2.	JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 6.
JOHN T. PEARSON .. .. 3.	THOMAS POLLITT .. .. 7.
JONAS S. AMBLER .. .. 4.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

Rung in honour of the 78th anniversary of the opening of the bells, which took place on March 13th, 1826.

## LEYLAND, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON AND BOLTON BRANCHES.)

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: TAYLOR'S. Tenor 23 cwt.

TITUS BARLOW .. .. Treble.	*JAMES BRETHERTON .. .. 5.
THOMAS CROOK .. .. 2.	EDWARD BANNISTER .. .. 6.
JOHN WATKINSON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PENNINGTON .. .. 7.
SAMUEL WATKINSON .. .. 4.	JAMES HARRISON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN WATKINSON.

\*First peal. T. Crook was elected a member before starting. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. J. Stannog, late warden of the above church.

## OTLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES: IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

CHARLES RALPH .. .. Treble.	ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. .. 5.
FREDERICK MASTON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM D. CLOUGH .. .. 6.
THOMAS STOCKDALE .. .. 3.	JOHN NELSON .. .. 7.
ARTHUR SNOWBALL .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WADDINGTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by A. W. BRIGHTON.

## GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

J. BUCKLEY .. .. Treble.	W. MARSDEN .. .. 5.
T. HARROP* .. .. 2.	E. GARSIDE .. .. 6.
T. JACKSON .. .. 3.	J. LAWTON .. .. 7.
G. SHAW .. .. 4.	J. MALONEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. J. BRIERLEY, and Conducted by J. BUCKLEY.

First peal as conductor. \*First peal.

## TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, DUDLEY.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

JOHN SMITH .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM HINTON .. .. 5.
ALFRED ROWLEY .. .. 2.	*EDWARD JONES .. .. 6.
FREDERICK BYWATER .. .. 3.	HORACE SMITH .. .. 7.
ALFRED DAVIES .. .. 4.	JOSEPH FAULKNER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. E. GROVES, and Conducted by ALFRED ROWLEY.

\*First peal in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to H.R.H. the late Duke of Cambridge.

## CHATHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

AT THE VICTORIA TOWER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. Treble.	WILLIAM HAIGH .. .. 5.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. 2.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM EASTER .. .. 3.	FREDERICK FRENCH .. .. 7.
JAMES TULETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. WALKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. H. CHEESMAN.

## OLD WARDEN, BEDS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire Minor, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10cwt. in G.

JOHN HARE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. .. 4.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM J. MAYES .. .. 5.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 3.	FREDERICK WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal in seven methods.

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GAWSWORTH, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, March 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt.

MARK STANWAY .. .. Treble.	MATTHEW DAVENPORT .. 4.
PERCY BAYLEY .. .. 2.	THOMAS MOTTERSHEAD .. 5.
SAMUEL ROBINSON .. .. 3.	EDWARD JOHNSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDWARD JOHNSON.

First peal by all except Messrs. Davenport and Mottershead. First peal on the bells.

BISHOP AUCKLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

[On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

W. H. METCALFE .. .. Treble.	H. C. MAYNE .. .. 5.
F. G. METCALFE* .. .. 2.	G. W. PEVERELL .. .. 6.
H. PEVERELL .. .. 3.	W. KINGDON .. .. 7.
F. CHARLTON .. .. 4.	†J. PALLISTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by J. PALLISTER.

\*First peal with a bob bell. †First peal in the method and first peal as conductor.

CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHOUT-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING .. .. Treble.	HENRY DEW .. .. 5.
ERNEST SMITH .. .. 2.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. 6.
V. CAIN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SCONCE .. .. 7.
H. W. WILDE .. .. 4.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM WELHAM .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM E. TYDEMAN .. 5.
WILLIAM G. MELBOURNE .. 2.	WILLIAM SOUTER .. .. 6.
EDWARD E. DIAPER .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 7.
FREDERICK ALLAND .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. FLEMING, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rang with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Duke of Cambridge, who was interred that afternoon.

Handbell Peal.

EDINBURGH.—THE ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, March 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. C. CLEVELAND ELLIS, 14, COMISTON DRIVE, EDINBURGH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

NORVAL C. WILSON* .. 1-2.	WILLIAM H. BARBER .. 5-6.
WM. C. S. HEATHCOTE† 3-4.	†C. CLEVELAND ELLIS .. 7-8.

Conducted by C. CLEVELAND ELLIS.

\*First peal. †First peal of Grandsire. ‡First peal of Grandsire on handbells.

Date Touches.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STOWMARKET (Suffolk).—On Monday, February 22nd, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 17 mins. W. Welham, G. Melbourne, W. Souter, F. Allard, W. Seer longest length in any method, W. E. Tydeman, E. Diaper, W. Rouse. Composed by E. Bennett and conducted by W. Souter.

WATCHET (Somerset).—On Sunday, March 6th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Doubles, in 1 hr. 5 mins. J. Organ, C. Binding, H. Organ, C. Greedy conductor, R. Chubb, F. Chidgey.

Miscellaneous.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

THORINGTON.—On February 26th, for practice, 720 Double Court. G. Miles, P. Roper, G. Lancaster, S. Roper, G. Andrews conductor. R. George. On March 4th, 720 Double Oxford, standing as before. On March 18th, 720 Canterbury Pleasure. S. Roper, P. Roper, G. Lancaster, W. Nevard, G. Andrews conductor, R. George.

GREAT BENTLEY.—On March 15th, for practice, 720 Single Court. W. Dines, W. Nevard, G. Lancaster, S. Roper, R. George, G. Andrews conductor.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ROMSEY (Hants).—On Tuesday, February 16th, for practice at the Abbey, 252 Stedman Triples. F. Paskins, A. Paskins, J. Chard, W. Tucker, J. Elcombe, W. Fowler, W. H. George conductor, R. White. 224 Bob Major. R. White, J. Elcombe, F. Russen, W. Tucker, J. Walker, G. Newman, W. Fowler, W. H. George conductor.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BROCKDISH (Norfolk).—On Sunday, February 28th, for Divine service, 720 of College Exercise. On Tuesday, March 1st, for practice, 720 each of Woodbine and Oxford Treble Bob. W. Gillman, H. Hines, G. Whiting, E. Calver, F. Smith, R. Peake conductor.

CHISLEHURST.—On Monday, February 1st, at the church of St. Nicholas, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, on the occasion of the Bishop of Worcester preaching the sermon at the morning service. A. W. Durling, G. French, R. Hims, T. Croombridge conductor, J. H. Preston, G. Durling, T. Harford, G. Dickens.

DEPTFORD.—On Sunday, February 28th, for morning service, at St. John's, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. B. Miller, E. Richards, J. Law, S. A. Cullington, F. Davis, J. Davis, W. J. Jeffries, C. Litzer.

HANLEY (Staffs).—On February 24th, on the front six, for practice, 720 Grandsire Doubles, being six 6-scores, each called differently. H. Cordall, A. Latham conductor, J. Derbyshire, C. Mee, A. Nixon, T. Latham. Also 120 Bob Minor. J. Derbyshire, T. Latham, E. Landon, Y. Woodward, T. Rhodes, A. Latham conductor. Recently 504 of Grandsire Triples. A. Nixon, C. Mee, W. Casey, B. Latham, J. Derbyshire, A. Latham conductor, G. Woods, T. Derbyshire.

NORTH SHOREHAM (Hants).—On Thursday, February 18th. 720 Bob Minor. E. Dumper. C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., A. Marks, W. Rowe, sen., W. Tucker conductor. On Wednesday, February 24th, 720 Bob Minor. W. H. George, C. Fray, W. Rowe, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. Tucker conductor. On Sunday evening, February 28th, 360 Minor. E. Dumper 1, the rest as before. On Wednesday, March 2nd, 720 of the same. E. Mundy, C. Fray, W. Rowe, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. Tucker conductor. On March 9th, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. E. Mundy, W. Rowe, A. Marks, C. Fray conductor, W. Rowe, Walter Rowe.

SETTLE (Yorks).—At the church of Holy Ascension, on Saturday, February 20th, for practice, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. W. Middleton, J. L. Bulcock, Sidney James, C. J. Lord, John Parker, W. Fell conductor. On February 27th, for practice, 720 College Single. R. Whitehead, H. Graham, W. Middleton, S. James, J. Parker conductor, C. J. Lord.

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## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—The next meeting will be held at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on Wednesday, March 30th, after ringing at St. Michael's, Cornhill.  
W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The yearly meeting will be held at Leeds to-day, Saturday, March 26th. Bells (12) available 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Nag's Head hotel, Kirkgate, at 7.30 p.m. Election of officers for ensuing year.  
F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Tenterden to-day, Sat., March 26th. Ringing to commence at 3 p.m. Service at 5 and tea at 5.30. All ringers are heartily welcomed.  
C. TRIBE, *Hon. Sec.*  
British School Villas, Tenterden.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The practice and meeting is cancelled for Monday, March 28th, at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next will be held on Monday, April 11th, at 7.45.  
T. H. TAPPENDER, *Hon. Sec.*

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Ashover on Easter Monday, 4th April. Service at 4.30 p.m., preacher, Rev. A. F. Beeston, of New Mills. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 6d. each to members, 1s. to others. Meeting after tea. Two miles from Stretton Station on Midland Railway.  
T. ALLIBONE, *Sec.*  
North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**The Norwich Diocesan Association.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Framlingham on Easter Monday, April 4th. The ring of 8 at the parish church and the 6 at Earl Soham will be open. Dinner at The Corn Hall (adjoining The Crown hotel) at 1.30 p.m. Notice of intention to be present must be sent by March 30th.  
CHARLES E. BORRETT, *Sec.*  
10, Chester Street, Norwich.

**The Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—The annual meeting will take place at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 4th. Service will be held in St. Helen's church at 1.30, at which the Rev. Canon Cresswell Strange has kindly consented to give an address. Business meeting in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral, at 2.30 prompt. The Very Rev. R. W. Forrest, Dean of Worcester, will preside. A free tea will be provided at The Angel hotel, Sidbury, at 4.30, to those members sending in their names to me on or before Wednesday, March 30th. Tickets will be provided to admit members to tea, which can be obtained from me on or before the date of meeting. The following towers are available for ringing: the Cathedral from 5 to 6 p.m. only; St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Swithin's, St. Nicholas', St. John's and St. Martin's (6). All subscriptions not previously paid should be paid at this meeting. The annual report will be ready for distribution. Members requiring copies of The Glossary can have same on application for them. Certificate of membership can also be obtained for 6d. each.  
JOHN SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*  
Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter

Monday. Committee meeting at 12.30 at Roff's Rooms, High Street, where luncheon will be provided at 1 o'clock, price 2s. (members half-price). Business will follow. Service at St. Paul's church at 5 o'clock. The bells (10) of St. Paul's church will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 10.50 a.m. and in the afternoon, and probably St. Peter's. Local secretaries are requested to state numbers attending from their branches to Mr. I. Hills, Pumping Station, Bedford, by Wednesday, March 30th.  
W. W. C. BAKER, *Hon. Sec.*  
I. HILLS, *Secs.*

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Eckington on Easter Monday. Members are invited to take tea with the Rector at 4 o'clock; those who intend being present at tea must signify their intention not later than Monday, March 28th, to Mr. S. Robinson, jun., 145, High St., Eckington.  
S. THOMAS, *Pres.*

**The Essex Association.**—South-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Stanford-le-Hope on Easter Monday, April 4th. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.  
H. T. WILSON, *Dist. Sec.*  
32, Windsor Road, Westcliff.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 4th, to which all members and friends are cordially invited. The bells of St. Mary's, St. Peter's, All Saints' and Holy Trinity (Lenton) churches will be available for ringing from 10 a.m., excepting during the time of tea and general meeting. Committee meeting at 3.45, followed by tea (1s. 6d. each) at 4.30 p.m., and general meeting, in the Arboretum Refreshment Rooms. As a guarantee has to be given to the caterers, it is particularly requested that all those intending to be present will forward their names to Mr. R. Clifford, 3, Chapel St., Beeston, Notts, so as to reach him not later than first post on Thursday, March 31st.  
COLTGRAVE, Notts. W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Ewell, Surrey, on Easter Monday. Bells will be available from 3 o'clock, by kind permission of the Vicar—the Rev. R. Hunt. Tea at the Church Room, opposite the Church, at 6 o'clock, followed by the usual meeting. Visitors and non-members wishing to partake of tea (1s. 6d. per head) must advise Mr. C. E. Read, Flint Cottage, London Road, Ewell, not later than the 31st inst.  
CHAS. DEAN, JUN., *Hon. Sec.*  
72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.

**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Annual meeting at St. Albans on Easter Monday, 4th April, when the towers of the Cathedral and St. Peter's church will be open from 2 o'clock. Service at the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, address by the Very Rev. the Dean. Tea at the Town Hall at 5.45, followed by business meeting. A motion will be made for the alteration of the County Districts from five to two, and that in every year four district meetings be held in both divisions. Members and visitors intending to be present are requested to communicate with me by Wednesday, 30th March.  
St. Albans. E. P. DEBENHAM, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—The new peal of ten in St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool, will be opened on Easter Monday at 11.30 a.m. The Vicar invites to luncheon at 1 p.m. those members who notify the secretary by Tuesday, 30th inst. Place for luncheon will appear next week.  
C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*  
62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—A meeting of the members of the North and East District of this Association will be held at the parish church, Barnet, on Easter Monday, by kind permission of the Rector. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The bells will be available from 2.30 in the afternoon.  
ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Llanfaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llantrisant, Glamorganshire, on Easter Monday at 4 o'clock.  
Rev. CANNOP L. PRICE, *Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

**The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—A meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, when the bells of St. Mary's Church (ring of 8, tenor 17 cwt.) will be available all day. Dinner will be provided (1s. to members, 2s. 3d. non-members) at The Belle hotel, Baxtergate, at 2 o'clock. Those intending to be present are requested to send word not later than Wednesday, the 30th inst. to  
G. J. CLARKSON, *Pres.*  
6, Finkle Street, Stockton-on-Tees.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—East Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting of this branch will take place at Christchurch Priory Hants (10 bells), on Saturday, April 9th. See arrangements in next issue of this paper.  
A. F. MARTIN STEWART, *Branch Hon. Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting of this division will take place at Rye on Saturday, April 9th. Bells available 3 to 9 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Members intending to be present will oblige by sending word to the undersigned not later than Wednesday, 6th April.  
S. SAKER, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Arran," Baldslow Road, Hastings

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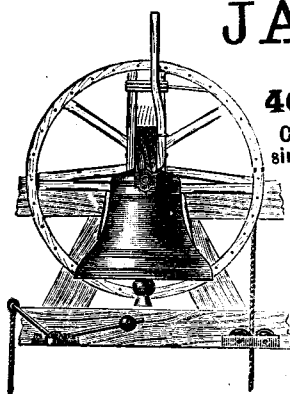
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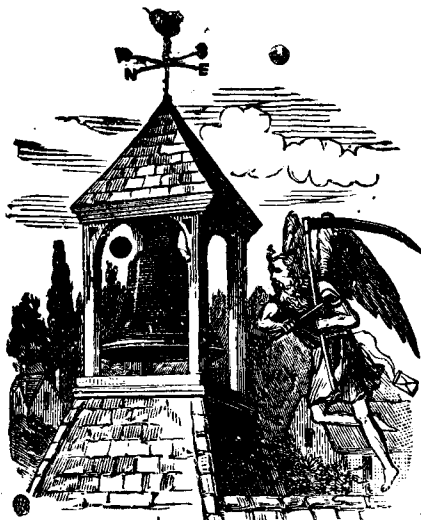
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PORTSMOUTH (Hants). St. Thomas. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. 4th by Hill, 1737; 7th by Mears, 1794. Tenor 27 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. by Phelps, 1730; the rest by Rudhall, 1703. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Mears, 1865, and slight repairs by the same firm, 1896. Ropes new 1896, good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: winter, alternately Wednesdays, 7; summer, 1st week in month, 8. Clockcase stands in centre of ringing-chamber, making instruction almost impossible.

PRESCOT (Lancashire). St. Mary. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears 1845. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1883. Ropes new 1899. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

PRESTBURY (Gloucestershire). St. Mary. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells. The two trebles by Mears, 1886; the rest by Rudhall, 1748. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Day 1886. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and sometimes also 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7, except in Lent.

PRESTBURY (Cheshire). St. Peter. Chester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1820. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Mears, 1897. Guides required owing to height of ringing-chamber, but authorities are indifferent. Ropes new 1898, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 and 5.45. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

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## THE ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, DUDLEY.

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Mr. Tonking kindly presided at the organ. At the close of the service the members, about fifty in number, adjourned to the schoolroom, where a substantial tea awaited them, hospitably provided by Mrs. A. Gray Maitland, who also presided at one table, while Mrs. Sydney Guest Hooper presided at the other. Mesdames Spittle, Goodman, Micklewright, Sheppard and Jackson were busy in supplying the wants, and making every one feel at home.

At the close of the tea a hearty vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Maitland for the generous manner in which she had provided the tea and assisted in serving it; also to Mrs. S. G. Hooper for her presence and assistance, with which was coupled the names of all who had assisted in making the tea a great success.

The Vicar and Mrs. Maitland responded.

Mr. Tonking in responding to a vote of thanks for presiding at the organ, said that this was one of the greatest ovations he had ever received.

At the business meeting which followed, the Rev. A. Gray Maitland was re-elected President; the Rev. S. J. Marriott, Vice-President; S. Spittle, Ringing-Master; W. Micklewright, Hon. Secretary; and W. R. Rock Small, Treasurer. Several new members were enrolled. Halesowen was selected for holding the next quarterly meeting.

The President in proposing a resolution "That a band of lady ringers be formed," said that in these days ladies were to the front in so many branches of industry as well as sports and amusements, that he doubted not if they took up the healthy pastime of bellringing, they would soon master the intricacies of the Art, and equal, if not surpass, some of our present ringers. In the discussion which followed, it was pointed out that this was no new thing, as there existed, if not whole bands of lady ringers, there were lady members in bands, some of whom had rung peals of 5000 changes and upwards. The resolution was carried.

It was arranged that peals should be attempted during the next quarter at Dudley and Tipton, and any other tower by arrangements with the Secretary or Ringing-Master.

Votes of thanks to the President and other officers brought the meeting to a close. The tower bells were kept going by members until 9.30 p.m. with touches in various methods.

## BRIDPORT, DORSET.

The annual gathering of the St. Mary's Honorary Ringing Guild and St. Mary's choir took place in the National Schools on a recent Friday evening, and the party included this year members of the St. Andrew's choir and churchworkers, St. Andrew's having now become an integral part of the ecclesiastical parish of Bridport, controlled by the Rector, Rev. R. A. W. Farrer. The party numbered just under fifty, several invitations being extended to churchworkers and friends. The tables were laid in the boys' schoolroom, and the Rector presided, the vice-chairs being occupied by Mr. W. B. Northover and Mr. T. B. Baker.

The Rector proposed "The King," and "The Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the rest of the Royal Family," which were received with enthusiasm and musical honours.

The Mayor proposed "The Bishop and Clergy," to which the Rector responded. The Rector then proposed "The Mayor," and his Worship made a humorous speech in reply.

Mr. H. N. Cox proposed "The St. Mary's Honorary Ringing Guild," remarking that this was the seventeenth time the toast had been proposed at these annual gatherings. It used formerly to be the toast of the evening, but he was happy to say that the choirs now were associated with the gathering. As an old ringer, it gave him pleasure to propose this toast, and he was delighted that the ringing was conducted so well and so heartily. It had been said that the work of the ringers was heard but the ringers were not seen, but he could tell them that when there was not a full peal they could always tell there were absentees, and he hoped the attendance would be regular. When listening to their peals he often wished they would go in for scientific change-ringing, and he thought they would have an inducement to do this after hearing the fine change-ringing by the Axminster and Exeter bands that had visited the town.

Mr. Northover, whose name was coupled, replied to the toast, and said there was always a spirit of good fellowship amongst ringers, and they should always help each other on the road of life by good example and in every other way. In regard to scientific ringing, he was glad Mr. Cox had thrown out the suggestion, and he hoped the guild would take it up and try what they could do.

Mr. T. B. Baker proposed "The President and Vice-President of the Ringing Guild." In Mr. Farrer they had a President who took the deepest interest in the welfare of the guild and the good condition and tone of everything connected with the guild was largely due to the fact that the Rector often personally visited the belfry, and in many ways showed his interest in the members, whereas in olden days they were practically left unnoticed. Their churchwardens, too, as vice-presidents, showed great interest in the Guild.

Mr. Aldridge proposed "The Captain and Vice-captain of the Ringing Guild," again complimenting the members on their good work.

Mr. E. Scadden, Captain, briefly replied.

Mr. W. S. B. Northover, vice-captain, also responded, saying there was no fault to find with the guild in ringing, and it was seldom they failed to get a ring of eight men, and sometimes they had two eights in attendance. They had certainly a very fine ring of bells, and promised in the coming year they would see what could be done in the way of change-ringing.

Mr. J. Gale proposed "Our Hon. Secretary and Treasurer," saying a better man than Mr. Northover they could not get. Any undertaking he took in hand he would carry through, for when he had fixed a goal before him he meant getting there. What Mr. Northover had done had brought about a great deal of good, and although his energy might sometimes be misinterpreted, whatever he took up he entered into it with heart and soul. He felt that if the guild lost Mr. Northover they would lose a very good man and certainly could find no one to do the work better. He hoped he would remain in his present position in the guild for a very long time.

Mr. Northover thanked Mr. Gale and the company. That day he had been in very close touch with the founder of the Guild (the Rev. E. J. L. B. Henslowe) who took great interest in it; then they had Dr. Weldon and the present Rector, both of whom showed how proud they were of them, and the members should realise that it was for them to set such an example to others as would keep the high tone of the guild. The longer he lived the more he felt that the greatest happiness was found in making others happy, and they should all try to brighten the lives of others. Speaking of the bells, he said that Mr. Brown, who for so many years lived at Belmont, was so pleased with the ringing that he gave him half-a-sovereign for the guild. He had tried to do his duty to the Guild, but it could not be expected he would remain many years longer, and when he could not continue his office, if no one else could be found, he trusted his son would take up and carry on the work. He complimented Mr. G. Andress for the time and devotion he gave to the ringing, saying he did much in instructing new members, and he wished to personally thank him for his self-sacrifice.

The Rector then proposed "The Ladies," coupling with the toast the names of Messrs. Trollope and Zealley, humorously remarking "They all love Jack." They were all proud to have "Jack" as a ringer and church worker, and he had just been elected captain of the Dorset county football club.

Messrs. Trollope and Zealley replied.

The company joined hands and sung "Auld lang syne," followed by the National Anthem, and then separated after having spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

The following letter has appeared in the *Birmingham Mail*:—

"Sir,—May I hint to all the distressed and annoyed ones who have the grievance of 'ping-pong' monotony to pay a flying visit (I respect nerves) to our neighbourhood and judge for himself whether there is just cause for intolerance. St. Mary's and St. Ambrose's have a 'tin kettle shackle automatic derangement they call bells,' and if a clear-headed, right-minded, average individual can honestly call it anything else than a 'row' let him. I shall continue to call a spade a spade. A 'peal of bells' is delightful at the proper times, but 'ping-pong' and the circus chimes, followed by five minutes 'pinging' or 'ponging' is really distracting.—Yours, etc., J.P."

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## ARMA VIRUMQUE CANO.

Now it came to pass in those days, that there arose a certain knight, which was noble and brave and skilled in war above all his fellows. And his fame was in all lands. The same knight had a squire which followed hard in the footsteps of his lord, who albeit he was but a stripling was mighty in war and skilful in the use of the sword. This knight did many mighty deeds, and slew many terrible beasts, and rescued from peril divers maidens. And as he journeyed through the land, he lighted on a certain damsel, named A, who aforetime dwelt with ten brothers and sisters in a place called Campanology. Whom a tyrant drave forth from her home and placed a light and lewd woman named O in her stead and changed the name of that place to Campanology. And the good knight journeyed thither and fought the tyrant and slew him, and gave back her place unto the damsel. Wherefore men call the name of that place Campanology unto this day. Moreover the knight fought a fearsome beast called an Archdeacon, which dwelt in a cave called a Cathedral Close. Now this beast was wont to slander and traduce a harmless tribe called Ringers, saying that they were gluttonous, and wine-bibbers, and breakers of Sabbath. Wherefore the knight fought the beast, and prevailed against him, and slew him, and cut off his head, and returned to his own place.

After this the knight called his squire and spake unto him and said: "Herbert, hast thou heard aught of any virgins that be in peril? Or wottest thou of any evil beasts or tyrants that be about the land?" And the squire made answer and said, "My lord, there was a flea in my bed last night, but I fought against him, and took him by the beard and slew him. And, lo, even now the jackals feed on his carcase in the back yard." And the knight said, "Thou hast done well, my son; go forth now and bring tidings whether there be any other monsters or tyrants in the land." And the squire returned and said to his lord, "My lord, there is a great and terrible beast abroad which doeth great havoc, and men call it Treble Dominated. Now if it please my lord let us sally forth and kill it." And the knight called for his armour, and they two went forth with their swords drawn in their right hands. And they met the beast and fought against it, and slew it, and cut off the head thereof.

So the knight lived many years and did great wonders. And he died, and they buried him, and all the people of that land mourned over him. And they built him a sepulchre, and a cunning workman carved an image of the knight, and they set it over above the sepulchre. And under the feet of the image they put a Treble Dominated method, pierced and stricken through the heart. T.

## LAVENDEN, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

A large chiming clock has been erected upon the parish church, and was formally started this week. It is a memorial to the late Robert Battams, Esq., who lived for fifty years in the locality. The work has been carried out to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe, by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby.

## DODBROOKE, KINGSBRIDGE, DEVON.

During recent years much has been done to beautify the fine old parish church of St. Thomas of Canterbury,

Dodbrooke, and now at an estimated cost of about £225, the important work of rehangng and tuning the peal of six bells, and the restoration of the belfry has just been effected. A short time ago an inspection of the bells showed that the beams, floors, frames and fittings were in a very dilapidated state, and that it was in fact quite dangerous for the bells to be rung. The frames which carried the bells were in a very bad condition, having evidently been first placed in the tower in 1719, and the general condition of the belfry was seen to be such as to require immediate attention. The bells themselves also sadly needed restoration, and after a good deal of consideration it was decided by the Rector (Rev. T. C. Lewis) and the Church Committee, to proceed with the necessary work, the contract for which was placed in the very able hands of Mr. Harry Stokes, of Woodbury. The belfry and the tower have been thoroughly restored by Mr. Stokes, and a new entrance and staircase has been made. A new iron cage has also been provided for the bells, and there are new stocks, oak wheels, ropes, etc. The second bell and the tenor bell which were in the worst state, have been recast, and to the latter alone  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cwt. of metal has been added. The other four bells have been taken down and repaired, and the whole peal re-tuned and properly rehung. The work has been most skilfully and satisfactorily carried out, and the improvement effected is very marked.

The service of blessing the bells took place on a recent Thursday evening, in the presence of a large congregation. The first part of the service was taken by the Rev. Warrington Stock, chaplain of H.M.S. *Monmouth*, formerly curate at Dodbrooke. Subsequently the clergy and choir preceded by the cross bearer, assembled in the baptistery, and the bells were then solemnly dedicated by the rural dean, the Rev. T. F. Boulton. The dedication was followed by a joyous peal rung by the Dodbrooke ringers, and an interesting and appropriate address was then given by the Vicar of Kingsbridge, the Rev. H. A. Birks. At the close of the service several touches were rung by the ringers of St. Thomas's and St. Edmund's, Kingsbridge.

## PONTEFRAC, YORKS.

THE MAYOR AS HOST.—It was a happy gathering, and one of an uncommon nature, which took possession of the council chamber at the Town Hall on a recent Thursday evening. At the invitation of the Mayor (Councillor Wordsworth), the members of the Fire Brigade, the bell-ringers from St. Giles's and the old church, and the lamp-lighters of the town were entertained to supper, and later they were provided with other forms of enjoyment. So it came about that 7 o'clock on Thursday evening found his Worship at the head of about forty guests, "valiant trenchermen," many of them, who did justice to and thoroughly enjoyed the good wholesome fare placed before them. The Mayor was accompanied by the Mayoress, and was supported by Councillors Hemmant and Ward, of the Fire Brigade Committee; Councillor Waller, the other member, it was explained, was unavoidably absent. Supper over, "clays" and tobacco, cigars and cigarettes, were handed round, and the council-room was soon hazy with smoke. "I want no speechifying," said the Mayor; "we have sufficient here sometimes. Make yourselves at home; I don't want to see any starch or stiffness." Neither did he; for a more jovial, friendly evening was never spent. A considerable part of Councillor Hemmant's time was occupied in "drawing" bottles of beer,

etc., and a busy time he had as barman. The Mayor very appropriately proposed "The King," and His Majesty's health was drunk and honoured musically. Later, Councillor Hemmant submitted "The Host and Hostess" most suitably, and informed the company that it was on the suggestion of the Mayoress that that evening's enjoyment had been provided, paid a high tribute to the brigade, and exhorted every man present to enjoy himself, and so repay their host and hostess.

Captain Moorhouse, of the brigade, heartily seconded, and Councillor Ward supported; then the toast was drunk with musical honours and lusty cheers.

The Mayor aptly responded, and told the men how glad he was to see them all, and also mentioned that the Mayoress was the originator of the idea. Further, she had taken a great interest in the supper, and had tried to make everybody happy and comfortable. If the company enjoyed themselves she would be satisfied. He hoped there wouldn't be a fire that night. Still later the Mayor expressed his indebtedness to Councillor Hemmant, Mr. and Mrs. Pickard, and others for their assistance; and Councillors Hemmant and Ward and the Town Clerk spoke a few words in response. Amongst those who in addition to the guests themselves contributed in various ways to a happy evening were Mr. and Mrs. Pickard, the Mayor, Mr. R. Atkinson, Miss Brown, and Mr. F. W. Piper. An enjoyable feature was the handbell ringing by Messrs. Pearson, Carter, Moody and Walker. Mr. Pickard throughout the evening ably officiated as accompanist. In conclusion Mr. Pearson gave Auld lang syne on the bells; this, and "God save the King," the company sang together, and midnight having just struck, the happy company dispersed. "I hope," observed the Mayor as the guests left, "that none of you will be any the worse for having been here."

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above Association was held on Saturday, March 5th, at Curry Rivell. The bells at Huish Episcopi (6), Langport (6), Drayton (8), and Curry Rivell (8), were available throughout the day. The attendance was the largest ever recorded in the history of the Association for a quarterly meeting, over eighty members being present.

A service was held at the parish church at 4 o'clock, the Rev. T. H. Rust—curate-in-charge—officiating, assisted by the Rev. J. Hamlet, Vicar of Barrington, and by the organist and choir. An excellent and most appropriate address was given by the Rev. J. Hamlet.

After tea the members were entertained to tea by E. C. Trevillian, Esq.—a member of the Association, and head ringer and churchwarden of Drayton—at his residence, Midelney Place.

Immediately after tea the business meeting, presided over by the Rev. H. G. Quicke, was held, in the course of which three honorary members and seventy performing members were elected.

A most hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. and Mrs. Trevillian for their kind hospitality, in acknowledging which Mr. Trevillian expressed his great interest in bells and ringers generally, and the pleasure it gave him to meet his fellow-members of the Association that day.

Hearty votes of thanks were also passed to the Revs. —. Ross (Langport), —. Stubbs (Huish Episcopi), and H. G. Quicke for the use of their bells; to the Rev. T.

H. Rust for the use of the bells and church at Curry Rivell, and to the Rev. J. Hamlet for his most excellent address. Needless to say with such a large attendance of members, the four rings of bells were kept merrily going.

Immediately following the general meeting a special meeting of members of the district was held, when it was resolved to start a working branch of the Association for the district, to include the local and immediately surrounding towers which were not taking part in the work of any other branch. The Rev. J. Hamlet was unanimously elected chairman, and Mr. D. G. Taylor, of Ilminster, was unanimously elected Hon. Local Secretary.

Starting the branch with such men at the helm is certainly a happy circumstance, and doubtless this branch will do much good work.

#### DEDICATION OF NEW CLOCK AND BELLS AT CARMARTHEN.

The dedication of the new bells and full-quarter clock erected in the tower of the parish church of St. Peter, Carmarthen, took place at the morning service on a recent Sunday, under the auspices of the bishop of the diocese. The Bishop dedicated the clock at 10.55 a.m., just before the beginning of the service, and it was arranged that after the dedication the clock should be set going at half a minute to eleven, so that its first work should be the striking of the quarters and the hour of service. The bells were dedicated after the third collect. The formal dedication was made by the Bishop after the usual hymn, and at the close of the short service the bells were chimed for a short time, and then another hymn was sung. The Bishop preached from Hebrews ii. 18 to a large congregation, and, referring to the special features of the service, remarked upon the interest taken in the old church of St. Peter's by the inhabitants generally, irrespective of sect or creed. At the close of the service the bells were rung by the Llanstephan ringers.

The old bells, which were erected in 1722, consisted of a ring of six, but the framework had become so dilapidated that it had not been possible to ring them for many years. The bells have now been re-hung, the tower at the same time being renovated thoroughly inside and out. Two bells of the old ring of six have been recast and two new bells—a tenor and treble—have been added to complete the octave. The new tenor (16 cwt.) was the generous gift of Mrs. Reid, of Spilman Street, Carmarthen, at a cost of 100 guineas. It bears the motto "May God bless whom we do call," and the new treble bell has inscribed upon it "Day by day we magnify Thee." It is anticipated that the Carmarthen people will be much pleased with their new ring of bells.

#### CAVERSHAM, OXON.

On Thursday, February 11th, the members of the St. Peter's Society held their third annual dinner, and the members and their wives turned up in force to do justice to the good things provided by host Relf of The Prince of Wales inn. The Vicar (Rev. C. W. E. Cleaver), who on this occasion brought Mrs. Cleaver, took the chair, and after the dinner was "toasted" right loyally by all, the rev. gentleman thanked all for the hearty way Mrs. Cleaver's and his own name had been received, and hoped the happy relations between himself and his ringers would long continue.

Mr. T. Newman then proposed "Success to the Society," which he said was doing quite as well as could be expected, having scored peals in the past year of London, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich, Bob Major and Grand.

sire Triples, and hoped that things would go on as well in the ensuing year. He was pleased to say that one member although separated from them by many miles, still thought of them, and was sure every one would be pleased to hear that Sergeant Hibbert, R.H.A. had kindly sent a sovereign from India towards a peal-book.

The remainder of the evening passed very quickly with various songs and tunes on the handbells, and after thanking the host and hostess for the "Superlative" way in which the dinner was cooked and served, the National Anthem brought the evening to a close, every one expressing themselves as having spent a very pleasant time, and hoping to meet again for many years to come.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### CHANGE-RINGING AT THE UNIVERSITIES.

SIR,—Having been associated with change-ringing at one of the two Universities for several years, I am grateful to Mr. Doble for his letter and to you, sir, for your editorial note. I sympathise warmly with the desire that the University Guilds may help to produce a larger number of scientific ringers among the clergy and country gentry. We have always felt this to be one of the chief uses of our Guild here; and at the beginning of this year, in addition to our usual notices, our Committee drew up and sent to some college dons as well as undergraduates a special circular, calling attention to the advantages of knowing change-ringing and the opportunity afforded of learning it here. If Mr. Doble will favour me with his address, I will gladly send him a copy of the circular.

But I cannot say I look with favour on the proposal to start an annual contest in change-ringing between Oxford and Cambridge. I doubt whether competitions in bell-ringing are ever worthy of approval. I am sure a competition could not be maintained year after year between the two Universities, even if it were desirable to start it. After all, the number of change-ringers resident at either University must always be small: there are too many other attractions in the way both of work and of amusement. Further, the time during which most men reside is so short that very few of those who take up change-ringing can be expected to become really good ringers before they leave the University. It would be intolerable to have a contest which was either between bad ringers or included older non-resident members.

There is, however, another plan which seems to me more worthy of consideration: that is, to form a joint society of change-ringers of the two Universities, not for purposes of rivalry but to ring together. Something of the kind was attempted last year, when some Oxford ringers came over by invitation to Cambridge, and later some Cambridge ringers went over to Oxford: and very delightful both meetings were. An Oxford and Cambridge Ringing Society (somewhat like, for instance, the O. and C. Golfing Society, which already exists) might give a good deal of mutual help and pleasure. I shall be very glad to hear from members of either University what they think of it.

A. H. F. BOUGHEY.

Trinity College, Cambridge, March 29th, 1904.

#### UNIVERSITY COMPETITION.

SIR,—This suggestion is an excellent one, and one that has long been in the minds of members of the University Guilds; but the difficulty is how to carry it out. Last year was the only year, I believe, in which any sort of a comparison between the Guilds has been possible. In fact they are chiefly teaching Guilds; and it seems impossible to arrange a competition when one year a Guild may be all peal-ringers, and the next all beginners.

If however your readers could suggest any way, and a trophy be thought desirable—say a peal of handbells on an ornamental stand—I should be glad to subscribe towards the cost.

It seemed to me when I was in closer touch with the Universities (things may be different now) that the Ely Diocesan

Guild and the Oxford Diocesan Guild did not do all they might in fostering ringing in our Universities; other diocesan organisations are alive to their responsibilities to these Universities in their borders; why not ringers? Thus, when I was at Cambridge, we each term posted a notice on the screens of every college giving our programme for that term; now why should not each Diocesan Guild have a special meeting for the benefit of the University each October term, and advertise it in a similar way?

The same thing applies to our Theological Colleges, in most of which change-ringing is fostered in a more or less ineffectual way. If this energy could be organised it might be of great use. I can think of no more useful work for the Central Council than to form a Committee to arrange for mutual assistance between the Universities and Theological Colleges and the various ringing societies.

H. DRAKE.

SIR,—With regard to your leading article in last week's issue and also to the letter of your correspondent, you will be interested to know that at least six of the students at this college are learning to ring, and that several more are anxious to commence. If only we can get the proper opportunity for practice I think rapid progress will be made. We have also started change-ringing on handbells, in which keen interest is taken. It seems to me that if facilities for learning ringing were offered to theological students at other colleges wherever practicable, the number of ringing clergy would in a few years be considerably increased. The period of residence at a Theological College is comparatively short—two years; in many cases only one—but at any rate there is time for men to get an acquaintance with the art which ought to be sufficient to whet their appetite for more.

Theological College, Lichfield.

BERNARD JEALOUS.

### Obituary.

#### WILLIAM MORRELL.

We have to lament the loss of the above ringer, which took place on Sunday, March 20th, at the age of forty-seven, after several weeks of intense suffering of acute erysipelas. He had been a member of the York Minster branch of the Yorkshire Association for thirty-one years, also of St. Michael's, Spurriergate; he was also a member of the College Youths. He was a member who could always be relied on in any method he rung; a careful striker, and ready always to coach a young hand through his first touch. His first peal was rung at Sharow, Ripon, on December 26th, 1873, and nine peals by the Association, including a peal of Stedman Caters containing the sixty course-ends by Mr. C. H. Hattersley. He also took part in the three double-handed first peals recorded by the Yorkshire Association, viz., a peal of Grandsire Triples, 5000 Kent Treble Bob Royal, and 5039 Grandsire Caters. The funeral took place on Thursday, March 24th. The first portion of the service was taken in the Cathedral, the clergy and choir meeting the corpse at the south entrance singing the opening sentences to the choir, where the coffin was placed on a bier covered with a violet pall. After the 90th Psalm had been sung by the choir the Dean read the lesson in a very feeling manner. The hymn, "Now the labourer's task is o'er" was sung with great effect. The Dean pronounced the blessing, and the body was carried by six of his brother-ringers, the choir singing the *Nunc Dimittis* at leaving for interment at the cemetery, where the service was read by the Rector of St. Michael, Spurriergate, when a course of Grandsire Triples was rung at the graveside before the blessing. A muffled peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung in the evening on the ring of six at St. Michael's, Spurriergate, the Minster bells not being available owing to restoration.

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CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*

*Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, March 29th, 1904.*

## LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

All being well eight members of the Royal Cumberland Youths will attempt 20,000 Double Norwich at Erith on Easter Monday, starting at 7 a.m.

## The Metropolis.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
JOHN J. LAMB* .. .. 2.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. 6.
ERNEST PYE .. .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 7.
HENRY HODGETTS* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

*On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, ENFIELD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:  
THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON .. .. Treble.	W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM .. .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

*On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,*

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SPITALFIELDS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:  
THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 33 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Treble.	HON. A. P. ERSKINE .. .. 5.
JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS .. .. 6.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 3.	CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. .. 7.
HARRY T. LAST .. .. 4.	SPENCER M. DODDINGTON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Duke of Cambridge.

**B**ELL-RINGER'S HANDKERCHIEF.—Made in pure silk, with figures of various-sized bells woven in. A splendid article for use, and very suitable for a gift to either sex.—Designed and made by a change-ringer for the Exercise. Price 3s. 9d.; with name woven in, 5s.—These goods have received the most flattering encomiums from all those who have had them.—WILFRED MATTHEWS, change-ringer, 110, Bond Street, Macclesfield.

## The Provinces.

## SHALFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Saturday, March 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford Bob Minor, and four 720s of Bob Minor. Tenor 18½ cwt.

W. WORSFOLD† .. .. Treble.	†E. LUCAS .. .. 4.
E. WORSFOLD† .. .. 2.	†R. CROWHURST .. .. 5.
T. STREETER .. .. 3.	†W. G. TREWIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. G. TREWIN.

†First peal. First peal on the bells.

## CLIFTON, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

*On Tuesday, March 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores, each called differently.

HERBERT J. HARLOW* .. Treble.	HERBERT L. HARLOW .. 4.
ARTHUR DANIEL .. .. 2.	JAMES BLOTT .. .. 5.
ALFRED PRATT .. .. 3.	*ERNEST KITELY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT L. HARLOW.

\*First peal. Rung with the bells deeply-muffled as a last tribute of respect to the Duke of Cambridge.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

*On Thursday, March 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

WESLEY WATSON .. .. Treble.	HARRY F. DAWKINS .. .. 5.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CHARLES MIDDLETON, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method.

## EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

*On Thursday, March 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDERICK UPHILL .. .. Treble.	*THOMAS SELF .. .. 5.
FREDERICK W. CHALLEN† .. 2.	WILLIAM GEARING .. .. 6.
DANIEL W. SNELLING .. .. 3.	ALFRED E. BASSETT .. .. 7.
ALFRED BROWN .. .. 4.	THOMAS A. SHRUBB .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK W. CHALLEN.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor. Rung as a token of respect to the late Rev. John Samuel.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

ROBERT SPERRING .. .. Treble.	HARRY W. WILDE .. .. 5.
GEORGE JONES .. .. 2.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. 6.
ERNEST SMITH .. .. 3.	ERNEST E. CHAWELL .. .. 7.
ROWE HUXLEY .. .. 4.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by R. SPERRING.

**H**ANDBELLS FOR SALE.—A peal of 42 in splendid condition. Price £7 10s. Also a nearly new polished ball stand, measuring 5 feet square, with books complete.—TYRRELL, Horndon on the Hill, Essex.

**HARROLD, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
Double Court, College Single Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 14 cwt.

FRED WILFORD .. .. .	Treble.	WALTER FINEDON .. .. .	4.
FREDERICK W. BOOTH .. .. .	2.	CHARLES W. CLARKE .. .. .	5.
FREDERICK J. MYNARD .. .. .	3.	*FREDERICK J. BIRD .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by C. W. CLARKE.

\*First peal in seven methods away from the tenor.

**DARLINGTON.****DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

ALBERT HUNTER* .. .. .	Treble.	G. W. PEVERELL .. .. .	5.
J. G. GREEN .. .. .	2.	MAURICE B. DALBY .. .. .	6.
HARRY PEVERELL .. .. .	3.	CHAS. TODD .. .. .	7.
FREDERICK C. NAISBITT .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM H. PORTER .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by WILLIAM H. PORTER.

\*First peal.

**KNEBWORTH, HERTS.****THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

HUBBARD'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

CHARLES GALE* .. .. .	Treble.	JOSEPH CRAFT .. .. .	5.
THOMAS PATEMAN† .. .. .	2.	GEORGE T. SPICER .. .. .	6.
HARRY BOTTRIL .. .. .	3.	ALBERT PHILLIPS .. .. .	7.
GEORGE H. BARKER .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

\*First peal on eight bells. †First peal with a bob bell.

**LINDLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

FRED SCHOFIELD .. .. .	Treble.	JAMES DICKENS .. .. .	5.
JAMES BARRACLOUGH .. .. .	2.	BEN. SHAW .. .. .	6.
JOE WOOD .. .. .	3.	JOHN T. DICKENS .. .. .	7.
ARTHUR CROSLAND .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM MOULTON .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by FRED SCHOFIELD.

**ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.****THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs. in F.

THOMAS RUSSAM .. .. .	Treble.	THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. .	5.
ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. .	2.	ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. .	6.
SAMUEL REEVES .. .. .	3.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. .	7.
WALTER C. HUNT .. .. .	4.	SIDNEY J. JESSOP .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

This is the first peal on the bells which are a new ring by Messrs. Taylor, the "go" being excellent. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Alf Paddon Smith, and was also his fiftieth peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

**FEERING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

(NORTH EASTERN DISTRICT.)

*On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.**

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN SADLER .. .. .	5.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. .	2.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. .	6.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. .. .	3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH .. .. .	7.
DAVID ELLIOTT .. .. .	4.	JAMES NEWMAN .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

**BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. .	Treble.	HARRY GOOD .. .. .	5.
BERNAL E. HOWE .. .. .	2.	THOMAS HAIGH .. .. .	6.
JOHN BODDY .. .. .	3.	THOMAS B. KENDALL .. .. .	7.
ARTHUR GILL .. .. .	4.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. W. Morrell, who had been a ringer for over thirty years at York Minster.

**HALIFAX, YORKS.****THE HALIFAX AND DISTRICT AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 26 cwt.

HARRY REYNOLDS .. .. .	Treble.	CHARLES E. CARRINGTON .. .. .	5.
JESSE RUSHWORTH .. .. .	2.	LEWIS MIDDLEY .. .. .	6.
ALBERT JAGGER .. .. .	3.	CHARLES E. STEWART .. .. .	7.
JONAS S. AMBLER .. .. .	4.	FRED SALMONS .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by FRED ROBINSON, and Conducted by FRED SALMONS.

**Handbell Peal.****ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, March 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,*

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

LEWIS L. WATSON* .. .. .	1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. .. .	5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. .	3-4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. .	7-8.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

Umpire—O. Wiles. \*First peal of Treble Bob.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal of Doubles rung at Glemham, Suffolk, was rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Rector, the Rev. W. Hooper, who was buried at this church on Saturday, March 12th.

**Date Touches.****THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

BEESTON (Notts).—On Saturday, February 20th, at St. John's church, a date touch of Bob Major in 1 hr. 16 mins. J. Paling, L. Price, F. S. Price, W. Clifford, jun., E. Burt, W. Clifford, sen., A. Lowe, R. Clifford composer and conductor.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

FARNHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, February 28th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a date touch of Graudsire Triples in 1 hr. 9 mins. H. Garfath, jun., A. E. Smith, A. Baigent, T. Upshall, H. Garfath, sen., A. Smith, E. Clapshaw, H. Kimber. Composed by W. J. Fisher, and Conducted by H. Garfath, jun.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

DUFFIELD (Derbyshire).—On Sunday, January 31st, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, arranged from one of A. Knights' peals. A. Butler, B. Sugden, S. Dawson, F. Hickling, W. Hickling, sen., W. Hickling, jun., J. Pagett, J. Flower, W. Wallace conductor, W. Bates.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WHITTLESEA (Cambs).—Recently, at St. Mary's church, on the front six, with 7-8 covering, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins. T. Oldfield, G. Smith, O. G. Howe, T. Aveling, A. Neal, C. Goakes conductor, J. Barrett, J. Edwards.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WRITTLE.—On Sunday, February 28th, for Divine service in the morning, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, composed by J. George of Rugby, in 45 mins. H. W. Kirton, B. S. Thompson, T. Lincoln, F. G. Radley, H. Head, A. Head, W. Lincoln conductor, F. Edwards.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BEARSTED.—On Tuesday, January 26th, 720 Plain Bob Minor. E. Pollard, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, G. Pound, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor. On Tuesday, February 16th, for practice, 720 Plain Bob Minor in 27 mins. E. Pollard, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, G. Burbridge, G. Draikes, J. Shorter conductor. On February 23rd, for practice, 720 Plain Bob Minor. G. Wratten, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, E. Pollard, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor.

BOXLEY.—On Saturday, February 27th, 720 Plain Bob Minor in 30 mins. by Bearsted band. G. Wratten, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, E. Pollard, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor. 360 Plain Bob Minor. W. Hope, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, G. Burbridge, G. Pound, J. Shorter conductor. 192 Grandsire Minor. W. Cheeseman, W. Hope, G. Pound conductor, G. Burbridge, W. Killpatrick, J. Shorter.

## THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

TUNSTALL.—At Christ Church, on January 21st, 1440 Treble Bob. G. A. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Smith, H. Smith, W. Thompson, F. Darlington, A. Clay, J. Johnson conductor. On January 9th, 576 Treble Bob Major. J. Darlington, A. Clay, F. Smith, H. Smith, G. Smith, F. Darlington, W. Thompson, W. Curtis conductor. On January 19th, 504 Stedman. W. Thompson, F. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Darlington, A. Clay, H. Smith, G. Smith conductor, J. Jones. On January 28th, 720 Kent Treble Bob. J. Darlington, A. A. Clay, H. Smith, G. A. Smith, F. Darlington, W. Thompson conductor, T. Jones. On January 31st, 504 Stedman Triples. J. Darlington, F. Smith, A. A. Clay, H. Smith, J. Johnson, G. A. Smith, W. Thompson conductor, T. Jones. On February 5th, 460 Treble Bob Major. J. Darlington, A. Clay, F. Smith, H. Smith, J. Johnson, F. Darlington, W. Thompson G. A. Smith conductor.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CLIFTON (Beds).—On Sunday morning, February 21st, for Divine Service at All Saints church, 180 Bob Minor. W. Sharp, H. L. Harlow conductor, J. Hare, A. Daniel, A. Pratt, J. Blott. And a 360. W. Sharp, J. Hare, H. L. Harlow conductor; the rest as before. And a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. F. Pratt, J. Hare conductor, H. J. Harlow, A. Pratt, A. Daniel, E. Kiteley. For evening service 180 Bob Minor. W. Sharp, H. L. Harlow conductor, H. J. Harlow, A. Daniel, A. Pratt, J. Blott. And 300 Grandsire Doubles. F. Pratt, A. Daniel, H. J. Harlow, A. Pratt, H. L. Harlow conductor, E. Kiteley.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

GREAT COMBERTON (Worcestershire).—On Monday, February 29th, for practice, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor. A. Monro, C. Gibbs, P. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, C. Young, H. Salisbury. Also several 6-scores of Grandsire and Canterbury Pleasure Doubles, T. Allen and L. Portman taking part.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

PENDLETON (Lancashire).—On Sunday, February 28th, at St. Thomas's church for Divine Service, 448 London Surprise Major. F. Smith, W. J. Taylor, J. Smith, J. Winterbottom, W. C. Hunt, W. H. Shuker, T. Greenhalgh, H. Chapman conductor.

## THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Monday, March 22nd, at St. Andrew's church, 1152 Kent Treble Bob Major in 56 mins. R. Brunson, J. B.

Fenton, A. Dubber, A. J. Hicks, A. J. Hessian, F. Sear, A. Bramall, J. George conductor. Tenor 25 cwt. in D. This is the longest length in the method on the bells, and was rung half-muffled in memory of H.R.H. the late Duke of Cambridge.

BEDWORTH (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, February 27th, at the parish church, 377 Grandsire Triples. H. Cure, J. F. Clarke conductor, E. Martin, J. H. White, T. Cure, G. Winter, W. Clayfield, J. Ballard. 224 Bob Major. J. Ballard, J. H. White, T. Cure, J. F. Clarke conductor, H. Cure, G. Winter, W. Clayfield, T. W. Chapman. 336 Grandsire Triples. E. Martin, J. H. White, T. Cure, T. W. Chapman, H. Cure, W. Maund, J. F. Clarke conductor, J. Ballard. On Handbells, 168 Grandsire Triples. J. F. Clarke T. Cure, J. H. White, T. W. Chapman conductor, G. Winter; a course of Bob Major with H. Cure 8, the rest as before; and a course of Stedman Triples, J. F. Clarke, T. Cure, H. Cure, T. W. Chapman, G. Winter.

DARLINGTON (Durham).—On Saturday, March 12th, at Holy Trinity church, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor. R. B. Wilson, G. J. Lungley, W. H. Porter, G. W. Park C. L. Routledge, C. Todd conductor. Also 720 College Pleasure. G. J. Lungley, R. B. Wilson, C. Todd, W. H. Porter, C. L. Routledge, G. W. Park conductor.

HITCHIN (Herts).—On Saturday, February on handbells, 518 Grandsire Triples. C. R. Lilley conductor, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman, J. Hare. Also 168, with W. Allen, 7-8.

KINGS LANGLEY (Herts).—On Thursday, February 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 48 mins. A. E. Weeden conductor, J. W. Lane, A. H. Walker, L. A. Walker, R. S. Cook, A. G. Cook. This is the first quarter-peal on the bells, and by the local band.

LEATHERHEAD.—On Sunday, February 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 47 minutes. E. Ventham, T. Newnham, J. Harding, W. E. Otway, H. Wood, A. Winch, W. Marks conductor, A. C. Otway, E. Hull, A. Dean. On Sunday March 6th, in 46 minutes, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1296 changes. E. Ventham, T. Newnham, J. Harding, W. Crookford, H. Wood, A. Winch, W. Marks, F. Holden, A. Dean conductor, E. Hall.

LINSLADE (Bucks).—On Saturday, February 13th, at the church of St. Barnabas, seven 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. E. Field, A. Cheshire, W. Jeffs, A. Vickers, F. Vickers conductor, W. Neale. And a 6-score of Bob Doubles, standing as before. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Jeffs. On Sunday morning, February 14th, for Divine Service, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. F. Cheshire, A. Cheshire conductor, W. Jeffs, E. Field, C. White, W. Neale. And another 6-score. E. Field, G. Wright, W. Jeffs, P. Vickers conductor, C. White, W. Neale. For evening service two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. F. Cheshire, F. Vickers conductor, W. Jeffs, A. Vickers, C. White, W. Neale. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank commenced increasing this ring to eight by adding a new treble and tenor on Monday, February 15th, the gift of Mrs. Hadley, in memory of her late husband, James Hadley.

MAIDSTONE (Kent).—On Sunday, February 21st, for Divine service at the parish church, 395 Grandsire Caters. F. Newman, W. Mantering, E. Spiller, R. Simmond, A. Tawney, E. Waghorn, E. Elliott, A. Palmer, T. Mantering conductor, A. Burridge.

OLD WARDEN (Beds).—On Saturday, March 19th, on handbells, 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. R. Lilley, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman. Also 120 Woodbine. F. York, G. D. Coleman, T. Scott, C. R. Lilley, W. J. Mayes, F. Wells. Also a 6-score of Bob Doubles. W. Mayes, T. Scott conductor, J. Hore, C. R. Lilley, F. Wells.

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## Notices.

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**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Ashover on Easter Monday, 4th April. Service at 4.30 p.m., preacher, Rev. A. F. Beeston, of New Mills. Tea at 5.30 p.m., 6d. each to members, 1s. to others. Meeting after tea. Two miles from Stretton Station on Midland Railway.  
T. ALLIBONE, Sec.

North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**The Norwich Diocesan Association.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Framlingham on Easter Monday, April 4th. The ring of 8 at the parish church and the 6 at Earl Soham will be open. Dinner at The Corn Hall (adjoining The Crown hotel) at 1.30 p.m.  
CHARLES E. BORRETT, Sec.

10, Chester Street, Norwich.

**The Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—The annual meeting will take place at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 4th. Service will be held in St. Helen's church at 1.30, at which the Rev. Canon Cresswell Strange has kindly consented to give an address. Business meeting in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral, at 2.30 prompt. The Very Rev. R. W. Forrest, Dean of Worcester, will preside. Tickets will be provided to admit members to tea, which can be obtained from me on or before the date of meeting. The following towers are available for ringing: the Cathedral from 5 to 6 p.m. only; St. Helen's (8), Hallow (8), St. Swithin's, St. Nicholas, St. John's and St. Martin's (6). All subscriptions not previously paid should be paid at this meeting. The annual report will be ready for distribution. Members requiring copies of The Glossary can have same on application for them. Certificate of membership can also be obtained for 6d. each.  
JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Bedford on Easter Monday. Committee meeting at 12.30 at Roff's Rooms, High Street, where luncheon will be provided at 1 o'clock, price 2s. (members half-price). Business will follow. Service at St. Paul's church at 5 o'clock, preacher, Ven. the Archdeacon of Bedford. The bells (10) of St. Paul's church will be available for ringing from 9 a.m. to 10.50 a.m. and in the afternoon, and probably St. Peter's.  
W. W. C. BAKER, Hon. Sec.  
I. HILLS, Sec.

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Eckington on Easter Monday. Members are invited to take tea with the Rector at 4 o'clock.  
S. THOMAS, Pres.

**The Essex Association.**—South-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Stanford-le-Hope on Easter Monday, April 4th. Tea at 5 o'clock. Business meeting to follow.  
H. T. WILSON, Dist. Sec.

32, Windsor Road, Westcliff.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Nottingham on Easter Monday, April 4th, to which all members and friends are cordially invited. The bells of St. Mary's, St. Peter's, All Saints' and Holy Trinity (Lenton) churches will be available for ringing from 10 a.m., excepting during the time of tea and general meeting.

Committee meeting at 3.45, followed by tea (1s. 6d. each) at 4.30 p.m., and general meeting, in the Arboretum Refreshment Rooms.  
W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.

Cotgrave, Notts.

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Ewell, Surrey, on Easter Monday. Bells will be available from 3 o'clock, by kind permission of the Vicar—the Rev. R. Hunt. Tea at the Church Room, opposite the Church, at 6 o'clock, followed by the usual meeting.

CHAS. DEAN, JUN., } Hon. Secs.  
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72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.

12, Tabor Grove, Wimbledon.

**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Annual meeting at St. Albans on Easter Monday, 4th April, when the towers of the Cathedral and St. Peter's church will be open from 2 o. Service at the Cathedral at 5 o., address by the Very Rev. the Dean. Tea at the Town Hall at 5.45, followed by business meeting. A motion will be made for the alteration of the County Districts from five to two, and that in every year four district meetings be held in both divisions.  
St. Albans. E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

**The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—The new peal of ten in St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool, will be opened on Easter Monday at 11.30 a.m. Luncheon at 1 p.m. at the Station Commercial Hotel.  
C. L. ROUTLEDGE, Hon. Sec.

62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—A meeting of the members of the North and East District of this Association will be held at the parish church, Barnet, on Easter Monday, by kind permission of the Rector. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The bells will be available from 2.30 in the afternoon.  
ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llantrisant, Glamorganshire, on Easter Monday at 4 o'clock. Rev. CANNOP L. PRICE, Hon. Sec.  
J. W. JONES, Asst. Hon. Sec.

**The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—A meeting will be held at Whitby on Easter Monday, when the bells of St. Mary's Church (ring of 8, tenor 17 cwt.) will be available all day. Dinner will be provided (1s. to members, 2s. 3d. non-members) at The Belle hotel, Baxtergate, at 2 o'clock.  
G. J. CLARKSON, Pres.

6, Finkle Street, Stockton-on-Tees.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—The annual meeting will this year be held at Cambridge on Easter Monday, April 4th. It is hoped that the following bells will be available for the use of members on the occasion: St. Mary the Great (12), Roman Catholic Church (8), St. Benet's (8), Old Chesterton (6) 1 mile, Fen Ditton (6) 2 miles. A substantial meat tea will be provided at the Rooms of the Church of England Young Men's Society, in St. Edward's Passage, at 3.30, after which the business meeting will be held, the annual report and balance sheet presented, and officers elected for the ensuing year. All notices of motion should be sent to the secretary at once. Visiting ringers will be welcome.  
Rev. W. W. COVEY CRUMP, Gen. Sec.

Stopsley Vicarage, Luton.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—East Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting of this branch will take place at Christchurch Priory

Hants (10 bells), on Saturday, April 9th. Committee meeting, 2.45 p.m.; short service and address, 3 p.m.; general meeting, 3.30 p.m.; tea at The Red House, 4 p.m.

A. F. MARTIN STEWART, Branch Hon. Sec.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting of this division will take place at Rye on Saturday, April 9th. Bells available 3 to 9 p.m. Tea at 5.30. Members intending to be present will oblige by sending word to the undersigned not later than Wednesday, 6th April.

S. SAKER, Hon. Sec.

"Arran," Baldslow Road, Hastings

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Heywood, on Saturday, April 9th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited. J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, April 9th. Members intending to be present must give notice early to Mr. T. E. Rowley, 5, Church Street, Stone.

D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec. pro tem.

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Feltham on Saturday, April 9th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.

J. J. PRATT, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The next practice and meeting will be held on Monday, April 11th, at 7.45.  
T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Horbury on Saturday, April 9th. Meeting to commence at 5 p.m. Meeting house, The King's Arms.

WALTER IDLE, Sec.

27, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Slinfold on Saturday, April 16th. Tower open from 4 p.m., tea at 5.30, business meeting to follow. Members intending to be present kindly inform the undersigned by Thursday, April 14th.  
H. EVANS, Hon. Div. Sec.

Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

**Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.**—The quarterly meeting in connection with this Society will be held on Saturday, April 16th, at the parish church, Sedgley. The bells will be available for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head for all those sending in their names on or before the 11th inst. to  
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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on April 7th and 21st, at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on April 12th, and at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 26th. Business meetings at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, afterwards on the 12th and 26th.  
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1904.

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357246 4

463725 2

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275346 5

752346 4

467235 2

524367 1

465273 3

324765 1

653472 2

246753 1

652437 3

746352 1

657423 3

236745 2

732564 5

327564 4

643752 2

276543 1

572364 5

725364 4

647532 2

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523764 4

365247 3

723465 1

657342 2

576342 4

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764325 1

427653 3

364527 1

563742 5

425376 2

634725 1

256473 2

672534 3

456372 1

354267 5

543267 4

725643 1

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675243 5

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1904.

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752634 1

657423 5

450372 5

234756 1

732645 5

637524 5

456237 1

374625 2

673542 5x

736542 4

Three times repeated, single at 5 in 2nd and 4th parts in the course marked x. Contains the extent of 5-6-7 in the home position.

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1904.

Start with a full slow six.

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13425 - - s courses

32154 { - - - - -

25341 { - - - - -

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41532 { 3 times repeated.

52431 { - - - - -

- - - - -

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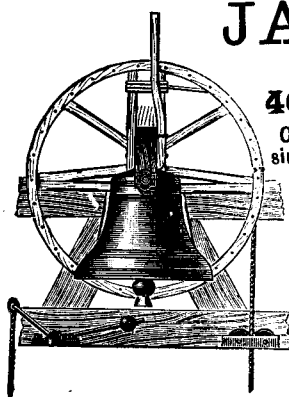
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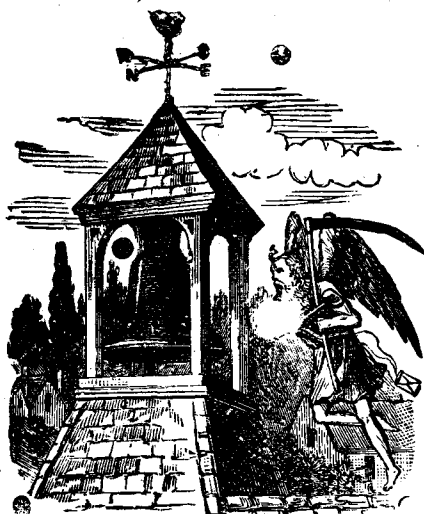
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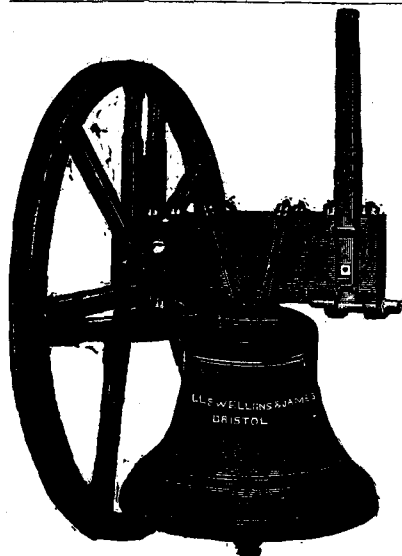
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PRESTON (Lancashire). St. John. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1814. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 5 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Mears, 1902. Ropes new 1902, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. No practice.

PRESTWOLD (Leicestershire). Dedication unknown. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells. 4th and 5th, 1812; 6th, 1810; 7th and 8th, 1809. No founder mentioned; the rest by Taylor, 1890. Tenor 11 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 4 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1890. Ropes good. No half-pull nor regular Sunday ringing nor practice.

PRITTLEWELL (Essex). St. Mary. Essex Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1872, except the two trebles, 1896. Tenor 18 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well, but repairs are needed. Ropes new 1896, fair. Methods—"Standard." Sunday ringing: 10 and 6. Practice: Monday and Thursday, 8.

PUDSEY (Yorks). St. Lawrence. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1824. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 11 in. (sic) Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Shaw, 1890. Ropes new 1898, good. Method: Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

### THE ATTEMPTED LONG LENGTH.

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## EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting was held at Ashover on Easter Monday. Members were present from Ashover, Bake-well, Clay Cross, Tibshelf, Pentrich, Swanwick, South Normanton, South Wingfield and North Wingfield. The annual service was held in church at 4.30 p.m., at which thirty-nine ringers attended with several parishioners. The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. T. Beeston, of New Mills, which was listened to with wrapt attention. The rev. gentleman made special reference to the necessity of punctual attendance at ringing, and especially for the services of the church, which it is hoped may have some effect on his hearers.

Service over, an adjournment was made to the school, where a splendid tea was in readiness. Fifty-three ringers sat down, and did ample justice to the good things provided.

After tea the business meeting was held in another room. The President (Rev. C. J. Boden), presided, supported by the Rev. J. B. Nodder (Rector of Ashover), and the Rev. A. T. Beeston. The minutes were duly read and confirmed, also the balance-sheet which showed a balance in hand of £12 4s., and was considered very satisfactory. On the motion of the Secretary it was unanimously decided that this year's tea be paid from the balance. The Secretary proposed, and the Rev. J. B. Nodder seconded, that Mr. R. Lloyd, of Clay Cross, be President for the ensuing year, which was carried unanimously. Mr. J. Smith, of Clay Cross, was re-elected as Treasurer; and Mr. T. Allibone, of North Wingfield, was re-elected Secretary. It was decided by a large majority that the next annual meeting be held at Tibshelf. Quarterly meetings were arranged as follows: June—Bolsover; September—Blackwell; December—Clay Cross. The Secretary was instructed to arrange for special ringing meetings at Swanwick and South Wingfield some time during the summer.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to the Rev. A. T. Beeston for his sermon in church, and also for attending the meeting. Mr. Beeston suitably responded, stating the pleasure it had given him to be present. After which Mr. Beeston paid his entrance fee and became a member of the Association. Hearty votes of thanks were given to Rev. C. J. Boden, the late President, and also to Mr. Smith for services rendered during the year, and both suitably replied.

The Rev. J. B. Nodder was duly thanked for the use of the church, bells and school, to which he suitably replied, stating it had given himself and also his ringers the greatest pleasure to have the Association at Ashover.

The ladies who presided at the tea-tables were also thanked for their kind services.

This brought the meeting to a close, and the members wended their way to the tower, where various touches in 8, 6 and 5 bell methods were rung, the tone and "go" of the bells being greatly admired by all who heard them. The bells were kept going until nearly 10 p.m., one and all having spent an enjoyable day.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The time has arrived when I may again have the pleasure of a confab. with my old friends the readers of "The Bell News." I write "old friends" advisedly, for we have been long connected through this page. Many changes there have been, and many changes we have seen and read of since my signature first appeared; some of them happy changes, others alas! the very reverse. Amid them all, however, the "science" has kept moving onward and onward, till its present position and prospects, owing to the great skill developed by so many of its votaries, is really amazing. Some of the ringing performances of the past few years has been of a most "sensational" character, and of a kind which at no very distant period were held to be "impossible." But like Napoleon, ringers of to-day seem to be "unacquainted with the word."

I should say that no year has been so prolific of peal-ringing as the twelve-month last past. We used to think that a record of thirty to forty peals at one go was immense; but now about forty peals a week is customary. Well all that can be said about this is that it is to be hoped *all* these peals were correct, and that they all possess good references as to character and otherwise. There is a rumour that some alteration may be made in the mode of publication of such as this: "A peal of Doubles; comprising forty-two 6-scores, *each called differently*" (the italics are mine, as the saying is). "Why italics?" says some ardent ringer of *peals* (more italic) of Doubles. The 6-score ringers do not possibly lay the flattering unction to their souls that the words "all called differently" are always accepted and believed in. O dear no.

I wont make any lengthy remarks about the words "peal" and "changes" in connection with these reports. But in spite of all what has been said and agreed upon; notwithstanding the decisions (whatever they may be) of the C.C. or any other body, I can't help thinking it a piece of assurance (I omit the usual word because of its homeliness) to use them in connection with Doubles and Minor. The matter (in view of the numerous peal reports) has been under consideration, and I belong to those concerned who support the opinion that the forty-two 6-scores, whether called differently or not, should not find a record among peals of Triples and higher numbers of bells.

You may ask: "What about *peals* of Minor?" Well—this is only my own opinion, mind—I consider the ringing of seven methods of Minor, especially Surprise or other Treble Bob methods, a splendid performance, and that they merit a distinction considerably above Doubles, or plain methods. What distinction can be given to such performances is for the learned to say. They deserve something more, certainly, than the Forty-two 6-scores, even when they are called differently. Again, years ago no one ever thought of ringing seven 720's unless all the seven were unlike, *i.e.* in different methods; and a proposal to ring a method over again would have been deservedly scouted. But I am sorry to say there are a lot of things done now which in bygone days would have been discountenanced. It is said that the advance of civilisation brings its concomitant evils, and I suppose as our beloved science expands, evil concomitants will accompany it also.

In my last I mentioned the fact that the inimitable J.C. (of Birmingham) had gone to Switzerland for his health's

sake. He came back much improved, and is I suppose now busily occupied in superintending the manufacture of pistols and rifles for the Japanese and Russians. Some day this month, I think the 20th, he reaches another decade of his existence, and if rumour be correct he intends calling a peal on that very day. Well, it's a long time since his name appeared in the records, and we shall all wish the peal success. I suppose many of us will be telephoning or telegraphizing to him and wishing him "many happy returns" and so forth.

I notice with pleasure that the number of our brethren who are in business and who announce their businesses in the "B.N." is increasing, while the older ones continue. We actually find a ringers' chair, emblematical of the craft, as a friend of mine says it is. A good old ringer—Joe Powers of Hatfield, Herts—asks the support of his fellow-ringers for his super-excellent picture-frames, with all kinds of mouldings and other material for those who like to frame their own pictures. As he gives special attention to the requirements of ringers, perhaps the Exercise will give him a turn now and then. James Hunt (of Guildford), continues, I hear to give great satisfaction with his wares; and that sound ringer, William Gordon, would like some more custom in these slack days, for his music and photographs, and don't forget Wilfrid Matthews, of Macclesfield, with his beautiful silk goods, handkerchiefs, wraps, and so forth. Help the brotherhood, my friends, whenever you can.

While upon this I may revert to the long list of advertisements from ringers wanting situations. Hope deferred, you know is very bad. Of course we cannot all want servants; but the fear is that these advertisements are not noticed sufficiently. That they have done some good is well known, and many have written to express their gratitude at their results.

There has lately been a little commotion regarding some peals in complex methods which when rung have been discovered false. The sympathies of all will be shown to those actually concerned, especially to the able composers. Such things will be, no doubt. A distinguished London composer—a native of a place not one hundred miles from Safron Walden, was heard to say something to the effect that there was great danger in such methods when something extraordinary was aimed at, and in attempting to steer clear of another's composition such dangers were apt to be unnoticed. It's very hard to have rung a false composition, but it is harder for the composer.

We have had a long and somewhat dry correspondence recently between three or four of the learned among the Exercise. By the word "dry" I mean that the profoundness and technicalities of the question led sometimes to great difficulty in unravelling and understanding what it meant. The best feature of this correspondence is that no one had the temerity to venture among it only those who knew what they were talking about, which coincidence does not always come off, when correspondence upon any abstruse subject is afloat.

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## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly district meeting of the above was held at Sudbury on Saturday, January 30th. Thirty-two members attended from Sudbury (St. Peter's and All Saints), Bury St. Edmunds (St. Mary's and St. James's), Lavenham, Glemsford, Great Waldingfield, Felsham, Haverhill, Withersfield and Preston. An excellent tea was provided at The Bull inn, after which a meeting was held with the Rev. C. J. Stower (Vicar of All Saints), in the chair, and the District Secretary (Rev. H. B. Woolley), in the vice-chair. The Rev. C. J. Stower was elected an hon. member, and Mr. W. Underwood, of St. Peter's, Sudbury, a ringing member.

It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Haverill (permission being granted), on July 25th. The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the Rev. C. J. Stower for presiding, and to the host. During the afternoon various touches were rung, reports of which will be found in their proper place.

## THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The competition for the shield presented by the president (Canon Rawnsley) of the Cumberland Association of Change Ringers took place at the Egremont Parish Church on Monday. The Cleator Moor St. John's were the holders of the trophy last year, and again entered, the other contestants being Carlisle St. Stephen's and Workington St. Michael's. The teams competed in the following order, the competition touch being 720 "Violet Minor." Workington rang 28 minutes, 60 faults; Carlisle, 26 minutes, 265 faults; Cleator Moor, 25 minutes, 113 faults. The adjudicator was Mr. Chapman, of Salford, and at the adjournment to the Parish Room, Workington were declared by the Secretary of the Association (Mr. J. D. Baxter, of Cleator Moor) to be the winners.

The Rector, who presided, accorded a hearty welcome to the members of the association.

The adjudicator specially commended the winners for an excellent performance, and congratulated them on their achievement.

Mr. Sanderson, conductor of the winning company, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Chapman for the impartial manner in which he had adjudicated, and expressed his pleasure that the shield would go to Workington.

Mr. Chapman, in responding, said it had been a good competition so far as merit was concerned, but he would have liked a greater number of competitors. He had been asked to suggest a means of creating greater enthusiasm for change-ringing. He thought it was possible that the class of ringing at present was too far advanced for the general body of ringers. He suggested that two sections be formed—one for those who were fully qualified, and another for those who were not so far advanced. That would be an inducement to those who were not so far advanced to take a greater interest in change ringing.

A vote of thanks was also accorded to Mr. Rowland Baxter, of Cleator Moor, who acted as marker for the judge.

The names of the Workington winners are: A. J. Sanderson (conductor), John R. McAvoy, James Phillips, Thomas Birkett, Joseph Wilkinson, William Johnson.

The Egremont ringers were admitted into membership.

Those present were in agreement in the hope that St. Michael's, Workington, would secure a full ring of eight bells in the near future. The Secretary was instructed to convey that expression of opinion to the Vicar, the Rev. H. E. Campbell.

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## GIGGLESWICK, YORKS.

On Easter Monday, six members of the Kildwick company visited this neighbourhood and gave the inhabitants a sample of their "striking" abilities, which was described by listeners as "gay good." A start was made at Ascension Church, Settle, where a 720 of Violet was neatly tapped off, also a touch of College Exercise on the back six. In the afternoon and evening at St. Alkeda's, Giggleswick, a 720 of Duke of York in fine style, also 360 each of Oxford and Violet, and a touch of Woodbine with three "locals."

A company from St. James's, Bolton, Bradford, turned up and rang touches of Bob Minor.

A pleasant day was spent, including a visit to the noted School Chapel. Both companies tender their hearty thanks to the respective Vicars for the use of the bells, and to those who assisted them to enjoy a thorough good outing.

## Obituary.

## CHARLES GOODYEAR.

The death of one of the oldest and prominent inhabitants of Belbroughton occurred on Passion Sunday, March 20th, in his 81st year. About six months ago he underwent a serious operation, the effects of which, owing to his advanced age, were never overcome. He had been a life-long ringer, and as an instance of his vigour he rang the treble in two successive 720s of Bob Minor in June last. He was a most excellent treble ringer, and was most enthusiastic in the Art. Up to the time of his death he had been a man exceptionally free from illness. The house in which he died also witnessed his birth, and has been his home all his long life, as it was his father's before him. In the first half of the last century, viz., April 9th, 1849, he was appointed beadle and parish clerk, and in 1899, when fifty years had passed, he was still holding the same appointment. In that year he was presented with a handsome clock and testimonial at a meeting of his fellow parishioners, chief among whom were the Rector and C. W. Noel, Esq., as a mark of their appreciation of his long service. The genial disposition of Mr. Goodyear and his ever-ready sympathies with the sorrows and troubles of those with whom he was brought in contact made him deservedly popular, and the news of his death was received with widespread regret. The funeral took place on the following Thursday, the Rector, the Rev. J. H. Eld, assisted by the Rev. C. Luun, officiating. On arrival at the church the 90th Psalm was chanted by the choir, clergy and congregation. After the Lesson the hymn "Rock of Ages" was sung. At the grave the Anthem "I heard a voice" was sung, and after the Collect all joined in singing "Now the labourer's task is o'er." Deceased, who had lived under the shadow of the church all his life, was borne to the grave by his four youngest sons, and numerous wreaths and crosses were sent by sympathisers. He leaves a widow and five sons and six daughters to mourn his loss. After the service was over a muffled 720 of Bob Minor was rung in memory of their departed colleague by the following: G. Hubbard, E. Baylis, E. Hatton, G. Parton, J. Parton, H. Martin. In the evening 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung. E. Baylis, W. Boughton, W. Shilcock, J. Parton, G. Parton, H. Martin.

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## OUR SET OF PICTURES.

## THE REV. KENELM H. SMITH.

In this picture we have the likeness of a gentleman who has worked hard in the interests of ringing for a great many years. He is the real founder of the Ely Diocesan Association, which after going through vicissitudes enough to cause most people to despair, he has the great satisfaction of seeing the fruition of his patient labours in its present prosperous condition. Our readers will, on viewing this likeness, be of opinion that Mr. SMITH is a grand specimen of a fine old English gentleman, and they will not be wrong. He never had the ambition to ring a number of peals, but his work in "the cause" is of as great value as if he had rung one peal per day.

He has the love and respect of many ringers all over the country for his efforts and unstinted interest in ringing concerns, and those who know him—among them the writer of this short notice—regard him with feelings akin to affection.

For many years he acted as Secretary to the Ely Association, a office which he exchanged for that of Treasurer in 1897, and still holds. His frank outspokenness, combined with a racy humour, have given him a wide influence for good among its members; and his remarks at its meetings are ever anticipated with pleasure, listened to with interest, and acted upon with loyalty.

## THE PARISH CHURCHES OF CONGRESBURY AND WRINGTON, SOMERSET.

Last August appeared in our pages a brief reference to these two churches, sent by a well-known change-ringer who is a native of the latter place, and who very naturally is vastly interested in, and had a great affection for, the bells of his parish church. The account in question gave particulars of a visit paid to Wrington by a party from Bristol. We shall not do wrong in repeating the particulars of the visit from our issue of August 29th last. It is as follows:—

WRINGTON, SOMERSET.—A small party of ringers from Bristol paid a visit to this place to attempt some change-ringing on the ring of six, which is believed to be the heaviest ring of six in the country, the tenor weighing 38 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lbs. On arrival at the station they were met and very warmly welcomed by Mr. Hesse, who conducted them to the tower, where they found, much to their surprise, the bells had been raised ready for use. A score of Grandsire Doubles was first attempted, then a plain course of Bob Minor, which was the preliminary to an attempt for a 720, but it was found before halfway that the bells did not go well enough to enable the ringers to record the first 720 on the bells; but they succeeded in ringing the first 360 of Minor, which is the longest length of change-ringing, so far as is known, on the bells, which are a very mellow and musical ring by Bilbie, late of Chewstoke, Somerset. The ringers then adjourned to a place of refreshment, where Mr. Hesse had very thoughtfully arranged for tea, and with the Rector of Wrington and local ringers a party of fifteen or sixteen sat down and thoroughly enjoyed the splendid repast put on the table. Tea over, a brake and pair of horses were ready to convey the visitors with Mr. Hesse to

CONGRESBURY, where the six bells, tenor 36 cwt., have been

recently rehung in an iron frame by Messrs. Llewellins and James, of Bristol. The local ringers turned out in strong muster to welcome the visitors, who at once made tracks towards the tower to try the bells, which were soon set going in Bob Minor, a 720 being rung in 35 mins., also a 6-score of Stedman Doubles. This is supposed to be the first change-ringing on the bells, which are a grand ring, and as above stated have recently been rehung. The writer is glad to be able to here mention that the "go" is perfect, and gives great credit to the bellhanger employed, and ought to be a splendid recommendation for the firm who carried out the work so satisfactorily. The visitors wish to thank Mr. Hesse for his generosity and kindness, and also the local ringers both in Wrington and Congresbury for being so ready to lend a helping hand.

The church at Congresbury, where Llewellins and James have been so successful in their bellhanging operations, is dedicated to St. Andrew (though some say to St. Conger). It is in the perpendicular style, and consists of chancel, nave, and two small chapels; a good deal of early English work and a fine wood screen. The font is of the 12th century, and the chancel retains the piscina. There is an embattled western tower, with pinnacles and spire. The six bells bear the following inscriptions:—

*Treble*.—Mr. William Jones and Mr. Thomas Osyer, Churchwardens. Thomas Bilbie, Founder, 1754.

2.—Anno Domini, 1606. George Purdue, Founder, I.W. H.N.

3.—Anno Domini, 1606. George Purdue.

4.—Anno Domini, 1606. George Purdue. H.N. I.W.

5.—Come when I call to serve God all.

*Tenor*.—Mr. William Jones and Mr. Thomas Osyer, Churchwardens. Thomas Bilbie. Fecit.

Hear me oh hear me when I cry Prepare to live prepare dye.

The parish church of Wrington is dedicated to All Saints, and is a fine edifice of stone in the perpendicular style, 14th century. It consists of chancel, clerestorical nave of three aisles, south porch, and a lofty western tower, which is in two stages only, and in the tower is a recessed doorway with a large window with six lights above it. The tower is remarkable for simple beauty, and rises to the height of 140 feet, and contains a clock with chimes and a ring of six bells. If the church were fully worthy of the tower, perfection would not be far distant, but the nave, though lofty and of great beauty, wants length, and the chancel, which has an Angelus bell, is small and almost mean, but Wrington church has few rivals even in Somersetshire, and Wrington tower none. In fact, Wrington tower is said by architects to be the finest specimen of perforated Perpendicular in England.

The inscriptions on these bells are:—

*Treble*.—Rev. John Vane, Rector. James Cockburn, John Young, Churchwardens, 1845. Mears, London.

2.—Mr. Purnell, Mr. Parsley, Churchwardens, 1750. Thomas Bilbie, Founder.

3.—Mr. Peter Hill, Mr. Edward Bunon, Churchwardens, 1767. Thomas Bilbie, Founder.

4.—Mr. W. Purnell, Mr. Parsley, Churchwardens, 1750. Thomas Bilbie, Founder.

5.—Mr. Walter, Mr. Bream, Churchwardens, 1712. Cast by Bilbie of Chewstoke.

*Tenor*.—Rev. John Vane, Rector. James Cockburn, John Young, Churchwardens, 1845. Mears, London.

The extract we have given above shows that the chief interesting properties of these two rings of bells are their weight. Congresbury tenor is 36 cwt., remarkably heavy metal for a ring of six; and being completely restored, as



REV. KENELM H. SMITH.

*(Of Ely.)*



THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, CONGRESBURY.



THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, WRINGTON.

already mentioned, it is confidently predicted that change-ringing upon them will be the rule and not the exception.

The Wrington bells are still heavier, the tenor being 38½ cwt. When the picture of Wrington's noble tower is examined, a deep regret must accompany such survey from the knowledge that the splendid bells are out of ringing order, and on the way to ruin and decay. It is hoped that the church authorities at Wrington will take pattern by their neighbours at Congresbury and call in the aid of Llewellyns and James to restore their bells. We would go further. The weight of the tenor is sufficient for a ring of ten; and four smaller bells could easily be added. The grand tower would then possess a ring worthy of it, and Wrington bells would be among the best (perhaps the actual best), in the whole county.

We (and it might be added, our readers also) are indebted to Mr. John H. B. Hesse, of Teddington, Middlesex, for the original photographs of these two churches.

### MR. WILLIAM ALFRED TYLER

(Of Bristol).

MR. TYLER is the foreman bellhanger at Messrs. Llewellyns and James, Bellfounders and Bellhangers, Bristol. He is a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, London; The Gloucester and Bristol Association; Durham and Newcastle Association; and late of the Midland Counties Association.

He is a native of Peterborough. He was always, from a boy, fond of hearing the bells ring, an attraction that drew him into the belfry, and eventually finding that there was something most beautiful in the ringing of the bells, he studied hard and travelled wide, to learn the intricacies of change ringing, with the result that he has participated in sixty peals of 5000 and upwards, of which an account will be found below.

Being always anxious that the bells should not get wrong through want of looking after, he was constantly to be found in his spare time amongst them, seeing that all was right and ready for the next ring, screwing up, putting on a new stay or slider, as required. He thus became very handy amongst the bells and well known in the district.

Work soon came into his hands, with the result that in January, 1887, he made the bell frame and rehung the six bells for St. Mary's, Peterborough, being the parish in which he was born and was then living. Other work followed this, and eventually he was engaged by Messrs. Taylor and Co., working for this firm to their satisfaction for close on thirteen years. Whilst there, he invented the "Balanced Clapper," for odd bells of any size, whereby the clapper is prevented from getting on the wrong side.

Mr. Tyler is now the leading foreman at the establishment of Messrs. Llewellyns and James, Castle Green, Bristol, who have given him full control and a free hand to study and make improvements in bell fittings. As already mentioned in the preceding article, he has recently

completed the rehang of Congresbury bells, a ring of six, tenor 36 cwt., note D flat, including an iron frame on steel joists in two tiers for eight bells. The work has been tested by some of the best Bristol ringers, who rang 720 of Bob Minor, and the "go" of the bells was pronounced perfect.

The firm of Llewellyns and James have recently completed the rehang of a ring of six, tenor 20 cwt., in a new iron frame at Keevil, near Trowbridge, Wilts. They have now in hand a new ring of six bells, with new cast iron frame, for St. Mark's, Swindon, and two new trebles for Christchurch, Hants. They hope to be employed to rehang the bells at Wrington, and in such case the clergy and churchwardens are strongly recommended to have the new frame made to contain ten bells, or at least eight. This firm's establishment is one of the largest of the kind in England, and under the auspices of their foreman, much good work among church bells has been, and is being, turned out by them.

The following is a list of peals in which Mr. Tyler has taken part:—

Grandsire Triples (conducted 3)	...	11
" Caters	...	10
Stedman Triples	...	6
" Caters	...	11
" Cinques	...	1
Kent Treble Bob Major	...	7
" " Royal	...	7
Duffield Royal	...	1
Forward "	...	2
Double Norwich Court Major...	...	4
" " Bob Major	...	2

45 of the peals are Midland Counties Association;  
13 College Youths; 1 St. James's Society, London;  
and 1 Gloucester and Bristol Association.

The first peal rung upon the bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, was one of Stedman Cinques, with two men at the tenor: Mr. Tyler was one of these.

### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held at York on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904. Hon. Secretaries of Guilds and Associations are reminded that subscriptions became due on January 1st. At present not many more than half the number have been paid. The remainder should be forwarded without delay. Members of Committees and others will kindly bear in mind that the latest day, Saturday, April 23rd, for sending in reports and notices of motion is rapidly drawing near.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 1904.

A PARAGRAPH on another page informs us that the attempted long peal of Double Norwich Major at Erith on Easter Monday was unsuccessful. More than five hours' ringing was a very good introduction, but as in all peal-ringing the expected, or rather feared, event happened. A change course after 8240 changes had been rung was of course fatal.

There were several rumours afloat a fortnight ago

concerning an attempt for a peal of Royal at Exeter Cathedral by a London company; and later on it was stated upon good authority that a company of the St. Martin's Guild would essay such a performance. As we have not received any report of such a peal being rung, or an attempt being made, we may conclude that if either of such arrangements were in force no result has come of them.

This week we give with our paper a set of four pictures, which we hope will please our readers. We have more under weigh, which will appear at the earliest opportunity.

### The Provinces.

#### DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, ——— CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER IDLE .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 5.
JOHN GARFORTH .. .. 2.	CHARLES SENIOR .. .. 6.
WILLIAM AINLEY .. .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 7.
TOLSON HALL .. .. 4.	GARFORTH TAYLOR .. Tenor.

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by TOLSON HALL.

#### UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 cwt. 2 lbs.

EDWIN BRISTOW .. .. Treble.	THOMAS SEARLE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. MADGWICK .. 2.	JOHN SMART .. .. 6.
HARRY EVANS .. .. 3.	EDMUND LINDUP .. .. 7.
GEORGE SEARLE .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

#### THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one each of College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES ROSE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES NUNN .. .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	*JOHN MAYES .. .. 5.
ALPHAUS BERRY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROSE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

\*First peal in five methods. Rung before the early celebration of Holy Communion at 8 o'clock.

#### MOORSIDE, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; REEVES'S VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt.

HENRY BRIERLEY* .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH WILD .. .. 5.
JOSEPH OGDEN .. .. 2.	FRANK CHAPMAN .. .. 6.
JOHN BUTTERWORTH† .. 3.	†CHARLES E. PLATT .. .. 7.
THOMAS GREENWOOD .. 4.	HERBERT BARLOW .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES E. PLATT.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. ‡First peal as conductor.

#### HARLOW, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

FREDERICK C. PERRIN .. Treble.	HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 5.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 2.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 6.
WALTER HOBBS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 7.
ISAAC CAVILL .. .. 4.	*ALFRED BASS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

\*First peal in the method. Rung on the twenty-first anniversary of the opening of the bells.

#### PORTSEA, HANTS.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

JOSEPH HARRIS† .. .. Treble.	†WILLIAM BUTLER .. .. 5.
ARCHIBALD J. GARRETT* .. 2.	WILLIAM J. READ .. .. 6.
JOHN J. SYMONS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM LEBBON .. .. 7.
FREDERICK BURNETT .. 4.	JAMES T. MATTHEWS .. Treble.

Conducted by JOSIAH HARRIS.

†First peal as conductor. \*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a welcome peal to the National Union of Teachers, who are holding their Conference at Portsmouth during Easter week.

#### STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM WELHAM .. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM SOER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM E. TYDEMAN .. 2.	WILLIAM SOUTER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM G. MELBOURNE .. 3.	EDWARD E. DIAPER .. .. 7.
FREDERICK ALLARD .. .. 4.	WILLIAM P. ROUSE .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by WILLIAM SOUTER.

\*First peal and first attempt, and was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

#### EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

FREDERICK W. RICE .. Treble.	JOHN STEDDY .. .. 5.
GEORGE GATLAND .. .. 2.	WILLIAM STEED .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. MADGWICK* .. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 7.
JOHN RICE .. .. 4.	ARTHUR HUGGETT .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Triples. The band were entertained to dinner at the Institute after the peal by the Rev. C. W. P. Crawford.

#### EAST MEON, HANTS.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. Treble.	CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 5.
THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 2.	W. H. GEORGE .. .. 6.
ERNEST ALLEN .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM T. TUCKER* .. 4.	GEORGE W. BRION .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman.

**BATTLE, SUSSEX.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 23 cwt.

CHARLES TRIBE .. .. Treble.	ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 5.
CHARLES W. PLAYER* .. 2.	ALFRED TURNER .. .. 6.
GEORGE BILLENNESS* .. 3.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 7.
EDWARD MANKELOW .. .. 4.	THOMAS CABD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. T. KING, and Conducted by THOMAS CARD.

First peal of Major. First psal in the method on the bells.

**READING, BERKS.****THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM, AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 28 cwt.

H. SIMMONDS .. .. Treble.	J. HANDS .. .. 5.
E. J. MENDAY .. .. 2.	T. NEWMAN .. .. 6.
E. W. MENDAY .. .. 3.	H. W. SMITH .. .. 7.
G. ESSEX .. .. 4.	R. T. HIBBERT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

**ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.****THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; PARKER'S TEN-PART (No. 3).**

Tenor 16½ cwt

ARTHUR HARDING .. .. Treble.	THOMAS BEADLE .. .. 5.
JOHN BASDEN .. .. 2.	FREDERICK G. GODDARD .. 6.
LEONARD W. COPSEY .. 3.	GEORGE R. FARDON .. .. 7.
GEORGE A. RANSOM .. .. 4.	ALBERT SHEARD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. BASDEN.

It was intended to ring Stedman, but some of the party arriving late Mr. Harding kindly made up the band.

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.****THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; TAYLOR'S REVERSED BY JOHN COX.**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HORACE FLOYD .. .. Treble.	HARRY GOLDING .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. NEWELL .. 2.	*WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. .. 6.
WILLIAM FLOYD .. .. 3.	GEORGE WARNER .. .. 7.
CHARLES GOLDING .. .. 4.	GEORGE SELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. H. NEWELL.

\*First peal.

**CAMBRIDGE.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE ENGLISH MARTYRS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 32 cwt.

ALFRED E. PITSTOW .. Treble.	NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. 5.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 2.	GEORGE TAYLOR .. .. 6.
FREDERICK J. PITSTOW .. 3.	FREDERICK PITSTOW .. 7.
ERNEST PITSTOW .. .. 4.	ARTHUR F. JAMES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK PITSTOW.

This is the first peal on the bells, a grand ring by Messrs. Taylor.

**NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE OATES† .. .. Treble.	JAMES A. DIXON .. .. 5.
TOM O'HARA* .. .. 2.	†WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. 4.
FRANK BURGAR .. .. 3.	JOHN ALLEN .. .. 7.
THOMAS G. SAREL .. .. 4.	†G. BUTCHER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. BIGGIN.

\*First peal †First peal in the method. †First peal as conductor in the method. T. O'Hara was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

**BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720s of Canterbury Pleasure and four 720s of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE POUND .. .. Treble.	HARRY BROWN .. .. 4.
EDWIN LAMBERT .. .. 2.	GEORGE HADAWAY .. .. 5.
FRANK SHARP .. .. 3.	C. HENRY SONE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. H. SONE.

First peal on the bells.

**GAINSBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.****THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HUBBARD'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN FISHER .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK S. W. BUTLER 5.
WILLIAM D. TINKER .. 2.	ELISS CREDLAND .. .. 6.
PHILIP O. BIXBY .. .. 3.	†GEORGE WILSON .. .. 7.
JOHN C. TINKER .. .. 4.	ALFRED BETTS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILSON.

\*First peal as conductor. First peal of Bob Triples by all the band.

**WESTERHAM, KENT.****THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 23½ cwt. in E flat.

HENRY J. SELBY .. .. Treble.	SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 5.
GEORGE B. SELBY .. .. 2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS .. 6.
HERBERT LANGDON .. 3.	DAVID WRIGHT .. .. 7.
ALBERT V. SELBY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

**BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.****THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

(THE ST. JAMES' SOCIETY.)

*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

GEORGE DEBENHAM .. Treble.	ARTHUR E. MOORE .. .. 5.
HARRY A. TURNER .. .. 2.	HARRY R. MOORE .. .. 6.
HORACE F. MOORE .. .. 3.	GEORGE LILLEY .. .. 7.
JAMES CHINERY .. .. 4.	FREDERICK RUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. F. PENNING, and Conducted by H. A. TURNER.

**OXTON, CHESHIRE.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

JOHN OWENS .. .. .	Treble.	SIDNEY BARNES.. ..	5.
HARRY S. BROCKLEBANK..	2.	JOSEPH HUGHES.. ..	6.
ROBERT BIRCHALL .. ..	3.	WILLIAM HUGHES .. ..	7.
GEORGE R. NEWTON .. ..	4.	CHARLES W. OWENS ..	Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

**CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours Forty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. .	Treble.	ERNEST C. LAMBERT ..	5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. ..	2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. ..	6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT ..	3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. ..	7.
CHARLES DEAN .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM GRAY .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

**NEWNHAM-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

A VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt

WILLIAM T. PATES .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN AUSTIN .. .. .	5.
GEORGE PEARCE .. .. .	2.	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES ..	6.
ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. .	3.	JOHN F. BALLINGER .. ..	7.
JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. .	4.	JOHN W. DAVIS .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. C. D. P. DAVIES.

For the figures see Stedman p. 49. Rung for the first time.

**BLOXWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14 cwt.

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**PEAL CORRECTION.**—The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at St. Martin's, Epsom, on March 24th, was rung with the bells deeply muffled.**Date Touches.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.****HEADINGLEY (Yorks).**—On Sunday evening, April 3rd, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major in 1 hr. 12 mins. A. Stokoe, J. Moxon, D. Swift, J. Bennett, E. Wheaton composer and conductor, J. Chatman, L. Stokoe, G. Barraclough.**BUNGAY (Suffolk).**—On Monday, February 29th, at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 8 mins. E. Lincoln, C. E. Parnell, F. Helmbing, W. Falgate, H. Hopson, G. E. Symonds composer and conductor, E. Poppy, R. Freestone.**OLDHAM.**—On Monday evening, February 29th, for practice at St. Thomas's, Moorside, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 6 mins. H. Brierley, J. Ogden, J. Butterworth, F. Chapman, J.

Wild, L. Hampson, H. Barlow, S. Lees. Composed by J. Jaggard, and Conducted by H. Barlow.

**Miscellaneous.****THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.****BARKING (Essex).**—On Sunday morning, March 27th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in 50 mins. R. Fenn, A. J. Perkins (conductor), D. S. Simmons, C. Fenn, A. J. T. Carter, G. W. Faulkner, E. G. Fend, D. Carrier.**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.****DUFFIELD (Derbyshire).**—On Sunday evening, January 31st, for Divine Service at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters. A. Butler, B. Sugden, S. Dawson, F. Hickling, W. Hickling, sen., W. Hickling, jun., J. Pagett, J. Flower, W. Wallace conductor, W. Bates.**DERBY.**—On Thursday, February 25th, for practice at St. Andrew's church, 960 Double Norwich. G. Ward, S. Maskery, A. H. Ward, C. Hart, C. Draper, W. Wallace, E. Willis, J. Pagett conductor.**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****WHITTLESEA.**—Recently, at St. Mary's church, on the front six, with 7-8 covering, 720 Bob Minor. T. Oldfield, G. Smith, O. G. Howe, T. Aveling, A. Neal, C. Goakes conductor, J. Barrett, J. Edwards.**SUDBURY.**—At a quarterly meeting of the above Association held here on Saturday, January 30th, the following touches were rung: two touches of 560 Bob Major. H. S. Symonds, S. Slater, E. Simpson, N. Hawkins, H. Harper, T. E. Slater, A. Symonds, W. Kinsey. Second touch: J. Horrex, S. Slater, H. Gladwell, T. Hollocks, E. Simpson, T. E. Slater, A. Symonds, W. Kinsey. A touch of 336 in the same method. W. Howell, B. Debenham, H. Moore, A. Hammond, E. Simpson, W. Moore, H. Turner, J. Hunt. 210 Grandsire Triples. J. Hunt, B. Debenham, H. Moore, A. Hammond, E. Simpson, H. Moore, W. Turner, H. Griggs. A course of Kent Treble Bob Major. B. Debenham, W. Howell, H. Moore, H. Hunt, C. Honeybell, H. Turner, H. Griggs, A. Aviss.**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.****HADLEY (Middlesex).**—On Tuesday, February 23rd, 720 Bob Minor. J. Wicks, W. J. Dell, A. R. Glasscock, E. W. Marshall, W. Childs, J. Armstrong.**SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).**—On Sunday morning, February 28th, for Divine Service, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 48 mins. G. Bester, J. Armstrong, J. E. Miller, M. Fensom, H. Miller, W. Pickworth, S. Wade conductor, A. Dodson.**DARLEY DALE (Derbyshire).**—On Wednesday, February 24th, for practice at St. Helen's church, 2072 Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 24 mins. F. Travis, J. Siddall, H. Gregory, A. G. Wright, J. W. Derbyshire, W. Taylor conductor, H. Gregory, A. W. Smith.**DARLINGTON (Durham).**—On Saturday, March 12th, at Holy Trinity church, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor. R. B. Wilson, G. J. Lungley, W. H. Porter, G. W. Park, C. L. Routledge, C. Todd conductor. Also 720 College Pleasure. G. J. Lungley, R. B. Wilson, C. Todd, W. H. Porter, C. L. Routledge, G. W. Park conductor.**EPSOM (Surrey).**—On Monday, April 4th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. G. Pederick, A. Brown, F. W. Challen, A. E. Bassett, W. Canning, D. W. Snelling conductor, W. Gearing, A. Shrubb.**KING'S LANGLEY (Herts).**—On Thursday, February 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 48 mins. A. E. Weeden conductor, J. W. Lane, A. H. Walker, L. A. Walker, R. S. Cook, A. G. Cook. This is the first quarter-peal ever rung on the bells, also the first quarter-peal by all.**LEIGHTON BUZZARD.**—On Tuesday, March 1st, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins. W. Botsford, L. Rickett, W. Seabrook, J. Nash, J. Nicholls, G. Bonfield conductor, W. Webb, H. Barber.**WOODSTOCK (South Africa).**—On Tuesday, February 9th, for practice at St. Mary's church, 720 Bob Minor. S. Davis, H. Cock, L. Green, F. Oakes, J. Priest, F. P. Powell conductor. On handbells 180 Bob Minor. S. Davies, H. Cock, L. Green, F. Oakes, F. P. Powell conductor.

## Notices.

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**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—East Dorset Branch.—The annual meeting of this branch will take place at Christchurch Priory Hants (10 bells), to-day, Saturday, April 9th. Committee meeting, 2.45 p.m.; short service and address, 3 p.m.; general meeting, 3.30 p.m.; tea at The Red House, 4 p.m.  
A. F. MARTIN STEWART, *Branch Hon. Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting of this division will take place at Rye to-day, Sat., April 9th. Bells available 3 to 9 p.m. Tea at 5.30.  
S. SAKER, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Heywood, to-day, Saturday, April 9th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers invited.  
J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at St. Astone to-day, Saturday, April 9th. Members intending to be present must give notice early to Mr. T. E. Rowley, 5, Church Street, Stone.  
D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*

*High Street, Bucknall.*

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Feltham to-day, Saturday, April 9th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.  
J. J. PRATT, *Dist. Hon. Sec.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Horbury to-day, Sat., April 9th. Meeting to commence at 5 p.m. Meeting house, The King's Arms.  
WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*

*27, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.*

**The London County Association,** late St. James's Society.—The next practice and meeting will be held on Monday, April 11th, at 7.45.  
T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Slinfold on Saturday, April 16th. Tower open from 4 p.m., tea at 5.30, business meeting to follow. Members intending to be present kindly inform the undersigned by Thursday, April 14th.  
H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*

*Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.*

**Society for Archdeacons of Stafford.**—The quarterly meeting in connection with this Society will be held on Saturday, April 16th, at the parish church, Sedgley. The bells will be available for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea will be provided at 1s. per head for all those sending in their names on or before the 11th inst. to  
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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on April 21st, at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on April 12th, and at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 26th. Business meetings at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, afterwards on the 12th and 26th.  
WM. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn

Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held on Saturday, April 16th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30.  
THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hartfield on Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Members intending to be present will oblige by sending a card to the undersigned by Wednesday, 20th April.  
GEORGE WILLIAMS, *Hon. Sec.*

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**The Halifax District Association.**—The next meeting of the Association will be held at Ripponden on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock.  
WRIGHT INGHAM, *Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, 23rd inst. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o'clock.  
JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock.  
W. LATTER, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Halstead to open the ring of 8 bells on Saturday, April 30th. Tea will be provided at the Co-operative Hall at 5 o'clock, 1s. each. Members intending to be there should give at least three days' notice.  
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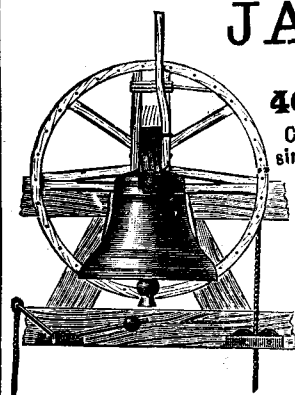
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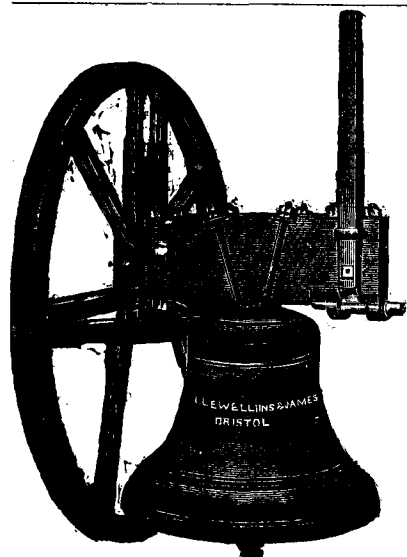
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

PULBOROUGH (Sussex). St. Mary. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd and 3rd by Taylor, 1897; 4th, 1635; founder unknown; 5th by Warner, 1876; 6th and 7th by Lester, 1754. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in., 1665, founder unknown. Iron frame. Bells go excellently. The old five were rehung with the addition of three trebles by Taylor in 1897. Everything about the tower has been put in perfect order. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire, and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.

PULFORD (Cheshire). St. Mary. Chester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Taylor, the two trebles 1903, the rest 1885. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go excellently. Ropes new 1901, good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: usually Tuesday, 7.30.

PULHAM (Norfolk). St. Mary the Virgin. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells. Treble and 2nd by Warner, 1895; 3rd and tenor by Newman, 1717 and 1739 respectively; 4th by Brend, 1611; 5th by Dobson, 1828; 6th, no date or founder; 7th by Goldsmith, 1708. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Day, 1895. It is proposed to recast the 4th, of which the lip is all chipped away. Ropes new 1902. Methods: Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: 6 p.m. except 1st in month. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

St. Mary Magdalene. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd and 4th by Warner, 1903; 5th by Mears, 1833; the rest by Stephens, 1724. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner, 1903. Ropes new 1903. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.45. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

## ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, WEST SMITHFIELD.

This church possesses a ring of five pre-Reformation bells, and it is also one of the most interesting buildings in London. A few notes therefore about church and bells may be of interest.

In the twelfth century, when Henry I. was King of England, the world was a very different kind of place to what it is to-day. If we leave out of account the trading classes—few of whom attained to any importance—and those engaged in cultivating the land—who were of no importance at all—it may be said in a general way that men were of one or other of two professions—of the profession of fighting, or the profession of praying. This it is that accounts for the numerous remains of monastic, cathedral and collegiate foundations on the one hand, and of castles on the other, which are to be found not only in our own country but elsewhere in Europe, belonging to this period.

What we now see at St. Bartholomew's are the remains of a religious house of the Augustinian Canons, which came into existence thus-wise. A man named Rahere was at that time a prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral, and apparently a jolly good fellow, of a bright, gifted, companionable nature, whose social gifts made him a great favourite at King Henry's Court, but, as his subsequent actions demonstrate, he was not only this. He seems to have been one of those of whom most people at middle age have had experience, who beginning by charming our senses, reveal to us as they develop a more solid foundation of character than we might at first have supposed they possessed. About the year 1120 Rahere, in accordance with a frequent practice of his day, went on a pilgrimage to Rome, where he contracted malarial fever. While going through this experience he naturally had plenty of time to think, and he seems to have thought to some purpose, and resolved to found a hospital, as he eventually did, and St. Bartholomew's Hospital was the result. But he also had a dream in which he deemed that St. Bartholomew appeared to him and bid him to build a church at Smithfield. Determined not to do things by halves he obtained admission to the order of the Canons Regular of St. Augustine and returned home not only to found the church and house, but also to become a member and Prior of it himself.

The subject of the meaning or no meaning of dreams is still controverted, and as, if they are realities at all, they are incapable of verification, it is no wonder that no settled judgment has been arrived at. It is very likely that any one in our day receiving such an impression in a physical condition such as that in which Rahere then was, would merely attribute it to physical causes and take no more notice of it. But Europeans, as a rule, in the twelfth century knew next to nothing about physical causes, and their minds went more readily out to meet the marvellous than ours do now.

The change in the mode of life, too, which Rahere adopted, was no unusual thing in his day. It had nothing in common with fanaticism roused by fits at a revival

meeting. To-day if any man happens to realise that his life has been too full of self-pleasing, too thoughtless about the duties of life or the claims upon him of his fellow-beings, there are plenty of courses open to him which can satisfy his higher desires, and afford him that higher gratification which is inconsistent with, so to speak, keeping on going on the busk. The multitude of beneficent work of a religious, philanthropic, social, and similar nature, waiting for the help of busy and energetic men in their spare hours to-day, affords, as we see, what men, even of the deepest religious convictions need, without of necessity demanding the abandonment of their ordinary callings. But no choice of this kind was open to the men of the twelfth century. It may be said with sufficiently general accuracy that the then conditions of civilisation rendered it almost impossible for a man either to turn to work of the nature mentioned, or to the leading a quiet life or one devoted to learning, except by becoming an ecclesiastic of some society or order; but for the existence of which bodies it is almost unthinkable that civilisation could have survived.

The course adopted by Rahere was therefore a very natural one for a man in his position in the twelfth century. He returned home and obtained the necessary grants and charters. These included, as was customary, freedom from all jurisdiction of the priest in whose parish the new Priory was situated. It followed from this that such communities were responsible for spiritual ministrations to their tenants and dependents, and as the choir or chancel of the great churches was appropriated exclusively to the members of the community, the ordinary parishioners had to be accommodated in some other way. Originally, I believe, this was effected by assigning for their use an altar situated in the nave, and an interesting instance of that arrangement remains still at St. David's Cathedral, where the parish altar still stands against the choir screen, as indeed it now does, in appearance at any rate, at St. Albans Cathedral. Sometimes a chapel in a crypt, as the church of St. Faith under old St. Paul's Cathedral before the Fire of London, or a side chapel as the splendid one on the north side of Ely Cathedral, was assigned for parochial purposes, and not unfrequently the community built a parish church on their land outside the Great church. Instances of this are frequent, one of the best known being the church of St. Margaret, Westminster, which came into existence in this way, being built by the monastic body in order to accommodate their laity. Flanking the site of the abbey church, Bury St. Edmunds exhibits two fine parochial churches, whose origin is thus to be accounted for.

When, therefore, Rahere began to build, he had to arrange for this double purpose—the regular devotions of the community, and the necessary ministrations to his laity; I do not know what arrangements he made, but at the time of the dissolution of the monastery there was a parochial church of some kind—perhaps a chapel—on the north side of the choir. Let us now take leave of Rahere, who died in the odour of sanctity in the year 1143, and whose tomb bearing his effigy is still to be seen in the church which he founded.

Having now considered briefly the circumstances attending the foundation of the monastery, the next thing is to consider what we know about its dissolution; as the latter appears to me to be the keynote of what I take to be the history of the bells, and I hope to continue my notes next week; and if any one thinks we are a long time getting at this history, I can only plead that even

when what one is struggling with does not happen to be the birth of a method, it generally saves time to work on a foundation.

R. A. DANIELL.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### TREBLE DOMINATED OR DOMINATED TREBLE.

SIR,—I am very sorry Mr. Daniell in his letter of the 19th ult. should say I had "disparaged the Glossary definition of Method," whilst in my letter of the previous week I quoted from the same authority in support of my argument.

In reference to dominated foundations I am glad Mr. Daniell, although he did not appreciate my illustration, comes to the same conclusion as I did, viz., that a foundation will only carry its load (be it method or composition.) This was my point and the dominating factor.

While upon this dominated question are we not hair-splitting or brain bursting? Mr. Daniell says places are made to force the treble in a certain path, while the other side say a clear path must be kept for her. Now, Sir, here are two propositions, and, whatever the action, the result is the same, as the path of the treble must not be interrupted. The late John Holt started to alter the treble's work in a 720 of Bob Minor (see "Clavis" page 25), but ended in producing Bob Nothing, as in the operation he altered both method and also principle.

I shall here stop for fear of confusing Method with Composition, original or otherwise, plain principal and dodging. One is liable to get a bit mixed without being dominated.

H. DAINS.

#### RAISING AND FALLING IN PEAL.

SIR,—I wonder whether it would interest a good many to hear about raising and falling in peal of such heavy rings of six as Wrington and Congresbury, because if you think so perhaps you would be so good as to find space for this. As we heard last week Wrington has a grand ring, tenor 38½ cwt., and the local ringers raise and fall these in peal splendidly from start to finish, either up or down, almost perfection. I was staying with Mr. Hesse this Easter, and on the Sunday morning as we were going to the tower they started to raise the six in peal, which they did well. I thought it a great pity as we listened that a good many change-ringers were not there to hear it and take a lesson from these men. If it can be done on heavy bells, why on earth don't they do it on lighter rings in great ringing centres like London? Of course some change-ringers practise it, viz., at Cheltenham they used to do it splendidly (they may now for all I know), and many other places. Hereford Cathedral has ten, tenor 41 cwt. I believe it is done there, and at Sheffield (twelve, tenor 41 cwt.) It seems a pity to neglect such a beautiful art.

S. M. DODINGTON.

#### DOUBLES AND MINOR.

SIR,—Mr. "Plain Speaker" certainly does deserve some support in his remarks re forty-two 6-scores and seven 720s of Minor all in one method. I for one do not consider these performances good enough to merit small capitals and double columns in the pages of "THE BELL NEWS." In either case it is a slipshod effort and is quite beneath comparison with a peal of Triples in any method. Seven 720s in seven methods is quite another thing and requires every bit as much preparation on the part of each individual member of the band as does a peal of say Grandsire Triples, though, personally, I think the latter does require, to some small extent, what one may call more fineness of touch in its execution. Perhaps our six-hell friends will think otherwise.

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## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The visitors to Cambridge on Easter Monday included members of the above Association. Throughout the day the members availed themselves of the permission of the clergy of St. Mary the Great, the Roman Catholic church, St. Benet's, Old Chesterton church, and Fen Ditton church, to use the bells, and various bands occupied the different belfries.

In the afternoon the members met at the C.E.Y.M.S. Rooms, St. Edward's Passage, for tea. After tea the annual meeting was held. The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey presided, and members were present from Fulbourn, St. Neots, Ickleton, Swaffham Prior, Saffron Walden, Wilburton, Whittlesey, Thetford (Norfolk), Ramsey, Withersfield, Ely, Barrington, Cottenham, Cambridge, Biggleswade, Newmarket, Old Warden, Biddenham, Chatteris, Great Shelford, Hinxton, Brington, and Littleport.

On the proposition of the Rev. W. W. Covey Crump, seconded by Mr. Taylor, of Newmarket, the report was adopted.

The balance-sheet was presented by the Treasurer, the Rev. K. H. Smith. The income amounted to £33 10s., and the expenses to £28 4s. 7d., leaving a balance in hand of £5 5s. 5d.

The Auditor (Mr. J. R. Wharton Duff), said that the books were kept in a very good state indeed. He considered that the Association had a first-rate treasurer and a first-rate secretary. The report was adopted.

Mr. Taylor proposed that the compositions of the peals rung should be printed in the annual report. The matter was referred to a special sub-committee.

The Rev. W. Covey Crump said that some years ago they tried to induce the Bedfordshire Association to co-operate with them, but unfortunately the majority of the Bedfordshire men at their annual meeting declared against amalgamation. It was agreed that their Association should keep out of Bedfordshire, and the Bedfordshire Association would not take their members. Matters had gone on like that, but during the last eighteen months the question had come up again. There were a great many in Bedfordshire who did not want to belong to their own Association, but wished to come to them. They were in the diocese, but rule 9 said that the work of the Association should be carried on by branches in the Archdeacons of Ely, the Isle of Ely, Huntingdon, and Sudbury. The committee had thought over the matter, and were prepared to take the Bedfordshire men and be very pleased to have them.

The Rev. K. H. Smith said that they had held out the olive branch all these years, but they had done no good, and he thought the time had come to take prompt action. They had done everything they could for peace, and now, whether for peace or war, they must go on common-sense principles. He moved that the rule be altered to read: "That the work be carried on in each of the Archdeacons."

Mr. Bunnage, of St. Neots, seconded. It was desirable, he said, that they should cover the ground in case the Bedfordshire Association was to go into a decline. They did not want to enter into a competition.

The chairman thought the rule was a perfectly fair one, and he did not see why it should lead to jealousy or friction.

The proposition was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The following officers were elected: Treasurer—Rev. K. H. Smith (Ely); General Secretary—Rev. R. L.

Twells (Hinxton); Auditor—Mr. Lewis J. Flint (St. Neots); District Secretaries—Isle of Ely—Mr. A. Pilgrim (Ely); Archdeaconry of Ely—Mr. J. R. Wharton Duff (Great Shelford); Archdeaconry of Huntingdon—Mr. G. D. Coleman (St. Neots); Archdeaconry of Sudbury—Rev. H. B. Woolley (Bury St. Edmunds); Archdeaconry of Bedford—Rev. W. W. Covey Crump (Stopsley).

Mr. Crump was proposed as General Secretary, but though he was pressed hard he declined to stand again, as he lived on the far edge of the diocese.

Votes of thanks having been accorded the chairman, the clergy of the various churches for the use of their bells, and the retiring general secretary, the meeting concluded.

## ST. JAMES', BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.

An interesting event was celebrated on a recent Tuesday evening which was somewhat unique in its way. This was the celebration of two silver weddings—those of Mr. Samuel Palframan, the oldest member of the St. James's company, ex-verger and school-keeper; and that of Mr. W. Stead, his successor in office in both capacities. These two events occurring on the same date, there was a special gathering at the schoolhouse, and at The Bolton hotel, when many friends of both, including Mr. Joseph Grainger (people's warden), assembled to celebrate the double event. At seven o'clock the bells of St. James' were set in motion, and a well-struck half-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 1 hr. 30 mins. A. Ainge, 1; J. Palframan, 2; J. Boddy, 3; T. B. Kendall, 4; H. Good (conductor), 5; A. Gill, 6; B. E. Howe, 7; S. Palframan, 8. The celebration closed with a happy social gathering, at which the heartiest good wishes were extended to Messrs. Palframan and Stead.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday a quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Llantrisant, Glamorganshire, the Vicar (Rev. J. Pritchard Hughes, M.A.), taking the chair. The business commenced with the Hon. Secretary reading the minutes of the last meeting, which were duly carried and signed. The balance-sheet for the past year was next read, which shows a balance in hand of £17 9s. The place for the next Glamorganshire meeting was next discussed, and it was finally decided that the meeting should be held at St. Fagans on September 10th. The next Monmouthshire meeting is to be held at Trevethin in July.

It was next decided that each tower receive particulars of the business done at the meetings. Several new members were next elected, including the Vicar of Llantrisant as before-mentioned. Subscriptions were next taken, that being all the business. A vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for presiding, who in reply thanked all present, and then very kindly invited all the members to tea, which was greatly appreciated.

After tea the usual votes of thanks were then passed, and steps were again made for the tower, where Bob Minor and Doubles were indulged in. It is interesting to know that since the previous meeting there, the local band have gone in for change-ringing, and are making good headway. Previous to the meeting a service was held in the church, which was well attended, the Vicar giving a very able address on bells and ringing.

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## OPENING OF A NEW PEAL OF TEN BELLS AT WEST HARTLEPOOL.

Much interest was evinced at this seaside town on Easter Monday in the opening of the first peal of bells, and the new church of St. Oswald was surrounded by crowds of admiring listeners all day. The bells, a fine ring of ten, tenor 21 cwt., were cast by John Warner and Sons, and do that firm full justice. They are hung in an iron frame all on one level, and the ropes come down in a good circle, slightly marred by the close proximity of the clock wires to the two tenors, but this is a fault which is being remedied at once. Mrs. Matthew Gray, the donor of the whole fabric, clock and bells as well, kindly invited the members of the Durham and Newcastle Association to open the bells, and also entertained them to luncheon at The Station commercial hotel. At the request of the Vicar of West Hartlepool, the Rev. W. F. Cosgrave, the President of the Association, R. S. Story, Esq., has kept the entire work of hanging, etc., under his supervision, and a thoroughly workmanlike job is the result. The consecration service opened with the hymn: "O God our help in ages past," during the singing of which there was a procession, headed by a cross-bearer, of the choir, churchwardens and clergy to the west-end of the church, where the Vicar-designate of St. Oswald's, the Rev. H. Robinson, took his stand beneath the belfry and read the prayers of dedication. The other clergy present were the Vicar of Christ Church (Mr. Cosgrave), from whose parish the new one of St. Oswald is taken, the Revs. A. D. Smith and J. F. Townson (curates), and the Rev. M. B. Parker, Vicar of Bishop Middleham, and the churchwardens Messrs. J. P. Fea, J.P., G. Jones, J.P., and Mustard. Mrs. Matthew Gray then, by means of a cord, started the clock, and a well-struck course of Stedman Caters was rung on the bells as the procession moved back to the chancel, the congregation meanwhile standing in their places. The Rev. W. F. Cosgrave delivered an appropriate address, dealing with the history of bells, showing how that from the earliest ages bells have been linked with the worship of the sanctuary. There was a day, said the reverend gentleman, when the ringers of church bells having finished ringing used to go home or perhaps to the public house, but he was very glad to think that this was largely changed to a great extent through the tendency of Associations like the Durham and Newcastle, who had taken up the Art and brought it into connection with religion, and made it part of the worship of God. He urged that those who would take up the ringing of St. Oswald's bells would recognise it as such so that people might say not only "What a beautiful peal of bells they have at St. Oswald's," but also "What a splendid band of ringers they have." That church had now become a church with a lesson, not only to those who passed by, for the tower which soared upwards pointed their thoughts to God. The clock would remind them of the passing of time and the coming of the future, and the bells as they rang would give forth their message and call men to higher things and to think of the worship of the Almighty in their daily life.

The hymn: "When morning gilds the skies" was sung during the offertory, and in place of a voluntary at the close of the service the ringers tapped off a 504 Stedman Caters. About fifty-five members of the Association attended during the day and rang touches of Kent Royal, Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Stedman Triples, the bells being kept going till 8.30 p.m. The opening touches were rung by C. L. Routledge, F. P. Howcroft, W. H.

Porter, J. E. Keen, T. Gofton conductor, A. Hillier, J. Hern, T. Metcalfe, R. Richards, T. Stephenson, T. Lungley and R. Greenwood. A number of young men have joined the belfry to learn the art of change-ringing, and with this idea in view Mr. T. Metcalfe, of Middlesbrough, has kindly taken them in hand as instructor, and will no doubt show good results before very long.

After luncheon a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Gray for her kind hospitality, on the proposition of the President, R. S. Story, Esq., and on her behalf the Vicar responded, bidding the Association welcome, and assuring the members of a continued welcome to the tower of St. Oswald's. He was grateful to them for their services that day.

It is hoped to attempt a peal on the bells at an early date.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. (NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.)

A meeting of this district was held at Great Bentley on March 19th, ringers being present from Ardleigh, Coggeshall, Feering, Little and Great Bentley, Great Bromley, Thorington, Colchester, etc. Touches of Double Norwich, Treble Bob and Grandsire were rung on the bells. The tea and meeting were held at The Lion inn, several new members being elected. Votes of thanks were passed to the clergy for the use of the bells; also to Mr. Nevard for kindly providing the tea.

## CARMARTHEN.

On Palm Sunday, the Lord Bishop of St. David's dedicated a new Westminster chiming clock in St. Peter's parish church. The clock is fitted with all the latest improvements, and has one large dial facing west. It is guaranteed by the makers to maintain very accurate time, and will doubtless be a great boon to the town. It has been made generally to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, who are also now making a large Westminster chime clock for Redruth Town Hall, Cornwall.

## Obituary.

### ROBERT WILDING.

The death of the above-named ringer took place on Thursday, March 31st, at Lackford, Suffolk, in his 75th year. He had been connected with the ringing at the Norman Tower, Bury St. Edmunds, over fifty years. He was a member of the Ely Diocesan Association and was an ardent lover of ringing. He had rang two peals of Grandsire Triples. His last ringing was 120 Stedman Doubles on handbells, which method he was always fond of. His remains were interred on Tuesday, April 5th, at the quiet churchyard of Lackford. The ringers at the graveside representing the Ely Diocesan Association were Messrs. H. A. Turner and H. Blake. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters was rung with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to their departed brother-ringer, by F. Rudd, H. F. Moore, B. Debenham, G. Debenham, A. C. Palmer, H. Simpson, A. Bridges, A. E. Moore conductor, H. A. Turner, R. Moore.

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## Date Touches.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

STOKE.—On Tuesday, February 2nd, at St. Bartholomew's church, a date touch, 1904 changes, being 104 London Surprise, 240 each of City Delight, Duke of York and Violet, and 360 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford in 1 hr. 7 mins. F. T. Dawson, J. T. Taylor, W. A. Tabernor conductor, B. Pegg, J. E. Wheeldon, A. E. Ryles. First date touch as conductor.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MINEHEAD.—On Thursday, February 11th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 8 mins. J. Reed, S. Mason, Sam Mason, G. Atkins, C. Summers, J. M. Dodington, H. Moore composer and conductor, C. Dawson.

## THE LINCOLNSHIRE GUILD.

## (EASTERN BRANCH)

FRIESTON (Lincolnshire).—On Saturday, March 19th, at the parish church, a date touch of Bob Minor in 1 hr. 10 mins. J. Sharp, E. Clayton, C. Staffurth, A. Rollinson, A. Sharp, J. Sharp conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. O. Barber.

CHELMSFORD.—On Thursday, March 10th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, takn from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. 12 mins. B. S. Thompson conductor, W. Rowland, jun., H. Ritchell, W. Newman, H. W. Kirton, A. Whight, H. F. Cooper, R. H. Rolfe.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STANSTED (Essex).—On Tuesday, February 23rd, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, 360 Stedman Triples. G. Gray, W. Watts, G. Jordan, T. J. Watts conductor, W. Prior, T. Jordan, J. Luckey, J. Cavill. Also 336 Stedman Triples. T. Newman, T. Jordan, T. J. Watts, W. Prior, W. T. Prior, J. Luckey, H. J. Tucker conductor, G. Greenhill. And 704 Superlative Surprise Major. G. Gray, W. Watts, W. Prior, T. J. Watts, H. J. Tucker, T. Jordan, W. T. Prior, G. Jordan conductor. On Sunday morning, February 8th, for Divine Service, 504 Canterbury Pleasure Triples. J. Cavill, T. J. Watts, G. Jordan, J. Luckey, G. Gray, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. Tenor 13 cwt.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WOOLWICH.—On Sunday, February 28th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in 47 mins. R. Sandiford, E. Wells, W. Watchorn, H. Hill, R. Carter, A. Phillips, W. Aldridge conductor, H. Humphrey. On Sunday, 6th March, for evening service, 504 Stedman Triples. H. Hill, E. Wells, W. Watchorn, H. Humphrey, G. Groves, Qr.-Master Sergt. Pye, W. Aldridge conductor, H. Beckford.

BORDEN (Kent).—On Sunday morning, March 13th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. E. Pankhurst, S. Hutson, R. Staines conductor, H. Baker, W. Tassell, W. J. Walker, J. Tassell, J. Excell. Tenor 23 cwt.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

EXETER.—On Sunday evening, January 25th, for Divine Service at St. Sidwell's church, 1259 Stedman Caters. E. Shepherd conductor, F. Davey, W. Mogridge, C. Carter, W. Drake, W. Richardson, F. Murphy, T. Mudge, J. Moss, W. Acreman. First quarter-peal in the method by an entirely Devonshire band. On Saturday, February 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. A. Richards, T. Laver, W. Richardson, E. Shepherd, T. Mudge, J. Baker, F. Davey, W. E. Pitfield Chapple. On Sunday, February 7th, for Divine Service at St. David's church, 1008 Bob Major, in 36 mins. E. Searle, C. Carter, A. W. Searle, F. Murphy, T. Mudge, W. Richardson, F. Davey, E. Shepherd conductor. On Sunday evening, January 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 55 mins. H. B. Richards, F. Davey conductor, W. Mogridge, C. Carter, T. Mudge, E. Shepherd, E. Sargent, F. Murphy, J. Moss, J. Richards.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EWELL (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, February 28th, for Divine Service, 504 Stedman Triples. J. Beams conductor, S. Wilson, H. Federick, E. T. Grove, H. G. Beams, H. Greenhill, C. E. Read, F. Lauer. All are members of the local company.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

EALING (Middlesex).—On Sunday morning, January 31st, for Divine Service, 500 Stedman. A. J. Tabor, E. J. Walsom, E. Harris, J. Basden, F. Folkard, L. W. Copsey, H. Browning, F. Harding. On Sunday, February 7th, 500 Stedman. And for evening service 740 Stedman Triples. A. H. Tabor, E. J. Walsom, H. Griffin, J. Basden, E. Harris, L. W. Copsey, H. Brown, F. Harding. All conducted by J. Basden.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

FAREHAM (Hants).—On Sunday evening, March 6th, for Divine Service at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, 518 Grandsire Triples. G. Privett, C. Privett, G. Grafham, H. Privett, A. Coghlan, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting conductor, G. Grant. On Monday, March 7th, 672 Grandsire Triples. G. Grant, H. Privett, G. Privett, C. Privett, A. Coghlan, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting conductor, A. Cummings.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARTFORD (Cheshire).—On February 15th, at St. John's church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. S. Moore, T. Moore, A. Booth, T. Forster, H. Yarwood, J. Ashmole conductor. On February 29th, four 6-scores of Stedman Doubles. S. Moore, T. Moore, A. Booth, H. Garwood, J. Ashmole conductor, H. Parker.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HADDENHAM (Bucks).—On Sunday, March 13th, for Confirmation Service at the parish church, touches of Grandsire Triples were rung. G. Ing, T. Rose, H. Merrick, L. Butler, T. Ing, J. W. Wilkins conductor, D. Chapman, B. Wilson.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MINEHEAD.—On Monday, February 25th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. S. Cornelius, F. Mason, J. Reed, G. Atkins, S. Mason, C. Summers, H. Moore, F. Wood.

HARBORNE (Staffs).—On Friday, January 22nd, at the parish church of St. Peter, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes, in 43 mins. A. Beacham, G. Piggott, G. Hitchman, T. Gibbs, J. W. Tilley, H. Grosvenor conductor, W. R. Heaton, W. Mason.

HUGGLESCOTE (Leicestershire).—On Saturday, March 19th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Darlaston Bob Triples in 43 mins. W. Allen, J. Allen, F. Weston, G. Walker, E. W. Rands conductor, J. Cadle, H. Prowdrill, J. Hollis. First quarter-peal by the band.

ISLEWORTH (Middlesex).—On Sunday, March 6th, for Men's Service, 720 Grandsire Minor with 6-8 covering in 27 mins. E. Webb, G. Ransom conductor, T. Beadle, A. Sanders, F. Goddard, A. Seward, L. W. Copsey, A. Green.

RYE (Sussex).—On Tuesday, 23rd February, at the church of St. Mary, 504 of Stedman Triples. C. W. Player, C. Tribe, F. A. Vincett, T. A. Vincett, C. Price, S. E. Reed, G. Billenness conductor, W. Tomsett.

SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).—On Sunday morning, February 28th, for Divine Service, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 48 mins. G. Bester, J. Armstrong, J. E. Miller, M. Fensom, H. Miller, W. Pickworth, S. Wade conductor, A. Dodson.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 1904.

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CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*

*Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, March 29th, 1904.*

## THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

This society held its April meeting at Eckington on Easter Monday, members attending from Chesterfield, Bolsterstone, Bolsover, Killamarsh, Norton, Treeton, Sheffield and Ranmoor, touches in a variety of methods being rung by mixed bands. At 5 o'clock tea was served in the parish room adjoining the rectory, fifty (including half-a-dozen wives) sitting down to a splendid meat tea generously provided by the Rector, Rev. W. R. Hewson. After tea Mr. S. Thomas moved, and Mr. F. Willey seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for his kind hospitality, who in reply stated that he was always willing to do what lay in his power towards encouraging a friendly and kindly feeling between the ringers and the clergy; when a parson is met with who speaks and acts like this, it's a healthy sign of the times, and "more power to him." A little diversion was caused just outside the rectory gates by Mr. G. Holmes and his camera trying to get a crowd of bellringers to look pleasant and stand still until after the necessary operation. Then followed more ringing and strolling about the grounds and churchyard until dusk, for the weather put on its best behaviour for once in a way, which contributed in a large degree to make a successful and enjoyable meeting.

## The Metropolis.

## THE ALL SAINTS FULHAM SOCIETY.

*On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS', FULHAM,*

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5002 CHANGES;

*Tenor 20 cwt.*

ARTHUR JONES .. .. Treble.	JAMES STRUTT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM E. JUDD .. .. 2.	ALFRED JONES .. .. 7.
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*On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty four Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, FINCHLEY,*

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Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and two of Plain Bob.

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## The Provinces.

## TUNSTALL, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Sunday, April 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,*

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent, College Single and Plain Bob,

GEORGE GILBERT .. .. Treble.	THOMAS JULL .. .. 4.
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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Six Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,*

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 11,008 CHANGES. *Tenor 14½ cwt.*

JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. Treble.	JAMES HOUGHTON, JUN. .. 5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 2.	WILLIAM H. INGLESANT .. 6.
CHARLES H. FOWLER .. 3.	ARTHUR R. ALDHAM .. 7.
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*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

GEORGE ROWE, JUN. .. Treble.	DAVID G. WIGHTMAN .. 5.
STEPHEN WIGHTMAN, JUN. 2.	WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. 6.
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## PRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,*

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

WILLIAM C. RUMSEY .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. GROOM .. .. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM .. .. 2.	DAVID G. WIGHTMAN .. 6.
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## BOSHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

*On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,*

*AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. *Tenor 13½ cwt.*

JOHN NETLEY .. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM TICHEHURST .. 4.
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## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

HENRY GARFATH* .. .. Treble.	CHARLES HAZELDEN .. .. 5.
HENRY HUTTON .. .. 2.	RALPH WOOD .. .. 6.
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\*First peal of Major.

## BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIRRAL BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College and Oxford Single, Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire

J. ASPINWALL .. .. Treble.	J. DILLON .. .. 4.
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Conducted by J. MARTIN.

## MEARE, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores.

Tenor 18 cwt.

H. J. TRIM .. .. Treble	A. W. WEBB .. .. 4.
F. G. COLES* .. .. 2.	A. E. COLES .. .. 5.
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Conducted by A. E. COLES.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells.

## KINGSTON-ON-THAMES, SURREY.

## THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES.

Tenor 33 cwt.

FRANK BENNETT .. .. Treble.	HARRY LAST .. .. 6.
FREDERICK HOLDEN .. .. 2.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
GEORGE WOODISS .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. 8.
JOHN HOWES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. .. 9.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.	JAMES CHANDLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## WOOTTON COURTENAY, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s.

F. MASON .. .. Treble.	C. SUMMERS .. .. 4.
J. REED* .. .. 2.	G. ATKINS .. .. 5.
SAMUEL MASON .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. MOORE.

\*First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells.

## HUNTON, KENT. — THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR. 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Kent, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

GEORGE GILBERT .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. 4.
FREDERICK FAIRBEARD .. .. 2.	JOSEPH E. GRENSTED .. .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. .. 3.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

First peal on the bells.

## HELMSHORE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS, MUSBURY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 10 cwt.

HY. J. STEFF .. .. Treble.	THOMAS WALLWORK .. .. 5.
T. P. BRANDWOOD .. .. 2.	*JAMES ROLLERSON .. .. 6.
J. FOSTER* .. .. 3.	ROBERT WALLWORK .. .. 7.
THOMAS ROLLERSON* .. .. 4.	*ALGERNON NEWMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by E. TIMBRELL, and Conducted by ROBERT WALLWORK.

\*First peal in the method.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. x qr. 15 lbs. in F.

HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. Treble.	CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 5.
FRANK FAY .. .. 2.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 6.
WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 7.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by B. W. WITCHELL.

First peal of Major on the bells.

## WEST MALLING, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 12 cwt.

LEWIS NEWMAN* .. .. Treble.	RICHARD GOODBURN .. .. 5.
ERNEST H. NEWMAN* .. 2.	JAMES W. LEONARD .. .. 6.
ALFRED W. TAWNEY .. 3.	THOMAS MANNERING .. .. 7.
ERNEST SPILLER .. .. 4.	PHILIP MASTERS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS MANNERING.

\*Elected members of the Association previous to starting.

## GREAT GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

J. W. CHAPMAN .. .. Treble.	†THOMAS SCRIMSHAW .. .. 5.
C. TAYLOR .. .. 2.	*W. H. HEYHOE .. .. 6.
A. W. LONG .. .. 3.	A. B. SHEPHERD .. .. 7.
PERCY C. LONG .. .. 4.	†F. T. HOWDEN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. H. HEYHOE.

†\*First peal as conductor. †First peal. First peal rung in Grimsby by an entirely local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to the brothers Long.

**BARKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.**

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED WHIGHT .. .. Treble.	SAMUEL HAYES .. .. 5.
EDWARD LUCAS .. .. 2.	YORK GREEN .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. DORAN .. .. 3.	ALBERT C. HARDY .. .. 7.
THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. 4.	HENRY TORBLE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by THOMAS FAULKNER.

**BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF PETERBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
REV. ARTHUR T. BEESTON .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 7.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

This is the first peal ever rung in the method. S. Thomas's 50th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

**MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL, MILTON,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being four 720s of Plain Bob, and three 720s of Grandsire Minor, each called differently.

WILLIAM J. BEER .. .. Treble.	EDWARD HEATH .. .. 4.
JOHN ALLEN .. .. 2.	CHAS. H. FENNEL .. .. 5.
GEORGE SOUTH .. .. 3.	REUBEN COPELIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. COPELIN.

First peal of Minor by the above-named ringers.

**ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.****THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.**

LEONARD ALLEN .. .. Treble.	FREDK. W. HERBERT .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN. .. 2.	ARTHUR CRAVEN .. .. 6.
WM. H. INGLESANT .. .. 3.	R. HENRY BARTRAM .. .. 7.
JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. 4.	CHAS. H. FOWLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

**FINEDON, NORTHANTS.****THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.**

FREDERICK PALMER .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR SMEATHERS .. .. 5.
WM. HARRY ETTIE, JUN. .. 2.	THOMAS ABBOTT .. .. 6.
JOHN ROBERT MAIN .. .. 3.	WALTER PERKINS .. .. 7.
JOHN BLACKWELL MARTIN .. 4.	JAMES BAKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the 84th birthday of Canon Paul, of this parish.

**OTLEY.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.**

Tenor 16 cwt.

C. RALPH .. .. Treble.	*E. CLARKE .. .. 5.
F. MASTON .. .. 2.	J. NELSON .. .. 6.
T. STOCKDALE .. .. 3.	J. HORNER .. .. 7.
G. THORNTON .. .. 4.	W. WADDINGTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by LISTER CAWOOD, of Otley, and Conducted by J. NELSON.

\*First peal in any method.

**NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.**

Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT WILBY .. .. Treble.	WALTER E. AYERS .. .. 5.
BERTIE WHITESIDES* .. 2.	CHARLES T. AYERS .. .. 6.
F. ISAAC FUTTER .. .. 3.	ROBERT COOKE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK WILBY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. HOWSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by W. J. HOWSON.

\*First peal. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to T. Calver, who was a member of the local company for nearly forty years.

**LINTON, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Kent, Canterbury, College Single and Plain Bob.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOSEPH E. GRENSTED .. Treble.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. 4.
GEORGE GILBERT .. .. 2.	FREDERICK FAIRHEARD .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. 3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.\*

**BRISTOL.****GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.**

Tenor 36 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	HENRY HOWELL .. .. 6.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 2.	JAMES RICHMOND .. .. 7.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 3.	WILLIAM STOWELL .. .. 8.
JOHN BURFORD .. .. 4.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 9.
A. F. MARTIN STEWART* .. 5.	SPENCER M. DODINGTON .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters.

**REDDISH, STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELISABETH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5068 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

ALFRED BARNES .. .. Treble.	THOMAS SMITHSON .. .. 5.
TOM MARSHALL .. .. 2.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON .. 6.
HIRAM MEAKIN .. .. 3.	JOHN W. BAYLEY .. .. 7.
SAMUEL FERNLEY .. .. 4.	*ANDREW SIDEBOTHAM .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by ANDREW SIDEBOTHAM.

\*First peal in the method as conductor.

## DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lbs.

JAMES BAXTER .. .. Treble.	ROBERT GREENWOOD .. 5.
JOHN G. HALL .. .. 2.	FREDERICK P. HOWCROFT .. 6.
HARRY PEVERELL .. .. 3.	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM E. WALAND .. 4.	ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by E. C. HUNT.

This is the 100th peal of Kent Treble Bob by the Association, and is the conductor's 60th peal, and the twenty-fifth peal on the bells. First peal in the Association by R. Greenwood, who hails from Stockton-on-Tees.

## MELBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

WILLIAM TOMLIN .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM EARLE .. .. 5.
GEORGE TOMLIN .. .. 2.	HARRY HOLLINGWORTH .. 6.
JAMES YORK .. .. 3.	FRED HOLLINGWORTH .. 7.
L. HOLLINGWORTH .. .. 4.	GEORGE YORK .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by F. HOLLINGWORTH.

Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. Joseph Warren.

## WHITLEY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge, York, Durham, Worcester, Chichester, London and Wells.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ROBERT GOFTON .. .. Treble.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 4.
JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. 2.	JAMES E. GOFTON .. .. 5.
RD. ALDER GOFTON .. .. 3.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

## ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	WALTER MOBBS .. .. 5.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 2.	WALTER BARRETT .. .. 6.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 3.	OLIVER BROCK .. .. 7.
JAMES BETTS .. .. 4.	FREDERICK SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by FREDK. BORRETT.

## HAGBOURNE, BERKS.

## THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM, AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

HENRY SIMMONDS .. .. Treble.	ERNEST W. MENDAY .. .. 5.
EDWIN J. MENDAY .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 6.
JOSEPH HANDS .. .. 3.	HARRY W. SMITH .. .. 7.
GEORGE ESSEX .. .. 4.	RICHARD T. HIBBERT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by RICHARD T. HIBBERT.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON.)

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

GEORGE W. MEE .. .. Treble.	HARRY J. MEE .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 2.	ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. 3.	*CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE .. 7.
EDGAR RIVERS .. .. 4.	DANIEL PRENTICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by G. W. MEE.

\*First peal in the method, and upon eight bells.

## CHILHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. Treble.	EDWIN G. BUESDEN .. 5.
PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. 2.	ALFRED A. ANDREWS .. 6.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE .. 3.	HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 7.
FREDERICK G. BRETT .. 4.	ARTHUR T. CASTLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY G. FAIRBRASS.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

G. H. GUTTERIDGE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 5.
JAMES W. WILKINS .. .. 2.	JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. 6.
RICHARD BUCKLAND .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN EVANS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PHIPPS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## ROLVENDEN, KENT.—THE KENT COUNY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

EDGAR BURDEN .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. LAMBERT .. 5.
FREDERICK G. BURDEN .. 2.	CHARLES W. PLAYER† .. 6.
SYDNEY W. HILLS* .. .. 3.	GEORGE NEVE .. .. 7.
ROBERT EDWARDS .. .. 4.	HENRY HOLDSTOCK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES W. PLAYER.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor.

## Handbell Peal.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 31, 1904, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by E. C. CHASTY.

Umpire—H. Fields.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The number of changes in the peal of Kent Treble Bob rung at Drighlington, Yorks., on April 2nd, was 5056.

## Notices.

The charge for the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that rate. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Sussex County Association.—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Slinfold to-day, Sat., April 16th. Tower open from 4 p.m., tea at 5.30, business meeting to follow. H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*  
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The quarterly meeting in connection with this Society will be held to-day, Saturday, April 16th, at the parish church, Sedgley. The bells will be available for ringing during the afternoon and evening. S. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*  
10, Bull Street, West Bromwich.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on April 21st, and at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 26th. Business meetings at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, afterwards on the 26th. WM. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
'Frodingham,' Elmhurst Street, Clapham, S.W.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Accrington on Saturday, April 16th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hartfield on Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Members intending to be present will oblige by sending a card to the undersigned by Wednesday, 20th April. GEORGE WILLIAMS, *Hon. Sec.*  
2, Grove Street, Brighton.

The Halifax District Association.—The next meeting of the Association will be held at Ripponden on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock. WRIGHT INGHAM, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, 23rd inst. Bells ready at 5.0 Meeting at 7 o'clock. JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock. W. LATTER, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Western Division.—A bye meeting of this division will take place at Hornchurch on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells ready 3 p.m. All welcome. GEO. W. FAULKNER,  
84, Fisher Street, Barking.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's church, Bury on Saturday, April 23rd. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 5.30 p.m. W. ASHWORTH, *Branch Sec.*

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge on Saturday, April 23rd, at 3 p.m. The bells have just been put in thorough order. C. W. B. COBBE, *Hon. Sec.*  
Ferndale, Devizes.

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Halstead to open the ring of 8 bells on Saturday, April 30th. Tea will be provided

at the Co-operative Hall at 5 o'clock, 1s. each. Members intending to be there should give at least three days' notice.

ERNEST W. BECKWITH, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*  
Coggeshall.

The Ashton-under-Lyne Society will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, April 30th, at the parish church of St. Michael's, Ashton. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7. All ringers invited. CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Eynsford on Saturday, April 30th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Meeting in National School at 6 p.m. T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Burley (6) on Saturday, April 30th. Peal to be attempted, 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Cardigan Arms hotel at 7.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due. FRED BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*

21, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Lancashire Association.—The half-yearly meeting will take place at Lancaster on Saturday, May 7th. Further particulars by circular. A. E. WREAKS, } *Hon.*  
J. SHEPHERD, } *Secs.*

## NOTES TO PEALS.

NOTE TO THE 11,000 NEAR LEICESTER.—This is the longest peal rung in the county. T. Taffender hails from London and was journeying to Notts, but took a vacant rope. T. R. Hensher is from Wellingboro', J. Houghton, jun., from Irthlingboro', A. R. Aldham (of Debenham fame) from Barwell, Inglesant from Loughboro', the remainder from Leicester. The tenors were parted for the first 3000 changes. It was Mr. J. Houghton's 152nd peal, made up as follows: Double Norwich 46, Superlative 28, Kent Major 18, Bob Major 14, London Surprise 3, Oxford Major 1, Stedman Triples 16, Grandsire Triples 14, Bob Triples 2, Stedman Caters 1, Grandsire Caters 3, Treble Royal 2, In seven methods on 6, 4. Total 152, conducted 41.

MR. S. THOMAS'S 50 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples 4 conducted 2, Caters 2; Stedman Triples 2, Caters 2 conducted 1, Cinques 1; Treble Bob Minor 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 13 conducted 3, Royal 6 conducted 2, Maximus 2; Oxford Treble Bob Royal 2; Plain Bob Major 1 conducted 1, Royal 2; Double Norwich Major 3; Superlative Surprise Major 4 conducted 2; Yorkshire Surprise Major 4 conducted 4; Peterborough Surprise Major 1 conducted 1. Total 50, conducted 16.

## DATE TOUCH.

SITTINGBOURNE (Kent).—On Sunday, March 20th, for Divine service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 4 mins. H. E. Simpson conductor, T. W. Jarrett, E. J. Bootle, W. Golding, W. Tassell, sen., J. Tassell, jun., W. J. Walker, L. B. Grant.

WEST HAM (Essex).—On Sunday evening, March 20th, for Divine service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 51 mins. J. Jones, G. Pearl, W. Keeble, J. Moule, W. Doran, E. Clayton, G. Haydon, H. Torble conductor. Composed by Y. Green.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.—Mr. J. W. Golding has removed to 57, Denman Road, Peckham, S.E.—Mr. S. M. Dodington has removed to 118, Wandsworth Road, London, S.W.

## Situations Wanted.

As HEAD GARDENER.—Thoroughly competent, trustworthy and reliable. Age 32. Married. Excellent references. Good ringer of standard methods. E. Calver, Stoke Edith Gardens, Hereford.

As COWMAN and Help in Gard en, married one child. Good change-ringer. Sussex or south of Surrey.—X Y Z, B.N. Office.

As GARDENER, single-handed, age 33, 4 years last employment. Member of Surrey Association. Excellent references.—J. Apps, 1, St. Mary's Cottages, School Road, East Molesey, Surrey.

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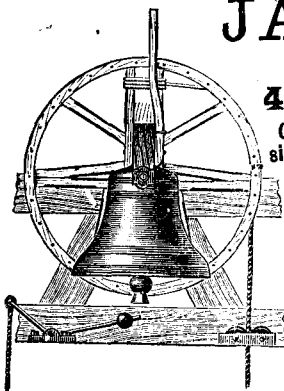
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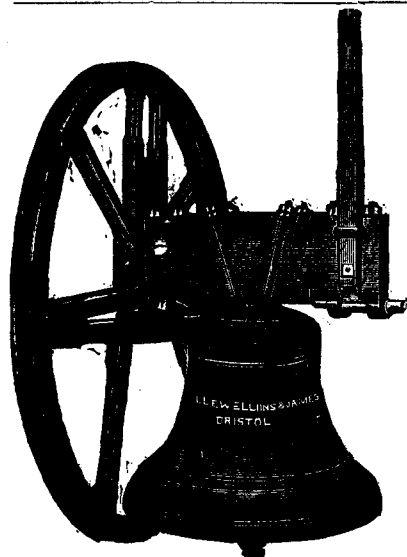
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

QUEDGELEY (Gloucestershire). St. James. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells. The two trebles by Taylor, 1891, the rest by Rudhall, 1732. Tenor 9½ cwt., diameter 3 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1891. Ropes new 1897, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: alternate morning and evening for half-an-hour before service. Practice: Monday, from September to March.

QUORNDON (Leicestershire). St. Bartholomew. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells. 2nd by Arnold, 1777; 3rd, 4th, 6th and 7th by the same, 1773; the rest by Taylor, 1886. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1886. Ropes fair. Method: Grandsire. No Sunday ringing or regular practice.

RADCLIFFE (Lancashire). St. Bartholomew. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1861. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft., 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Shaw, 1886, and slight repairs by the same firm, 1897. Church authorities look well after the bells. Ropes new 1894, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

RADWINTER (Essex). Eight bells. No return.

RAMSBOTTOM (Lancashire). St. Paul. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Llewellyns, 1881. Tenor 9 cwt., diameter 3 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs since first hung. Recasting has been recommended as the tone is bad, but there are no funds. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

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Having considered the foundation of the Priory, the next thing to do is to consider its dissolution, which took place in the year 1537. During the four centuries which had elapsed since Rahere's day, the condition of society had been gradually altered. It had become less savage, and in England the termination of the wars of the Roses with the battle of Bosworth Field in 1485, relieved the country for some century and a half from a state of civil war. In fact the modern age had begun; a great impetus had been given to learning, and the foundations of schools and of colleges at the universities showed that its pursuit had ceased to be practically confined to monasteries. Moreover the number of nonasteries and the extent of their property had increased beyond all reason. It could not be for the advantage of a nation so situated as England then was that so much of its land should be permanently held by clerical bodies far too numerous for the requirements of the population. The time for suppression of such communities had therefore come, and though the destruction of so many beautiful buildings is a source of regret to us to-day, and though the actual methods adopted in too many cases were anything but admirable, it is difficult to see what else could be expected as the world went then. Henry VIII. was not precisely a moral man either in his public or private dealings, but he was quite as much so as his contemporary Popes and Cardinals.

Accordingly Henry took possession of the Priory in the year 1537, and after he had made sufficient demolition for his purposes he granted what remained in 1544 to Sir Richard Rich, afterwards Lord Rich, a man who had been very useful to his sovereign, because he not only used in his service undoubted ability, but was unrestrained by any sensations of personal honour in dealing with any one who happened for any reason to stand in his way. His character is unattractive to the last degree, but even the devil is entitled to his due, and it should therefore be recorded that Rich founded the Grammar School at Felsted in Essex.

The state of the Church at this time may be gathered from the two following extracts, the first being from the Grant by the King to Rich which, I take from Knight's "London," and the second from Stow's "Survey of London." Although, perhaps, the language of these may seem a little incongruous here and there, taken together they make the case plain. It is merely painting the lily to expatiate on the value of Stow's work, and it is sufficient to say that as he was a Londoner who was born in the year 1525 and died in 1605, his record of matters of this kind is additionally valuable, because he is describing contemporary events. I may remark in passing that Stow, like Stedman, is buried at St. Andrew Undershaf, Leadenhall Street, but, unlike Stedman, is commemorated by a monument:

"And whereas the great Close of St. Bartholomew has been before the memory of man used as a Parish within itself and distinct from other parishes;

and the inhabitants thereof had their Parish Church and Churchyard within the Church of the late Monastery and priory, and to the same church annexed and have had Divine Service performed by a Curate from the appointment of the Prior and Convent and whereas a certain Chapel called the parish Chapel with part of the Great Parish Church have been taken away and the materials sold for our use, nevertheless there still remains a part fit for erecting a Parish Church, and already raised and built; We do Grant to the said Richard Rich, Knight, and to the present and future inhabitants within the Great Close that part of the said Church of the said late Monastery or Priory which remains raised and built to be a parish Church for ever for the use of the said inhabitants."—Knight's *London*.

"This Church having in the Bell Tower six bells in a tune, those bells were sold to the parish of St. Sepulchre's; and then the Church being pulled down to the choir, the choir was by the King's Order annexed for the enlarging of the old parish church thereto adjoining, and so was used till the reign of Queen Mary, who gave the remnant of the Priory church to the Friars preachers, or Black Friars, and was used as their conventual church until, the 1st. of our Sovereign lady Queen Elizabeth, those friars were put out, and all the said Church with the old parish church was wholly, as it stood in the last year of Edward VI., given by Parliament to remain for ever a Parish Church to the inhabitants within the close called Great St. Bartholomewes. Since the which time that old parish church is pulled down, except the steeple of rotten timber ready to fall of itself. I have oft heard it reported that a new steeple should be built with the stone, lead and timber of the old parish church, but no such thing was performed. The parish have lately repaired the old wooden steeple to serve their turn."—Stow.

Now any one who visits the church to-day will see how it corresponds with the above accounts. There have, to be sure, been recoveries of some desecrated portions, but they do not affect our ability to understand what was done. And this brings us to the consideration of the tower and the bells.

The tower is built of brick, and was erected in 1628, and if the churchwardens' accounts for that year were extant we should most probably be able to fix the history of the bells with certainty, but unfortunately they are not, and those for 1629 only deal with payments relating to a wooden staircase for the tower, part of which is apparently still remaining.

The bells, which are a light ring, the tenor being, perhaps, some 5 cwt., bear inscriptions as follows:—

Treble Sancte Bartholomee

Ora pro Nobis

2nd Sancta Katerina

Ora pro Nobis

3rd Sancta Anna

Ora pro Nobis

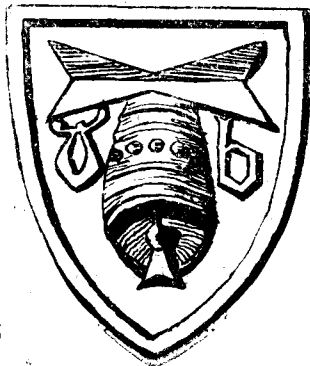
4th Sancta Johannes Baptiste

Ora pro Nobis

Tenor Sancta Petre

Ora pro Nobis

All bear a foundry stamp (annexed) which is assigned to Thomas Bullisdon, stated to be a London founder, who died about 1510.



The question now arises, How did these bells get into this tower? Where were they before it was built? There seems, as I am told, to be a tradition that there was originally a ring of twelve in the central tower of the Priory church, of which the back six went to St. Sepulchre's, and those we are now considering were the front five, the sixth having disappeared. But this seems rather hard to realize. I have never had the opportunity of giving personal study to bell history, but, at present, I should be surprised to learn that there were rings of twelve bells prior to the Reformation. Perhaps if Dr. Raven, or some other person learned in this lore, happens to read these lines, he will be kind enough to write to "THE BELL NEWS" and enlighten us.

Again, the tower of the Priory Church must have been, as it seems to me, a portion of what was taken away and sold for the King's use. If the Central tower had remained standing one does not see why it should have been in such a state as to have to be taken down in 1628, and even if it was then taken down, how does it come about that none of the material was used up, but that brick was the material used for the new tower? Mr. Lovett, of St. Sepulchre's, kindly escorted me up the tower, and I looked carefully to see if I could find any signs of the materials of a former tower having been used up internally, but I could not. If what the present tower replaced was the tower of the Priory Church, then we have to suppose that the parishioners, having materials which they could use up in reconstruction, deliberately abstained from using them, and bought bricks instead. This seems almost impossible. Besides, Agar's plan of London, published during Queen Elizabeth's reign, shows St. Bartholomew's without any tower, except something on the north side which may very well be the wooden steeple of which Stow tells us.

The plain and natural meaning of what Stow says is that there were six bells in the tower of the Priory Church, and there is no justification for reading into his words something which is not there. Stow described contemporary facts with accuracy, and if there were more bells in the tower than six, he would either have told us about the rest or have expressed himself so as to avoid our assuming the possibility of a higher number. On the other hand, he tells us of a parochial steeple, constructed of timber, as was common enough, needing reconstruction when he wrote, and patched up to serve the occasion—and obviously, therefore, ready in the course of nature to make way for something better by 1628. But a parochial steeple exists for the sake of the parochial bells, and there could have been no other reason for their existence for the repair or rebuilding of such a structure as Stow describes.

The inference I deduce from these considerations, is that the present bells at St. Bartholomew's were not at the time of the dissolution bells belonging to the Priory, but were the parochial bells, and that it is owing to this fact that they escaped being sold like the six mentioned by Stow; but survived, as parish property, to be hoisted into the present steeple in the 17th century, and that the present steeple is the successor—not of the central tower of the Priory Church, but—of the wooden parochial steeple described by Stow. I propose to add a few concluding words next week.

R. A. DANIELL.

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## Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## THE ELY AND BEDS. ASSOCIATIONS.

SIR,—In reading the report of the annual meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association, I was much surprised at the tone of the discussion regarding Bedfordshire. The Rev. W. W. Crump stated that "some years ago the members of the Beds. were against amalgamation;" that is quite true, and the tone is not changed. Then he states that it was agreed that the Ely Association should keep out of Bedfordshire, and the Bedfordshire Association would not take their numbers. With regard to the latter part of that statement I am afraid that the Rev. W. W. Crump is laboring under a delusion, for Rule 7 of the Beds. Association states that "ringers outside Bedfordshire may become honorary performing members on payment of 3s., but they shall not be eligible for election to any official position." What is there in that rule to prevent members of the Ely Diocesan Association from becoming members of the Bedfordshire Association? How is it that several of the Ely members are non-resident members of the Bedfordshire Association, and have rung peals in that Association? Mr. Crump also states that "there were a great many in Bedfordshire who did not want to belong to their own Association. Probably it would be best for him to get his information from reliable sources before making such a statement as this. We in Bedfordshire are entirely unaware of the fact, and if he has got it from a reliable source we must thank him for it. The Rev. K. H. Smith as good as says: "We've asked you to accept our suzerainty for some years, and now we are going to make you have it." His "common-sense principles" would have been much more pronounced if he had come to Bedfordshire, and understood Bedfordshire ringers and ringing. Mr. Bunnage thinks it possible that the Beds. Association is going into a decline; the ever-increasing number of members does not look like it, the decline seems on the other hand, and some Bedfordshire stimulus is wanted. The chairman did not see why it should lead to jealousy or friction, probably he thought that there had been enough jealousy expressed that day. Now coming to a Bedfordshire view: the Beds. Association does not wish to join hands with Ely and forego its independency. It has always been open to receive members of the Ely Association as honorary performing members. As regards peal-ringing, Mr. Crump stated to the St. Neots company, when they started their life of peal-ringing—which by the way was in Beds.—that he did not think it fair for them to ring all Bedfordshire Association peals. We do not think it right for our ringers to ring all Ely peals, but are always prepared to meet half-way. A MEMBER.

## DOUBLES AND MINOR.

SIR,—I think that "Old String" must have acquired the art of change-ringing very easily, or he would not try to discourage any band of Minor ringers by his remarks. Perhaps all ringers have not had the same opportunity of practising Triples or anything above Minor which he has had. I have been a ringer a number of years, but have never rung a peal of Triples or anything further than Minor simply because I do not have the chance to practise. I have travelled nearly twenty miles to have a practice at Grandsire Triples, but of what avail is that when it might be six or even twelve months before I should be able to have another practice. We have not all got the time or the money to spare to go as far as that for a practice often, and as to his remarks about peals of Minor being a "slipshod effort" quite beneath comparison with peals of Triples, I think that if "Old String" has ever rung a peal of Minor in seven methods, he ought to know that a peal of that description requires as much (if not more) skill than a peal of Grandsire Triples. I cannot but imagine him to be in sympathy with the proposal of the Central Council to condemn the simpler methods, as a child must walk before he can run, and in conclusion I maintain that the various ringing Associations do not encourage Minor ringers enough for the benefit of the Exercise. A MINOR RINGER.

## TREBLE DOMINATED OR DOMINATED TREBLE.

SIR,—With reference to Mr. Dains's letter in your last issue, I am sorry to have used any expression about what he has written which does not represent what he meant. I hope, however, this subject may now be considered to have worn itself out. I agree with Mr. Dains that for practical purposes there is no necessity to make any statement about the dominating factor at all; but if any term is used which conveys an absolutely false impression about what the dominating factor really is, one is entitled to enter a protest. R. A. DANIELL.

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGITIMATE METHODS.

SIR,—As the time when this Report is to be finally settled is not far off, it would seem advisable that it should be accorded the honor of some consideration in the pages of "THE BELL NEWS." In writing however on this subject, I should like first of all to renew my appreciation of its value and its scientific accuracy; and in drawing attention to a few criticisms to point out that they are on matters of detail only—little blemishes which were doubtless unavoidable in the circumstances under which the work of the committee had to be carried out.

First of all the arrangement seems open to improvement: surely the definitions should come first; then such notes as qualify the main statements, such as the note on calls and perhaps that on Extent. If there is any objection to this a footnote should be appended to every statement affected by these definitions and notes.

In each definition the pronoun "it" seems to refer in sense (if not in grammar) to the words "hunt (or hunts)": in that case then should be read "it is (or they are)" or the sentence should be rewritten.

The Notes should be referred back to the text by index numbers; at present it is sometimes doubtful to what they refer. Nor is it clear where one note ends and another begins. There are two notes entitled Reversion, besides a definition of a Reverse method. It would be well as a matter of fact to take this opportunity in the latter place, of renaming them Converse or Inverse Methods. Then, the true meaning of the word Reverse and Reversion could stand as in the rest of the Report. It ought however to be explained what it is that is Reversed. Simply to reverse a method, or a block of rows, means to ring the last row first and so on. The explanation of "Reversion"—although repeated—is so concise as to be meaningless as it stands: it needs a slight amplification. When one knows what it means it is clear enough; but it might as well carry its own meaning with it. Moreover instead of "places" it should read "whole-pulls." We do not want such awkward ideas and expressions as "firsts-places" to be authorised. Where it is remarked that some methods cannot produce the full extent a reference should be made to the note on Extent. A new term is introduced in Compound Methods. This is similar to my suggested use of the term (not, as a correspondent said, "quite different." I think myself that Complex would be a more correct term, as such a method is not compounded of the others, but rather made of parts selected from the others. But this is not important and may stand, as it has the prior claim to the use of the word; whereas in my term complex could as well be used as compound. The statement that the "treble or hunt need not theoretically be the highest in the musical scale" is—practically—not true as a statement of fact. It would be quite correct, and convey all that is required, if the word "treble" were eliminated from the paragraphs. With these few amendments I think the Report may well be handed on to posterity as a landmark of our progress in the science of change-ringing. H. DRAKE.

Mr. Sellers, of Kirton, Boston, writes: "Will you please strike out the peal of Bob Triples recorded by us which was rung on June 23rd last, as we now find the composition is false."

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## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on April 26th. Business meeting at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, afterwards. WM. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.  
'Frodingham,' Elmhurst Street, Clapham, S.W.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Central Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Hartfield to-day, Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m.  
GEORGE WILLIAMS, Hon. Sec.

2, Grove Street, Brighton.

**The Halifax District Association.**—The next meeting of the Association will be held at Ripponden to-day, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock.  
WRIGHT INGHAM, Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles to-day, Saturday, 23rd inst. Bells ready at 5.0 Meeting at 7 o'clock.  
JOHN SMITH, Branch Sec.

**The Kent County Association.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Edenbridge to-day, Saturday, April 23rd. Tower open at 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock.  
W. LATTER, Hon. Dist. Sec.

**The Essex Association.**—South-Western Division.—A bye meeting of this division will take place at Hornchurch to-day, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells ready 3 p.m. All welcome.  
GEO. W. FAULKNER

84, Fisher Street, Barking.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Bury to-day, Saturday, April 23rd. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 5.30 p.m.  
W. ASHWORTH, Branch Sec.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Devizes Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trowbridge to-day, Saturday, Apr. 23rd, at 3 p.m. The bells have just been put in thorough order. C. W. B. COBBE, Hon. Sec.  
Ferndale, Devizes.

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Halstead to open the ring of 8 bells on Saturday, April 30th. Tea will be provided at the Co-operative Hall at 5 o'clock, is. each. Members intending to be there should give at least three days' notice.  
ERNEST W. BECKWITH, Hon. Dist. Sec.  
Coggeshall.

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their annual meeting on Saturday, April 30th, at the parish church of St. Michael's, Ashton. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7. All ringers invited.  
CHAS. BOWER, Sec.

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Eynsford on Saturday, April 30th. Bells available from 2 p.m. Meeting in National School at 6 p.m.  
T. GROOMBRIDGE, Hon. Dist. Sec.

"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Burley (6) on Saturday, April 30th. Peal to be attempted, 2.30 p.m. Business

meeting will be held at The Cardigan Arms hotel at 7.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due.  
FRED BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.

21, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 30th. The usual towers will be open for ringing. Service in the Cathedral at 6.30, at which the Dean of Lincoln has consented to give an address. Tea as usual.  
Rev. J. F. FLOWERS, Hon. Sec.

Corringham Vicarage.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—Northern Branch.—Annual meeting at Lincoln, April 30th. Tea free to members producing receipts for their subscriptions for 1904. Will non-resident life-members who wish to receive a report kindly forward me their addresses. Service in the Cathedral. Towers open as usual.  
P. O. BIXBY, Hon. Sec.

"Stedman," Ropery Rd., Gainsborough.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ryde on Saturday, April 30th. Tea at James's Coffee Rooms, High Street, at 6.0 Meeting at Mission Room, Princes Street, after. Bells available from 2 o'clock.  
J. W. WHITING, Dist. Sec.

**St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd, at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair will be taken at 8.30 p.m. All members who can make it convenient are requested to attend.  
W. H. GODDEN, Hon. Sec.

61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Basingstoke District.—The quarterly meeting will be at Basingstoke, Wednesday, May 4th. Tea, 4.45. Service 5.30. Meeting in the Chapter Room, Church Cottage, 6.0. The bells (8) available afternoon and evening.  
Rev. F. G. HUME, Dist. Sec.

Oakley, Basingstoke.

**The Yorkshire Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Drighlington on Saturday May 7th. Local hon. sec.: Mr. G. H. Wilson, Conservative Club, Adwalton, near Bradford. For further particulars see circular.  
J. W. T. HOLGATE, Hon. Sec.

151, Stanningley Rd., Bramley, Leeds.

**The Lancashire Association.**—The half-yearly meeting will take place at Lancaster on Saturday, May 7th. Further particulars by circular.  
A. E. WREAKS, Hon.  
J. SHEPHERD, Secs.

**The Essex Association.**—North Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Harlow on Saturday, May 7th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 5.15.  
HENRY J. TUCKER, Hon. Dist. Sec.

Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

**The Sussex County Association.**—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, May 7th, at Brighton. 2 p.m., Lunch in the Royal Pavilion, to be followed by the business meeting. 4.30 p.m., Service at St. Paul's, preacher, the Very Rev. the Dean of Chichester. Belfries open as follows: St. Peter's, 10.30 a.m., St. Nicholas after the service, St. Paul's 7 p.m. Members who propose to attend are requested to inform the hon. sec by May 3rd.  
A. B. BENNETT, Hon. Sec.

Sillwood House, Ditchling, Hassocks.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Mansfield, May 7th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.  
R. CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The spring meeting will be held at Henley-on-Thames on Saturday, May 7th. The bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. A short service in the parish church at 4.30. Tea in church institute at 5.15, 9d. each. Members intending to be present must let one of the secretaries know not later than Tuesday, May 3rd.

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**The North Notts Association.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Retford on Saturday, May 7th. Business meeting, West Retford Church School at 3.30 p.m. Service in West Retford Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea after service, free to members, is. to visitors. Members of kindred associations heartily welcome.  
B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

**The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—The Rev. W. P. Wright, hon. sec. and treas. of the above Association, has removed from Stokesley, and his address until further notice will be Oliver House, Bolton Percy R.S.O., Yorkshire.

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5088.

23456	M	B	W	H
26354	2			I
34562	2	-	2	2
43265		-	I	2
35264	I			2
54263	2	-	I	2
26543	I	-	2	I
42635	2		2	2
54326	2		I	2
63425	I			I
32546	2	-		
45236	I	-	-	2
25346	I	-		I
42356	I	-	2	
24653	2			2
23456	2			I

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5040.

23456 I 4 6

35624 s - -

56234 - s

32654 s s

26354 - -

63254 - -

62354 s

23654 -

36254 -

62534 - s

25364 - s

53264 -

32564 -

35264 s

52364 -

23564 -

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1904.

231456 3-4 5-6 7-8 12-13

246351 x x

432561 x x x

342516 x

356412 x x

543162 x x x

453126 x

416523 x x

154263 x x x

514236 x

126453 s 2

243615 s 2

265413 x x

641235 x x

521643 x x

563241 x x

624513 x x

354621 x x

361524 x x

652341 x x

132654 x x

164352 x x

632415 s 2

345261 s 2

435216 x

426315 x x

2341657 x x x

3214567

Continued.

231

213

123

1324567

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5436172

5467321

4753621 3

4736521 4

7642315

7621453

6174253 7

6142753 8

1265437

1253674

2316574 11

2367145

3721645 13

3714256

7435162

7456321

4672513

4625713 18

6541237

6513472

5367124

5371624 22

3152746

3124567

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Start slow six

362415978

162534 4 5 16

164235 16

165432 16

561234 5 16

564132 16

562431 16

362154 4 5 16

364251 16

463152 5 16

462351 16

264153 5 16

263451 16

261354 16

162453 5 16

163254 16

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 1904.

On the opposite page will be found an amended notice of the Central Council meeting next Whit-Tuesday at York. By it we learn that several ringing bodies are in arrears with their subscriptions; and perhaps, what is more important is that members of Committees and others concerned are desired to lose no time in sending in their reports for publication. These matters will no doubt

receive due and prompt attention, and thus the labours of the Secretary and officers will be greatly helped.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—We draw attention to the name of the new Secretary of this Association—the Rev. R. L. Twells, Hinxton Rectory, Cambridgeshire, in the room of the Rev. W. W. Covey Crump, who has been obliged to resign the office.

### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey (about 100 yards from the Minster), at York, on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904. The subscriptions of eleven Associations still remain unpaid. Hon. Secretaries of Guilds and Associations are reminded that the rights and privileges of their representatives are in abeyance till payment is made. Members of Committees and others are requested to take notice that reports and notices of motion should be sent in immediately.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*  
Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, April 19th, 1904.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 5.
HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 2.	EDWARD WALLAGE .. .. 6.
MATTHEW A. WOOD .. .. 3.	ARTHUR HUGHES .. .. 7.
CHARLES S. BURDEN .. .. 4.	SPENCER M. DODINGTON Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM PICKWORTH .. Treble.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT* .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. LAW JAMES, and Conducted by WM. PYE.

\*First peal in the method. First peal in the method rung in the city from whence it took its name, in which any one residing in the metropolitan district have taken part in.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Friday, April 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, WATERLOO ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt.

REV. E. W. POYNONT* .. Treble.	CHARLES S. BURDEN .. 5.
JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 2.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON .. 7.
WILLIAM R. CROCKFORD .. 4.	ARTHUR N. HARDY .. Tenor.

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#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 2.	THOMAS TITCHENER .. 6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt.

ALFRED B. PECK .. .. Treble.	HENRY S. ELLIS .. .. 6.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. .. 2.	JAMES WILLSHIRE .. 7.
WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 3.	FREDERICK DENCH .. 8.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. 9.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 5.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by HENRY R. NEWTON.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN E. MILLER* .. Treble.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 5.
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
SIDNEY WADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM TEGG .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

†First peal of Stedman. \*First peal of Stedman with a bob bell.

### The Provinces.

#### BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOHN R. SHARMAN .. Treble.	*HENRY HODGETTS .. 7.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. 8.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3.	*EDWIN BARNETT .. 9.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 4.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 10.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 11.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 6.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\*First peal on twelve bells. This is the first twelve-bell peal by the Association. The band desire to thank Major Powell Cotton for the use of his bells, and for his hospitality; also Mr. G. Willshire for the trouble he took with arrangements, etc

#### BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

ERNEST PYE .. .. Treble.	HENRY HODGETTS .. 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. 8.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 3.	EDWIN BARNETT .. 9.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 4.	GEORGE R. PYE .. 10.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 11.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 6.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

## BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15½ cwt.

JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. Treble.	*HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 7.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 2.	*HUBERT EDEN .. .. 8.
WILLIAM J. NUDDS* .. .. 3.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 9.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 4.	*EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 10.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 11.
BERTRAM PREWETT* .. .. 6.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GEORGE HAYWARD, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal of Maximus.

## CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 30 cwt.

HEREBERT P. HARMAN .. Treble.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. BRETT* .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	*PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. 9.
CHARLES F. TURNER* .. 5.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

\*First peal of Royal.

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JACK PRESTON .. .. Treble.	JAMES HEASMAN .. .. 5.
WILLIAM LEIGH .. .. 2.	GEORGE MALYAN .. .. 6.
JOHN LEIGH .. .. 3.	ALBERT BELTON .. .. 7.
RICHARD JENNER .. .. 4.	HENRY KNIGHT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JACK PRESTON.

The band wish through the medium of this paper to thank the Rev. C. Courtenay or the use of the bells, and Mr. Latter for making arrangements.

## CREWKERNE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	WILLIAM E. MOSS .. .. 5.
H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 2.	JOHN E. BAKER .. .. 6.
LEWIS A. WILSON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. 7.
JNO. C. JACKSON .. .. 4.	W. E. PITFIELD CHAPPLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

First peal on the bells. This is the conductor's 400th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

## SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 5, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

CHARLES F. TURNER .. Treble.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 5.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. 2.	HENRY G. FAIBRASS .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells.

## OLNEY, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5008 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

FREDERICK J. MYNARD* .. Treble.	FRED WILFORD .. .. 5.
WALTER T. FINEDON* .. 2.	*WILLIAM FREEMAN .. .. 6.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. .. 3.	FRANK WEBB .. .. 7.
SYDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 4.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

\*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

## GLASTONBURY, WILTS.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BENEGNUS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
Tenor 12 cwt.

HY. PARISH .. .. Treble.	CRISPIN J. WEBB .. .. 4.
JOS. BARNES .. .. 2.	ARTHUR W. WEBB .. .. 5.
FRED MARSH .. .. 3.	*CHARLES TAYLOR .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. W. WEBB.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells.

## DISS, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

JOHN SMITH .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM C. WISKENS .. .. 5.
GEORGE ARCHER .. .. 2.	WILLIAM IRELAND .. .. 6.
CLEMENT MORE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM C. CHENERY .. .. 7.
WILLIAM SALTER .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

Rung on the anniversary of W. Salter's birthday.

## WIDFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED WHIGHT .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR HEAD .. .. 5.
WILLIAM ROWLAND, JUN. .. 2.	*HENRY F. COOPER .. .. 6.
REGINALD EDWARDS .. .. 3.	*HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 7.
HENRY HEAD .. .. 4.	REUBEN H. ROLFE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY F. COOPER.

\*First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

## BEDFORD.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs. in D.

HARRY TYSOE .. .. Treble.	ISAAC HILLS .. .. 5.
JOSEPH CHURCH .. .. 2.	CHARLES CHASTY .. .. 6.
WALTER FINEDON .. .. 3.	G. NUNNLEY WOOD .. .. 7.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

First peal of Superlative on the bells and by all except Messrs. Clarke, Chasty and Barker.

## FARNHAM, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL

Tenor 21½ cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED J. LE CLERCQ .. Treble.	THOMAS UPSHALL .. .. 5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. 2.	ALFRED BAIGENT .. .. 6.
HENRY L. GARFATH, SEN. 3.	EDWARD CLAPSHAW .. .. 7.
HENRY L. GARFATH, JUN. 4.	HENRY KIMBER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES WILLSHIRE.

Rang with the bells deeply muffled as a last token of respect, after attending the funeral of the late Mr. Charles Fry, who for several years had been captain of the Farnham band.

## BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR CAINS .. .. Treble.	ISAAC CAVILL .. .. 5.
HERBERT BAKER .. .. 2.	WILLIAM CAVILL .. .. 6.
HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 3.	HENRY G. ROWE .. .. 7.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by HENRY JAMES TUCKER.

First peal of Major on the bells.

## EXETER.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ST. SIDWELL'S BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, April 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

ERNEST SEARLE* .. .. Treble.	*THOMAS MUDGE .. .. 5.
EDWIN SHEPHERD* .. .. 2.	C. R. LILLEY .. .. 6.
FRANK DAVEY .. .. 3.	*JAMES MOSS .. .. 7.
ARTHUR W. SEARLE .. .. 4.	ALEXANDER EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

\*First peal of Bob Major.

## MISTLEY, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Oxford Bob, two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JAMES SOUTER .. .. Treble.	ERNEST G. FENN .. .. 4.
WILLIAM BRIDGES* .. .. 2.	WALTER HONEYWOOD .. .. 5.
CHARLES P. RAMPLIN .. 3.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE W. MOSS.

\*First peal. First peal of Minor by all except the conductor. First peal on the bells.

## ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904 in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN BASDEN .. .. Treble.	*ERNEST A. REEVE .. .. 5.
EDWARD T. GRIFFIN .. 2.	FREDERICK GODDARD .. .. 6.
WILLIAM G. MATTHEWS* 3.	ALBERT PITAM .. .. 7.
THOMAS BEADLE .. .. 4.	ARTHUR HARDING .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. BASDEN.

\*First peal.

## EYNSFORD, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor about 12 cwt.

HERBERT WOOD .. .. Treble.	ERNEST BRETT .. .. 5.
FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. 2.	RICHARD HIMS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 3.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. .. 7.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 4.	*ROBERT BRETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY J. TUCKER, and Conducted by R. BRETT.

\*First peal in the method, and first as conductor. First peal on the bells since being augmented to eight.

## WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LATES' ONE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

ADOLPHUS ROBERTS .. .. Treble.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 5.
ARTHUR J. SEABROOK* .. 2.	FRED JAMES STEELE .. 6.
HERBERT KNIGHT .. .. 3.	JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 7.
ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT .. 4.	*ARTHUR SEABROOK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

\*First peal of Stedman. Rang as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Seabrook (father and son), and also as a farewell peal to A. Roberts who is leaving Wolverhampton for Beeston, Notts.

## WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, April 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

SAMUEL REEVES .. .. Treble.	FRED J. STEELE .. .. 5.
HARRY TINSLEY* .. .. 2.	HENRY H. SOMERVILLE .. 6.
GEORGE HUGHES .. .. 3.	JOSIAH ELTON .. .. 7.
JOHN C. ADAMS .. .. 4.	THOMAS J. ELTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GEORGE HAYWARD, and Conducted by GEO. HUGHES.

\*First peal of Major.

## LIGHTCLIFFE, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE AND HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5400 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Killamarsh, Duke of York, Oxford Delight, New London Pleasure, Oxford, Violet, Kent, and 360 Woodbine.

Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS SHARMAN .. .. Treble.	WILLIE GELDER .. .. 4.
EDWARD KERSHAW .. .. 2.	JAGGER RUSHWORTH .. 5.
GEORGE WHITEAKER .. 3.	FRED WHITELEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRED WHITELEY.

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\* \* A few other peals, received late, are unavoidably postponed till next week.

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GRIMSBY.—On Sunday, March 30th, for morning service at the parish church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1904 changes, in 1 hr. 10 mins. E. Brown, A. W. Long, S. G. Steeles, J. W. Seamer, P. C. Long, W. Graney, G. Weldon, M. J. Richardson. Composed by C. Jackson, and conducted by G. Weldon. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

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SOUTH WIGSTON.—On Sunday, March 20th, at St. Thomas's church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. 10 mins. G. Cleal, J. T. Willson, J. Clark, D. Taylor, W. Willson, A. Bell, F. H. Dexter conductor, A. Farrar.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

OLNEY (Bucks).—On Saturday, March 19th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 20 mins. W. Jones, F. Boswell, J. Lovell, F. Mynard, W. Robinson, S. Smith, W. Robinson, S. Smith, W. Freeman, R. Perkins. Composed by E. J. Gale, and conducted by W. Freeman.

BRISTOL.—On Monday, March 21st, at St. James's church, a date touch of 1904 Stedman Caters, in 1 hr. 20 mins. H. Porch, A. W. Clarke, J. J. P. Davis, H. L. Cavell, A. Pearce, F. Porch, H. Apperley, F. T. Jewell, F. Gooding, E. Lewis. Composed and conducted by H. Porch.

## Miscellaneous.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HALESOWEN.—On Tuesday, March 15th, 1904 at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins. E. White, W. Coley, G. N. Cockin, H. Williams, V. White, H. Lea, H. Raybould, M. Hackett. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late John Taylor, who for fifty years was a Sunday school teacher in the schools of the parish church.

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A. T. B.

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Right way.	2143	5768	Wrong way.
	1234	7586	
	2143	7856	
	2413	8765	
	4231	8675	
	2413	6857	
Bells hunting wrong way.	4231	6587	Bells hunting right way.
		2143	
	2436	1578	
	2346	5187	
	3264	1578	
	3624	5187	
	6342	5817	
	6432	8571	
	4623	5817	
	4263	8571	
	2436	5871	
	2346	8517	
Right way.	3264	5871	Wrong way.
	3624	5817	
	6342	8157	
	6432	1875	
	4623	8157	
	4263	1875	
Right way.	2461	3857	Wrong way.
	4216	3587	
	2461	5378	
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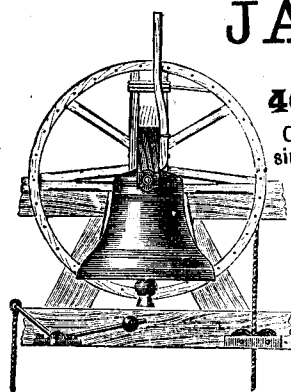
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**RANMORE (Surrey).**—St. Barnabas. Eight bells. All by Mears. No date given. Tenor 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs since first hung. Ropes good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

**RAUNDS (Northants).** St. Peter. Northants Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd and 5th by Taylor, 1898; 7th by Warner, 1878; 4th by Penn, 1723; the rest by Eayre, 1732. Tenor 22 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. No repairs since rehung by Taylor, 1898. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob, Duffield and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: 1st evening in month. Practice: Monday, 7, Saturday 6 in summer, 7 in winter.

**RAWMARSH (Yorks).** St. Mary. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears. The two trebles 1870; the rest 1856. Tenor 10 cwt. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. As soon as debt on Church restoration is paid off, the bells will be attended to. Ropes fair. The bells are not now rung.

**RAWTENSTALL (Lancashire).** St. Mary. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1888, except 7th, 1837. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs since 1888. The belfry needs are duly attended to. Ropes to be renewed shortly. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.25, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

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## ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, WEST SMITHFIELD.

If these were the parochial bells, as I at present believe they were, the fact is very interesting—much more interesting than if they had been the Priory bells—because the continuity of the use of the existing bells remains unbroken. It is of no importance for this purpose that the forms of public service have undergone alteration from time to time. That is part of the historical development of the nation. But these bells served the laity in connection with public worship, occasions of national and private joy and sorrow, and local festivities, when they were first hung, as they can do to-day, which is far more interesting than if their original use was monastic.

It is a commonplace to say that bells and ringing illustrate English history, and I have on former occasions dealt with instances of this. On this occasion I will illustrate my meaning by referring to two men of distinction—Dr. John Caius and John Milton, in connection with St. Bartholomew's bells.

John Caius was born at Norwich in 1510, and became a member of Gonville Hall, Cambridge, in 1529, of which Society he was elected a fellow in 1533. In 1539 he left England to pursue his studies in the Italian University of Padua, in Venetia. It was here that he studied anatomy under Vesalius, an authority on that science, and after making a tour through Italy he returned to England about 1545. He then settled in London, and lived in a house within the parish of St. Bartholomew-the-less—the whole of which parish is now absorbed by St. Bartholomew's Hospital—and devoted himself to medical practice and teaching. As regards the latter, we are told by a competent authority that "he made one great contribution to the cause of scientific progress. This was by his lectures and demonstrations in anatomy at the hall of the Barber-Surgeons, which he seems to have commenced soon after his return from Italy." This means that Dr. Caius was laying one of the foundations of medical and surgical theory and practice, of which we have the advantage of availing ourselves to-day. But what Dr. Caius was doing meant much more than this. He seems to have set steadily before himself the object of devoting the proceeds of a lucrative medical practice to a princely benefaction to that Gonville Hall, in Cambridge, of which he was a member. Suffice it here to say that he became a refounder of Gonville Hall by virtue of his great and discriminating benefactions, and procured for it a new charter under the name of Gonville and Caius College—now known in ordinary speech as "Caius College." It may be mentioned that in recent times the members of this College have been well represented among the number of those interested in bells and ringing—the late Canon Simpson, who made such valuable researches on the subject of tuning bells; Mr. W. H. Thompson, of Grandsire Triples fame; the Revs. E. W. Carpenter, H. Law James, and E. Bankes James, and others, having all been members of this College. Moreover, as Dr. Caius impressed a medical influence on the College it is probable



that from his day to ours, there have never been lacking men who, having passed through Caius College, Cambridge, have come up to London to St. Bartholomew's Hospital to complete their medical studies, and it is certain that those who are at work at this hospital at this very hour are working within earshot of the very bells whose notes must have been familiar to Dr. Caius more than three hundred years ago.

I must stop at this to day, because I cannot get any farther in time for the press. I seem to think that I have not yet exhausted this subject, and hope to say more next week, unless Mr. Editor, in the exercise of his discretion, shall see fit to apply the closure. R. A. DANIELL.

### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Framlingham on Easter Monday, April 4th. This was the first meeting of the Association on a public holiday, and the attendance was most encouraging, 64 members being present.

In spite of a long draught and a new set of very springy ropes, which made good striking almost impossible, the fine ring of eight at the parish church were kept going throughout the day in various methods. Dinner was served at The Crown hotel at 1.30 p.m., the Rector, the Rev. J. Holme Pilkington, presiding, supported by the Revs. W. R. Pearson (Henley), E. C. J. Bowen (Stoke Ash), Messrs. H. Hopson (Beccles), C. Mee (Sproughton), J. Souter (Diss), J. M. Button (Leiston), Fenton Thompson (Kelsale), F. R. Borrett (Pulham), and C. E. Borrett (Secretary).

At the conclusion of dinner the chairman briefly proposed the loyal toasts which were enthusiastically received, and also "Success to the Association," and in doing so gave a very hearty welcome to the members present, and at the same time apologised for the awkward state of the ropes. He congratulated the Association on their splendid record for the year 1903, as set forth in the report recently distributed, and which he thought was the most extensive and the best any ringing organisation had ever published.

Mr. C. E. Borrett briefly replied. The report contained everything that could be said about their society, and he thanked the members for the many kind letters of congratulation he had received upon its publication.

Letters of apology for inability to attend were read from Mr. J. Sanicroft Holmes (President), Rev. Dr. Raven (Vice-President), and the Rev. C. L. Kennaway (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer), and the election of new members concluded a most enjoyable meeting.

### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (WIRRAL BRANCH.)

A meeting in connection with the above Guild was held at Stretton on Saturday, April 16th, the Rev. R. Greenall presiding. The Rev. J. E. Cross, Vicar of Stretton, the Rev. F. Clifton Smith, Vicar of Daresbury, and the Hon. Branch Secretary—Mr. L. Layland, were also present. About thirty-four members assembled, representing Grappenhall, Daresbury, Warburton, Lymm and Stretton. The business meeting was held in the schoolroom at 4.30 p.m. In addition to the ordinary business routine, Mr. F. Spence read a report of the annual meeting of the Guild, which was held at Stock-

port in August last, for the edification of those members who were unable to attend.

At the conclusion of the meeting the members sat down to an abundantly furnished meal. The Rev. R. Greenall thanked the Rev. J. E. Cross for his generosity in providing such an excellent repast, and the Rev. J. E. Cross ably responded. A number of the members betook themselves to the tower, and various touches of Bob Minor were rung by the Grappenhall and Daresbury bands; also touches of Grandsire Doubles by the Lymm ringers. Mr. Spence and Mr. Hughes were responsible for the conducting. Two old members from Warburton rejoined, and W. H. Leat, from Lymm was elected a member at this meeting.

### A SUCCESSFUL TRIP TO WEST HARTLEPOOL.

To commemorate the jubilee of the parish church of West Hartlepool the Vicar, the Rev. W. F. Cosgrave, expressed a wish to the President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association (Mr. Story) to have the new ring of ten in St. Oswald's church rung through their first five thousand. Accordingly a picked band attended from Newcastle and district, and after one hitch a good start was made at 3.30 for Stedman Caters, and the 5040 changes were completed in 3 hrs. 39 mins. (vide report in this week's "BELL NEWS." Mr. T. Metcalfe, of Middlesbrough, the new instructor to the local ringers, had been included in the band, but unfortunately, owing to the late arrival of his train, a spare man was put in instead, the peal being timed to start at 3 o'clock according to the local papers. Some three or four thousand people wandered about the church during the afternoon listening to the bells, and many expressions of satisfaction were heard on all hands. The donor of the bells, Mrs. Matthew Gray, spent most of the time in the church during the performance. This peal also served to celebrate the formation of the new parish of St. Oswald, an act which came into force the same week. It was also the first peal of Stedman Caters in the county of Durham. The band was afterwards entertained to a substantial tea at The Royal hotel, and were joined by the Rev. H. Robinson, Vicar of St. Oswald's, and Mr. H. T. James. On the way to the station a call was made at Christ Church Vicarage, where the Rev. W. F. Cosgrave thanked the band for the peal, which he had listened to with wrapt attention, and he was much gratified that the jubilee of his church had been thus signally celebrated.

### NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT SOUTHWOLD.—Mr. W. Taylor resides at Southwold; G. Thompson at Kelsale; the remainder are from Leiston, and all are members of the Leiston company. The peal was rung as a birthday compliment to G. Thompson. The Mayor of Southwold—E. A. Holmes, Esq.—himself a practical ringer, congratulated the band on the uniform good striking throughout. The band were entertained to luncheon by Mr. and Mrs. W. Taylor previous to starting for the peal.

THE PEAL AT ST. JAMES'S, BOLTON, YORKS.—As reported in the usual columns, Holt's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells of this church by the local company in honour of the wedding of John Gordon Atkinson Jowett, Esq., grandson of the founder of the church, to Miss Margueretta Plews, which took place on that day at St. Cuthbert's church, Middlesbrough, to both of whom the company wish much happiness.

Mr. W. T. Elson writes:—

"I beg leave to point out, with apologies, that the date touch of Stedman Caters under my name in the issue for April 23rd is false, and also to protest that the conclusion of Mr. Dench's date touch, i.e., five bells lying still, is not Stedman."

THE RINGERS' ONLY TRUE BADGE.—In Gold, Silver or Bronze.—Clocks, Watches, and all kinds of Jewellery.—COLDWELL (Ringer), Mirfield, Yorks.



[BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE PRIORY CHURCH, CHRISTCHURCH.]

### CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.—DEDICATION OF NEW BELLS.

The dedication of the two new trebles, which have just been added to the fine ring of eight in the Priory Church, Christchurch, took place on Easter Monday afternoon, the service being conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. T. H. Bush, in the following order: opening hymn; Lord's Prayer, etc., psalm cxxii.; special lesson, Num. x. 6-11; Magnificat. After the second hymn the Vicar and choir proceeded to the tower (where a lectern was placed) and read the dedicatory service, as arranged by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. At the conclusion of this, the opening rounds were rung, while the Vicar and choir returned to their places. The service being concluded by the Benediction, a touch of 324 Grandsire Caters was rung by H. Bagshot, T. Best, F. Sparshott, A. Woof, E. Hinton, G. Plummer, S. Best, A. Best, G. Preston, and B. Kerley; and for evening service the same band rang 648 Grandsire Caters, both touches being conducted by G. Preston.

The old ring of eight was rehung in 1885, when the new cage was made to hold ten bells. The two places for the trebles remained vacant till the beginning of the present year, when Mr. F. C. Stevens, who for many years was a resident of Christchurch, but now of Bristol, came forward and kindly offered to present the two bells. Needless to say his kind offer was most readily accepted by the Vicar, with the result that Christchurch now possesses one of the finest rings of ten in the south of England, of which the tenor is 30 cwt. in D.

The work of casting the new bells and hanging them in position was entrusted to Llewellyns and James, of Bristol, bellfounders and bellhangers, whose work of late in several parts of the country is meeting with such approval. On each of the new bells appears the name of the founders, also the coat of arms of the donor. The inscriptions on the bells are beautifully sharp and clear, the castings very smooth, and the bells of handsome design. They are cast in the best bronze, of the purest quality and tone, to harmonise with the existing eight bells. They are fitted with two chiming hammers. The notes of the bells are F sharp and E respectively, the former weighing 6 cwt., the latter 7 cwt. The hanging of the bells has been carried out with excellent results by Llewellyns and James.

On the following Tuesday the company of ringers met for practice, and rung 1295 of Caters in 59 mins.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### A RINGERS' THANKS.

SIR,—In the October numbers of "THE BELL NEWS" R. A. Daniell, Esq. gave us some very interesting accounts of the late John New, of Twickenham, Middlesex, which he had written on seeing the original manuscript book of New's, which had been kindly lent to him by its present owner, Mr. Thomas Beadle. Well, after reading these very interesting accounts in "THE BELL NEWS" I thought I should like to see this antique relic. I therefore applied for a loan of it, which its owner very kindly allowed me to see, which I consider very interesting. I have therefore returned the book, and now wish to return my most sincere thanks to Mr. Thomas Beadle for his kindness, and I hope the old volume will be preserved as a memorial to its writer and of by-gone days in the art of change-ringing.

SAMUEL SLATER.

#### DOUBLES AND MINOR.

SIR,—I should like to make a few remarks in reply to "Old String's" comments on peals on six bells. I venture to think if he will try his hand at conducting a peal of Bob Minor, seven different callings, he would alter his mind as to its being a slipshod performance. Then he says a peal in seven methods is equal to a peal of Grandsire Triples. In my humble opinion there is no comparison, the Minor peal being a much better performance, and requires seven times as much preparation. I also fail to see that Grandsire Triples requires more skill in striking, as in Bob Minor you have to find the bells to lead off, whereas in Triples the tenor is beating time behind, and two bells are plain hunting. I hope the six-bell ringers will have their peals recorded as before. Hoping to see something in "BELL NEWS" on their behalf in reference to this matter.

ONE OF THE EIGHT-BELL BRIGADE.

### Obituary.

#### WILLIAM ALBERT TABBERNOR.

It is with extreme regret that we have to record the death of the above-named ringer, which took place on Sunday, April 17th, at Norton-in-the-Moors, Staffordshire, at the early age of 20 years. He had been at home for several weeks suffering from chest trouble, and was thought to be getting on very nicely, but was too eager to get about again, and while out on Easter Sunday he contracted a fresh cold which developed pneumonia, and caused a dissolution to take place. His genial disposition and ever-ready sympathy with the sorrows and troubles of those with whom he came in contact made him deservedly popular, and the news of his untimely death was received with widespread regret. His remains were interred at Norton on Wednesday, April 20th, the Rector (Rev. E. J. Bromley-Kingston), officiating. As the procession wended its way to the church his sorrowing brother-ringers rang the bells which were half-muffled. The service was fully choral under the direction of Mr. W. Warburton, organist and choir-master. His favourite hymn, "Lead kindly Light" was sung, and the 39th Psalm. Before leaving the church the Dead March in *Saul* was played on the organ. At the graveside the hymn "On the resurrection morning" was sung, after which the Rector gave the blessing. We cannot close this account without making reference to the fatherly care which the Rector bestowed on the deceased in his sickness, he being able to comfort him when all others failed, and was with him up to the last moment. His fellow-ringers are deeply grateful to the Rector for his great kindness to one of their number. On Sunday for Divine Service in the morning a 720 Kent, and for evening service 720 Violet (which was his favourite method) was rung in memory of their departed colleague. F. T. Dawson, J. T. Taylor, J. Baddeley, B. Pegg, E. Johnson, J. E. Wheeldon (conductor).

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The April meeting of the Rochdale branch was held on Saturday, the 9th inst., at St. Luke's, Heywood. The attendance was not so large as usual, the unfavourable weather no doubt accounting for some. Only a few touches of Grandsire Triples were rung before tea. Secretary Bastow and a few more arrived in time for the meeting at 6.30, when Mr. Rawcliffe, of Blackpool, secretary of the Fylde branch, was unanimously voted to the chair. The minutes of last meeting were passed as read. One new performing member was elected. Some discussion arose as to the place of next meeting, Leesfield, Oldham (8 bells) and East Crompton (6 bells), being proposed and seconded, the voting was equal, the chairman remarking that being a member of South Shore (6 bells) he would give his casting vote in favour of East Crompton. The usual votes of thanks being passed, the meeting terminated. The rest of the time was devoted to Bob Major and Triples, when a promising Scotch recruit was put through his first touch of the latter method.

## Date Touches.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Tuesday, April 5th, at St. Giles's church, a date touch of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 1 hr. 5 mins. H. Lawrence, S. Lawrence, H. Rainbow, W. Farey, F. Hopper, A. Moore, W. Roberts, F. Wilford. Composed by E. J. Gale, and conducted by F. Wilford.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

## (ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

RAWTENSTALL.—On Tuesday, April 12th, at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 6 mins. G. E. Rollerson, T. Collinge, T. Rollerson, J. Rollerson, G. H. Hargreaves, H. H. Shaw, J. H. Nuttall, A. Newman. Conducted by T. Rollerson.

KEIGHLEY.—On Sunday, April 10th, for Divine Service in the evening at the parish church, a date touch of Kent Treble Bob Major. H. Green, J. Edmondson, M. W. Lund, S. Bancroft, J. B. Charlton, R. W. Jennison, J. McGoun, S. Murgatroyd. Composed by J. McKeil and conducted by T. Bancroft.

KENDAL (Westmoreland).—On Thursday, April 7th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 16 mins. R. Dennison, J. Baxter, R. Everson, W. Atkinson, J. Parkin, B. Walker, J. Braithwaite, J. Salmon. Conducted by Jacob Baxter.

PERRY BARR.—On Monday, April 25th, for practice at St. John's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 3 mins. C. Davis, A. Jones, W. Cooper, sen., G. Mitchison, J. Williams longest length with a bob bell, H. Brown, C. Williams, F. Williams. Composed by J. E. Groves, and conducted by C. Williams.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

GUILDFORD (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, March 13th, for Divine Service at Holy Trinity church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 mins. B. Chorley, H. Hutton, H. Garfath, jun., W. E. Jelley, A. Frankum, A. H. Pulling, C. Willshire conductor, R. Wood.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

## (NORTHERN DISTRICT.)

LINCOLN.—On Sunday evening, April 24th, at St. Peter-at-Arches, for Divine Service, 1044 Bob Major, in 38 mins. G. Flintham, S. W. Tindall, C. W. Wright, J. Wells T. Pyle, G. M. Morton, C. W. P. Clifton, J. W. Watson conductor.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HADLEY (Middlesex).—On Tuesday, March 8th, for practice at St. Mary's church, 720 Bob Minor. J. Wicks, W. J. Dell, A. R. Glasscock, E. W. Marshall, J. Armstrong conductor, G. Godfrey.

SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).—On Sunday morning, March 13th, for

Divine Service, 1264 Bob Major in 47 mins. G. Bester, A. R. Glasscock, W. Pickworth, J. Armstrong, H. Miller, M. Fensom, J. E. Miller, S. Wade conductor.

LONDON.—On Friday, March 18th, for practice at St. James' church, Islington, 720 Grandsire Minor in 23 mins. H. May, J. Barry conductor, H. Franks, H. Flanders, C. Potheary, H. Stubbs.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWPORT (Monmouthshire).—On Easter Sunday morning for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 35 mins. J. Jones, M. Lewis, F. Charles, T. Ford, A. Thomas, B. Millard, J. W. Jones conductor, S. Baiss.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

PENSHURST (Kent).—Recently a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. Baker, E. Bridger, E. Smith, H. Goodwin, H. Seal, M. Lambert, W. Spice, G. Meade.

TONBRIDGE (Kent).—On Saturday, March 19th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. G. Edwards, A. Cock, H. Seal, H. Goodwin, W. Spice conductor, W. Wolfe, P. Denton, A. Haylor.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

IPSWICH.—On Tuesday, March 22nd, for practice, twelve members of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society rang a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Maximus, in 55 mins. J. Motts, E. Pemberton, W. Last, W. P. Garrett, H. Gillingham, W. Motts, E. Sherwood, E. Evans, W. L. Catchpole, W. Wood, L. W. Wiffen, R. H. Brundle. Conducted by James Motts.

BARKING (Essex).—On Tuesday, March 22nd, at St. Margaret's church, 1264 Bob Major in 50 mins. Harold Parker, Henry Parker, D. Simons, R. Fenn, A. Carter conductor, J. Cottis, D. Carrier, C. Fenn. Rung with the bells half-muffled for the late Duke of Cambridge.

BILTON, NEAR RUGBY.—On Sunday evening, April 10th, after Divine Service, 120 Grandsire Doubles. F. Sear, A. J. Hicks, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, T. Miller conductor.

CLIFTON, NEAR RUGBY.—On Sunday morning, April 10th, after Divine Service, 120 Grandsire Doubles. C. H. Watts conductor, F. Sear, T. Miller, A. J. Hessian, J. George.

LENTON (Notts).—On April 3rd, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. G. West, E. Robinson, S. Wesley conductor, F. Johnson, W. Wagstaff, T. Horton, C. Mott, R. Ashton.

OSSETT (Yorks).—On Monday, March 21st, at the parish church, 960 Treble Bob Major. W. Idle, W. Illingworth, G. Crawshaw, C. Senior, J. Idle, W. Dixon, W. Byram, G. Taylor.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, April 9th, on handbells, 252 Stedman Triples. A. J. Hessian, T. Miller conductor, W. A. Hancox, J. George. On Sunday, April 10th, on handbells, a course of Stedman Caters. A. J. Hessian, C. H. Watts, T. Miller, W. A. Hancox, T. Miller, J. George. Also at St. Andrew's church 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. A. Hancox, J. B. Fenton, T. Miller, A. Newman, A. J. Hessian, F. Sear, C. H. Watts, J. George conductor.

WORKINGHAM (Berks).—On Saturday, March 26th, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 40 mins. J. French, F. Mattingley, T. Houlton, S. Paice, F. Lush, A. H. Jones, W. Houlton conductor, G. Cole. Rung to commemorate the 30 years ministry of the Rev. Canon Sturges.

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**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The next meeting will be held at Halstead to open the ring of 8 bells to-day, Saturday, April 30th. Tea will be provided at the Co-operative Hall at 5 o'clock, 1s. each.  
ERNEST W. BECKWITH, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*  
Coggeshall.

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their annual meeting to-day, Saturday, April 30, at the parish church of St. Michael's, Ashton. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7. All ringers invited.  
CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Eynsford to-day, Saturday, April 30. Bells available from 2 p.m. Meeting in National School at 6 p.m.  
T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*  
"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Burley (6) to-day, Saturday, April 30. Peal to be attempted, 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Cardigan Arms hotel at 7.30 p.m. Subscriptions are now due.  
FRED BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
21, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting will be held at Lincoln to-day, Saturday, April 30th. The usual towers will be open for ringing. Service in the Cathedral at 6.30, at which the Dean of Lincoln has consented to give an address. Tea as usual.  
Rev. J. F. FLOWERS, *Hon. Sec.*  
Corringham Vicarage.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—Northern Branch.—Annual meeting at Lincoln, to-day, Saturday, April 30th. Tea free to members producing receipts for their subscriptions for 1904. Will non-resident life-members who wish to receive a report kindly forward me their addresses. Service in the Cathedral. Towers open as usual.  
P. O. BIXBY, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Stedman," Ropery Rd., Gainsborough.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ryde on Saturday, April 30th. Tea at James's Coffee Rooms, High Street, at 6.0. Meeting at Mission Room, Princes Street, after. Bells available from 2 o'clock.  
J. W. WHITING, *Dist. Sec.*

**St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd, at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair will be taken at 8.30 p.m. All members who can make it convenient are requested to attend.  
W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*  
61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Basingstoke District.—The quarterly meeting will be at Basingstoke, Wednesday, May 4th. Tea, 4.45. Service 5.30. Meeting in the Chapter Room, Church Cottage, 6.0. The bells (8) available afternoon and evening.  
Rev. F. G. HUME, *Dist. Sec.*  
Oakley, Basingstoke.

**The St Margaret's Society, Westminster.**—There will be no practice on Friday, May 6th.  
JAMES E. DAVIS, *Sec.*  
65, Furley Street, Peckham, S.E.

**The Yorkshire Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Drighlington on Saturday May 7th. Local hon. sec.: Mr. G. H. Wilson, Conservative Club, Adwalton, near Bradford. For further particulars see circular.  
J. W. T. HOLGATE, *Hon. Sec.*  
151, Stanningley Rd., Bramley, Leeds.

**The Lancashire Association.**—The half-yearly meeting will take place at Lancaster on Saturday, May 7th. Further particulars by circular.  
A. E. WREAKS, } *Hon.*  
J. SHEPHERD, } *Secs.*

**The Essex Association.**—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Harlow on Saturday, May 7th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 5.15.  
HENRY J. TUCKER, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*  
Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

**The Sussex County Association.**—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, May 7th, at Brighton. 2 p.m., Lunch in the Royal Pavilion, to be followed by the business meeting. 4.30 p.m., Service at St. Paul's, preacher, the Very Rev. the Dean of Chichester. Belfries open as follows: St. Peter's, 10.30 a.m., St. Nicholas after the service, St. Paul's 7 p.m. Members who propose to attend are requested to inform the hon. sec. by May 3rd.  
A. B. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*  
Sillwood House, Ditchling, Hassocks.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Mansfield, May 7th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.  
R. CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The spring meeting will be held at Henley-on-Thames on Saturday, May 7th. The bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. A short service in the parish church at 4.30. Tea in church institute at 5.15, 9d. each. Members intending to be present must let one of the secretaries know not later than Tuesday, May 3rd.

W. APPELBY, } *Org.*  
A. E. REEVES, } *Secs.*  
1, Queen St., Henley-on-Thames.  
20, Radstock Rd., Reading.

**The North Notts Association.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Retford on Saturday, May 7th. Business meeting, West Retford Church School at 3.30 p.m. Service in West Retford Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea after service, free to members, 1s. to visitors. Members of kindred associations heartily welcome.  
B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Norton on Saturday, May 7th. Members who intend to be present must give notice to Mr. J. E. Wheelton, 14, West Street, Milton, by Thursday, May 5th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. (pro tem.)*  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Kent County Association.**—Canterbury District.—The Annual Meeting of this district will be held at Dover, on Saturday, May 7th. The towers of St. Mary's (8) and St. James's (6) will be open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Committee meeting afterwards. Members intending to be present at the tea are requested to notify the district secretary not later than Wednesday, May 4th. Half travelling expenses, not exceeding 2s. each, will be paid to members attending.

G. DENNE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*  
Walbrook House, Blenheim Road, Deal.

**Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The Annual Meeting will be held at Sheffield on Saturday, May 7th. Committee meeting 5 o'clock.

General meeting 7.30 p.m. prompt, both at The Sportsman's inn, Cambridge Street. Ringing at St. Marie's Norfolk Row 4 to 7 p.m. Ranmoor bells will also be available for bands made up in town.  
S. THOMAS, *President.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Woolwich on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Application for dinner tickets to be made to the Secretary.

F. J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*

**Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Staines on Saturday, May 7th. The bells of St. Mary's will be available from 3 p.m. till 5.30 p.m., and St. Peter's from 6.30 till 9.  
J. J. PRATT, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*  
Hillingdon.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1904.

IN a letter to be found on another page, our old friend SAMUEL SLATER—a well-known ringer of East Anglia—expresses, among other matters, his appreciation of one of the contributions of Mr. DANIELL. Mr. SLATER is one who thirsts for the antique connected with ringing, and accordingly he could not rest until he had perused the original MS. referred to. It is often a matter for regret

that more of the old ringers' ms. have not been preserved for the benefit of posterity. Therefore it would be well to think of preserving what we can now. Time is going on as usual, and our old men are gradually leaving us. Many of them leave some kind of data behind them, which may prove to be valuable items of interest in days to come. Let this idea take root, and then posterity will not have to mourn the paucity of records belonging to the departed such as we do now.

### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey (about 100 yards from the Minster), at York, on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904. The subscriptions of eleven Associations still remain unpaid. Hon. Secretaries of Guilds and Associations are reminded that the rights and privileges of their representatives are in abeyance till payment is made. Members of Committees and others are requested to take notice that reports and notices of motion *should be sent in immediately.*

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*  
Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, April 19th, 1904.

### WESTERHAM, KENT.

On Sunday, April 24th, twenty-four years ago, took place the wedding of Mr. R. Stone, father of the present band of ringers here, and who has been connected with Westerham bells since his boyhood. On Sunday, April 24th last, the anniversary, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung in honour of the occasion. A. J. Lewis, R. Stone, G. B. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, H. J. Selby, D. Wright, W. G. Granger. After the ringing the ringers wished Mr. Stone "many happy returns."

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### The Metropolis.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Thursday, April 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANNE, HIGHGATE,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qrs. 3 lbs.

FRANK SMITH .. .. Treble.	EDWARD CHAPMAN .. .. 5.
JAMES HANNINGTON .. .. 2.	HENRY STUBBS .. .. 6.
RICHARD BEVAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS TITCHENER .. .. 7.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Rung in honour of the 90th birthday of the Baroness Burdett Coutts, who presented the bells to the above church in 1854. It was also a birthday peal for the conductor.

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### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LEWISHAM,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22½ cwt.

WILLIAM KEATES .. .. Treble.	THOMAS TAYLOR .. .. 5.
SAMUEL BIRD* .. .. 2.	CHARLES H. WALKER .. .. 6.
GERALD KING† .. .. 3.	HARRY WARNETT .. .. 7.
ALBERT E. SHARP .. .. 4.	*FREDERICK BRETT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WARNETT.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, HOLBORN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. Treble.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 9.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 5.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

### The Provinces.

#### PLYMOUTH.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THREE TOWNS BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, April 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT CHARLES CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

EDWARD TAYLOR .. .. Treble.	EDGAR MANNING .. .. 6.
EDWARD HENDY .. .. 2.	ERNEST W. MARSH .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. HISCOTT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM RICHARDS .. .. 8.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 4.	G. HARRY MYERS .. .. 9.
WILLIAM RUNDLE* .. .. 5.	*G. PARR .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by CHAS. R. LILLEY.

†First peal. \*First peal of Caters.

#### PLYMPTON ST. MARY, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, April 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 30 cwt.

EDGAR MANNING .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM RICHARDS .. .. 5.
EDWARD TAYLOR .. .. 2.	G. HARRY MYERS .. .. 6.
EDWARD HENDY .. .. 3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 7.
ERNEST W. MARSH .. .. 4.	GEORGE PARR .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

First peal in the method on the bells.

#### ARDLEIGH, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

CHARLES J. ELLIS .. .. Treble.	*JOHN E. HARRINGTON .. .. 5.
GEORGE POLLEY* .. .. 2.	ERNEST G. FENN .. .. 6.
EDGAR W. MERCHANT* .. .. 3.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 7.
GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 4.	ARTHUR T. MORRIS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. J. TUCKER and Conducted by A. T. MORRIS.

\*First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.



## WEST HARTLEPOOL, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM T. ROBSON .. 6.
ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 3.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 8.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 4.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. 9.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 5.	OSWALD SIMM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

First peal on the new bells, and first peal of Stedman Caters in the county of Durham.

## UPTON, TORQUAY, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

WILLIAM J. MANLEY .. Treble.	HARRY T. BURCH .. 5.
JULIUS A. SNOW .. .. 2.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 6.
JOHN R. HAYMAN .. .. 3.	ADOLPHUS H. SNOW .. 7.
ROBERT G. C. MANLEY .. 4.	ARTHUR G. CROSS .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

This is the first peal on the bells.

## WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Violet, New London Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine and College Exercise.

GEORGE KEMP .. .. Treble.	ALPHAUS J. BERRY .. 4.
HARRY DAVY .. .. 2.	HARRY CATTERMOLLE .. 5.
THOMAS DAVY .. .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

First peal in seven Treble Bob methods by A. J. Berry.

## LIVERSEDGE, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE DRAKE .. .. Treble.	WILSON WOOD .. .. 5.
JABEZ WHITELEY .. .. 2.	JOHN F. PEARSON .. 6.
FRED CROSSLEY .. .. 3.	CHRISTOPHER NEILD .. 7.
JOSEPH COCKROFT .. .. 4.	HARRY MARSHALL .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by GEORGE DRAKE.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Four Hours and Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5232 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 7.
EDWARD EVANS .. .. 2.	WALTER LAST .. .. 8.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. 9.
HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 4.	WILLIAM WOOD .. .. 10.
EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 5.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. 11.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 6.	WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late beloved Vicar of this parish, the Rev. Ythil Arthur Barrington.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES W. BRETT .. Treble.	HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 5.
FREDERICK G. BRETT .. 2.	*WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. 6.
ALFRED A. ANDREWS .. 3.	PHILIP H. PIERCE .. 7.
CHARLES W. SMITH* .. 4.	EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. Tenor.

Conducted by PHILIP H. PIERCE.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples.

## BIDDENHAM, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

CHARLES MORTIMER .. Treble.	WILLIAM STAPLETON .. 4.
JOHN MAXEY .. .. 2.	FREDERICK J. BIRD .. 5.
FRANK WEBB .. .. 3.	JOHN W. BARKER .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE B. LUCAS .. Treble.	WILLIAM WARD .. 5.
HERBERT BAKER .. .. 2.	HENRY S. REEVES .. 6.
GEORGE H. BARBER .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. 7.
JOHN T. KENTISH* .. 4.	GEORGE PAICE .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method; also first in the method on the bells.

## WRITTLE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt. in F.

ARTHUR HEAD .. .. Treble.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. 5.
REGINALD EDWARDS* .. 2.	HENRY HEAD .. 6.
THOMAS LINCOLN .. 3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. 7.
FREDERICK G. RADLEY .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

\*First peal in the method.

## CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G sharp.

CHARLES GORDON* .. Treble.	*ALFRED J. TRAPPITT .. 5.
HARRY BROOKER* .. 2.	*JOSEPH FAYERS .. 6.
ARTHUR B. CARPENTER .. 5.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. 7.
CHARLES DEAN .. .. 4.	*FRANK HOLDER .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by DR. CARPENTER.

\*First peal of Superlative. First peal of Superlative on the bells. See page 164 Oxford Diocesan peal book.

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## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

GEORGE WILSON .. .. Treble.	CHARLES BAILEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM TAYLOR .. .. 2.	EDGAR BAILEY .. .. 6.
GORDON THOMPSON .. .. 3.	JOHN M. BUTTON .. .. 7.
SIDNEY BAILEY .. .. 4.	ALBERT J. LINCOLN .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and  
Conducted by ALBERT J. LINCOLN.

For calling see Report for 1903, page 103. Further reference elsewhere.

## BOBBING, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM FAIRBEARD .. .. Tenor.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. 4.
GEORGE GILBERT, JUN. .. 2.	FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. 3.	JOSEPH E. GRENSTED .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. GRENSTED.

This is the conductor's 50th peal.

## BENENDEN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, April 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLLIS' FIVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

EWART G. JOHNSON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. LAMBERT .. 5.
GEORGE BILLENNESS .. 2.	CHARLES W. PLAYER .. 6.
SYDNEY H. HILLS .. 3.	CHARLES TRIBE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. BURDEN .. 4.	GEORGE JOHNSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON.)

On Monday, April 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

FREDERICK MEE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES MEE .. .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. 2.	ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
ALFRED G. RIVERS .. 3.	REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 7.
HARRY J. MEE .. .. 4.	SAMUEL TILLET .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. MEE.

## PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.

On Monday, April 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS' FIVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

TOM DOICK .. .. Treble.	† L. N. CORDEN .. .. 5.
STEPHEN STONE .. .. 2.	A. GREENFIELD .. .. 6.
ERNEST HOLDEN .. .. 3.	H. W. HERRINGTON .. 7.
JOHN BLAKE .. .. 4.	W. EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. GREENFIELD.

† First peal. First peal rung by a local band, and was rung to welcome the Rev. F. Baggalay (late of Oakham), who arrived on that day to take up his residence as Rector of Pulborough.

## WITNEY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OR THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

ALBERT BROOKS .. .. Treble.	THOMAS BULL .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. 2.	HARRY BROOKS .. .. 6.
FREDERICK POUNDS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN MONK .. .. 4.	JOHN RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung as a farewell peal to the retiring Rector, the Rev. Canon Norris.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 5.
WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 2.	B. H. TYRWHITT DRAKE .. 6.
H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 3.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 7.
FRANCIS A. SMITH .. .. 4.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT .. Tenor.

Conducted by ERNEST E. HUNTLEY.

## NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT WILLBY .. .. Treble.	WALTER E. AYERS .. .. 5.
CHARLES T. AYERS .. .. 2.	* WILLIAM BASON, JUN. .. 6.
F. ISAAC FUTTER .. .. 3.	ROBERT COOKE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK WILLBY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. HOWSON .. Tenor.

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and Conducted by W. J. HOWSON.

\* First peal of Major.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, April 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 6.
S. T. C. SAKER, JUN. .. 3.	WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. 7.
WALTER LAST .. .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM ROYLE, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged for S. T. C. Saker, jun., of Hastings.

## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

FRANK HILL .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. 5.
HERBERT DAY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. 6.
GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. 3.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. 7.
JOSEPH BOURNE .. .. 4.	ALFRED CLARKE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT DAY.

\* First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. B. J. F. Crossley, of Ripley, and Miss S. Coulson, of Sherbourn Hall.

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On Wednesday, April 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S No. 1. Tenor 24½ cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. Treble.	*BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 5.
CHARLES W. NUTTALL* .. 2.	*GEORGE HOLLIS .. 6.
DAVID FARTHING .. .. 3.	GEORGE BEMROSE .. 7.
SAMUEL PRICE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. THYNG .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\*First peal of Triples.

## SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 20, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY COOMBS .. .. Treble.	TOM BOND .. .. 5.
FRANK PEIRCE .. .. 2.	RICHARD HARTLEY .. 6.
GEORGE BARTLETT .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
GEORGE COOK* .. .. 4.	ROBERT MILES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman. This is the conductor's 888th peal.

## BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR AINGE* .. .. Treble.	HARRY GOOD .. .. 5.
JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 2.	†ARTHUR GILL .. .. 6.
JOHN BODDY .. .. 3.	BERNAL E. HOWE .. 7.
THOS. B. KENDALL .. .. 4.	SAMUEL PALFRAMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. GILL.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor. Further reference elsewhere.

## CHIPPING BARNET, HERTS.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

WILLIAM PICKWORTH .. Treble.	JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	SIDNEY WADE .. .. 6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by W. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 21, 1904 in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

T. SADLER .. .. Treble.	FREDK. A. HOLDEN .. 5.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 2.	ALFRED J. REDMAN .. 6.
REV. E. W. CARPENTER .. 3.	EDGAR COLLINS .. .. 7.
W. E. BUTLER* .. .. 4.	GEORGE WOODISS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN HOWES, and Conducted by F. A. HOLDEN.

\*First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells. The Rev. E. W. Carpenter was elected a member before starting.

## PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, April 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

FRANK PATRICK* .. .. Treble.	JOHN PERRY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM DOWSETT .. .. 2.	HENRY T. WILSON .. 6.
WILLIAM DUDLEY .. .. 3.	GEORGE E. WILSON .. 7.
WILLIAM BEDWELL .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by WILLIAM H. JUDD.

\*First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDERICK G. BRETT .. Treble.	HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 5.
GEORGE G. JENKINS .. 2.	PHILIP H. PIERCE .. 6.
ARTHUR A. ANDREWS .. 3.	REV. F. J. O. HELMORE .. 7.
EDWIN G. BUESDEN .. 4.	R. HYDER JENKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. J. O. HELMORE.

Rung in honour of the Rector's (Rev. Canon Hichens) birthday.

## CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

THOMAS BURDOCK .. .. Treble.	JOHN J. JONES .. .. 5.
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT .. 2.	*THOMAS MACK .. .. 6.
THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 3.	HENRY MULLARD .. .. 7.
HENRY HUTTON .. .. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. T. KING, and Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

\*First peal on eight bells. This was the first quarterly peal of the Guildford district.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

WALTER R. HUGHES .. Treble.	JOHN C. ADAMS .. .. 6.
FREDERICK J. STEELE .. 2.	JOSEPH ELTON .. .. 7.
GEORGE HUGHES .. .. 3.	H. HENRY SOMERVILLE .. 8.
WILLIAM GRIFFIN .. .. 4.	THOMAS J. ELTON .. .. 9.
JOSEPH BIRCH .. .. 5.	FRANK HALLSWORTH, JUN. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by THOMAS J. ELTON.

\* \* Several peals are unavoidably left over until next week. The absence of the sender's name and address, which should accompany all reports (especially reports of peals) is continually in evidence. Bare courtesy demands that correspondents should let us know who honour us with their caligraphy. Safety also demands that we should have some authority for everything published.

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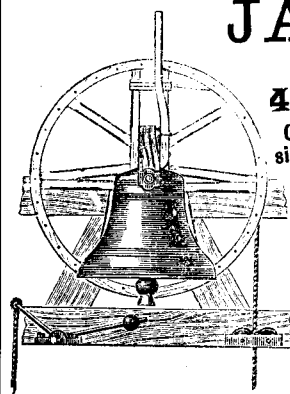
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

RAYLEIGH (Essex). Holy Trinity. Essex Association. Eight bells. Treble and 2nd by Bowell, 1898; 3rd and tenor by Mears, 1790; 4th by Lester, 1746; 5th and 6th no founder or date given; 7th (badly cracked) by Hodson, 1657. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Two new trebles hung by Bowell, 1898. A new frame is required, and the 7th should be recast, but there are no funds. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 6 to 6.45. Practice: Monday and Friday, 7.30.

READING (Berks). St. Lawrence. Oxford Diocesan Guild. Ten bells. 6th, 7th and tenor by Taylor, 1881; 8th and 9th by Mears, 1803 and 1793 respectively; the rest by Catlin, 1748. Tenor 22 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1881. No repairs required. No information as to ropes. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Duffield and Superlative. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 10.55, and 6 to 6.25. Practice: Tuesday, 7.

St. Mary. Oxford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. 3rd, 4th and tenor, 1640; founder not known; 7th by Mears, 1863; the rest by Catlin, 1740-1743. Tenor 27 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Blackbourn, 1891, and ringing-chamber renovated mainly by efforts of ringers. Ropes new 1901, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.15.

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## ST. BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, WEST SMITHFIELD.

Although in the course of national development changes are always with us, the changes of the sixteenth century moved more rapidly and afforded stronger contrasts than England has experienced since. The repudiation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Rome brought about an altered aspect of affairs which must have been not a little painful to those who adhered to the old order. Dr. Caius was not attracted in his youth by changes in religion, and it is natural enough that his residence abroad may have confirmed his indisposition towards them. At all events we are told that till his death, in 1573, he remained a Roman Catholic. That being so, the sound of St. Bartholomew's bells may well have been to him somewhat melancholy hearing. The subversion of what approved itself to him in the reign of Edward VI. was indeed followed by a reaction under Queen Mary, but it was not for long, and public religion was finally established on a basis uncongenial to him. But this puts his generosity and public spirit in an especially remarkable light. The sixteenth century in England can show a good record of foundations and benefactions, but mostly these were the gifts of men who had no love of Roman Catholicism. The gifts of Dr. Caius, on the other hand, were disinterested gifts in favour of learning, made out of the proceeds of personal hard work in his profession, in order to endow future generations as well as his own under conditions distasteful to himself. The old bells were thus sounding in the ears of an extremely interesting personality at an extremely interesting period of English history.

Milton's connection with St. Bartholomew's represents another important period. Besides his poetical and scholarly achievements, he was a keen politician, and had acted as Secretary of State to Oliver Cromwell. At the restoration of the monarchy in the year 1660, he lay hid for a few months in Bartholomew Close at the house of a friend until the Act of Oblivion left him free to consult his own convenience of living. To him the sound of these bells, taking part, as they doubtless did, in the rejoicings for the return of Charles II., must have sounded as a death-knell for those political principles, both in Church and State, for the establishment of which Milton had striven. But it was time to get rid of puritan government, which had perverted what was noble in the puritan ideal of the individual into a narrow, bigoted system of coercion. Of the relation of the puritan period to the growth of change-ringing I wrote in these columns on a previous occasion, and will not revert to it now. But some lines written by Milton in his earlier days, before Puritanism was the rampant nuisance it afterwards be-

came, may be of interest to us. Two poems of his—"L'Allegro" and "Il Penseroso"—composed probably in 1632, have been described as the most perfect record in the language of the impression made by natural scenery upon a thorough scholar. From the former of these poems I take the following lines:—

"Sometimes with secure delight  
The upland hamlets will invite,  
When the merry bells bring round  
And the jocund rebecks sound,  
To many a youth and many a maid,  
Dancing in the checker'd shade;  
And young and old come forth to play  
On a sunshine holy day,  
Till the livelong day-light fail:  
Then to the spicy nut-brown ale,  
With stories told of many a feat,  
How fairy Mab the junkets eat;  
She was pinch'd, and pull'd, she said;  
And he, by friar's lantern led,  
Tells how the drudging goblin sweat  
To earn his cream-bowl duly set,  
When in one night, ere glimpse of morn,  
His shadowy flail hath thresh'd the corn,  
That ten day-labourers could not end;  
Then lies him down the lubber fiend,  
And, stretch'd out all the chimney's length  
Basks at the fire his hairy strength;  
And crop-full out-of-door he fings  
Ere the first cock his matin rings.  
Thus done the tales, to bed they creep,  
By whispering winds soon lull'd asleep."

These lines depict a rural festival day at a time when mediæval traditions had not yet expired. The morning begins with the ringing of the church bells, which doubtless was repeated at intervals during the day, the bells thus taking their part in the innocent amusements and gaieties of the holiday. That St. Bartholomew's bells had often been used in this way we need not doubt, and when the ground between them and Islington was open country, as it was after till Milton's day, their cry would often be an accompaniment to such scenes as he describes.

I am not aware of any positive evidence connecting these bells with the early growth of change-ringing in London. But there can, I think, be no doubt as to their use when we remember that the tower was built and the bells rehung at a time when the "Schollers of Chepesyde," whose rules and records we were lately considering, were in full swing, and also the important part taken by five-bell work in settling the lines of the science. There was, however, a meeting of the Ramblers' Club at St. Bartholomew's in the year 1734, described by William Laughton, thus:

"Now for Bartholomew's the Great  
At the Baker and Basket there we met  
From whence we went to the Bell and Horse  
For their drink was so bad we ne'er drunk worse.  
We rang upon those little bells  
Four different peals to divert ourselves—  
Grandsire, Old Doubles, Simonds and New,  
And faith, we struck them very true.  
Eleven hundred and two, 'twas in that year  
This Church was founded by Rahere,  
And Bartholomew's the Less, likewise,  
But in this Church his body lies,  
Beneath a tomb well made for strength,  
His effigie on it lies at length,  
Carved in the habit of those times,  
Which I'll describe in these two lines,  
A long robe it was as it appears,  
And his hair cut short close to his ears;  
But, by the way, I'm apt to guess,

They carved him in his prior's dress,  
For prior he was, though he had been  
A famed musician to the king,  
But when religion him inspired,  
This was the life he then desired.  
On his tomb is writ one line in Latin  
And at the bottom I'll put that in."

We considered Laughton and his manuscript account of this club of change-ringers in 'THE BELL NEWS' some four years ago at considerable length, and I need not further pursue the subject here.

The bells were rehung by Messrs. Warner a few years since, but they are but little rung now, surrounded as they now are by neighbouring towers containing higher numbers. Nevertheless there they remain a monument to the continuity of English History. Members of the Exercise who find themselves in the neighbourhood of St. Bartholomew's should by all means enter the church, which is open all day. The fine old Norman work of the main building starts us with the twelfth century; the subsequent additions and modifications remind us of the progressiveness of architectural art during the middle ages; the bells above our heads—as they strike the quarters—remind us by their sound of their origin on the eve of the ecclesiastical revolution of the sixteenth century; the evidences of demolition which remain remind us of the suppression of monastic institutions which had outlived their usefulness; the buildings backing on to the churchyard remind us in part of Elizabethan days, and the tower of the time when events were brewing which were to give rise to the last of English civil wars; and, finally, the renovation and adornment of the church still proceeding remind us how we are the inheritors of all the ages and may well inspire us with the hope that as for the last 800 years each foregoing generation has played its part in giving us the England we know to-day, we of the twentieth century may successfully add our efforts to hand our country on to our posterity stronger, better and wiser even than we have inherited it ourselves. R. A. DANIELL.

(Concluded.)

#### NEW RING OF BELLS AT ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SWINDON, WILTS.

The ring of bells which has just been put up in the tower of St. Mark's church, Swindon, will prove a lasting memorial to the splendid work done in the parish for nearly a quarter of a century by the Hon. the Rev. Canon Ponsonby, Vicar of St. Mark's from 1879 to 1903.

When Canon Ponsonby resigned the living last May, it was at once decided by the parishioners to have some permanent memorial in the church, and this has taken the form of a ring of six bells. The approximate cost of these has been just over £450, and practically the whole of this sum has been subscribed by parishioners and friends.

The bells have been supplied by Messrs. Llewellyns and James, of Bristol, who have provided a splendid ring of six sweetly-toned bells. The inscriptions on them are as follows: *Treble*, Marice; 2nd, John; 3rd, George; 4th, Ponsonby; 5th, Vicar, 1879—1903; 6th, M. J. G. Ponsonby, Vicar, 1879—1903, A. G. Ross, Vicar, G. Pressey and G. S. Knights, churchwardens. Christmas, 1903. Each bell also bears the name of the firm of makers. Messrs. Llewellyns and James also provided for the above six bells a new iron frame of the most modern design, bolted to steel foundation joists, and hung the six bells therein in excellent ringing order.

There has also been presented and erected in the church by Mr. R. James, a parishioner, as his contribution to the memorial a large and beautiful brass plate, affixed to the wall near the tower, bearing the following inscription:—

TO THE GLORY OF GOD  
 And in Affectionate Remembrance of the Faithful and Devoted  
 Ministry of  
 The Hon. M. J. G. PONSONBY  
 As Vicar of the Parish of St. Mark, Swindon,  
 From November, 1879, to May, 1903,  
 A PEAL OF SIX BELLS  
 Has been placed in this Tower by the Parishioners and Friends.  
 A. G. G. ROSS, Vicar.  
 G. PRESSEY, } Churchwardens.  
 G. S. KNIGHTS, }

The dedication service was held on a recent Saturday afternoon, a service being held at St. Mark's church at 2.30 p.m. There was a crowded congregation. The Bishop of Bristol (Dr. Forrest Browne) and the Hon. Canon Ponsonby, now Vicar of Wantage, took part, and there were many clergy present, including many who were curates at St. Mark's during Canon Ponsonby's ministry there. The service comprised the office of evensong, and commenced with a processional hymn, "Through the night of doubt and sorrow." The special Psalms were the 24th and the 122nd. The first Lesson, taken from Numbers x. was read by the Vicar, the Rev. A. G. Ross; and the second, from Revelations iv. was read by Canon Ponsonby. After the third Collect, the Bishop, escorted by the Vicar and churchwardens, proceeded to the base of the tower, where the churchwardens, taking the ropes of the bells, Mr. George Pressey handed the same to the Bishop, who dedicated the bells, and then delivered the ropes to the Vicar. Canon Ponsonby accompanied the Bishop and Vicar.

Afterwards the ringers rang a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. T. Ricketts conductor, H. Hyner, C. Gardiner, O. W. Layng, J. M. Shepperd, T. Robinson.

The clergy then returned to the church and the service was concluded. After prayers the hymn "We love the place, O God," was sung. The Bishop then ascended the pulpit, and gave a brief address on the subject of bells, speaking on their antiquity, and also of the good work done by the Hon. Canon Ponsonby in St. Mark's parish, pointing out that the ceremony in which that vast congregation were taking part spoke clearly and distinctly for itself. There was one feature with which they in North Wilts. ought to be familiar and ought to be proud of, and that was that both with regard to organs and bells for summoning to the services of God they had the earliest examples in the history of the Church of England. Organs were well known and used for secular purposes before they were used in churches, but we are told, on the word of St. Aldhelm, that Malmesbury was the first church which had an organ. Again, Malmesbury was the place which had the earliest record of a peal of bells having being set up, and, curiously enough, we were told how much they cost. That was long before the Norman Conquest. That great peal of bells cost no less than £400, an enormous amount in those early times. Alluding to the lesson which had just been read, his Lordship said it encouraged them to take those bells as having many voices, and their sounds meaning many things to different people. There was the person who on Sunday morning heard those bells, and being full of vigorous health the charming sound had for him an active interest. There was another person in poor health, not able to leave the house. To him the bells had a sweet and consoling lesson. There might be someone, entirely unaccustomed to present himself at the worship of God, on whose ear the sound of those bells would break some time, and its voice would go straight to the heart, and the heart would bring him to worship there. Then there was the idea that always came on hearing the sound of the bells. The sound came from the air. On hearing the bells they would turn round and see with the bodily eye the spire pointing upwards, and so their thoughts must go upwards. And that very curiously illustrated the phenomenon of wireless telegraphy. A person perhaps 150 miles away could hear the sound issued in the right way by the right instrument. With a proper instrument that person would find that the atmosphere told him the story. So it was that they could hear the voice of the invisible Spirit and receive an articulate message. They tapped the air as it were. That was an illustration of how the Holy Spirit was always sending or pulsing through the spiritual atmosphere messages of Divine grace, and if only our hearts and spirits were attuned to them, if we had the right instrument, then we heard the voice with its

messages of Divine grace, and the messages became articulate to us. There was a personal communication between the Holy Spirit in Heaven itself and those on earth. Then they would remember why it was that those bells were there. They were to each a memorial. They would remind of a quiet persuasive voice, not loud or clamorous as those bells might sound to those not accustomed to the sound, but equally penetrating, as effective, and as striking. The bells would always tell them of that voice—a voice of one who, although removed, still spoke, and would continue to speak in later days when all who worshipped there had passed away.

After the address, the hymn "Lift the strain of high thanksgiving," was sung, during which a collection was taken for the incidental expenses caused by the hanging of the bells and for repairs to the north-west window. The service concluded with the singing of the hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers."

After the dedication service, a public tea was held in the Drill Hall, which proved a huge success. At its close an informal public meeting was held in the Drill Hall. The Vicar presided, supported by the Bishop of Bristol, Canon Ponsonby and a large muster of local clergy.

The Vicar, in opening the proceedings, said they had looked forward to the visit of the old Vicar. They had all listened to the bells. He would leave these to speak for themselves. He went on to congratulate the committee for the work they had done, and in conclusion congratulated all on the quality and excellent tone of the bells.

Canon Ponsonby, who received a great ovation, followed with an address, speaking with evident emotion. He said it was quite impossible for him to find words to adequately express his great gratitude for the honour they had done him in placing the bells in St. Mark's. He thanked them very sincerely for their great kindness. They had generously said when he left that they intended to place a peal of bells in the tower, but little thought, however, that in the short space of a year they would have carried on such a great and magnificent work. He congratulated them on the way in which they had raised the money, and thanked them again for their great kindness. It was sometimes the practice that when a clergyman had laboured for many years in a parish some memorial was raised after his death, but they in their generosity had placed that memorial of their work together, so that they could have the mutual pleasure of hearing the song of the bells. It was impossible for him to thank them individually, but it was his earnest desire to convey his thanks to all whether present or absent. He liked the bells for the beauty of their tone. They had had the opportunity that day of hearing them rung and had been delighted to listen to them. He had been glad to hear from many, that others in the town were delighted that they had placed the bells there. He liked the bells because they showed their sympathy and affection towards himself. He appreciated what they had done in placing the bells in St. Mark's. They knew what interest they had all taken in the improvement of St. Mark's, and that day they had seen it given the finishing touch. When they heard the bells they should remember that they were conveying a message. They knew that they brought comfort to the sorrowing, and joy to those that were rejoicing. Often he would feel that in his old parish the bells were giving a message of comfort and joy. Sometimes when they heard the bells ring he hoped they would allow them to recall a memory of the happy days they had spent together. In conclusion, he thanked them from the depths of his heart for their kindness in placing that memorial to the work they had done together.

The Vicar said he would have liked to have left those words of Canon Ponsonby to be the last spoken there that day, but he could not leave without thanking all those who had laboured in any way toward the success of the undertaking. He then proposed to move a vote of thanks to all who had in any way assisted, and went on to invite anyone who desired to do so, to visit the new belfry.

The vote was heartily accorded.

Canon Ponsonby, whose rising was again the occasion for an outburst of applause, moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the interest he had taken in the work that had culminated that day. The vote was given with applause, and the Rev. G. Ross briefly acknowledged, saying he had already delivered two speeches, which was one too many.

This brought a most successful function to a close.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Nottingham on Easter Monday last. The eight bell at St. Peter's, All Saints, Holy Trinity (Lenton), and the ten bells at St. Mary's churches were available for ringing from 10 a.m. Among the visitors were ringers from Birmingham, Heckington, Lincoln, Retford, and Tong.

Tea was served in the Arboretum refreshment rooms, at which about eighty members and friends sat down.

At the subsequent meeting Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., took the chair, supported by the Revs. A. D. Hill, J. P. Hales, M. H. Pimm, G. Edgecombe, A. H. Watts, T. W. Windley, and Mr. J. H. Welby, Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., and others.

The minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed, also the balance-sheet, which showed a balance of £49 8s. 3½d., and which was considered very satisfactory taking into account the heavy expenses of the past year.

Mr. W. Wakley proposed the election temporarily of a vice-president for the year. This was seconded by Mr. J. Hickman, and supported by Mr. J. Griffin.

The retiring officers were all unanimously re-elected with the addition of Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., as provisional vice-president.

Six honorary members, one life member, and twenty-six ringing members were duly admitted.

Thanks were given to the President, on the proposition of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by Mr. R. Clifford, and to the hon. treasurer and secretary by Mr. W. Fox, seconded by Mr. J. Barrow, for their services during the past year, to which suitable replies were made.

In reviewing the report for the past year, Sir Arthur drew attention to the silent handbell peal of Stedman Cinques by the Leicester men, and to the peal of Yorkshire Surprise rung by the Chesterfield men. With these exceptions the seventy peals during the past year were, he regretted to say, mostly of an ordinary kind.

Chesterfield, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, and Mansfield were proposed as places for the next quarterly meeting. Mansfield having been withdrawn, the other two were put to the meeting, and Chesterfield chosen by a large majority.

Sir Arthur Heywood proposed a vote of thanks to the clergy and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to which suitable replies were made by the Revs. T. Edgecombe and T. W. Windley.

This brought the business meeting to a close, and a return was at once made to the various towers.

### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of the western division of this Association was held at Slinfold on Saturday, April 16th, the towers represented being Goring, Pulborough, Shipley and Slinfold; also Messrs. Tompkins (Treasurer), H. Evans (Divisional Secretary), F. Rice, and W. Short (Independent Members). The bells were started about 4 o'clock, and touches of Minor in various methods were brought round. An excellent meat tea was kindly provided by the Rector (Rev. F. G. Hughes) at The King's Head at 5.30, the company present numbering about twenty, the Rector being unable to be present owing to an attack of influenza, and the chair was therefore taken by Mr. Tompkins. Tea over, the usual business meeting followed, the minutes of the previous meeting being read and approved. It was then proposed by Mr. Tompkins,

and carried, that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Chichester, the Secretary to arrange the band.

Mr. Cripps (Shipley), proposed that a collection be made at this meeting to assist Mr. H. Burstow, of Horsham, who, owing to old age and infirmity is in very reduced circumstances, and that the Secretary be asked to bring the matter before the annual meeting so that a fund may be started.

The chairman proposed a most hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for providing the tea and granting the use of the bells, and much regretted he was unable to be present; he therefore hoped the Secretary would write him a letter of thanks.

Mr. Edwards proposed a vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding. A collection was made at the close of the meeting, resulting in a sum of 30s. being collected for Mr. Burstow. The tower was again visited, and the bells kept going till 8 o'clock.

### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday the annual meeting was held at Worcester. Soon after 10 a.m. the members began to arrive by train from the different parts of this widespread diocese. Mr. S. Spittle, the energetic Ringing-Master, was soon busy collecting the members together at the various churches, and in a very short time he had the whole of the bells going which were available in the city, whilst other members wended their way to Hallow, a distance of 2½ miles from Worcester, and others to St. John's where the bells were available.

At 1.30 the members assembled at St. Helen's church for Divine Service. The Rev. Canon Cresswell Strange delivered a practical and out-spoken address from Proverbs xviii. 21: "Death and life are in the power of the tongue."

At the annual meeting held in the Chapter House, the Very Rev. R. W. Forrest, D.D., Dean of Worcester, presided, supported by the Rev. Canon Strange and J. S. Pritchett, Esq., M.A., Lay Vice-President. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed, and several new members, including the Rowley Regis society, the Rev. C. T. Powell (Minor Canon), and Canon Bell, of Kempsey, were elected. The whole of the officers present were re-elected, but owing to the death of the late Canon Cattley, and the removal of the Rev. W. C. Gibbs, Clerical Secretary, from Hagley, and the Rev. J. K. Floyer from Worcester, others had to be elected to their respective offices. The Rev. Sidney Phillips, M.A., Vicar of Kidderminster, was elected as Hon. Clerical Secretary, and the Rev. A. H. Phelps (Minor Canon), and the Rev. W. C. Barnard, Vicar of King's Norton, were elected on the Clerical Committee. Votes of thanks were passed to the President (the Very Rev. the Dean), the Master, Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer for their past services.

Business being over the members wended their way to The Angel inn, Sidbury, where a most substantial tea was in readiness, over 100 partaking of the same. Great thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. West for the admirable manner in which it was served; also to the Rev. A. H. Phelps and the Cathedral Guild for their generous aid.

Tea being over a good number of members ascended the Cathedral tower, when the peal of twelve were set in motion. Ringing at the other churches was again indulged in, everyone being pleased that the weather had been fine, and that such a good meeting had again been held in the "faithful city."

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Ninetenth General Meeting of this Association was held at Whitby on Easter Monday, April 4th. A lovely day greeted the arrival of the visitors, who came from several towers in the district round. The bells of the old parish church were early set in motion, and ringers of Doubles, Minor, Triples and Major all had a turn.

Dinner was served at The Belle hotel, Baxter Gate, the President, Mr. G. J. Clarkson, being in the chair, supported by vice-president, J. H. Blakiston, the Rev. W. P. Wright, Hon. Secretary, and between thirty and forty members of the Association. The usual toasts having been given and received with the kindness which always marks these occasions, the company adjourned to the tower once more to make the most of the time till the homeward-bound trains compelled them to leave one of the quaintest and most beautiful of seaside resorts.

The Rector of Whitby, Canon Austen, wrote regretting that an engagement from home that day prevented him from being present at the meeting. It was also a little unfortunate that the postponed opening of a new ring of ten bells at West Hartlepool was fixed for the same day as the two meetings clashed, and some were prevented from being at Whitby who doubtless otherwise would have been.

### Handbell Peal.

#### ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,  
IN ST. EDWARD'S BELFREY,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 1-2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5-6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 3-4.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 7-8.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by WM. KEEBLE.

Umpires—Wesley Watson and Harry F. Dawkins. First peal of London as conductor.

#### ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Eight Minutes,  
AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by C. R. LILLEY, and Conducted by E. C. CHASTY.

Umpire—L. Watson.

#### ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

#### THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,  
AT THE RESIDENCE MR. B. WITCHELL,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5025 CHANGES.

CHARLES DICKENS .. 1-2.	FRANK FAY .. .. 5-6.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL 3-4.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. 7-8.
HAROLD J. WITCHELL 9-10.	

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and  
Conducted by BERNARD WITCHELL.

Umpire—G. Parsons. This is the first peal of Caters rung in Erdington, and the first on handbells by all the band except the conductor.

### Date Touches.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

GARGRAVE.—On Sunday, March 27th, for evening service at St.

Andrew's church, a date touch of 1904 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 69 mins. C. Langstroth conductor, W. H. Birtwhistle, J. Lofthouse, A. Jones, J. E. Fishwick, H. Birtwhistle, J. Wane, J. McKell.

COLNE (Lancashire).—On Easter Sunday, for Divine Service in the morning, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 14 mins. R. Foulds, sen., R. Binns, R. Foulds, jun., W. Mallinson, J. Goth, W. H. Harrison, J. P. Foulds, W. Heaton.

### Miscellaneous.

#### THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

FULHAM.—On April 25th, on handbells, in the belfry of All Saints church, Fulham, a quarter-peal of Grandisre Caters, 1259 changes, in 49 mins. J. W. Driver conductor, W. Judd, R. Charge, C. Charge, J. H. B. Hesse.

HALLOW (Worcestershire).—On Thursday, April 28th, 504 Stedman Triples. W. Rouse, H. Mathews, A. Winterton, J. Batchelor, L. Clay, W. Page conductor, G. Checketts, J. Oakey. Longest touch in the method by all except 3, 6 and 7.

HARBORNE (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, April 24th, for Divine Service at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandisre Triples, in 42 mins. G. Farmer, A. Beacham, T. Gibbs, W. Grice, H. Grosvenor conductor, G. Hitchman, W. R. Heaton, J. Such.

STONBY STRATFORD.—On Tuesday, April 26th, 720 Bob Minor, in 28 mins. A. Clarke, W. E. Yates, G. Cowley, W. Bonham, C. Valentine, J. George conductor.

#### BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRIDGWATER.—On Easter Sunday morning, for Divine Service, a 6-score of Stedman Doubles, the first by a local band. F. G. Coles, H. Boobier, A. Burn, A. O. Major, A. E. Coles conductor, W. Mullins.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BASINGSTOKE.—On Friday, April 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandisre Triples. H. White, Dora White, F. Redgate, F. Hansford, J. Ward conductor, A. Burgess, J. Ballard, G. Martin.

FARNHAM.—On a recent Sunday evening, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandisre Triples, in 46 mins. A. E. Smith, A. Smith, T. Upshall, H. Garfath, jun. conductor, H. Garfath, sen., A. Baigent, E. Clapshaw, H. Kimber.

FAREHAM.—On Tuesday, March 22nd, at St. Peter's church, a half-peal of Grandisre Triples, in 1 hr. 27 mins. G. Privett, C. Privett, G. Grafham, Rev. W. H. Gordon, H. Privett, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting conductor, G. Grant.

#### THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EWELL.—On Easter Sunday, for morning service, 546 Grandisre Triples. J. Beams, E. Grove, H. Sycamore, C. E. Read, S. Wilson, H. Greenhill, H. G. Beams, F. Lauer. For evening service 504 Stedman Triples. C. E. Read, J. Beams, H. Pederick, E. Grove, S. Wilson, H. Greenhill, H. G. Beams, T. H. Driver. And 504 Grandisre Triples. J. Beams, W. E. Golby, H. Sycamore, J. Beams, E. Grove, H. Greenhill, S. Wilson, T. H. Driver.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

HARWICH.—On Tuesday, March 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandisre Triples, in 41 mins. A. E. Bolton, J. Brewster, A. Morris, G. Moss, G. Thompson, A. Ramsey, C. Ramplin conductor, F. Borrett. And a 6-score of Stedman Doubles. B. G. Bolton, G. Moss, A. Ramsey, A. Turner, C. Ramplin, C. Ellis.

ARKLOW (Ireland).—On Sunday, March 27th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins. J. W. Washbrook, jun., A. Tailyour, W. Greenleaf, F. Shepherd, J. Black, I. Myers, J. W. Washbrook, R. Prestage. And 336 Grandisre, with G. Stuart treble, and 240 Stedman, with J. W. Washbrook, sen., 3-4.

LONDON.—On Sunday, April 3rd, after evening service at St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. S. Langdon, J. Bonney, E. Wallage, W. Truss, J. Scholes, E. J. Webb, H. Langdon conductor, W. Clow.



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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1904.

THE time is drawing nigh for the Central Council Meeting. Probably next week the Exercise will be favored with the publication of the list of subjects proposed for consideration. There is one subject which it is thought might merit some attention, and that is the present relationship between the ringers and the Church authorities. It is extensively asserted that such relation-



ship should be much more closer than in the majority of instances it now is. The abolition of any, even the slightest, interference or authority of an outsider is what is urgently needed in the present day. Each local ringing company should be regarded and acknowledged by the incumbents and churchwardens as officers of the Church, free from the influence or control of any middleman, whoever he may be. It is too well known that there are many holding some post in the Church who rule everything connected therewith they can. Through such as these, by the supineness of the authorities also, the ringers are entirely defrauded of their proper right of representation in Church affairs; and in many cases the evil has become so great as to be almost a scandal.

What is advocated is a change for the best; a change which will set aside any influence in the belfry which interferes in the least degree with the ringers. They should manage everything connected with their office, subject to or influenced by no one but those whose position qualifies them—the incumbent and wardens.

If the Council do not see their way to deal extensively with such an important subject on Whit Tuesday next, an expression of opinion that something ought to be done to meet the case, accompanied by a foreshadowing of its probable further consideration, would rejoice many.

#### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey (about 100 yards from the Minster), at York, on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904. The subscriptions of the following Associations have not yet reached me, viz., Royal Cumberland, Birmingham and District, Ely, Lincolnshire, North Notts., and Sussex. I earnestly request that these may be forwarded *immediately*.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*  
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#### The Metropolis.

##### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	ALBERT E. COLES .. .. 6.
WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. 2.	DENNIS CARRIER .. .. 7.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 3.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 8.
HARRY STUBBS .. .. 4.	GEORGE R. FARDON .. .. 9.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 5.	ALFRED H. WINCH .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.  
Rung in honour of the festival of St. George, the patron Saint of merry England.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, UPPER CLAPTON,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT F. HULL .. .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
GEORGE RADLEY* .. .. 2.	GEORGE PAIGE .. .. 6.
GEORGE H. BARKER .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
WILLIAM WARD .. .. 4.	FREDERICK DENCH .. Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 6.
REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 2.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. 8.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 5.	ARTHUR T. KING .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This was I. G. Shade's 503rd peal.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LAMBETH,

##### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN N. OXBORROW .. Treble.	HENRY S. ELLIS .. .. 5.
JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. 2.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. PASMORE .. 3.	FREDERICK DENCH .. .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and Conducted by HENRY R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells.

#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR, CITY,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5002 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. Treble.	FRANK SMITH .. .. 6.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 2.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 7.
THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. 3.	ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 8.
GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. .. 4.	ALBERT COLES .. .. 9.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 5.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

The above are all "unattached" members.

#### The Provinces.

##### WAKEFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

##### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 31 cwt.

ALFRED WINDSOR .. Treble.	JOHN T. EASON .. .. 6.
JOHN E. JENKINSON* .. 2.	THOMAS L. MOORHOUSE .. 7.
ALBERT SCOTT .. .. 3.	THOMAS H. ORMOND .. 8.
JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 4.	*FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 9.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 5.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. Tenor.

Composed by THOMAS POLLITT, and Conducted by B. F. LAMB.

\*First peal of Royal.

## WRAXALL, SOMERSET.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART No. 1. Tenor 23 cwt.

RICHARD GOULD* .. .. Treble.	WALTER EVERED .. .. 5.
JOHN BISHOP .. .. 2.	†MAURICE HEDGES .. .. 6.
JOHN YOUNG .. .. 3.	JOHN WINDSOR .. .. 7.
WILLIAM CLARKE .. .. 4.	*HENRY WINDSOR .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. BISHOP.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

## OLDSWINSFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

JOSEPH PIGOTT .. .. Treble.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. .. 5.
RICHARD E. GROVE .. .. 2.	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY .. .. 6.
WILLIAM PAGE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
JAMES REYNOLDS .. .. 4.	REV. JAMES F. HASTINGS Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

ERNEST J. BROOKS* .. Treble.	JOHN CRANE .. .. 5.
CHARLES H. WOODBERRY .. 2.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 6.
REV. JAMES F. HASTINGS .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM PAGE .. .. 4.	JOHN WOODBERRY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Triples.

## WORCESTER.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

WILLIAM BRIGHT .. Treble.	GORDON CHECKETTS .. .. 5.
REV. JAMES F. HASTINGS .. 2.	WILLIAM C. JONES .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. JOHNSON .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
ALBERT HILL .. .. 4.	THOMAS MALIM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells since being rehung by Greenleaf, the "go" being excellent.

## BISHOP AUCKLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

W. H. METCALFE .. Treble.	J. PALLISTER .. .. 5.
R. ROBINSON .. .. 2.	G. W. PEVERELL .. .. 6.
F. G. METCALFE .. .. 3.	W. KINGDON .. .. 7.
F. CHARLTON .. .. 4.	H. PEVERELL .. .. Tenor.

Composed by T. HURRY, and Conducted by H. PEVERELL.

Rung as a compliment to the brothers Metcalfe on their nineteenth birthday.

## HURWORTH-ON-TEES, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE DARLINGTON AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob. Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS NEWTON* .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. PORTER .. 4.
GEORGE PARK .. .. 2.	†ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. 5.
G. J. LUNGLEY .. .. 3.	GEORGE W. PARK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE W. PARK.

\*First peal. †First peal of Minor. This is the first peal on the bells, and was rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. J. Simpson, churchwarden, and member of the local band.

## NORTHALLERTON, YORKS.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

JAMES BAXTER .. Treble.	*MAURICE B. DALBY .. .. 5.
JAMES BARNETT* .. .. 2.	*JOSEPH BETTELL .. .. 6.
JOHN G. HALL* .. .. 3.	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 7.
A. M. C. FIELD* .. .. 4.	*ROBERT GREENWOOD .. Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by R. GREENWOOD.

\*First peal in the method, on the bells, and as conductor.

## BRIGHOUSE, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE DRAKE .. Treble.	WILSON WOOD .. .. 5.
JABEZ WHITELHY .. .. 2.	CHRIS NEILD .. .. 6.
FRED CROSSLEY .. .. 3.	*JOHN F. PEARSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE LAWTON .. .. 4.	HENRY MARSHALL .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL, and

Conducted by JOHN F. PEARSON.

\*First peal as conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor, who is leaving for Canada.

## OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK, GLODWICK,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JAMES TAYLOR .. Treble.	JAMES BAILEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE H. BEEVER .. .. 2.	FRED H. BUCKLEY .. .. 6.
JAMES W. TAYLOR .. .. 3.	EDWIN B. SHAW .. .. 7.
JAMES LEES .. .. 4.	ALBERT CLEGG .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by GEORGE H. BEEVER.

Rung as a birthday peal to A. Clegg.

## SLOUGH, BUCKS.

## THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

ALFRED C. FUSSELL .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 5.
JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. 2.	HENRY R. PASMORE .. .. 6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 3.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 7.
JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. 4.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

Reference next week.

## GUISELEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 24, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED HARDWICK .. .. Treble.	FREDK. W. DIXON .. .. 5.
SAMUEL B. NORFOLK .. .. 2.	LEWIS SNOWDON .. .. 6.
JOHN BODDY .. .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN BARRETT .. .. 4.	JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by FREDK. W. DIXON.

## UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN BASDEN .. .. Treble.	EDGAR HANCOX .. .. 5.
REV. H. G. BIRD .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. JOINER .. .. 6.
HENRY WAITE .. .. 3.	HENRY H. CHANDLER .. .. 7.
JOSEPH J. PRATT .. .. 4.	JOHN PEDDLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN BASDEN.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, BISHOPWEARMOUTH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. E. BANKES JAMES'S ODD-BOB COMPOSITION. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOSEPH W. PARKER .. .. Treble.	FRANK NAISBY .. .. 5.
ROBERT W. LOVIE .. .. 2.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. .. 6.
WM. SMALLWOOD† .. .. 3.	WM. T. ROBSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS DITCHBURN .. .. 4.	*JOHN HAWES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WM. T. ROBSON.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method.

## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN MAYS .. .. Treble.	CHARLES NUNN .. .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	HARRY SYMONDS .. .. 5.
ALPHAUS BERRY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROSE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

## BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 26, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN DYSON .. .. Treble.	JOHN REDFERN BREARLEY .. 5.
ARCHIE BREARLEY* .. .. 2.	GEORGE MERRIMAN .. .. 6.
JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH .. 3.	REGGIE DYSON .. .. 7.
DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM HARRISON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by DAVID BREARLEY.

\*First peal.

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## KIDDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, April 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

JAMES FRANKLIN .. .. Treble.	JOHN MONK .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. 2.	HARRY JUDGE .. .. 6.
FRANK WEBB .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
HARRY MILES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM STONE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. Treble.	NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. .. 5.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 6.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 7.
ARTHUR F. JAMES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WM. WATTS.

## WESTERHAM, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

JACK PRESTON .. .. Treble.	*ARTHUR J. LEWIS .. .. 5.
GEORGE B. SELBY .. .. 2.	DAVID WRIGHT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM STEAD .. .. 3.	JOHN W. STEDDY .. .. 7.
HENRY J. SELBY .. .. 4.	JOHN HEATH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. W. STEDDY.

\*First peal.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 27, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES W. BRETT .. Treble.	†R. HYDER JENKINS .. .. 5.
FREDERICK G. BRETT .. 2.	GEORGE G. JENKINS .. .. 7.
JAMES FOX* .. .. 3.	PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. 7.
HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 4.	FREDERICK DAIVSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by PHILIP H. PIERCE.

\*First peal. †First peal away from the tenor. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to the late parish clerk of St. Alphege church, Canterbury, Mr. Edward Fairbrass, who held that office for a great many years under three Rectors.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—In the peal of Superlative Surprise rung at Bedford on April 12th, the ringer of the 7th was A. Nunneley-Wood, not G. Nunneley-Wood.—The time of the peal of Stedman Triples rung at Westerham on Wednesday, April 27th, should be 3 hrs. 2 mins., not 3 hrs. 7 mins.

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### RE-OPENING OF CHURCH BELLS AT WICKHAMBREAUX, KENT.

On Easter Monday, April 4th, the Rector (Rev. Hyde Smith), re-opened the bells which have been rehung by Mears and Stainbank. There was a large congregation, and during the course of the service a few rounds were struck, after which anthems, duets and solos were rendered by members of the choir. Service being over, the Rector invited the congregation to visit the belfry, which was responded to in a very spirited manner. There were various towers represented, including Deal, Canterbury, Lyminge, Ash and Bekesbourne. Mr. H. Castle, of Deal, who is a native of Wickhambreaux, and who first learned to ring here, having expressed a wish to call the first 720 on the bells, a successful touch of Bob Minor was rung. Tea having been provided in the club-room, a move was made in this direction, during the course of which the Rector made a few remarks concerning the work done. He specially mentioned the name of the captain, Mr. H. Smith, to whom he said much praise was due, for had it not been for his untiring energy he thought the work would have never been attempted.

After tea the bells were once more set going, the lady ringers, of which Wickhambreaux possesses a band, taking part. Everyone agreed that the bells were satisfactory in every way. It is gratifying to note that the total amount of costs for rehanging, and new ringing-chamber £114 has already been subscribed.

### MR. JOHN CARTER, OF BIRMINGHAM.

April 30th being this noted and well-known ringer's fiftieth birthday, arrangements were made to attempt a peal of Forward Royal (his favorite method) at the parish church, Aston, on that day. All went well, the striking being excellent, for 2 hrs. 25 mins., when Mr. Carter was unfortunately seized with the cramp in his hand, causing him to loose his rope. The ringers wished Mr. Carter many happy returns of the day, and they were afterwards entertained by him. The band stood as follows: C. H. Watts, J. Jaggar, C. Dickens, T. Miller, T. Reynolds, J. Carter conductor, T. Russam, B. Witchell, A. P. Smith, J. George.

### THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 17th, the Llangibby ringers paid a visit to Cwmcarnvan church, Monmouthshire, for the purpose of attending service and a pull on the bells. Leaving home at 12.30 they arrived at Cwmcarnvan about 3.15 after a drive through a beautiful bit of country, and close to the very fine old historical ruins of Raglan Castle. After service the churchwarden, who is also a ringer, very kindly gave the visitors a hearty welcome, and afterwards the Vicar, who had previously given permission to ring, accorded a welcome. The bells, which are six in number, were then raised, and after ringing Grandsire for about an hour, were lowered, all being pleased with the "go" and tone of them. Mr. Ballinger (churchwarden), then very kindly invited all to his house so tea, where a sumptuous repast was awaiting them, and which was greatly appreciated and done justice to. A start was then made for home, which was safely reached, all having thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The ringers wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells, and more especially to Mr. and Mrs. Ballinger for their hearty welcome and kindness.

### ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

At a meeting of this Society held at the headquarters in Warwick Lane, E.C., on Tuesday, April 26th, a very interesting event in the form of a presentation took place.

In the month of January, 1899, a framed engraving of Her Most Gracious Majesty the late Queen Victoria was sent by Her Majesty to Mr. James Robert Haworth, the senior member of this Society, in recognition of the many times that he had rung on Royal occasions and anniversaries. A short time ago Mr. Haworth presented this engraving to Miss Macalpine Leny (through whose kind instrumentality Mr. Haworth's ringing career had been brought before Her late Majesty's notice in 1898), and at the above meeting expressed the sincere gratitude which he felt on receiving such a great honour from good Queen Victoria, taking it that it was not only an honour to himself, but to all the members of the Exercise, and he then called the attention of his hearers to a proposal which Miss Leny was about to make. This was that the College Youths should accept the engraving, and Miss Leny in an excellent speech gave an account of the way in which Her late Majesty had been approached, and how that when Mr. Haworth's long service as a church bell-ringer had been made known by H.R.H. Princess Victoria of Schleswig Holstein, Her Majesty at once had the engraving taken from the walls of the room where the conversation had been held, and had it forwarded to Mr. Haworth.

In presenting the engraving to the Society, Miss Leny said what a pleasure it was to her to be able to give it to the Society, and hoped that when all members present at that meeting had passed from this world, it would still be a valued possession of the College Youths.

The Master (Mr. W. D. Smith), on behalf of the Society thanked Miss Leny for her great kindness and valuable gift, and assured her that the engraving would be looked upon as a priceless treasure of the Society.

Mr. Haworth, who completed his 83rd year on April 21st, was the recipient of all good wishes from his brother-members, and before the meeting broke up he took part in a plain course of Stedman Triples on the handbells.

### THE NEW PALACE STEAMERS, LTD.

The coming Whit-Saturday, the 21st inst., will see the commencement of the sailings of the popular passenger steamers "Royal Sovereign" and "Koh-i-Noor." They will start as usual from Old Swan Pier, London Bridge, at 8.50 and at 9.20 a.m., and will sail to Southend, Margate and Ramsgate, and the fares will also be the same as formerly. The Company announce that during the winter months the steamers have been thoroughly overhauled and all the Board of Trade requirements have been complied with and improvements made, so that the public may rest assured that everything possible has been arranged for their safety and comfort. They also announce that they are prepared to offer specially reduced fares for parties of 12 and over, and party organisers will do well to write to the Company at their offices at 50, King William Street, E.C., for particulars of their trips and reduced fares, before deciding on their excursions. The catering on board the steamers will be on the same liberal scale as hitherto, and worked entirely by the Company. July and August will see a new departure in these trips, as the "Koh-i-Noor" will then sail four days a week to Deal and Dover and back, allowing sufficient time on shore to fully view the various attractions of these places.

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## Notices.

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**The Yorkshire Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Drighlington to-day, Saturday May 7th. Local hon. sec.: Mr. G. H. Wilson, Conservative Club, Adwalton, near Bradford. For further particulars see circular. J. W. T. HOLGATE, Hon. Sec.  
151, Stanningley Rd., Bramley, Leeds.

**The Lancashire Association.**—The half-yearly meeting will take place at Lancaster to-day, Sat., May 7th. Further particulars by circular. A. E. WREAKS, } Hon.  
J. SHEPHERD, } Secs.

**The Essex Association.**—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Harlow to-day, Sat., May 7th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 5.15.  
HENRY J. TUCKER, Hon. Dist. Sec.  
Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

**The Sussex County Association.**—The annual meeting will be held to-day, Sat., May 7th, at Brighton. 2 p.m., Lunch in the Royal Pavilion, to be followed by the business meeting. 4.30 p.m., Service at St. Paul's, preacher, the Very Rev. the Dean of Chichester. Belfries open as follows: St. Peter's, 10.30 a.m., St. Nicholas after the service, St. Paul's 7 p.m.  
A. B. BENNETT, Hon. Sec.  
Sillwood House, Ditchling, Hassocks.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Mansfield, to-day, May 7th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.  
R. CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The spring meeting will be held at Henley-on-Thames to-day, Sat., May 7th. The bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. A short service in the parish church at 4.30. Tea in church institute at 5.15, 9d. each.

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**The North Notts Association.**—The annual general meeting will be held at Retford to-day, Sat., May 7th. Business meeting, West Retford Church School at 3.30 p.m. Service in West Retford Church at 4.30 p.m. Tea after service, free to members, 1s. to visitors. Members of kindred associations heartily welcome. B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Norton to-day, Saturday, May 7th.  
D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec. (pro tem.)  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Kent County Association.**—Canterbury District.—The Annual Meeting of this district will be held at Dover, to-day, Sat., May 7th. The towers of St. Mary's (8) and St. James's (6) will be open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5. Committee meeting afterwards. Half travelling expenses, not exceeding 2s. each, will be paid to members attending.

G. DENNE, Hon. Dis. Sec.  
Walbrook House, Blenheim Road, Deal.

**Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The Annual Meeting will be held at Sheffield to-day, Sat., May 7th. Committee meeting 5 o'clock. General meeting 7.30 p.m. prompt, both at The Sportsman's inn, Cambridge Street.

**Ringling at St. Marie's Norfolk Row 4 to 7 p.m.** Rammoor bells will also be available for bands made up in town. S. THOMAS, President.

P.S.—Peal of 12 at the parish church also available from 4 to 7.

**Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Staines to-day, Sat., May 7th. The bells of St. Mary's will be available from 3 p.m. till 5.30 p.m., and St. Peter's from 6.30 till 9. J. J. PRATT, Hon. Dis. Sec.

Hillingdon.

**Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Yorktown District.—Quarterly Meeting at Hawley, on Saturday, May 14th. Bells (8) available at two. Tea at White Hart hotel, at 4.30, for those who inform me by May 12th. Meeting after. CHAS. H. PEARCE, Dis. Sec.

**The Surrey Association.**—A meeting will be held at Limpsfield and Oxted on Saturday, May 14th. The two rings of six at Limpsfield and the ring of five at Oxted will be available from about 3 o'clock.

CHAS. DEAN, } Hon. Secs.  
JOHN C. JACKSON, }

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at New Mill, near Huddersfield, on Saturday, May 14th. Meeting house, The Shoulder of Mutton, meeting to commence at 5.30. WALTER IDLE, Sec.  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James's, East Crompton, on Saturday, May 14th. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, May 14th. Bells ready at 4.0. WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, May 14th, at St. Wilfred's church, Ribchester. Bells at 3. Meeting at 5.30. R. SANDERSON, Branch Sec.

**The Royal Cumberland Society.**—On Monday, May 16th, the next practice will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and alternate Mondays. Members are requested to make a special effort to attend.

A. JACOB, Sec.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—The annual festival of the above Guild will be held in Dorchester on Monday, May 16th, 1904. Service at St. Peter's church, 12 noon, sermon by the Rector, the Rev. A. Metcalfe. Dinner, 1 p.m., at The Antelope hotel, 2s. each to members. Business meeting immediately after dinner. The following towers will be available for ringing: St. Peter's, Dorchester (8), Fordington St. George (6), Cattistock (8), Wyke Regis (6), Maiden Newton (6), Charminster (5), Stratton (5). One shilling will be allowed towards railway fare. Notice of intention to attend to be sent by the 10th.

H. E. TILNEY BASSETT, Hon. Sec.

Devises.

**The Kent County Association.**—Preliminary Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Woolwich on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Application for dinner tickets to be made to the Secretary.

F. J. O. HELMORE, Hon. Sec.

**The Essex Association.**—The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at

Chelmsford. Service at St. Mary's at 11.30, with address by the Rev. W. S. Willett, Rector of Gilston. Business meeting at 12.15. Dinner at 1.30. Members intending to dine must give notice to me not later than May 17th.

HENRY T. W. EYRE, Hon. Sec.

Gt. Totham.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. John N. Ox-borrow has removed to 34, Overton Road, North Brixton, S.W.

**ADDRESS WANTED.**—Mr. J. Parker, 41, Balham Road, Lower Edmonton, wants the address of Mr. H. Warnett, of Lewisham.

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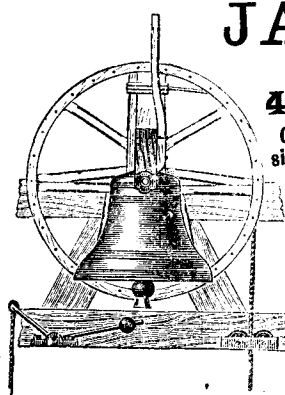
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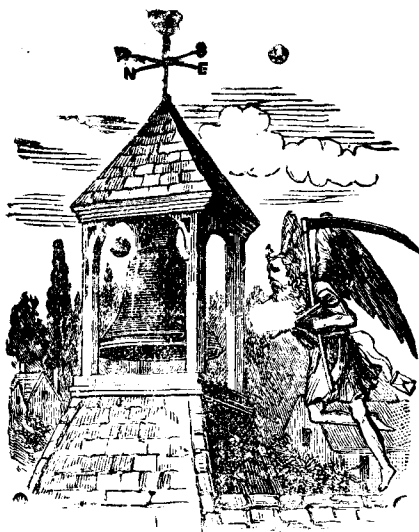
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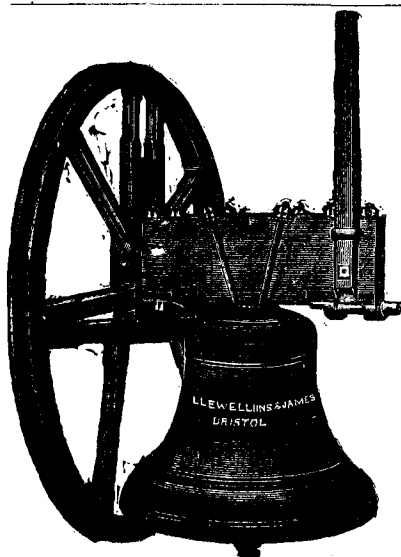
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

REDDISH (Lancashire). St. Elizabeth. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor; the front six 1897, 7th and tenor 1891. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Chiming apparatus fitted. Ropes new 1897, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

REDDITCH (Worcestershire). St. Stephen. Eight bells. No return.

REDENHALL (Norfolk). St. Mary. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd, 4th and 5th, 1636 to 1738; 3rd by Stephens, 1717; 6th and 7th by Draper, 1588 and 1621 respectively. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in., probably by Church, 1514. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Moore; date not stated. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. Sunday ringing: 1st in month, 2 to 3. Practice, Saturday after each full moon, and at other times by arrangement.

REDHILL (Surrey). St. John the Evangelist. Surrey Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1895. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. (?) Iron frame. Bells go well. No repairs since hung in 1895. Ropes new 1895, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 2nd and last in month, 10 and 5.30. Practice: Saturday, 7.30.

REIGATE (Surrey). St. Mary Magdalene. Surrey Association. Ten bells. All by Mears. Treble, 2nd and 4th, 1899; 3rd, 1811; the rest 1784. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears, 1899. Ropes good; renewed as required under a bequest. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. Sunday ringing: 2nd and 4th in month, 6 to 7. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

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Much interest has been evinced in the great improvements which have recently been carried out in connection with the above church. The building has been made watertight, the interior cleaned and tastefully coloured, and much attention paid to the fine old oak roof. A new green baize door has been placed at the south entrance, and now chairs, hassocks, carpets, sanctuary and credence table cloths, book markers, and silver-mounted cruets have been provided. The whole adds greatly to the dignity, equipment, and comfort of the church. The greatest improvement, however, has been the rehung of the ring of six bells in a most satisfactory manner by Mr. Harry Stokes, of Woodbury, Devon. All the expense has been cleared off by the collection of over £115. This sum includes £10 contributed by Sir Thomas Acland towards the Acland Chapel, and £5 by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners towards the chancel. The parishioners and friends have responded liberally to the appeal for subscriptions, which have been augmented by £27 4s. realised by means of a sale of work, £6 10s. contributed by the carol singers, and £4 4s. 4d. proceeds of a concert.

Beautiful weather prevailed when the bells were reopened, and the Lord Bishop of Exeter (Dr. Robertson), preached at the service in the church. At frequent intervals during the day there was ringing on the bells, and all bands expressed high appreciation of the skill with which Mr. Stokes had carried out his contract. The ringers came from Shirwell, Bratton Fleming, Filleigh, Marwood, Barnstaple, Landkey, Swymbridge, Bishop-tawton, Loxhore, Fremington and Goodleigh.

At one o'clock there was a luncheon in the parish room, at which there was a large attendance. Mr. Walter Courtney (leader of the Landkey ringers), proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar (Rev. J. F. Powning), churchwardens, sidesmen, subscribers, and all who had helped in any way towards the rehung of the bells, and extended a hearty welcome to the ringers who had visited Landkey that day. The vice-leader (Mr. W. Baker), supported, and said that the bells had been rehung in an excellent manner, and to everyone's satisfaction.

Service took place in the church in the evening, and there was a crowded congregation. The surpliced clergy besides the Lord Bishop, were the Vicar (Rev. J. F. Powning), Prebendary P. J. Wodehouse (Bratton Fleming) the Revs. E. G. Beckwith (Filleigh), H. Harrison (Swymbridge), and T. Catton (curate of Barnstaple parish). The Vicar conducted the service, and read the first lesson. Prebendary P. J. Wodehouse read the second lesson. The musical portion of the service was of a special nature, and well rendered by the augmented choir. Mrs. Nicholls presided at the organ.

The Lord Bishop took as his text the words—"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is." He said that bells were almost as old in Christian history as the existence of any building at all specially set apart for the service of God and of His Church. To speak broadly, it was not too much to say that the music of bells was the peculiar property of the Church.

of Christ, that their origin was Christian—if not their actual invention, at any rate their wide adoption—and that their use the world over was Christian through and through. Whether the bells were rung in times of national victory or triumph, they reminded us that all success and prosperity came from God, and was given by Him to us as a trust. If bells were used to celebrate the Jubilee or Coronation of a Sovereign, they reminded us that it was "by God that Kings reign and Princes execute justice," that it was righteousness which exalted a nation, and that sin was the deepest reproach of any people. The work of the ringers, he knew, appealed particularly to residents in a county and a diocese famous for the skill, the disciplined skill, of those who rang the bells. They should rejoice in that opportunity of uniting in the common worship of God, who had given them a renewed and beautiful parish church.

The Landkey ringers rang at the conclusion of the service.

#### HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

A meeting was held at Ripponden on Saturday, April 23rd, when a good turn up of members from Halifax parish church, All Souls, Halifax, Denholme, Lightcliffe, Sowerby, and a few members from different towers. The bells were kept going all the afternoon till 8 o'clock, when a meeting was held at The Old Bridge hotel, when the President took the chair. The minutes were passed as read, and it was resolved and passed that a peal-book be purchased to record all peals from the formation of this Association, and that no peal be recorded unless every member be members of the Yorkshire and Halifax and District Associations. About twelve new members were enrolled, and a good invitation from the Denholme ringers to hold the next annual meeting at Denholme on July 23rd. A vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, ringers, and also the President (Mr. Jonas Ambler), for the way he conducted the order of ringing and the meeting.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

In accordance with well established custom the members of this Association had their annual "field day" at Bedford on Easter Monday. Unfortunately, the St. Mary's bells were not considered by a remarkable authority, in a safe condition, "but," as a local paper informs its readers "from the other towers pealed forth Treble Bobs, Superlative Surprise Majors, Grandsire Triples and Minors galore." About mid-day luncheon was partaken of at the Central Restaurant, and afterwards business. Mr. E. Ransom was voted to the chair, and among those present were the Revs. W. W. C. Baker and A. Rust, and about fifty representatives of the various towers in the county. The Secretary (Rev. W. W. C. Baker), read the annual report, the closing paragraph of which regrets the resignation of the principal Hon. Secretary, the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, who either by himself, or in conjunction with Mr. C. Herbert and Mr. I. Hills, has filled that post for the last sixteen years. The work of a town parish, in addition to the work, makes it imperative that he should relinquish outside duties which he has no longer time to carry out efficiently. If the Rev. A. Rust will consent to take his place, your Committee feel assured that the vacancy could not be better filled.

The Secretary said he had applied for the use of St. Mary's bells that day, but the Rector had replied that the sexton had reported that the bells were not in a safe con-

dition, and he dare not risk an accident. A ringer: The ringers would risk it.

The report was adopted. Mr. Thos. Bull (Treasurer), was unable to be present, but sent his report, which shewed the receipts to have been £40 17s. 8d., the expenditure £16 17s. 2d., and the balance in hand £24 10s. 6d.

The election of officers resulted; President—the Archdeacon of Bedford; Vice-Presidents—the Rev. Canon Haddock and Mr. Charles Herbert (Woburn).

The Rev. W. W. C. Baker, the retiring secretary, was thanked for his many years of service, and on the proposition of the chairman was made a Vice-President.

In returning thanks Mr. Baker said his interest in the Association was not diminished, but other duties made it necessary for him to retire. He hoped to do more in teaching the art, as at Ridgmount he had only one bell, and now at Dunstable he had eight. He asked local secretaries to assist the new Secretary more than they had himself, which could be done by simply carrying out the rules.

A large number of new members were elected, including the Rev. G. R. Campbell, Rector of Cranfield.

In the evening Archdeacon Bathurst preached at a special service for ringers in St. Paul's church.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Rye on Saturday, April 9th. The Hastings contingent arrived about 4 p.m., and soon after the bells were set going to Treble Bob and Stedman Triples. A special service was held at 5 o'clock, at which the curate, the Rev. —. Laughlin, officiated.

A good tea was served at The Old Bell at 5.30, at which the Rev. —. Laughlin, in the absence of the Vicar, presided.

Tea was followed by the usual business meeting, at which several new members were elected. The next quarterly peal was then discussed, and it was finally decided upon the proposition of Mr. F. Lock, seconded by Mr. Vincett, that the peal be Bob Major, to be rung at Rye, and that Mr. F. Bennett be asked to conduct. Several names were given in, and it was left to the Secretary to complete the arrangements.

In proposing a vote of thanks to the Rev. —. Laughlin for his kindness in presiding, and for the very appropriate address following the service, the Secretary said it gave great encouragement when the clergy took an active interest in the Association. They were all very much obliged to him for the hearty way in which he had met them. He hoped the Rev. —. Laughlin would himself soon become a ringer.

The Rev. Laughlin, in reply, said he was sorry the Vicar had been unable to attend owing to an engagement at Hastings. It had been a pleasant duty to preside at the meeting, and he hoped at some future date to take lessons in the Art under Mr. Billenness.

After proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. Seers for the excellent tea provided, the members revisited the tower, where some good practice was had in the four standard methods.

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## PRESENTATION TO MR. FRANK CARTER, OF WALTHAM ABBEY.

On a recent Tuesday evening a special meeting of the Waltham Abbey Society was held at The Green Dragon hotel, Waltham Abbey, the members of the society being anxious to record their high appreciation of Mr. Frank Carter's services to the society, both as hon. secretary and a ringing member. Mr. Carter has been associated with the society during the past sixteen years, eleven of which he has been known as the much respected and energetic secretary. Tuesday evening was the time chosen by Mr. Carter's brother-ringers to make him a present on the occasion of his wedding, which took place the previous Thursday in London.

In making the presentation, Councillor W. A. Alps said some of the ringers had known Mr. Carter ever since he was a very small boy. Personally, he remembered a very striking incident connected with the early youth of their esteemed Secretary. A professor of phrenology was lecturing in the old British schoolroom, and one of the persons whose "bumps" were examined was Master Frank Carter. The lecturer pointed out most emphatically that he was suited to become a clerk or book-keeper. Well, as is well known, the words of the professor had been more than proved by the fact that Mr. Carter had obtained a first-class certificate for accountancy, and, as brother-ringers, they congratulated him on his success. As to Mr. Carter's connection with this society, it was only right that he (Mr. Alps) should read the following resolution, which was proposed by Mr. D. Tarling, seconded by Mr. T. Colverd, and carried unanimously: "That this society records its high appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Frank Carter both as secretary and ringer during his membership of sixteen years. The members in meeting assembled, unite in presenting their hearty congratulations upon the occasion of his wedding." As secretary of the society he was decidedly the right man in the right place, and it was hoped he would continue to hold that office. As a brother officer he (Mr. Alps) had found Mr. Carter always most courteous and oblige. He had set an example all should copy. It was not the intrinsic value of a wedding present, but the spirit of the members of the society which Mr. Carter would value, for it was the spirit of esteem and regard as was shown by the inscription on the cruet which was about to be given to Mr. Carter. The inscription reads: "Presented to Mr. Frank Carter on the occasion of his wedding, with best wishes, from the Waltham Abbey Ringers, April 28th, 1904." Mr. Alps then handed the cruet to Mr. Carter, at the same time wishing him in the name of the society every joy and happiness. The toast "Health and prosperity to the Bride and Bridegroom elect," was enthusiastically honoured.

In replying, Mr. Carter said that the very kind expressions of Mr. Alps on behalf of himself and brother-ringers had touched him deeply. His association with ringers, and particularly the Waltham Society, had been of the most pleasant nature, and although he was leaving the immediate neighbourhood, he was consoled by the fact that those associations were to continue, for he intended to plan his future visits to Waltham Abbey for such times as he knew some change-ringing at the Abbey was to be practised, and he would be able to take a rope with them. He tendered his sincere thanks for the very kind thought that had prompted the presentation, which would be the means of fostering a continual thought of the Waltham Abbey ringers when away from them. He was always

sure that when a man was not at home, but out among ringers practising the peculiarly English art of change-ringing, his friends could be quite easy in their minds that at least he was in jolly good company. He hoped to be among the Waltham ringers very frequently, and expressed the hope that the society would continue to prosper and preserve the old associations it had earned.

On Thursday the ringers met and rang in honour of Mr. Carter's wedding; conducted by the treasurer of the society, George Peace.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

**THE PEAL AT CAMBERWELL** (Reported last week).—Mr. I. Shade's 503 Peals.—Grandsire Triples 25 (1 non-conducted) conducted 14, Caters 4, Cinques 1; Stedman Triples 109 conducted 15, Caters 65 conducted 3, Cinques 20; Bob Major 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 36 (including a 10,464) conducted 16, Royal 23 conducted 1, Maximus 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major 1, Royal 2; Double Norwich Major 54 (including a 15,072) conducted 1; Superlative Superlative Major 112 conducted 2; Cambridge Surprise Major 23, Royal 2; London Surprise Major 20; New Cumberland Surprise 1; Duffield Major 1. Total 503, conducted 52. Mr. Shade has also taken part in 3 false peals of Superlative Major and 1 of Treble Bob Maximus. Rung on 177 different towers in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

**THE PEAL AT SLOUGH** (Reported last week).—This is the first peal in the method on the bells. Mr. A. C. Fussell completed the band at short notice in place of an absentee. It was the 200th peal by Mr. W. H. Fussell, who learned to ring in this tower, and has scored peals in 22 various counties for 20 different societies.

**THE PEAL AT OLDSWINSFORD** (Reported last week).—Mr. Joseph Pigott's 50 Peals.—Four Minor Methods 1, Five ditto 1, Seven ditto 1, Grandsire Triples 12 conducted 2, Bob Triples 2 conducted 2, Union Triples 1 conducted 1, Stedman Triples 11 conducted 1, Grandsire Major 1 conducted 1; Bob Major 8 conducted 4, Forward Major 1, Canterbury Pleasure Major 2 conducted 2, Oxford Treble Bob Major 2, Kent Treble Bob Royal 1, Bob Royal 2 conducted 2, Stedman Cinques 2, Bob Maximus 1 conducted 1, Forward Maximus 1. Total 50, conducted 16.

**THE PEAL AT MOSELEY**.—This is the first peal rung on the bells in this tower. The bells, which are of cast steel, were cast in 1860, the inscription on the tenor being as follows: "Reipy's Patent. Cast Steel. Naylor, Vickers and Co., Sheffield." They hung in St. Marie's Tower, Norfolk Road, Sheffield, for about fourteen years, where one peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on them. They were then bought and presented to Moseley by Mr. Lyndon in 1874, since when they have defied all attempts to obtain a peal on them, owing to their bad "go." The peal was listened to by the local ringers, also by Messrs. H. F. Street and W. S. Pritchett, who, at the conclusion, heartily congratulated the band on their performance.

**MR. F. HOLDEN'S 50 PEALS**.—Grandsire Triples 18 conducted 7, Caters 2 conducted 2; Bob Major 8 conducted 4, Royal 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 2, Royal 1; Stedman Triples 9, Caters 3; Double Norwich Court Bob Major 1; Superlative Surprise Major 4; London Surprise Major 1. Total 50, conducted 13.

**MR. H. P. HARMAN'S 200 PEALS**.—Seven Minor Methods 1; Grandsire Triples 15, conducted 9; Stedman Triples (1 silent) 46, conducted 13; Bob Major 4; Kent Treble Bob Major 8, conducted 2; Oxford Treble Bob Major 1; Double Norwich Major 10; Superlative Surprise Major 13; Cambridge Surprise Major 4; New Cambridge Surprise Major 3; London Surprise Major 26; Grandsire Caters 2; Stedman Caters 14; Kent Treble Bob Royal 9; Oxford Treble Bob Royal 1; Double Norwich Royal 2; New Cambridge Surprise Royal 3; Stedman Cinques 11; Kent Treble Bob Maximus 2. Total 175, conducted 24. On Handbells; Grandsire Triples 3, conducted 2; Stedman Triples (2 silent) 12; Kent Treble Bob Major 2; Stedman Caters 6; Stedman Cinques 2. Total 25, conducted 2. Rung in 24 different Associations and Societies, 96 towers, 19 counties, and aggregate 4991 points.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey (about 100 yards from the Minster), at York, on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904 at 11 a.m. punctually. There will be an adjournment at 1.0 p.m., the Council assembling again at 2.30, and sitting till 5.30 if necessary.

The Standing Committee will meet in the same room at 9.45 on the same morning.

I regret to announce that notwithstanding my earnest request of last week the subscriptions of three Associations, viz.: Birmingham and District, Ely, and Lincolnshire still remain unpaid. I must close the accounts for the year within three or four days of the appearance of this notice, as otherwise they cannot be properly balanced and made up in time for presentation to the Council.

There will be a social gathering in the evening at 9 o'clock at The Lowther Hotel, Queen Staith, York.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*

*Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, May 10th, 1904.*

## AGENDA.

- 1.—Minutes of the last meeting.
- 2.—Accounts.
- 3.—Vote of sympathy.
- 4.—Election of honorary members, if desired.
- 5.—Presentation of Reprint of Glossary.
- 6.—To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:—
  - (a) Peal Collection.
  - (b) Condition of Rings.
  - (c) Pamphlet of Rules and Decisions.
  - (d) Church Press and Popular Book.
  - (e) Overlapping areas (Standing Committee).
- 7.—To continue the discussion as to the qualification of single-handed peals on handbells to rank with other peals in the records.

*To discuss the following:—*

- 8.—That a Committee be appointed to classify methods, and report thereon to the Council.
- 9.—That forty points be allowed for seven Surprise Minor methods, and twenty-five points for seven Treble Bob Minor methods having broken leads.
- 10.—That the Central Council recognize as a unit of organisation those societies of ringers which cover as a rule an area not larger than a county, overlapping being allowed on the boundaries of such areas by mutual arrangement. All larger organisations shall usually be considered as federations, and smaller ones as affiliated societies, in neither of which cases need the question of overlapping arise.
- 11.—The Council urges upon its individual members the importance of lending the weight of their influence in their several Associations to the adjustment of the geographical boundaries between their own and contiguous Associations, and any other question tending to promote smoothness of working.
- 12.—In view of the continuance of the practice of publishing peals under the title of more than one Association, it is desirable that the Council should further consider the matter.
- 13.—How many conductors is it desirable to have in a company of ringers.
- 14.—Place of meeting next year.
- 15.—Other business, if any.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

*To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."*

## DOUBLES AND MINOR.

SIR,—As one who has taken part in peals on all numbers of bells I think I may be allowed to give my opinion on this subject. As to peals of Minor in seven Surprise methods I think

they are quite equal to a peal of Superlative. You may ring the same changes over again, but you do not do the same work over again. In a peal of Major, Royal or Maximus it is the same from start to finish. Not so in Minor; and there are plenty of so-called peal ringers who could not ring a peal of Surprise Minor if they tried. But while writing on behalf of six-bell ringing I should never advocate ringing seven 720s in one method, but I fear that ringers who usually take part in these latter are those who cannot take part in anything else; the distance is either too great for them to get to other towers or they have not time or means at their disposal to enable them to do better, and thus I fear it is a question very often of ringing one or two methods or nothing at all. This, I believe, is the whole thing in a nutshell.

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## A WITHDRAWAL.

SIR,—The composition of the peal of Superlative rung at All Saints, Edmonton, on February 13th, 1904, being false, I withdraw all claim.

WILLIAM WARD.

## Obituary.

## JOSEPH PATTISON.

After a brief illness this well-known member of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association passed away on Sunday, April 24th, at his residence in Blaydon-on-Tyne, at the age of 37. Mr. Pattison was originally a member of the Winlaton belfry, but rang nearly all his peals with the Newcastle and district ringers. He had rung twenty-three peals in all, commencing in 1891 with a peal of Bob Major at St. John's, Newcastle, and since that was in many notable performances. He was recognised as a good striker, and could handle a tenor with as much precision as the treble. The list of peals was as follows: Bob Major, 3; Kent Treble Bob Major, 8; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Superlative Surprise, 2; seven Minor methods, 3; Double Oxford Major, 1; Double Norwich, 3; Stedman Triples, 2. The interment took place on Wednesday, April 27th, at Blaydon Cemetery, a large number of his fellow-ringers and other friends attending. Muffled peals were rung on both Winlaton and Blaydon bells. He leaves a widow and one child to mourn his loss. He was very popular among ringers, and his loss is keenly felt in Newcastle and district.

## WILLIAM TWIGG.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the above ringer, which took place at his residence in Bucknall on Sunday, April 24th, after a long and painful illness, which he bore with great patience and fortitude. The deceased was a prominent figure in the public life of the village, and at his funeral on Thursday, April 28th, at St. Mary's church, representatives were present from the old sick club, of which he was Secretary; the parish council, of which he was a former vice-chairman; the Sunday parade committee, of which he was chairman; and the Stoke Archidiaconal Association, of which he was hon. lay secretary for over fourteen years, was represented by the Rev. H. B. Barchard (hon. clerical sec.), Mr. H. Page (chairman of committee), and members from Stoke, Tunstall and Lawton towers. In accordance with a wish expressed by the deceased he was borne to his last resting-place by six of his old comrades from Bucknall, assisted by Messrs. Page and Woods of Stoke. The Rector, the Rev. G. T. Burch, assisted by the Revs. A. H. Bird and H. P. Barchard, read the burial service, and after the Blessing had been pronounced a plain course of Grandsire Triples was rung by Messrs. Churton, Page, Titterton and Woods, of Stoke. In the evening half-muffled touches of Lichfield Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob were rung on the tower bells by mixed bands. On the Sunday following the Rector kindly placed the bells at the disposal of the old Bucknall ringers, who rang for morning service 720 Lichfield Surprise, and for evening service 720 Oxford Treble Bob. G. Clarkson, C. Preston, W. Wheeldon, J. E. Wheeldon, G. Hobbs, D. Preston conductor. The band wish to thank the Rector for granting them the privilege of paying this last tribute of respect to their late leader.



**Handbell Peal.****ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)*On Thursday, May 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*

At "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 1-2. | GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.  
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4. | EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by O. LANG, and Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN

Umpire—L. Watson, who ticked off the course-ends and a number of the le 1 ends. This is the first peal in the method by an entirely local band, also by G. D. Coleman as conductor.

**Date Touches.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

IPSWICH.—On April 4th, at the church of St. Margaret, a date touch of 1904 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 1 hr. 7 mins. W. Tillett, W. Motts, R. S. Stannard, J. Motts, R. H. Brundle, H. C. Gillingham, E. Pemberton, S. Tillett. Composed by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and conducted by James Motts.

**Miscellaneous.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

LEWISHAM.—On Sunday, February 21st, for evening service at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 36 mins. W. Keates, C. H. Walker, J. Laws, A. E. Sharpe, T. G. Deal, H. Barrett, H. Warnett conductor, T. S. Blews. On Sunday, March 6th, for Divine Service in the evening, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins. W. Keates, T. G. Deal, G. King, A. E. Sharpe, T. Taylor, C. H. Walker, H. Barrett conductor, T. Clews. On Sunday, March 13th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. E. Sharpe, C. H. Walker, T. Taylor, G. King, T. G. Deal, H. Barrett, H. Warnett, T. Clews. On Tuesday evening, on the occasion of the re-election of churchwardens, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. W. Keates, H. Barrett, G. King, T. Taylor, T. G. Deal, C. Walker, H. Warnett conductor, T. Blews.

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

WIMBLEDON.—Recently, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. R. Pethybridge, H. Last, Hon. A. Erskine, J. Howes, A. Garrott, F. A. Holden conductor. 720 Kent. R. Pethybridge, F. A. Holden, J. Howes, H. Last, A. Garrott, Hon. A. Erskine conductor. 720 Bob Minor. R. Pethybridge, R. Moss, F. A. Holden conductor, A. H. Winch, A. Garrott, S. Frost. On April 10th, for Divine Service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. R. Pethybridge, R. Moss, J. C. Jackson, F. A. Holden, A. Garrott, S. Frost conductor. On April 12th, for practice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. S. Frost, R. Moss, R. Pethybridge, J. C. Jackson, F. A. Holden conductor, W. S. Smith. On April 19th, 720 Kent. G. Byde, R. Moss, R. Pethybridge, F. A. Holden, A. Garrott, S. Frost conductor. 720 Oxford. C. Dean, F. A. Holden, R. Pethybridge, J. C. Jackson, A. Garrott, W. S. Smith conductor. 720 Cambridge. R. Pethybridge, R. Moss, F. A. Holden, J. C. Jackson, A. Garrott, S. Frost.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

SOUTHGATE.—On Sunday, May 8th, for morning service at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. A. Dodson, W. Pickworth, A. Glasscock, J. Armstrong, H. Miller, M. Fensom, S. Wade conductor, G. Bexter.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

TIVERTON.—On Wednesday, March 23rd, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins. E. Munday conductor, Miss K. Hennell, J. Grater, B. Grater, R. Grater, J. Elsworth, J. Hart, H. Ware.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

CIRENCESTER.—On Easter Sunday, at Holy Trinity church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, J. M. Turner, H. Lewis, A. C. Harmer, H. Nettle, S. Moore, F. J. Lewis conductor, S. M. Loxton, S. Andrews.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

SWANMORE.—On Sunday, March 27th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor. F. Hoare, E. Jacobs, W. Cooper, G. Salisbury, W. Linter, A. Millard conductor. On Sunday, April 3rd, for early service, 720 Bob Minor. E. Linter, E. Jacobs, W. Cooper, G. Laishley, W. Linter, A. Millard conductor. For morning service 360 in the same method. F. Hare, E. Jacobs, W. Cooper, G. Laishley, A. Millard, W. Linter conductor. For evening service, 720 Bob Minor. E. Linter, E. Jacobs, A. Millard, G. Plaskett, G. Laishley, W. Linter conductor.

**THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

SWANWICK.—On Tuesday, March 22nd, six 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, called differently. T. Gibson, F. H. Kay, H. Kerry, T. Stimpson, H. Fretwell. Also touches of Grandsire, Manchester and Bob Doubles. P. Straw, F. H. Kay, H. Kerry, T. Stimpson, H. Fretwell. First 720 by a local band.

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**

LONDON.—On Saturday, May 7th, at the church of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, 1680 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. G. Dorrington, J. Scholes, E. Hall, E. Wallage, J. Bonney, A. Hughes, M. A. Wood composer and conductor, J. Monday. Rang as a mark of respect to J. Monday, it being the anniversary of his birth.

CLIFTON (York).—On Sunday, March 28th, for evening service at the church of SS. Philip and James, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, F. Earnshaw, T. Hodson, G. Horner, L. Woodcock, J. Thompson, A. Haigh conductor. Rung with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late W. Morrell, for thirty years a ringer at York Minster.

CHELMSFORD.—On March 26th, at St. Mary's church, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters. A. Edwards, H. Kirtton, B. Thompson, T. Lincoln, H. W. Lincoln, F. Chalk, E. C. Lambert, B. Cooper, A. Whight, A. Head.

EASTHAMPTON (Berks).—On Tuesday, March 22nd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Bob Minor, in 42 mins. C. Plummer, H. Carter conductor, A. Gough, W. Newton, G. Woolford, E. Hawkins.

EPSOM.—On Monday, March 21st, at St. Martin's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. F. Uphill, F. W. Challen, D. W. Snelling, A. Brown, T. Self, A. E. Bassett, W. Gearing conductor, T. A. Shrubbs.

GREAT TOTHAM.—On March 20th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. F. Newman, T. Hammond, H. Brown, P. Sayers, C. Ballard, E. C. Lambert conductor.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday, April 3rd, before evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Emery, G. Edser, sen., W. W. Gifford, G. Edser, jun., C. J. Hamblin, J. Howes, F. Holden conductor, G. Woodiss. After service a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1264 changes. G. Edser, sen., G. Woodiss, A. Woodrow, F. Holden, J. Howes conductor, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, W. W. Gifford. On Tuesday, April 5th, an attempt for a peal of Bob Major was lost after ringing 2 hrs. 30 mins. F. Bennett conductor, W. Shepherd, A. Woodrow, F. Holden, Rev. E. W. Carpenter, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, G. Woodiss.

MALDON (Essex).—On March 18th, 720 Double Court. E. Mansfield, G. Mansfield, F. Chalk, E. C. Lambert, W. Chalk conductor, C. Taber. On March 25th, 120 Cambridge Surprise by the same band.

WANSTEAD.—On Wednesday, March 16th, for Confirmation Service, 600 Bob Minor. E. A. Lebbon, W. Smith, A. H. Doherty, B. Marks, F. M. Bressey, G. Cornell. On Tuesday, March 22nd, for practice, a course of Kent Treble Bob Minor, and 180 Canterbury Pleasure. F. Squires, W. Smith, A. H. Doherty, F. M. Bressey, J. Marks, B. Marks.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 1904.

IN this number will be found the list of subjects put forth for consideration at the next Central Council Meeting. There are no less than thirteen items to be dealt with, but it is doubtful whether the time at the disposal of the members will allow them to touch several of them. A full agenda like this clenches the belief that the work of the Council will never become barren; that there will

always be matters of interest to all ringers worthy of discussion by their chosen representatives.

We can hardly discern the item on the agenda paper which will deal with the question of illegitimate methods, about which so much has been said and written. If the subject is again brought forward, the discussion thereon will be interesting; but members of the Exercise who have concerned themselves in it may rest content that no law or regulation will be carried having for its main object the non-recognition of peals rung in these methods, so far as a record of them is concerned.

### ASHFORD, KENT.

On Wednesday evening, May 4th, to commemorate the fifty-eighth anniversary of the long peal at Hythe, Kent, a meeting was arranged at Ashford to have a pull with the veteran ringer Thomas Post, of Wye, formerly of Aldington, who rang the tenor (19 cwt.) in the 13,440 of Bob Major at Hythe, on May 4th, 1846, in 7 hrs. and 55 mins. Mr. Post, who is now 86 years of age, is the only survivor of the band, being one of the oldest change-ringers living, and still able to take his part in a touch, as will be seen by the following performance at the church of St. Mary the Virgin: 720 Grandsire Minor, 6-8 covering, in 26 mins. T. Post, P. Hodgkin, F. Beeken, G. Willis, A. C. Kay, T. Wenham, A. J. Dyson conductor, B. Parkinson. Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

We understand that a very old and much-esteemed member of the Exercise—Mr. H. Burstow, of Horsham, Sussex—is, through age and infirmity, in very reduced circumstances, and needs help. Mr. Burstow has in his time worked hard for the cause, and it is hoped that his necessities may become lessened through the liberal action of his ringing brethren.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, HAMMERSMITH,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. Treble.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 5.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

The above are all bachelors.

#### THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. Treble.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 6.
ARTHUR R. JONES .. .. 2.	ALFRED JONES .. .. 7.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 3.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. .. 8.
CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. .. 9.
ARTHUR C. OTWAY .. .. 5.	JOHN H. CROPLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. MARKS, and Conducted by F. A. HOLDEN.

All the above are bachelors. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. J. Shepherd. This is F. A. Holden's 50th peal; reference elsewhere.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

ARTHUR JACOB .. .. Treble.	WM. WARD .. .. 5.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 2.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 6.
EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE PAICE .. .. 4.	*JAMES LANGDON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by J. PARKER.

\*First peal in the method. Rung on the 116th anniversary of the opening of the bells by the above society.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 6.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 2.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. 9.
WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 5.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

#### Handbell Peal.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Friday, May 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. HENRY DAINS, RICHMOND ROAD, BARNBURY, N.,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. 1-2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5-6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 3-4.	HENRY DAINS .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

Umpires—J. Parker (Royal Cumberland Youths); W. H. L. Buckingham (College Youths). This is the conductor's 50th peal on handbells, and H. P. Harman's 200th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

### The Provinces.

#### WICKHAMBREAUX, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HARRISON SMITH .. .. Treble.	HARRY BARTON .. .. 4.
SIDNEY WALTER* .. .. 2.	GEORGE G. JENKINS .. .. 5.
EDWARD TREDELL .. .. 3.	HENRY C. CASTLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY BARTON.

First peal on the bells since rehanging by Mears and Stainbank. \*First peal with a bob bell. First peal in the method by all the band except the ringer of the tenor.

#### NORTON FITZWARRREN, SOMERSET.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 6120 CHANGES;

Being fifty-one 6-scores. Tenor 16 cwt.

EDWIN ELSON .. .. Treble.	HENRY CHAPLIN .. .. 4.
FRANK WYATT .. .. 2.	ISAAC CREED .. .. 5.
HENRY J. CREED .. .. 3.	TOM W. CREED .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ISAAC CREED.

Rung with the bells muffled as a tribute of respect to the late W. G. Marshall, Esq., of Norton Manor, aged fifty-one years.

## SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY, NORWICH.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16½ cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES .. Treble.	ROBERT HUTTON .. .. 5.
FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 2.	ARTHUR E. FULLER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD .. 3.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 7.
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

## NORTH ELMHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5068 CHANGES.  
Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT WILLEY .. .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. 2.	WILLIAM BASON .. .. 6.
CHARLES T. AYERS .. .. 3.	FREDERICK WILLEY .. .. 7.
WALTER E. AYERS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. HOWSON .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by W. J. HOWSON.

## BORDEN, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
CARTER'S TWELVE-PART Tenor 23 cwt.

EDWARD PANKHURST* .. Treble.	JOHN TASSELL .. .. 5.
STANLEY HUTSON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM TASSELL .. .. 6.
RICHARD STAINES† .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. WALKER .. 7.
CHARLES R. MILLWAY .. 4.	JOHN EXCELL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD STAINES.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor.

## CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE FOSTER .. .. Treble.	ALBERT J. SKELDING .. 5.
JOHN BASS .. .. 2.	RICHARD JAMES .. .. 6.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK .. 3.	†ROBERT MATTHEWS .. 7.
CHARLES BOUGHTON .. 4.	*FRANK BOUGHTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Triples on the bells.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Treble.	WALTER PERKINS .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PALMER .. 2.	ALFRED H. MARTIN .. 6.
WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. 3.	*FRED WILFORD .. .. 7.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 4.	JAMES GARRATT .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

\*First peal in the method.

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THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN PAICE .. .. Treble.	BENJAMIN BASSETT .. 5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 6.
HARRY EVANS .. .. 3.	ALFRED W. GROVES .. 7.
GEORGE NORRIS .. .. 4.	EDMUND H. LINDUP .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

## READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK GRIFFIN† .. .. Treble.	FRANK HOPGOOD .. .. 5.
REV. H. C. BELL* .. .. 2.	JOHN SWAIN .. .. 6.
EDWARD HAYNES† .. .. 3.	AMBROSE OSBORNE .. 7.
ERNEST HUGHES† .. .. 4.	†WALTER FRANCIS .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. H. C. BELL.

†First peal. \*First peal in the method. \*First peal as conductor. Rung on the occasion of the dedication of the new chancel of St. Agnes by the Lord Bishop of Reading.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. Treble.	ALFRED JONES .. .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. 6.
ALFRED TRAPPIST .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. 7.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. 4.	WILLIAM GRAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Joseph A. Lambert, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

## HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904 in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5440 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

STEPHEN KNIGHT* .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
CHARLES DRAN .. .. 2.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 6.
JOHN C. JACKSON* .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. BARKER .. 4.	HERBERT BAKER .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method.

## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PENNING'S FIVE-PART Tenor 6½ cwt.

ERNEST COULSON .. Treble.	WILLIAM PERVIN .. 5.
THOMAS H. COLBURN .. 2.	FRANK PERVIN .. 6.
WILLIAM H. INGLESANT .. 3.	FRANK G. BURLEIGH .. 7.
LEONARD F. TAYLOR .. 4.	*WILLIAM CUMBERLAND .. Tenor.

Conducted by T. H. COLBURN.

Rung to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the wedding-day of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor, jun. \*First peal.

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On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single,  
Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and two of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN A. CORNELL .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK PRATT .. .. 4.
WILLIAM WEBB .. .. 2.	FRANCIS CARROWAY .. .. 5.
ERNEST H. TUBB .. .. 3.	CHARLES H. MARTIN .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES H. MARTIN.

## BRISTOL.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 6.
GEORGE T. DALTRY .. .. 2.	*JOHN HOLMAN .. .. 7.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 3.	HENRY HOWELL .. .. 8.
WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 4.	CHARLES H. TOMKINS .. 9.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 5.	FREDERICK COOPER .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART., and  
Conducted by FRED G. MAY.The above is a short course peal with a ternate titum and handstroke course-ends.  
\*50th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

## BURLEY, NEAR LEEDS, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND  
DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Pleasure, City Delight, Arnold's  
Victory, Duke of York, Kent, Violet and Oxford.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

JAS. BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	J. W. T. HOLGATE .. .. 4.
J. E. CARTER .. .. 2.	MATTHEW BROADBENT .. 5.
BERTIE COWLING .. .. 3.	JOS. HECKINGBOTTOM .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. W. T. HOLGATE.

## MALTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

F. BARRACLOUGH* .. Treble.	†E. WHEATER .. .. 5.
C. JACKSON .. .. 2.	†T. HODGSON .. .. 6.
A. C. FEARNLEY† .. 3.	A. HAIGH .. .. 7.
J. THOMPSON† .. .. 4.	†G. BARRACLOUGH .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. JACKSON.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method. This is E. Wheeler's fiftieth peal. Rung  
as a birthday compliment to T. Haigh, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy  
returns. First peal by the Association on the bells. It is 156 years since the last  
peal was rung.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT .. Treble.	JOHN RICE .. .. 5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. 2.	ALFRED D. MILLS .. 6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. 3.	*JACK PRESTON .. .. 7.
JOHN STEDDY .. .. 4.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. H. EARLE BULWER, and  
Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Double Norwich.

## HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY.

On Monday, May 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES E. BORRETT .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 5.
ALBERT G. WARNES .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
FREDERICK R. BORRETT .. 3.	SAMUEL SMITH .. .. 7.
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 4.	FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by CHAS. E. BORRETT.

First peal on the bells since augmentation from six to eight.

## KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(THE KING'S NORTON GUILD.)

On Monday, May 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FRED W. SUMNER .. Treble.	WILLIAM S. PRITCHETT .. 5.
JOHN WITHERS .. .. 2.	JOHN S. PRITCHETT .. 6.
ALFRED PRITCHETT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. 7.
THEODORE PRITCHETT .. 4.	*HARRY WITHERS .. Tenor.

Composed by J. Cox, and Conducted by JOHN S. PRITCHETT.

First peal of London Surprise by all except the tenor-man. \*Fiftieth peal.

## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HERBERT P. HARMAN .. Treble.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 5.
FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. 2.	*GEORGE HUXLEY .. .. 6.
RICHARD HIMS .. .. 3.	GEORGE DURLING .. .. 7.
ALBERT HUMPHREY .. .. 4.	WALTER JAMES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE.

\*First peal with a bob bell.

## GREAT MARLOW, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OR THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

JOSEPH S. HAWKINS .. Treble.	WILLIAM AYERS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM E. COSTER .. 2.	CHARLES GREEN .. .. 6.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. 3.	REV. F. L. ROBINSON .. 7.
FRANK O. NICHOLLS* .. 4.	JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman.

## MOSELEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Wednesday, May 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor about 22 cwt.

SIDNEY J. JESSOP* .. Treble.	ALBERT WALKER .. .. 5.
GEORGE PIGOTT .. .. 2.	GEORGE HITCHMAN .. .. 6.
JOSEPH PIGOTT .. .. 3.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 7.
THOMAS PIGOTT .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

\*First peal away from the tenor. Reference elsewhere.

## BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 4, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT ST. CHAD'S (R.C.) CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. Treble.	*HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 5.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 2.	ALF. PADDON SMITH .. 6.
FRANK FAY .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 7.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 4.	THOMAS MILLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

\*First peal in the method away from the treble.

## HOLBECK, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

H. TOMLINSON .. .. Treble.	J. WOODHEAD .. .. 5.
J. BOSHILL .. .. 2.	C. MOSS .. .. 6.
F. WOODHEAD .. .. 3.	J. A. TEALE .. .. 7.
G. TINGLE .. .. 4.	D. YORKE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by J. A. TEALE.

\*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Tingle and C. Moss.

## BUCKMINSTER, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

Being seven 720s each called differently.

JAMES WARD .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM CHARITY .. .. 4.
JOSEPH MURREY .. .. 2.	GEORGE H. HUDDLESTON .. 5.
WILLIAM H. DYKE .. .. 3.	JOHN H. WILDMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN H. WILDMAN.

First peal of Treble Bob by all the band, by the society, and on the bells.

## PRESTBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(CHELTENHAM AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S. Tenor 14½ cwt.

W. T. PATES .. .. Treble.	W. BRINKWORTH .. .. 5.
G. H. PHILLOTT .. .. 2.	W. DYER .. .. 6.
F. MUSTY .. .. 3.	T. PENDRY .. .. 7.
J. RICKETTS .. .. 4.	R. HEMMING .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. DYER.

W. Dyer is the newly-elected Master of the above Guild.

## BANGOR, NORTH WALES.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

(BANGOR BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 13 cwt.

FRANK A. HOBBS .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. GRUNDY .. .. 5.
ALBERT J. HUGHES .. .. 2.	BERNARD CARTER .. .. 6.
JAMES H. MIDWINTER .. 3.	WILLIAM T. PEGLER .. 7.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. 4.	WILLIAM CRANE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALFRED W. BRIGHTON.

## BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DR. A. B. CARPENTER'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

Tenor 20½ cwt. in E flat.

HENRY BROOKER .. .. Treble.	CHARLES GORDON .. .. 5.
JAMES RUMBLE .. .. 2.	ARTHUR J. PLOWMAN .. 6.
FRANK HOLDER .. .. 3.	*WILLIAM HILL .. .. 7.
THOMAS TALBOT .. .. 4.	EDWIN J. HOLLANDS .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY BROOKER.

\*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. J. Plowman. This is F. Holder's 50th peal.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

HERBERT C. LAWRENCE .. Treble.	MORTIMER MATTHEWS .. 6.
WILLIAM J. ALLEN .. .. 2.	FRED HOPPER .. .. 7.
ARTHUR MOORE .. .. 3.	ERNEST HERBERT .. .. 8.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 4.	WILLIAM ROBERTS .. .. 9.
CYRIL HERBERT .. .. 5.	FRED WILFORD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 5, 6 and 8.

## PETERBOROUGH.—THE ELY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ROBERT ROWELL .. .. Treble.	*GEORGE E. BOOTH .. .. 4.
HARRY EDGELEY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM T. JOHNSON .. 5.
ARTHUR W. KING .. .. 3.	THOMAS MURRAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS MURRAY.

\*First peal.

## CLIFTON, BEDS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 7 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

EDMUND C. CHASTY .. Treble.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 2.	HERBERT FIELDS .. .. 6.
JOHN HARE .. .. 3.	LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 7.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 4.	SIDNEY PECK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Quickest peal on the bells.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE  
ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Sunday, May 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 5.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 2.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 6.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 3.	ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Rung for Divine Service in the evening.

## NOTICES.

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**Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Yorktown District.—Quarterly Meeting at Hawley, today, Saturday, May 14th. Bells (8) available at two. Meeting after CHAS. H. PRARCE, *Dis. Sec.*  
Frimley Road, Yorktown.

**The Surrey Association.**—A meeting will be held at Limpsfield and Oxted to-day, Sat., May 14th. The two rings of six at Limpsfield and the ring of five at Oxted will be available from about 3 o'clock. Tea, 9d. per head, will be supplied to members and friends wishing to partake, at The Bull, Limpsfield, at 6 p.m.  
CHAS. DEAN, } *Hon. Secs.*  
JOHN C. JACKSON, }

72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.  
12, Tabor Grove, Wimbledon.

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at New Mill, near Huddersfield, to-day Saturday, May 14th. Meeting house, The Shoulder of Mutton, meeting to commence at 5.30. WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James's, East Crompton, today, Saturday, May 14th. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.  
J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Woolton to-day, Saturday, May 14th. Bells ready at 4.0. WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, May 14th, at St. Wilfred's church, Ribchester. Bells at 3. Meeting at 5.30.  
R. SANDERSON, *Branch Sec.*

**The Royal Cumberland Society.**—On Monday, May 16th, the next practice will be held at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and alternate Mondays. Members are requested to make a special effort to attend.  
A. JACOB, *Sec.*

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—The annual festival of the above Guild will be held in Dorchester on Monday, May 16th, 1904. Service at St. Peter's church, 12 noon, sermon by the Rector, the Rev. A. Metcalfe. Dinner, 1 p.m., at The Antelope hotel, 2s. each to members. Business meeting immediately after dinner. The following towers will be available for ringing: St. Peter's, Dorchester (8), Fordington St. George (6), Cartistock (8), Wyke Regis (6), Maiden Newton (6), Charminster (5), Stratton (5). One shilling will be allowed towards railway fare.  
Devizes. H. E. TILNEY BASSETT, *Hon. Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Leigh on Saturday, May 21st. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. S. Hollins, Leigh, by Thursday, May 19th.  
D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. (pro tem.)*

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Kent County Association.**—Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Woolwich on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Committee meeting at St. Mary's, 11 a.m. Service at 12. Dinner in St. Mary's Schools, 1 p.m.; for dinner tickets apply to the Secretary. Towers open for

ringing: St. Mary's, Woolwich (8), Lewisham (8), St. Margaret's, Lee (8), Erith (8), Greenwich (10), Eltham (6). Some members of Greenwich band are prepared to meet early for practice of Surprise methods. Members wishing to join them are requested to write to Mr. H. Hoskins, 44, Brend Street, Greenwich.  
F. J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*

Canterbury.

**The Essex Association.**—The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at Chelmsford. Service at St. Mary's at 11.30, with address by the Rev. W. S. Willett, Rector of Gilton. Business meeting at 12.15. Dinner at 1.30. Members intending to dine must give notice to me not later than May 17th.  
HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*

Gt. Totham.

**The Herts Association.**—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield parish church on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m.  
D. ELLINGHAM, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at Darlington, where two peals of eight and one of six will be at the disposal of members. Dinner at The King's Head, Market Place, at 2 o'clock, 1s. 6d. to members. Notification of attendance to reach the secretary by the 18th inst. Committee meeting at 1.0.  
C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

62, Jesmond Rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Middlesbrough on Whit-Monday, the rings available being those of the parish church, Middlesbrough (ring of 6, tenor 12 cwt.); the parish church, Thornaby, from 10 a.m. (ring of 8, tenor 11 cwt.); the parish church, Stockton, after morning service (ring of 10, tenor 27½ cwt.) The Stockton and Thornaby towers will be closed from 12 to 3 o'clock. A special service will be held, by kind permission of the Rev. J. K. Bealey, Vicar, in St. Hilda's parish church, Middlesbrough, at 12.45 p.m., which members are earnestly requested to attend. Dinner will be provided, 1s. to members, 2s. 6d. to non-members, at The Grand Hotel at 1.30 p.m. Members intending to dine are requested to send in their names not later than the 16th inst. to G. J. Clarkson. The Committee will meet in St. Hilda's Vestry at 11.45 a.m.  
G. J. CLARKSON, *Pres.*

6, Finkle Street, Stockton-on-Tees.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—A district meeting of the above will take place at Barnington on Whit-Monday. Tea at 4 o'clock. All ringers welcome.  
J. R. WHARTON-DUFF, *Dis. Sec.*

**The Central Northamptonshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Northampton on Whit-Monday. Usual ringing arrangements. Dinner at The Peacock Hotel at 2 o'clock. Service at St. Sepulchre's Church at 1 p.m. T. R. HENSHER, *Hon. Sec.*  
Midland Rd., Wellingboro'.

**The Archdeaconry of Salop Guild.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, May 28th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m.  
J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southgate, on Saturday, the 4th June, by kind permission of the Rev. J. Beardall. Owing to the exigencies of local cricket, the bells will not be available until 6.30 p.m. All members

and friends of the Association are cordially invited.  
ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. J. Holman has removed to 26, West Avenue, Oldfield Road, Bath.

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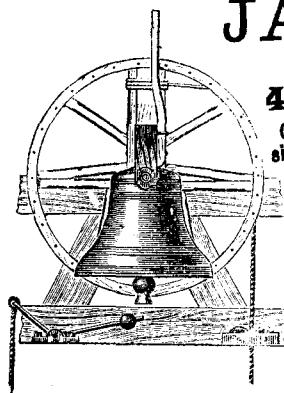
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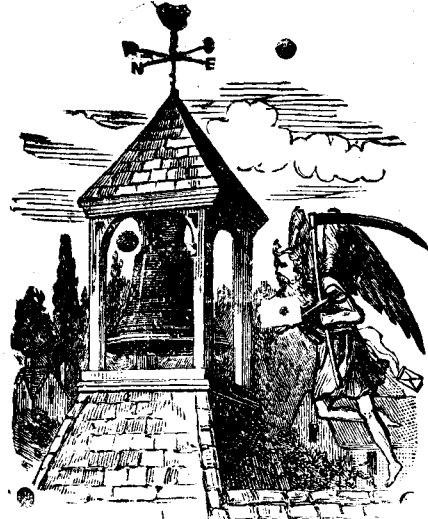
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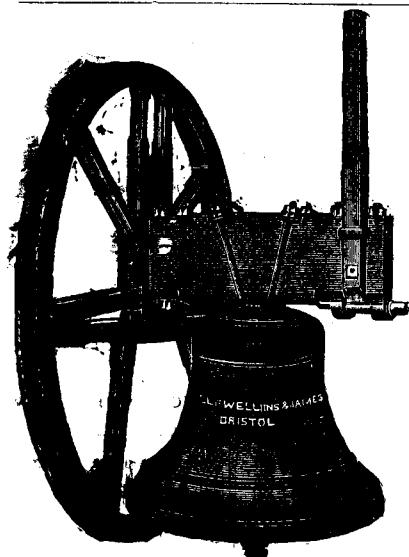
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

RETTFORD, EAST (Notts).—St. Swithin. North Notts. Association. Ten bells. The two trebles by Taylor, 1890, the rest by Mears, 1835. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Taylor, 1890, and several times since overhauled by that firm. Ropes new 1890, good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.45 to 10.25, and 5.45 to 6.20. Practice: Thursday, 8.

REVELSTOKE (Devon). St. Peter. Eight bells. No return.

RICKMANSWORTH (Herts). St. Mary. Hertford County Association. Eight bells. All by Lester, 1765. Tenor 23 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1899. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.50, and occasionally also 5.45 to 6.20. No practice mentioned, but change-ringers are welcome for a peal.

RINGMER (Sussex). St. Mary the Virgin. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1890. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. No repairs since hung. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

RINGWOOD (Hants). SS. Peter and Paul. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. 6th and tenor by Mears 1854 and 1822 respectively; the rest by Lester 1763-1764. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Recent repairs by local men. Ropes fair. Half-pull ringing practised, but no method mentioned. Sunday ringing: 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.45.

RIPLEY (Derbyshire). All Saints. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, treble, 2nd and

3rd, 1901; the rest 1866. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1901. Ropes new 1901, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL SOCIETY, NEW ZEALAND.

The annual meeting of the above society was held in the belfry on December 21st, the Rev. W. Dunkley (President), in the chair, and there was a good attendance of members. The Secretary read the annual report, which went to show that great strides had been made in change-ringing. Over 40,000 changes had been rung during the nine months that the bells were available for ringing, the other three months all ringing was stopped while the spire was being rebuilt, it having been damaged by an earthquake some time previously. The first peal of Bob Triples ever rung in the colonies had become an accomplished fact on January 31st. This had been followed during the year by the first touch of Grandsire Caters and also Bob Major on the bells on November 9th. Mr. A. E. Bames's ten-part peal of Grandsire Triples was accomplished in honour of His Majesty's birthday, thus making two peals of Triples for the year.

A marble tablet to record the ringing of the peal of Bob Triples had been erected, and was unveiled by the Lord Bishop of the diocese in the presence of a large gathering of ringers and friends.

During the year two enlarged photos had been hung in the ringing-chamber, one of the late Rev. E. A. Lingard, the first President of the Society, and one of the band who had rung the two peals; a table and chairs had also been provided, also mats for the ropes to fall on. These latter had been very generously given by Mrs. J. Ballantyne, thus adding greatly to the comfort of the ringers.

After a course of Grandsire Caters had been rung, the election of officers was proceeded with. The whole of the officers were returned unopposed, with the addition of Mr. Baker on the committee. Master—T. Biddle; Deputy-Master—J. Maples; Treasurer—W. Wraight; Secretary—W. Saunders; Committee—Messrs. A. Dunkley, J. Biddle, J. Andrews and W. Baker.

At the conclusion of the business portion, Mr. G. Harris, a leading solicitor said that what he had seen that night was quite an eye-opener to him. He had not known how bell-ringing was done before, and he was surprised at the amount there appeared to be in it. He was of opinion that if more people were to visit the tower and see for themselves how the thing was done, there would be a greater interest displayed towards what he thought appeared to be an highly interesting, mental and physical exercise. After a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Harris and the chairman, the meeting concluded.

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## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

On Saturday, May 14th, the second anniversary of the dedication of the church bells was celebrated in the parish, as the 15th, the actual date fell on a Sunday this year. The arrangements for a peal in the morning unfortunately fell through, but a good touch was rung before the special service at 3 p.m. The following clergy of the neighbourhood were present: Rev. M. Allen (Winston), Rev. W. J. Chapman (Hemingstone), Rev. M. B. Cowell (Ashbocking), Rev. —. Evans (in charge of Claydon), Rev. W. J. Knapton (Creting St. Peter), Rev. W. Wyles (Coddendam), and the Vicar. The service was a shortened form of evensong. The first lesson, Isaiah xii., was read by the Rev. M. Allen; the second lesson, St. John xv. 1-13, was read by the Rev. M. B. Cowell. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. J. Knapton from text, St. Luke xxiv. 50, the subject being "Ascensiontide, a call to service," and he reminded his hearers that the bells were connected with this season more closely than might at first sight have been supposed; since had there been no Easter, no Ascension, no Whitsuntide, there had been no Christian religion and no churches with their beautiful adjuncts, the bells. His words were listened to with deep attention, and he concluded by urging the ringers in common with all other church-workers to give of their talents to the service to Almighty God.

About thirty-six ringers were present from the neighbourhood, the following companies being represented: Ipswich, Sproughton, Coddendam, Helmingham, Stowmarket, Hasketon, Grundisburgh, Winesham and Henley. After service the ringing was kept up merrily until 6.30., and some good touches were brought round, notably one of Double Norwich. All then adjourned to the Vicarage to tea, after which some returned to the tower, others spent their time in the vicarage garden, or in ringing touches upon the handbells until the shades of evening gave warning that it was time to think of returning home, thus bringing a pleasant and successful day to a close. During the two years that have elapsed since the bells were increased to eight, thirty-six peals in twelve different methods have been rung upon them, and it is hoped this record will be surpassed in the coming year.

## THE EXETER RINGERS' CYCLING CLUB.

The first annual meeting of the above club has just been held at their headquarters, 5, Catherine Street, under the chairmanship of Mr. W. Richardson. The Secretary's report having been read, stated that a great number of towers had been visited, and excellent ringing done in each, which it was hoped would bear fruit in time to come. They could congratulate themselves on the steady and good work they were doing, and that their thanks were due to the clergy who had placed their bells at their disposal, and had on more than one occasion very hospitably entertained them. The Treasurer's showed a small balance in hand, which was considered very satisfactory, considering the heavy demands necessary in forming a Club. The officers were respectfully thanked for their work and interest taken in making the Club what it is in so short a time, and were again unanimously re-elected. The business being over, the rest of the evening was spent in harmony, the worthy captain's daughter presiding at the piano, and ringers from towers in the city were invited to join, and a convivial evening was spent,

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Macclesfield branch of the above Guild was held at St. James's, Gawsworth, on Saturday, April 30th, twenty members being present from the various towers. The visitors were met at the church by the new Rector (Rev. H. E. Polehampton), who gave all a hearty welcome to Gawsworth. They then ascended the tower, and the bells were soon set in motion, the Rector, who is a ringer, taking part in the first touch. The bells were kept going until 5.30; when service was held in the church which the ringers attended. They then wended their way to the school where an excellent tea awaited them. After tea the business meeting was held, the Rector being in the chair. Before the business began, the Rev. A. G. Child on behalf of himself and all the members, extended a hearty welcome to the Rector as a new member of the Guild.

The Rector in reply thanked the members for making him a member of the Guild, and hoped they would have many more meetings together, and he should be pleased to see any of the members at any time at Gawsworth. He was particularly pleased that the ringers had attended service, and was glad to think that the ringers of this district not only called others to service, but also went themselves. He hoped also to take steps in the autumn to have two trebles added to the present peal of bells, making them a peal of eight.

Visitors are now allowed to ascend the tower at a charge of twopence which goes toward the bell fund, and are well repaid by the magnificent view which they get. The next meeting will be held at St. James's, Higher Sutton, in September. The bells were afterwards kept going in various methods until 9 o'clock.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD"

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL AGENDA.

SIR,—It is my fault that the resolution on Illegitimate Methods does not appear on the Agenda for the York meeting. I had drafted it and got it signed, but omitted to send it to the Secretary till a few days ago, when I got an intimation that it was too late. I am sorry for this because I had pledged myself to do what I could to give the critics of the Methods Report every opportunity of stating their views, and I know some of those of my own way of thinking are anxious to say their say on the matter. Now as I write the chances of my business allowing me to go to York seem very small, so I can only say that if the interest in the question is still maintained I may be able to move the resolution at Canterbury in 1905, assuming, that is, I am yet alive and well. May I say that so far as it refers to me your leading article hardly does me justice. My idea is not primarily to prevent peals in these methods being booked. It is to induce ringers to practice better methods.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

OXHEY.—On Sunday, March 13th, for Divine Service at St. Matthew's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. T. L. Simmons, W. Moore, F. Brinklow conductor, A. Dix, H. Eden, W. Norris, G. N. Price, F. White.

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## THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## MEETING AT CHRISTCHURCH.

Christchurch was on Saturday, April 9th, invaded by a small army of ringers, and the fine peal of bells in the old Priory church tower, recently augmented from eight to ten by the gift of two bells from a former resident of the town, was subjected to many trials of skill during the day. The occasion was the annual meeting of the East Dorset branch of the above Guild, which branch embraces a large number of towers throughout the district. The Christchurch ringers extended to the visitors a hearty welcome, and did their best to make their stay a welcome one.

Following a Committee meeting held in the chamber over the north-western entrance to the church, a short service, which was attended by most of the ringers, was held, conducted by the Rev. H. Drake (Verwood), assisted by the Rev. F. B. Phillips (Vicar of Burton), and the Rev. W. B. Boxall, of Christchurch. The form of service used was that arranged by the late Rev. Thomas Drake, and authorised for use at ringers' meetings by the Bishop of Salisbury, concluding with the hymn, "In the time of gladness." An address was delivered by the Rev. W. B. Boxall.

After the service the visitors and local ringers were hospitably entertained at the Red House by the Vicar, whose place through unavoidable absence, was taken by the Rev. W. B. Boxall. The annual district meeting followed, Mr. Boxall presiding by request over a meeting, the attendance at which included the Revs. F. B. Phillips, H. Drake, and C. A. Phillips, Mr. F. Martin Stewart (hon. secretary), Mr. A. Grist (Bournemouth), Mr. G. Preston (Christchurch), and representatives of the Cranborne, Verwood, Three Cross, West Moors, Wimborne, St. Peter's (Bournemouth), Okeford Fitzpaine, Christchurch, and other towers.

The report was read and adopted, as also was the balance-sheet; and in reply to questions the Rev. H. Drake said satisfactory arrangements had been made whereby the Hampshire towers of Ringwood, Fordingbridge, Christchurch, and Bournemouth would be permitted to be members of both the Winchester and Salisbury Guilds, and could have representatives on the Committee. It was also mentioned that there had been augmentations to the peals at Marnhull and Wool, and that the bells at Winterbourne Strickland had been rehung without addition.

The election of officers was next proceeded with. The Rev. J. C. M. Mansel-Pleydell was unanimously re-elected chairman of the branch; Mr. Martin Stewart (hon. treasurer and secretary); and the Rev. Ch. A. Phillips and A. L. Helps as assistant-secretaries. These officers were heartily thanked for their past services.

It was resolved that the next meeting should be held at Blandford on the last Saturday in July.

On the proposition of the Rev. H. Drake, seconded by Mr. Martin Stewart, it was decided to request the Bishop of Salisbury to consider the advisability of including ringers among the minor orders of the Church he was thinking of reviving.

On the motion of the Rev. H. Drake, seconded by Mr. A. Grist, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar (Rev. T. H. Bush), for his hospitality, and to the Rev. W. B. Boxall for his kind services during the day.

The Rev. W. B. Boxall, in replying, spoke of the pleasure it would have given the Vicar to have personally

received the ringers but for absence from home, and of the gratification which it had given him (Mr. Boxall) to meet them on that occasion.

Both before and after the meetings several touches of Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters were rung on the bells.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.—A well attended meeting of this district was held on Saturday, April 30th, at Halstead to open the recently augmented peal of bells. The work has been carried out at a cost of about £200 by Messrs. Warner and Son in a very efficient manner, two new trebles having been added and the old six re-tuned. Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, including 576 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and 400 Double Norwich. Tea was served at 5 o'clock in the Co-operative Hall, about thirty-five sitting down, and was followed by a business meeting, presided over by the Master of the district, supported by the Rev. H. T. Eyre, general secretary. Several new members were elected, including the local company and one non-resident member. The Rev. H. T. Eyre complimented the local company on their success in helping to raise the necessary funds for the work, referring especially to Mr. W. W. Cooper, the church clerk, who replied in a suitable manner. By a most unfortunate mistake the Vicar of the parish was not called on to attend till the afternoon, and was not then at home. Ringers were present from sixteen different parishes.

NORTH-WESTERN DISTRICT.—A meeting of this district was held at Harlow on Saturday, May 7th, when the bells of St. Mary's were placed at the disposal of the members from 4 p.m., at which time they were sending forth the tune of Stedman Triples. Tea was kindly provided at the Church house by the Rev. J. B. Andrewes, Vicar of Harlow, to which 21 sat down. The Vicar was voted to the chair, supported by the District Master, Mr. W. Prior, Rev. H. T. Eyre, hon. sec., and Mr. H. J. Tucker, dist. sec. Tea being over, the minutes of last meeting were read and passed. Messrs. J. Adams, jun., H. Thompson and L. G. Thurgood, of Waltham Abbey, were elected ringing members. Mr. W. Watts proposed, and Mr. W. Hobbs seconded, that the annual district meeting be held at Bishops Stortford in September next.—Carried. Rev. H. T. Eyre said before they parted he had one thing to propose, and that was a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Harlow for presiding, also for the kind way in which he had provided tea, and for the use of the Church house and the bells. The Vicar, responding, said it gave him great pleasure to receive the Association at Harlow, and anything he could do for its prosperity he was willing to do. During the day members were present from Stansted, Bishops Stortford, Sawbridgeworth, Harlow, Ware, Hornsey and Woodford, and rang some good touches in the following methods: Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob, Superlative Surprise, London Surprise, New Cambridge Surprise, New Cumberland Surprise and Double Norwich Court, the ringing coming to a close at 7.45. The conducting was shared between Messrs. W. Watts, H. J. Tucker and G. Jordan.

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The Annual Meeting of this Association was held on Easter-Monday at St. Albans. Between seventy and eighty members took part in the proceedings, and after touches in various methods had been rung on the Cathedral and St. Peter's bells, an adjournment was made to the Abbey for choral evensong at 5 o'clock, where the Dean of St. Albans addressed those who attended.

At the Town Hall the annual tea took place, followed by the meeting. The President of the Association (the Rev. Canon Wigram) occupied the chair, and read an expression of regret from Mr. F. W. Silvester at his inability to be present, after which various gentlemen were nominated for membership.

Mr. E. P. Debenham, the Hon. Secretary, submitted his annual report to the meeting.

A proposition having been carried to the effect that the report and balance-sheet, as read, be received, comment was invited.

The Rev. Canon Wigram remarked that he thought they would all offer most hearty congratulations to those who had rung their first peals during the year, also to the new conductors. The Association had an extremely good record; one of which it might well be proud. He then referred to the announcement of the Hon. Secretary anent his resignation of office, remarking that to have been secretary of a change-ringing association for sixteen years required a great deal of good temper, a great deal of tact, and a very thorough knowledge of all things appertaining to bells and bellringing. Perseverance, patience, and downright hard work were also qualities called out by such secretarial work. The Canon voiced the great regret with which they all had heard that Mr. Debenham was at last obliged to lay down the work which he had done so well and so completely to their satisfaction.

Mr. Toulmin asked if a little persuasion might not induce Mr. Debenham to reconsider his suggested retirement.

Mr. Huntley, speaking as a representative of the West Herts. district, told the meeting of the assistance and encouragement afforded to change-ringing in that part of the county by the Hon. Secretary.

The report and balance-sheet were then adopted, and the meeting passed a unanimous resolution of regret at Mr. Debenham's announcement of his inability to continue his valuable services for another year.

On the proposition of the Dean, the Rev. Canon Wigram was again asked to be president of the Association.

Mr. Toulmin supported the motion, and upon the acceptance of office the President said he would be extremely glad to continue to serve the Association so far as he was able for another year.

Mr. Debenham then rose to make a proposition. In the first place he thanked the members of the Association who had spoken so kindly about his retirement. As a change-ringing association, however, he thought they were expected to go in for changes. The speaker proceeded to allude to a touch rung upon the St. Peter's bells that afternoon, in which two of their youngest members and their senior member took part. He then proposed that the Association ask Mr. G. W. Cartmel, who had rendered him such very great assistance in the secretarial work, to accept the office of Hon. Secretary. Certainly he deserved more than a moiety of the thanks extended to him (the speaker) that evening for services rendered.

Mr. Huntley seconded, and the proposition was carried with acclamation.

Mr. Cartmel briefly replied, and spoke of it as his good fortune to have been connected with the Association for so many years. He would, he said, endeavour to do his best in the interests of the Association.

Mr. Huntley, who announced his intention not to continue service as hon. auditor, made a proposition that Mr. B. Prewett should be asked to fill the office. This was carried, and the best thanks of the Association tendered to the hon. auditor for his services.

Mr. Debenham was re-elected hon. treasurer, and Mr. Baker, of Hertford, was appointed to represent the Association on the Central Council.

Previously, the county has been divided into five districts, viz., St. Albans, Western, Hemel Hempstead, Northern, and

Eastern. Mr. Huntley now brought forward a motion to the effect that there should be two districts—East and West. His reason for making such a proposition, he said, was the inability to successfully work under the present arrangement. In some districts there was an abundance of towers and comparative scarcity of ringers, and in others just the reverse. If his suggestion were carried out, there would, he added, be a larger area upon which to work, increased membership, and advantage generally. He thought the Midland Railway would make a very good boundary between the districts, but he wished to make no hard and fast lines.

Opposition was raised to the proposal by representatives of North and East Herts., and the Association eventually agreed to an amendment proposed by Mr. Ellingham that there should be three districts, as follows: North and East (as before), with St. Albans central and West Herts. amalgamated.

Votes of thanks to the chairman for presiding and to the Dean and the other church authorities for permitting the use of their bells that day, concluded the business.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday this Association held its first annual meeting at Wrexham. It may be interesting to ringers to know that Wrexham church tower forms one of the seven wonders of Wales, and within its walls hang one of the finest rings of ten bells in existence, cast by Rudhall in 1726. The peal therefore is an ancient one, and the tone of the bells were highly commented upon by those visiting ringers who had not previously had the pleasure of hearing them.

An official programme had been drafted by the Association giving particulars of the day's proceedings, and this was carried out with marked punctuality and accuracy. Ringers from all parts of North Wales began to arrive shortly after 9 a.m. from Bangor, Llangollen, Rhyl, Portmadoc, Dolgelly, Chirk, Ruabon, Buckley, Llandudno, Gresford, etc. The official programme of the day opened with a touch of Grandsire Caters by a mixed band. A few also availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the Wrexham barracks, the headquarters of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

At 12 noon the ringers sat down to an excellent lunch at The Feathers hotel, and ample justice was done to it, especially by the Portmadoc ringers who had travelled nearly 100 miles that morning to attend the annual gathering. At 1 o'clock the annual meeting was held in the Conservative Club Assembly Rooms. The chair was occupied by the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, Vicar of Bangor, and vice-president of the Association. Mr. Wilmer Rogers, Wrexham, officiated as Secretary in the absence of Mr. S. A. Cullington, secretary to the Association. A very large number of ringers' representatives were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Messrs. E. Rowlands (Wrexham), J. W. Davies, (Llangollen), and J. Ellis (Rhyl), offered themselves as voluntary instructors to the Association, and their services were very much welcomed. The next annual meeting was fixed to take place at Bangor, on Easter Monday. The following officers were elected: Rev. T. Lewis Jones, Bangor, vice-president; Mr. W. T. Pegler, Bangor, Master; Mr. Wilmer Rogers, Wrexham, Treasurer; Mr. S. A. Cullington, Llandudno, Secretary. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Fred Wallace (Rhyl), for his services as treasurer during the past year. The Secretary read his report, which showed that the Association (although in its infancy) was making rapid progress. Eight peals have been rung during the year. There are 130 ringing members and thirty-six honorary members, and comprise fourteen belfries. The financial report was also excellent, and the Association will soon be on a sound basis. The following new members were elected: Messrs. T. Davies, S. Edwards, J. Williams, T. Edwards, W. Dunham, R. Andrews, G. Clay, A. Prince, and E. Deane. The following district secretaries were elected: H. Moore, Wrexham District; F. Wallace, Rhyl District; G. F. Hoad, Bangor District. The next quarterly meeting was fixed to take place at Llangollen in June. A vote of thanks to the chairman brought a very successful meeting to a close.

After the meeting a special service for ringers was held in the parish church. The Rev. T. Lewis Jones gave an excellent and most appropriate address. Canon W. H. Fletcher, M.A.,

Vicar of Wrexham, also officiated, and Mr. C. Williams (a ringer from Portmadoc) presided at the organ. At 5 p.m. the Wrexham ringers entertained the Association to a knife and fork tea. The Vicar presided, and the wardens and sidesmen were also present. After tea the Vicar, in a very interesting speech, welcomed the Association on behalf of the Wrexham ringers, and at the same time paid the Association a high tribute.

Votes of thanks were proposed by Messrs. Roberts, Evans and Davies to the Wrexham ringers for the excellent arrangements, and also to the ladies for the repast they had just partaken of. During the day the bells were rung in the following methods: Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Royal, etc. The day's proceedings finished up with a very jovial evening at The Feathers hotel.

#### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Annual Meeting of this Guild was held at Lincoln on Saturday, April 30th. Taking advantage of the cheap excursions which were run into the old cathedral city members were present from nearly the whole of the diocese. Good use was made of the bells of St. Peter-at-Arches and St. Peter-at-Gowts during the limited time the towers were opened for the visitors. At 5 p.m. a general assembly took place in the Co-operative Hall, and 122 sat down to a capital tea supplied by the Co-operative Society. Immediately after the tea the Guild's business meeting was held, the Master, the Rev. H. Law James, of Surfleet, being in the chair, and was supported by Mr. F. F. Linley, vice-president of the Northern Branch, the Rev. J. F. Flowers, of Corringham, Hon. Sec. to the Guild, Mr. N. E. Snow, of Sleaford, and the Secretaries of the Branches. In dealing with the formal business it was satisfactory to note that the finances were in a good condition. The retiring officers were re-elected. Mr. Linley then gave an interesting explanation of the certificate of membership, which had, at no small amount of trouble, been prepared, and which was now ready for distribution amongst the members. Mr. Linley received a hearty vote of thanks for the long and arduous task which had been so cheerfully borne by him in perfecting a certificate of membership which should be a treasure to the members who loved the antiquity of Lincolnshire bells and bell lore. A hasty adjournment was made to the Cathedral, where, through the kindness of the Dean and Chapter, a special ringers' service was held in the morning chapel, at which the Dean of Lincoln gave a useful address. Then came the crowning success of the day's proceedings, which was a meeting in the ringers' chapel by the Northern Branch of the Guild. For years it has been the ambition of the members to have the use of the Chapel, but the lack of convenience had heretofore barred the way. This year, however, the members, through the kindness of the Dean, were able to gather together; and there the meeting was held, perhaps not with the dignity appertaining to the Cathedral, for the vice-president (Mr. F. F. Linley) stood on a raised portion of the floor, and around him in a semi-circle gathered the members, no chairs or seating accommodation being available. But what cared the ringer? The knowledge of being in the ringers' chapel and using it for a ringers' meeting was sufficient to carry enthusiasm into the matter. The report and balance-sheet for the past year was adopted. Several useful hints for the well-being of the branch were given in the report, which it would be well for the members to act upon, and thus increase the utility of the branch. The balance-sheet shewed that the branch was strong financially. The various officers were re-elected, and several new members, both honorary and efficient, were proposed. Gainsborough and Market Rasen were both named for the half-yearly meeting, but upon the show of hands Gainsborough was selected. Votes of thanks to the Dean and the various Incumbents for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Linley for conducting the meeting concluded the business. The Cathedral tower was open for ringing during the evening, and it is hoped all the members who were able to attend went home well satisfied that another useful and enjoyable annual meeting had come and gone, and that as long as the Guild existed they would each strive to maintain the success of these annual gatherings now so firmly established.

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#### THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council will be held in the Schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey (about 100 yards from the Minster), at York, on Whitsun-Tuesday, May 24th, 1904 at 11 a.m. punctually. There will be an adjournment at 1.0 p.m., the Council assembling again at 2.30, and sitting till 5.30 if necessary.

The Standing Committee will meet in the same room at 9.45 on the same morning.

I regret to announce that notwithstanding my earnest request of last week the subscriptions of two Associations remain unpaid. The accounts for the year are now closed.

There will be a social gathering in the evening at 9 o'clock at The Lowther Hotel, Queen Staith, York.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES, *Hon. Sec.*

Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, May 17th, 1904.

#### AGENDA.

- 1.—Minutes of the last meeting.
- 2.—Accounts.
- 3.—Vote of sympathy.
- 4.—Election of honorary members, if desired.
- 5.—Presentation of Reprint of Glossary.
- 6.—To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:—
  - (a) Peal Collection.
  - (b) Condition of Rings.
  - (c) Pamphlet of Rules and Decisions.
  - (d) Church Press and Popular Book.
  - (e) Overlapping areas (Standing Committee).
- 7.—To continue the discussion as to the qualification of single-handed peals on handbells to rank with other peals in the records.

*To discuss the following:—*

- 8.—That a Committee be appointed to classify methods, and report thereon to the Council.
- 9.—That forty points be allowed for seven Surprise Minor methods, and twenty-five points for seven Treble Bob Minor methods having broken leads.
- 10.—That the Central Council recognize as a unit of organization those societies of ringers which cover as a rule an area not larger than a county, overlapping being allowed on the boundaries of such areas by mutual arrangement. All larger organisations shall usually be considered as federations, and smaller ones as affiliated societies, in neither of which cases need the question of overlapping arise.
- 11.—The Council urges upon its individual members the importance of lending the weight of their influence in their several Associations to the adjustment of the geographical boundaries between their own and contiguous Associations, and any other question tending to promote smoothness of working.
- 12.—In view of the continuance of the practice of publishing peals under the title of more than one Association, it is desirable that the Council should further consider the matter.
- 13.—How many conductors is it desirable to have in a company of ringers.
- 14.—Place of meeting next year.
- 15.—Other business, if any.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1904.

At last the members of the Hertford County Association have been compelled to let their Honorary Secretary—Mr. E. P. DEBENHAM—retire from the post he has so worthily and satisfactorily filled for the long term of sixteen years. It is in the nature of things that changes of this sort must come. There has been more than one sad instance where an active official has been removed all too

suddenly by the hand of death, inflicting a terrible wrench upon all concerned. Our friend above-named retires from office in the prime of manhood and spirits, and all will wish him a long and prosperous life. The Association must however congratulate itself upon his successor—Mr. G. W. CARTMEL. In him the members have an extraordinary clever ringer, who has been for a long time an assistant to the late Secretary. Under Mr. CARTMEL's regime the work of the Association will be one of progress, and as he is also a courteous pleasant gentleman, similar to his predecessor, everything will work smoothly as heretofore.

It does not seem so long ago that four young ringers, living in the same neighbourhood, created a sensation by their double-handed performances. Their names were MITCHELL, DEBENHAM, CARTMEL and BUCKINGHAM. Double-handed ringing was not so frequent then as now, and the work these young men did in this direction at the period we speak of begat many flattering encomiums from such men as the late Mr. HALEY. The turn of time has separated this small band; they have found "fresh fields and pastures new;" but they are still with us, and their interest in the Art has not faded one whit. Perhaps they may be inclined some day to show to us that they have not forgotten their exploits of other days.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5036 CHANGES.

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ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. Treble.	CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 5.
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BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung on the first anniversary of the 14,112 of London Surprise.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Friday, May 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALFEGE, GREENWICH,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

HARRY HOSKINS .. .. Treble.	BENJAMIN J. BATTRAM .. 6.
WILLIAM BERRY .. .. 2.	I. GEORGE SHADE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM FOREMAN .. .. 3.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 8.
EDWARD N. PRICE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. 9.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 5.	*CHARLES BIRD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by I. GEO. SHADE.

\*First peal.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Sunday, May 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. Treble.	GEORGE R. FARDON .. .. 7.
HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 2.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 8.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON (P) .. 8.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 4.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 9.
ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 5.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

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### The Provinces.

#### BROMHAM, BEDS.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OWEN,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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ARTHUR E. MORTIMER .. Treble.	*GEORGE STAFFERTON .. 4.
WALTER MILLS* .. .. 2.	JOHN MAXEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES MORTIMER .. .. 3.	CHARLES WEST .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES WEST.

\*First peal.

#### WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; TAYLOR'S.

L. G. THURGOOD* .. .. Treble.	W. A. ALPS .. .. 5.
D. TARLING .. .. 2.	G. E. PEACE .. .. 6.
G. THURGOOD .. .. 3.	T. COLVERD .. .. 7.
G. H. ROWE .. .. 4.	*T. ADAMS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. E. PEACE.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Frank Carter, Secretary of the local company. \*First peal.

#### CIRENCESTER. GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

FRANCIS J. LEWIS .. .. Treble.	JAMES KITCHENER .. .. 5.
HARRY LEWIS .. .. 2.	H. CHARLES BOND .. .. 6.
ALBERT E. EDWARDS .. 3.	†SIDNEY M. LOXTON .. 7.
JOHN J. JEFFERIES* .. 4.	HENRY CLUTTERBUCK .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

\*First peal of Triples. †First peal of Triples, with a bob bell.

#### EXETER.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ST. SIDWELL'S BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, May 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SIDWELL,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

JOHN FORD .. .. Treble.	THOMAS MUDGE .. .. 6.
FRANK DAVEY† .. .. 2.	*EDMUND SARGENT .. .. 7.
EDWIN SHEPHERD .. .. 3.	FRANK MURPHY .. .. 8.
ALEXANDER EVANS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. 9.
WILLIAM MOGRIDGE .. 5.	JAMES MOSS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN REEVES, and Conducted by FRANK DAVEY.

\*First peal of Caters. †First peal of Caters as conductor. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 3rd, who has recently been elected churchwarden of the above church.

ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANK BENNETT .. .. Treble.	FRANK MEDHURST .. .. 5.
JAMES LIVERMORE, JUN.* .. 2.	FRANCIS A. KENNETT .. .. 6.
SYDNEY F. C. SAKER .. .. 3.	GEORGE WATSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE PENFOLD .. .. 4.	HARRY DENMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\*First peal of Stedman.

SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OR THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY COOMBS .. .. Treble.	RICHARD HARTLEY .. .. 5.
TOM BOND .. .. 2.	HARRY MILES .. .. 6.
EDWIN COOMBS* .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE BARTLETT .. .. 4.	ROBERT MILES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904 in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5152 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

HERBERT BAKER .. .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 2.	JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. BAKER .. .. 4.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAS. S. WILDE, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

TUNSTALL, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Kent, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

ARTHUR W. GORE .. .. Treble.	THOMAS JULL .. .. 4.
GEORGE GILBERT, JUN. .. 2.	CHARLES E. SMITH .. .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. .. 3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

This is the quickest peal on the bells.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

HERBERT LITTLE* .. .. Treble.	JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 2.	HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 6.
THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. 7.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 4.	†GEORGE JORDAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by GEORGE JORDAN.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal as conductor. This is G. Jordan's 50th peal. Reference elsewhere.

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

ALFRED WHIGHT .. .. Treble.	ERNEST J. RUNTER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM ROWLAND, JUN. .. 2.	ARTHUR EDWARDS .. .. 6.
HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. .. 7.
THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 4.	ARTHUR HEAD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

BROMHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OWEN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 23 cwt.

ARTHUR E. MORTIMER .. Treble.	FREDERICK W. BOOTH .. 4.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 2.	WILLIAM STAPLETON .. 5.
CHARLES CHASTY .. .. 3.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

WHITTLESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E flat.

ARTHUR W. KING* .. .. Treble.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5.
THOMAS MURRAY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM T. JOHNSON .. 6.
CHRISTOPHER HARPER* .. 3.	*ARTHUR J. HOLMES .. 7.
THOMAS G. NICHOLSON* .. 4.	†WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by W. J. GOSS.

First peal of Major on the bells. \*First peal of Major. †First peal of Major as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the wife of the conductor.

HEAVITREE, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS TOWNSEND .. .. Treble.	JOHN R. SANDOVER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM YOULDEN .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM BOUNDY .. .. 6.
WILLIAM BURROUGH .. 3.	ALEXANDER EVANS .. .. 7.
THOMAS LAVER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM LOWTON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN R. SANDOVER.

\*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt. 2 qrs. 9 lbs.

ARTHUR JOHNSON* .. .. Treble.	CHARLES SWAN .. .. 4.
THOMAS JERVIS* .. .. 2.	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY .. 5.
WILLIAM KNIGHTON† .. 3.	JAMES M. NICKERSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES M. NICKERSON.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Messrs. Johnson, Jervis, Knighton and Swan were elected members previous to starting.



## SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT's TEN-PART.

Tenor 28 cwt.

CHARLES SILLITOE .. .. Treble.	*HARRY GRIGGS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM HEARD* .. .. 2.	*JOHN KING .. .. 6.
GEORGE TATUM* .. .. 3.	†SIDNEY HOWELL .. .. 7.
STUART ADAMS .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM UNDERWOOD .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES SILLITOE.

\*First peal. First peal in the method. †First peal in the method on the bells. S. Adams was elected a member of the Association previous to starting. Rung as a farewell to S. Adams, who is sailing for New Zealand this week.

## CLAY CROSS, DERBYSHIRE.

## EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven 720s each called differently.

J. THOMPSON .. .. Treble.	T. CLOUGH .. .. 4.
E. BUTLER .. .. 2.	B. FLETCHER .. .. 5.
W. GOUDGE .. .. 3.	J. F. BUTLER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. F. BUTLER.

## OLNEY, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

THOMAS WRIGHT* .. .. Treble.	†WILLIAM ROBINSON .. .. 5.
FRANK BOSWELL .. .. 2.	SIDNEY SMITH .. .. 6.
JOHN LOVELL* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FREEMAN .. .. 7.
FREDERICK J. MYNARD .. 4.	†ROLAND PERKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM FREEMAN.

\*First peal on eight bells. †First peal. †First peal in the method.

## MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

A VARIATION OF CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

J. REED .. .. Treble.	G. W. STOKES .. .. 5.
SAM MASON .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
C. SUMMERS .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. ATKINS .. .. 4.	S. CORNELIUS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. MOORE.

## PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

THOMAS WRIGHT .. .. Treble.	GEORGE CONDICK .. .. 6.
ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. 2.	GARRIE MILES .. .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	FRANK COLE .. .. 8.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 4.	SYDNEY BAKER .. .. 9.
WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. 5.	ALBERT HANKS .. .. Tenor.

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## WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. Treble.	SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 5.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 2.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. .. 6.
GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
JOHN RICE .. .. 4.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## HUNTINGDON.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Merchant's Return, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. Treble.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 4.
LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 2.	HERBERT FIELDS .. .. 5.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 3.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal on the bells.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—The tenor-man's name in the peal at Edmon-ton on Saturday, May 7th, was Thomas Langdon.—The number of changes in the peal of Bob Major rung at North Elmham on April 28th was 5008 not 5068.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PENARTH.—On Sunday, January 3rd, at St. Augustine's church, 720 Plain Bob. S. Dawe, F. Bartlett, J. Jones, D. Thomas, T. Northey, G. Clutterbuck conductor. On Sunday, January 4th, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob. Sergt.-Major S. Dawe, F. Bartlett, J. Jones, D. Thomas conductor, W. Coombes, T. Northey. On Sunday, February 7th, 720 Plain Bob. Sergt.-Major S. Dawe, F. Bartlett, J. Jones, J. Clutterbuck, T. Northey, W. Coombes conductor. On Sunday, February 21st, 720 Plain Bob. Sergt.-Major S. Dawe, F. Bartlett, J. Jones, J. Carwell-Cooke, D. Thomas conductor, T. Northey. On Sunday, March 20th, for evening service, 720 Plain Bob. W. Voisey, F. Bartlett, J. Jones, D. Thomas conductor, Sergt.-Major S. Dawe, T. Northey.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD

LONDON.—On Easter Sunday, after morning service at St. James's church, Islington, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. H. May, G. Gains, C. Potheary, J. Barry, H. Franks, H. Stubbs conductor. On Friday, April 8th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor, in 22 mins. H. May, J. Barry, W. Weatherstone, C. Potheary, H. Franks, H. Stubbs conductor.

SOUTHGATE.—On Sunday, March 27th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. A. R. Glasscock, J. E. Miller, W. Pickworth, J. Armstrong, H. Miller, M. Fensom, S. Wade, conductor, A. Dodson. On Sunday, April 10th, for morning service, 1280 Bob Major, in 51 mins. G. Bester, W. Pickworth, A. R. Glasscock, S. Wade, H. Miller, M. Fensom, J. Miller, J. Armstrong conductor.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SLINFOLD.—On Sunday, March 20th, at intervals during the afternoon and evening, 720 Plain Bob, 480 and 720 Oxford Bob, 360 Court Bob, 240 Grandsire Doubles. G. Woodman, W. Short, A. Feist, G. F. Williams, W. J. Rice, J. Pullen, G. Jenkins, W. Rapley.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON.—On Sunday, May 15th, at St. Olave's church, Hart Street, for evening service, 720 and 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. E. Jones, W. Truss, S. Bird, E. Hall, H. Torble, S. Hayes conductor.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

RAYNE.—On Easter Sunday, for early morning service, a quarter-



peal of Grandsire Doubles. H. Richardson, A. Shufflebotham, E. Richardson conductor, H. Redgwell, F. Newman. On March 28th, for practice, 720 Grandsire Doubles. A. Shufflebotham, H. Richardson, E. Richardson conductor, H. Redgwell, F. Newman. For service in the evening, ten 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, each called different. J. Richardson, H. Richardson, E. Richardson, H. Redgwell, A. Shufflebotham conductor. On Sunday, April 10th, 720 Grandsire Doubles. B. Redgwell, H. Richardson, E. Richardson, W. Redgwell, A. Shufflebotham.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

DUNSFOLD.—On March 24th, 360 Bob Minor. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, M. Pullen, W. T. Cox, J. W. Harrison conductor, A. Smithers. On March 31st, 180 Bob Minor. P. Stenning, M. Pullen, E. Smithers, W. T. Cox, J. W. Harrison conductor, A. Smithers. Another 108 in the same method. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, M. Pullen, W. T. Cox conductor, T. Squelch, A. Smithers. On April 7th, 180 Bob Minor. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, M. Pullen, J. W. Harrison conductor, W. T. Cox, A. Smithers.

ROMSEY.—On Sunday, April 13th, for Divine Service, 280 Grandsire Triples. E. King, F. Paskins, J. Chalk, R. White, J. Walker, F. Russen, W. G. Fowler conductor, F. Hands. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. E. King, R. White, J. Chalk, F. Paskins, J. Elcombe, F. Russen, W. G. Fowler conductor, J. Walker.

BASINGSTOKE.—On Sunday, April 3rd, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. H. White, Dora White, J. Ward, J. Kent, A. Burgess, F. Redgate composer and conductor, J. Ballard, G. Martin.

PORTSEA.—On March 8th, 515 Stedman Triples. W. Lebbon conductor, J. Harris, C. Groves, A. Collins, J. Symons, F. Burnett, J. Harding, S. Thomas. On March 13th, 480 Stedman. J. Harper, J. Harris, C. Groves, J. Symons, J. Matthews, W. Lebbon conductor, J. Harding, S. Thomas. And 515 Stedman Triples. J. Harper, J. Harris, C. Groves, A. Collins, J. Symons, W. Lebbon conductor, J. Harding, J. Matthews. On March 21st, for Confirmation service, 504 Grandsire. J. Harper, J. Symons, C. Groves, A. Collins, J. Matthews, J. Harding, J. Harris, S. Thomas.

#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUNNING.—On Easter Sunday, for morning service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. H. Hammans, A. W. Reeves, A. W. Pike, J. Wadhams, W. Hands, T. Russell, A. E. Reeves conductor, G. E. Brown.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ROYSTON.—On March 13th, for evening service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles, each called differently. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, jun., A. Wilkerson conductor, R. King, E. H. Bedwell. On March 16th, 120 Grandsire Doubles. A. Lawrence conductor, E. Bonnett, A. King, jun., A. Wilkerson, R. King, A. King, sen. On March 23rd, 720 Bob Minor, for practice. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, jun., A. Lawrence, R. King, A. Wilkerson conductor. On March 27th, for evening service, 360 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, jun., R. Wilkerson, R. King, A. Wilkerson conductor.

BURTON LATIMER.—On Sunday, January 31st, at the parish church a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Minor, in 45 mins. F. Sturman, J. Pettit, M. Norton, G. Lines, A. Smeathers, W. B. Meadows conductor. On Monday, February 8th, for practice, 720 Kent Treble Bob. F. Sturman, J. Pettit, M. Norton, C. Rowley, G. Lines, W. B. Meadows.

EAST GRINSTEAD.—On Thursday, March 25th, for practice at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 51 mins. J. Lock, C. Baker, H. Pearlless, T. Tullett, F. W. Rice, J. Wren, A. Huggett conductor, T. Day.

FOLKESTONE.—On Easter Sunday, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. G. Millen, H. Wood, S. Barker, H. Croucher, C. E. W. Hope, A. Kedwell, W. Seeley conductor, J. Coppin. On Sunday, April 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 47 mins. W. Seeley, F. Jordan, S. Barker, H. Croucher, C. E. W. Hope, A. Kedwell, S. Binfield conductor, J. Coppin.

HASTINGS.—On Wednesday, April 6th, for practice, 112 Grandsire Triples. H. Watford, J. Newman, F. Lock, J. Livermore, jun., C. Saker, J. Livermore, sen., W. Franks conductor, S. Saker. 210 Oxford Bob Triples. H. Watford, J. Newman, J. Livermore, jun., S. Saker, F. Lock, W. Franks, C. Saker conductor, W. Swain. Two courses of Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Livermore, jun., J. Livermore,

sen., S. Saker conductor, F. Lock, C. Saker, W. Franks. 168 Stedman Triples. W. Stevenson, J. Livermore, sen., J. Livermore, jun., S. Saker, F. Lock, C. Saker, W. Franks conductor, W. Swain. And 336 Bob Major. J. Livermore, sen., J. Livermore, jun., R. C. Ford, L. Stapley, S. Saker, F. Lock, C. Saker, W. Franks conductor.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD.—On Monday, April 4th, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins. W. Holliday, J. Nixon, E. Bonfield, W. Webb, J. Nicholls, G. Bonueld conductor, N. Alderman, R. Bevan.

OLDHAM.—On Saturday, April 9th, on the occasion of a Confirmation being held at St. Mary's church by the Bishop of Manchester, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 55 mins. D. Whitworth, S. Elson, J. Davies, J. Priestley, E. B. Shaw, S. Stott conductor, S. Butterworth, A. Waites, M. Newton, J. Schofield.

WOODSTOCK (South Africa).—On Sunday, March 6th, 360 Bob Minor. S. A. Davies, H. G. Cock, H. Murray, F. C. Oakes, J. Priest, F. P. Powell conductor. On Tuesday, March 15th, for practice, 360 Bob Minor. J. Priest, S. Davies, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, H. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. First touch away from the treble by S. A. Davies. And 720 Bob Minor. S. A. Davies, J. Priest, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, H. G. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. On Tuesday, March 22nd, with bells half-muffled in memory of H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge, 720 Bob Minor. S. A. Davies, J. Priest, L. Green, F. Oakes, H. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor.

#### FINCHLEY, MIDDLESEX.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, January 11st, the Rector (Rev. St. Hill Bourne), invited the ringers to dine with him at the Church Schools. At 8 p.m. the party numbering eleven (the Rector being in the chair, and Mr. Churchwarden Cole in the vice-chair), sat down to a splendid repast, consisting of roast beef, vegetables, Christmas pudding, mince pies, sweets, etc., Fremlin's good old Kent beer, lemonade, etc. After dinner, dessert having been placed on the table, and tobacco, a box of cigars (the gift of Mr. Cole), several excellent songs were sung by Miss Crisp, Miss G. Howard, and Mr. E. H. Tubb; then tunes on the handbells by Messrs. Tubb, Cornell and Webb, followed by more singing, Miss Ross kindly presiding at the piano.

Mr. Cole then proposed the health of the Rector, who in reply said he was pleased to meet them there, it being the first time the ringers had been so entertained, and hoped that it would not be the last, as he thought they ought to be looked after quite as much as the rest of the church-workers. He thanked them for their services during the past year, and hoped they would try to improve and to bring on the young hands so as to take the place of the older members in the future. He then thanked Mrs. Howard who had so kindly undertaken to superintend the dinner; also the ladies who had waited on them and entertained them with singing and music. Then followed a little talk on church matters connected with the bells and belfry, etc., and after a speech by Mr. W. H. Tubb, the company separated at 11 o'clock, having spent a happy evening.

#### NOTE TO PEAL.

Mr. G. JORDAN'S 50 PEALS.—Seven Treble Bob Minor Methods, 12; Seven Surprise Minor Methods 12; Grandsire Triples 1; Stedman Triples 4; Bob Major 3; Kent Treble Bob Major 4; Oxford Treble Bob Major 3; Double Norwich Court Bob Major 2; Superlative Surprise Major 5, conducted 1; Cambridge Surprise Major 2; New Cambridge Surprise Major 2. Total 50, conducted 1.

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**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Leigh to-day, Saturday, May 21st.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. (pro tem.)*  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Kent County Association.**—Notice.—The Annual General Meeting will be held at Woolwich on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Committee meeting at St. Mary's, 11 a.m. Service at 12. Dinner in St. Mary's Schools, 1 p.m.; for dinner tickets apply to the Secretary. Towers open for ringing: St. Mary's, Woolwich (8), Lewisham (8), St. Margaret's, Lee (8), Erith (8), Greenwich (10), Eltham (6). Some members of Greenwich band are prepared to meet early for practice of Surprise methods. Members wishing to join them are requested to write to Mr. H. Hoskins, 44, Brend Street, Greenwich.  
F. J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*

Canterbury.

**The Essex Association.**—The annual meeting will be held on Whit-Monday at Chelmsford. Service at St. Mary's at 11.30, with address by the Rev. W. S. Willett, Rector of Gilston. Business meeting at 12.15. Dinner at 1.30.  
HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*  
Gt. Totham.

**The Herts Association.**—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Hatfield parish church on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m.  
D. ELLINGHAM, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at Darlington, where two peals of eight and one of six will be at the disposal of members. Dinner at The King's Head, Market Place, at 2 o'clock, 1s 6d. to members. Notification of attendance to reach the secretary by the 18th inst. Committee meeting at 1.0.  
C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

62, Jesmond Rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Middlesbrough on Whit-Monday, the rings available being those of the parish church, Middlesbrough (ring of 6, tenor 12 cwt.); the parish church, Thornaby, from 10 a.m. (ring of 8, tenor 11 cwt.); the parish church, Stockton, after morning service (ring of 10, tenor 27½ cwt.) The Stockton and Thornaby towers will be closed from 12 to 3 o'clock. A special service will be held, by kind permission of the Rev. J. K. Bealey, Vicar, in St. Hilda's parish church, Middlesbrough, at 12.45 p.m., which members are earnestly requested to attend. Dinner will be provided, 1s. to members, 2s. 6d. to non-members, at The Grand Hotel at 1.30 p.m. The Committee will meet in St. Hilda's Vestry at 11.45 a.m.  
G. J. CLARKSON, *Pres.*  
6, Finkle Street, Stockton-on-Tees.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—A district meeting of the above will take place at Barrington on Whit-Monday. Tea at 4 o'clock. All ringers welcome.

J. R. WHARTON-DUFF, *Dis. Sec.*

**The Central Northamptonshire Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Northampton on Whit-Monday. Usual ringing arrangements. Dinner at The Peacock Hotel at 2 o'clock. Service at St. Sepulchre's Church at 1 p.m.  
T. R. HENSHER,  
Midland Rd., Wellingboro', *Hon. Sec.*

**The Irish Association.**—The annual meeting of the above Association takes place at Arklow on Whit-Monday. Should any brother string feel inclined to pay us a visit, he will receive a hearty welcome. A cheap train leaves Harcourt St. station, Dublin, at 10 a.m.  
G. LINDOFF, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Archdeaconry of Salop Guild.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wellington on Saturday, May 28th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m.  
J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—The annual meeting of the Frome Deanery will be held at Frome on Saturday afternoon, May 28th. Tea will be provided. Bells available all the afternoon.  
A. M. G. DANIEL, *Hon. Sec.*

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, May 28th. Bells will be available at 4. Service in church at 4.30 p.m.  
W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association of Six Bell Ringers.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. James, Leyland, on Saturday, May 28th.  
JAMES HIGSON, *Sec.*  
60, Church St., Blackrod, Lanc.

**The Kent County Association.**—Ashford District.—A district meeting (without allowances) will be held at Willesborough on Saturday, May 28th, at 4 o'clock.  
C. WILFRID BLAXLAND,  
Dis. *Hon. Sec.*  
Hythe.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, May 28th, at St. Michael's, Headingley. Bells (8) open at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Oak inn at 8 o'clock.  
F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on Thursdays, June 2nd, 16th and 30th, at 7.30 p.m., and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, June 8th, at 8 p.m. Business meeting after St. Michael's at headquarters.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southgate, on Saturday, the 4th June, by kind permission of the Rev. J. Beardall. Owing to the exigencies of local cricket, the bells will not be available until 6.30 p.m. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The Hon. Sec. would be glad to receive any outstanding subscriptions.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at New Romney on Saturday, June 4th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Tea a 5.30, to be followed by the usual business meeting. All members requiring tea kindly let me know on or before Wednesday, June 1st. All ringers heartily welcomed.  
C. TRIBE, *Hon. Sec.*  
British School Villas, Tenterden.

**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Yeovil on Saturday, June 11th. The bells of St. John's (10) will be available all day. Dinner (1s. each to members) will be provided at The Mermaid hotel at 1.45 p.m., business immediately following. Service, with address by the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, at St. John's Church at 4.0.

Members intending to be present at the dinner should inform me by Tuesday, June 7th.  
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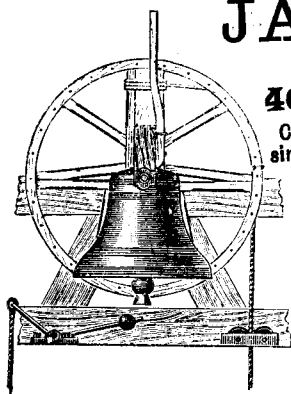
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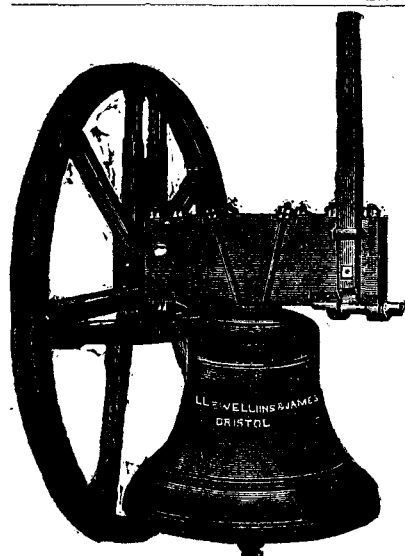
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R. Unless corrections are promptly pointed out, the value of the Report, when subsequently published in pamphlet form, will be seriously impaired.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

RIPON (Yorks). The Minster. Ten bells. No return.  
RIPONDEN (Yorks). St. Bartholomew. Eight bells. No return.

ROBIN HOOD'S BAY (Yorks). Eight bells. No return.

ROCHDALE (Lancashire). St. Alban. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1870. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears, 1896. Ropes new 1889, fair. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 9.50 to 10.20, and 5.50 to 6.20. Practice: Thursday, 8.

St. Chad. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Rudhall; date not given. Tenor 17 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears, 1891. Ropes new. Methods: Grandsire and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 8.

ROCHESTER (Kent). St. Margaret. Kent County Association. Eight bells. The two trebles by Taylor, 1896, 3rd and 5th by Mears, 1790, 4th and tenor by Warner, 1884, 6th and 7th by Hatch, 1621. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well; overhauled by Taylor, 1896. Ropes new 1896, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.45, September 1st to May 31st.

ROLVENDEN (Kent). Kent County Association. Eight bells. All by Mears; date not given. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs done locally. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 and 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.

ROMFORD (Essex). Eight bells. No return.

Messrs. Llewellyns and James write that their attention has been called to "THE BELL NEWS" of April 23rd, in which, in regard to the Ramsbottom bells, it is stated

that "recasting has been recommended as the tone is bad, but there are no funds." Messrs. Llewellyns and James state as follows: "These bells were installed by us in 1881 under the supervision of Messrs. Jasper and William Snowdon, whose reputation as first-class judges of bells and bell-hanging needs no statement by us. Their opinion of the bells, together with that of the Vicar, you will see plainly set forth respectively on pages 15 and 16 of our Bell Catalogue which we send you under another cover.

"We think that in common justice to ourselves, an insertion should be made correcting this statement which has appeared in "THE BELL NEWS," and we have not the slightest doubt that you will be good enough to see that this is done."

## RAINFORD, LANCASHIRE.

On Saturday, May 14th, the ringers of All Saints' Parish Church, Wigan, and a few friends visited Rainford Parish Church for the purpose of opening the new peal of bells, of which there are eight, the tenor weighing 13½ cwt., and the bells being cast and hung by Taylor and Co., Loughborough. The ringers were met by the Vicar, wardens, and other officials of the church, and conducted to the tower, which is a recent addition to the church. After going through the usual preliminaries in examining the bells, etc., which are hung on an iron structure, the ringers placed themselves in position. Having raised the bells they then rang the Queens, Tittums, and the "Royal Salute" in commemoration of the bells being opened for the first time for change-ringing. Afterwards two touches of Grandsire Triples.

The ringers then descended the tower and proceeded to The Golden Lion, where a tea was provided for them by the officials of the church. After the meal, which was served to about 24 persons, Mr. Halliwell, the foreman, moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens, and the other officials of the church, for the kind and generous way in which they had been treated that day. He gave some good advice as to some further improvements which he thought were necessary in the tower. He also addressed words of encouragement to those who intended to become ringers, and advised them to be most studious and persevering in their efforts to accomplish the task which would be placed before them.

Mr. Smith, the churchwarden, responded in suitable terms on behalf of himself and the other officials, and said he was very pleased that the Wigan ringers had come there to give an exposition in the art of change-ringing. He also expressed a hope that before long they would have a set of change-ringers of their own, and that they would take the advice which had been given to them by Mr. Halliwell.

The proceedings then terminated. The ringers afterwards rung several touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, during the evening.

**HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.**—Splendid Quality.—Purest Silk.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MARRAWS, Change Ringer, Macclesfield.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the above Association was held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, beginning as usual with Divine Service at St. Mary's church at 11.30. The clergy present the Rev. H. A. Lake (Rector of Chelmsford), and two of his staff, the Revs. L. Butler and E. Penfold; the Rev. T. L. Papillon, Master of the Association; Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Hon. Secretary; and the Rev. W. S. Willett, Rector of Gilston, near Harlow, who delivered a short practical address, speaking as a ringer to ringers, from Psalm cl. v. Mr. Willett was one of the band which on October 2nd, 1884, at Drayton, Berkshire, rang the only peal yet rung by clergymen—a peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, in which the Revs. G. F. Coleridge and C. D. P. Davies also took part. The business meeting was held at 12.15 in the Vestry Hall, the Master presiding: amongst those present being Messrs. Nathan Pitstow, B. Keeble, H. J. Tucker, S. Hayes, and the veteran H. Bowell, of Ipswich. After the officers for the past year had been re-appointed, and some new members elected, the Master read the annual report, disclosing a very satisfactory balance-sheet, in which a deficit of £115s. had been converted into a surplus of £111s. 7d. This it was explained, was the result of saving upon the cost of peal entries and certain other expenses; but the Association were warned not to expect so large a surplus in future years. A warm tribute was paid to the energy and efficiency of the District officers, who had proved themselves fully equal to the measure of "Home Rule" with which they had been entrusted under the new organisation.

Turning to details, the report stated that the number of towers in union with the Association was 61, and the total number of members 626. Fifty-seven peals were rung in 1903, viz., Grandsire Caters, 2; London Surprise Major, 3; Superlative Surprise, 6; Cambridge Surprise, 6; Double Norwich, 6; Treble Bob Major, 7; Bob Major, 6; Stedman Triples, 5; Oxford Bob Triples, 2; Grandsire Triples, 9; Treble Bob Minor, 3; Surprise Minor, 1; Minor in five methods, 1. Twenty-six different individuals had acted as conductors in Association peals: W. Pye, 11; W. H. Judd and W. Watts, 6; W. Lincoln and G. R. Pye, 4; W. Rowland, jun., 3; D. Elliott, W. Keeble and F. Pitstow, 2; and seventeen others for one peal each. In belfry improvement the increase of two rings to eight at Bocking and Halstead was noted; and sympathetic reference was made to the death of the late Mr. S. Hammond, of Braintree, well-known as a six-bell ringer and instructor in the earlier days of the Association.

A question having been raised as to the payment of expenses to District Officers for attendance at meetings, it was resolved that for the present they should be allowed to claim expenses not exceeding the amount of railway fare; and a committee consisting of one member from each of the four divisions of the county, with the Master, Hon. Secretary and Auditors, was appointed to consider the whole question of expenses at meetings, and report to the next annual meeting. A resolution to the effect that all fresh compositions rung as Association peals be printed in the report was carried *nem. con.* About eighty-five members afterwards dined at the Victoria Boys' School, the Master in the chair, and then dispersed, some to the various towers within reach that had been placed at the disposal of the Association, and some remaining for practice on the ten bells at St. Mary's.

The day, fortunately, was fine; and those who cycled,

as many did from considerable distances, were subject to no hindrances of muddy roads or strong winds. Now that the railway companies have unaccountably withdrawn from ringers the privilege of cheap fares on these occasions—a privilege granted to almost every other kind of gathering—the condition of the weather and of the roads is a matter of some importance for such meetings as these.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting was held at Brighton on Saturday, May 7th. The proceedings commenced with a luncheon at the Royal Pavilion, when the Dean of Chichester (the Very Rev. J. J. Hannah) occupied the chair. Among those present at the luncheon and subsequent meeting were the Master, Mr. G. F. Attree, Mr. R. A. Daniell, Master of the Royal Cumberlands, Rev. Canon Hoskins, Revs. J. Puttick and C. A. Sturges, S. Saker and G. Williams, and A. B. Bennett, Hon. Sec.

The toast of "The Church and King" was submitted by the Master, and the Chairman replied.

Letters of regret at inability to attend were received from the Archdeacons of Lewes and Chichester, Canon Masters, Revs. D. Lee Elliott, and A. Pridgeon.

The Bishop of Chichester was re-elected President, and the vice-Presidents being also re-elected with the addition of the Archdeacon of Chichester. The Chairman proposed the re-election of Mr. Attree as Master. The motion was unanimously carried, and in reply Mr. Attree referred to the work of the Association. Last year 94 peals were rung, which was the highest number, with one exception, rung in one year; in 1889 ninety peals were rung. The methods had improved, and this he attributed to the quarterly peals. The balance sheet was very satisfactory, and shewed a good balance in hand. He congratulated the members on the flourishing condition of the Association.

The Rev. J. Puttick proposed the re-election of Messrs. Bennett and Tompkins as Secretary and Treasurer. The Rev. Canon Hoskyns, in seconding, spoke of the inferior bells which were hung in some modern churches, and wondered if the Association could take some action to show people that it was infinitely better to hang one really good bell than two or three indifferent ones.

Messrs. Fuller and Watson were elected as auditors, Canon Hoskyns an honorary member, and Mr. Ramsey, of Harwich, a life member. Mr. Tompkins informed the members that Mr. Henry Burstow, of Horsham, who is well-known to ringers, was in ill health and needed help. He suggested that a subscription list should be started to assist Mr. Burstow. A collection had been made at a recent district meeting at Slinfold.

Mr. Attree proposed the list should be started with a subscription from the funds of the Association for £2 2s., which was unanimously agreed to.

The Chairman then presented the challenge bell to the Heene belfry, who had won it for the year. He said he hoped it would soon find its way to Chichester.

Mr. Evans responded, and said that as it would be at Heene it would be on its way to Chichester.

The service was held at St. Paul's at 4.30 p.m., when the ringers' service was used. The preacher, the Dean of Chichester, took his text from Psalm lxxxiii. 3. The belfries of St. Peter and St. Nicholas were opened for ringing till 9 p.m.

## LONG PEAL ANNIVERSARY.

Saturday last, May 21st, being the sixteenth anniversary of the long peal of Stedman Caters, rung at Cheltenham on Whit-Monday, 1888, it was decided to commemorate the event. It being found impossible to attempt a peal for various reasons, a good touch was rung, and afterwards about twenty invited guests, members of the Cheltenham and District Guild, sat down to an excellent supper at the house of Mr. W. T. Pates, the conductor of the above-mentioned peal. Various toasts were given and suitably acknowledged, amongst them being, of course, the health of the long peal men and the conductor. It is satisfactory to know, in connection with this, that all the band are still alive and well.

Handbell ringing occupied a great part of the evening's entertainment, and besides tune-playing a course of Stedman Caters in hand was excellently rung by Messrs. Brinkworth, Pearce, Townshend, Dyer, and Hemming, all of Charlton Kings.

This was followed by a good course of Stedman Cinques in hand by the same party, with the addition of W. T. Pates ringing 9-10.

The evening's proceedings closed with a course of Grandsire Triples, four bells in hand, by F. Townshend and W. Dyer; and also a course of Stedman Triples, four in hand, by W. T. Pates and W. Dyer.

A most enjoyable evening was spent, and it was hoped by all present that an equally successful gathering may be held on the same occasion next year.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## A GOOD RECORD.

SIR,—Will you kindly permit me through the medium of "THE BELL NEWS" to place before the ringing community what we believe to be a good record as far as ringing for Divine Service is concerned. It is our rule to ring (not chime) for two services on Sunday, and last year we rang the full ring of eight bells for ninety-two Sunday services. We rather think this constitutes a record. Will the readers of this paper kindly say if they know of anything better in connection with ringing for service. Nearly every time our belfry is opened we do some change-ringing, either Stedman or Grandsire.

Leicester Road, Whitwick, Leicestershire. STORER W. WEST,

**LATE NOTICE.**—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A district meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, June 4th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Tea 6d. per head at 6 o'clock. I shall be glad to receive notice from those who intend to come.

Chalk Hill House, Watford.

H. EDEN, Dist. Sec.

**ROMSEY.**—On Sunday, April 13th, for Divine Service, 280 Grandsire Triples. E. King, F. Paskins, J. Chalk, R. White, J. Walker, F. Russen, W. G. Fowler conductor, F. Hands. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. E. King, R. White, J. Chalk, F. Paskins, J. Elcombe, F. Russen, W. G. Fowler conductor, J. Walker.

## BLACKPOOL.

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## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

On Easter Monday, seven members of the Norwich Diocesan Association journeyed to Wymondham to meet Mr. Poll, of London, and formerly a tradesman of this town, to attempt a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major on the parish church bells. Ringing started at 9.40 a.m., and all went well for fifteen minutes. Starting again, 1084 changes were rung in fifty-five minutes, when two bells changed places. Time did not allow another start before dinner, so the ringers adjourned to The Green Dragon, where dinner was served at 1.30. By this time Messrs. Duffield, Fuller and Herd joined us from Pasburgh, fifteen in all sitting down to a sumptuous repast provided by Host Smith. After dinner Mr. Maynard acted as chairman, in the absence of Mr. Pomeroy, the Churchwarden, and Dr. Low took the vice-chair.

The Chairman, after a few introductory remarks, gave "The health of the King and Royal Family." Then followed "The Norwich Diocesan Association of Change-ringers," coupling with it the name of Mr. Houchen, who briefly responded.

Mr. Fuller, after a few well-chosen words, gave "The health of Mr. Poll," who responded, and said he always had a great desire whenever Wymondham bells were restored to ring a peal on them. Hence his appearance that day.

Hoping we should be successful, we again wended our way to the church, and after ringing touches of Grandsire and Bob Major with friends, a start was made for the peal. The bells went well until 2560 changes had been rung in 1 hr. 40 mins., when stand had to be called, thus ending the ringing for the day. This account would be incomplete without thanking the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells, also Mr. Leader for getting them ready, and last, but not least, Mr. Poll for his kind forethought in providing the dinner for all present. The ringers stood in the following order:—A. G. Warnes conductor, J. Wilson, G. Houchen, sen., G. Houchen, jun., E. Frances, E. S. Poll, S. Smith, F. J. Houchen. W.

## GOLDEN WEDDING.

1854—1904.

"GREENWOOD—STAMMERS. On 14th May, 1854, at St. Mark's, Kennington, Samuel Greenwood to Sarah Stammers."

On Saturday, 14th May, the Streatham veteran, Mr. Samuel Greenwood, celebrated his golden wedding, and together with his excellent and amiable spouse, was the recipient of many congratulations on the auspicious occasion. Not least among these was the tribute paid him by his brother strings of St. Leonard's, Streatham, who had arranged to celebrate the event in the manner peculiar to their kind by ringing a peal. The methods selected were Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, and Grandsire. A start was made soon after 6.0, but the fates were not propitious, and the band had perforce to remain content with the accomplishment of a 720 of Kent Treble Bob and another of Double Court Bob, the order of ringing being H. Pates, S. Greenwood, J. Waldock, J. C. Mitchell, L. Attwater, R. B. Blanchard conductor. After ringing, the band proceeded to the residence of the couple to personally offer their congratulations to Mrs. Greenwood, whom it was found had very kindly and thoughtfully provided some light refreshment. While partaking of this the health of the happy pair was drunk, to the accompaniment of "He's a jolly good fellow."

The respect and esteem in which Mr. Greenwood is held in the locality has been testified to previously, particularly when five years ago he completed his jubilee as a ringer at St. Leonard's. On this occasion he was presented with an address and a purse of money by the Rector, churchwardens, and parishioners; and more recently still, when on his 74th birthday, his brother-ringers presented him with a silver-mounted malacca cane.

Mr. Greenwood was born at Charlton Kings, Gloucestershire, in January, 1830, and was consequently more than seven years of age when her late majesty Queen Victoria, of happy memory, ascended the throne. At Charlton he learned to ring, but coming to London at about the age of twenty, he settled in Streatham, his vocation being that of gardener. Later he

acquired the lease of the property in the Sunnyhill road, where he has for many years carried on the business of a florist and gardener.

Mr. Greenwood has rung a large number of peals, of which unfortunately he has kept no record. He believes, however, that they number well over fifty, and include Stedman and Grandsire Caters, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major, Plain Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, etc., in some of which he has acted as conductor, in which capacity he shows no mean ability. His first peal was rung on the 14th December, 1867, at Carshalton—Holt's ten-part—in which he rung the 7th, the late George Stockham being conductor.

Mr. Greenwood is a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, Waterloo Society, Surrey Association, etc.

### Obituary.

#### SAMUEL FRANCIS BURLEIGH.

It is with deep regret we record the death of the above ringer which took place with painful suddenness on Saturday, May 7th, at East Dereham, Norfolk, at the age of 68. Deceased at the time of his death was engaged attempting a peal of Bob Major, when after ringing 3 hrs. he suddenly without any warning fell, and although medical assistance was quickly in attendance, life was pronounced extinct. The deceased, who for over fifty years had been a regular ringer and chorister at the church, was highly respected. The bells were rung half-muffled for the services on the following day, and as a mark of respect the Dead March was played before the morning service. The mortal remains were laid to rest in Dereham cemetery on Wednesday afternoon, May 11th. Every mark of respect and esteem was shown by his fellow townsmen. The deceased was a prominent member of the Feeling Heart Lodge of Oddfellows, Past Grand of his Lodge, P.P.G.M. of the district, and Sick Visiting Officer at the time of his death. A large number of the members of the Lodge joined the funeral procession to the church, where the first portion of the funeral service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. Canon Arnold), assisted by the Rev. G. H. Holley. The mournful cortege then proceeded to the cemetery, the clergy and choir meeting the procession at the gates, and led the way to the grave singing the hymn "Christ will gather in His own." The Vicar read the concluding part of the Burial Service, after which the choir sang "On the Resurrection morning." The Oddfellows funeral service was read by the Rev. G. H. Holley, a brother Oddfellow. There were many floral tributes of respect from the clergy, choristers, ringers, Oddfellows, and many others. The chief mourners were Mrs. Burleigh (widow), H. Burleigh (Yarmouth), J. Burleigh and F. G. Burleigh (Loughborough, sons). Deceased was borne to the grave by his fellow-ringers. At the grave was seen a large gathering of his fellow-townsmen and ringers, including G. Howchin (St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich), D. Tye (Gressenhall), A. Brown, and others. Deceased who was a good ringer and striker, was mostly found at the heavy end, and at no time was he happier than when occupied ringing his beloved bells. His principal peal records were Grandsire Triples, 1853; Stedman Triples, 1867; Treble Bob, 1871; besides five others rung with the Norwich Diocesan Association since its formation. In the evening a muffled peal was rung, and the usual whole pull and stand, deceased's age being tolled on the tenor. During the day the flag floated half-mast from the tower. Always of a cheerful disposition and ready to help forward any young ringer, he won the respect and esteem of all those with whom he came into contact. At his post, and in full enjoyment of the art which to him was so fascinating, he received the call to conclude the peal of life. May his soul rest in peace.

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### Date Touches.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LEISTON.—On Monday, May 23rd, a date touch of 1904 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. W. Fleming, C. Thompson, J. W. Aviss, G. F. Thompson, G. Berry, H. Thompson, W. Drew, F. W. Watling. Composed by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and conducted by Wm. Drew.

### Miscellaneous.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HETHERSETT.—On Monday, May 16th, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after ringing 4200 changes, in 2 hrs. 20 mins. E. Poppy, C. Brice, E. Borrett, J. Souter, F. Howchin, F. Smith, F. Borrett, O. Brock.

REDENHALL.—On Saturday, May 21st, an attempt for a peal of Double Norwich came to grief after ringing 3800 changes, in 2 hrs. 30f mins., owing to a rope breaking. O. Brock, E. Evans, W. Barrett, E. Borrett, G. Symonds, J. Betts, F. Borrett, E. Poppy.

#### THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

BOLSOVER.—On Sunday, May 22nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Treble Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 48 mins. T. Bettison, S. Coupe, F. R. Kettleboro, W. Lambert, F. Wagstaff, G. W. Bemrose, J. Goodwin, J. Flint conductor. Longest length in the method by a local band.

#### BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRIDGWATER.—Recently, on handbells, 720 Bob Minor. A. J. Sweet, F. S. A. George, E. C. Sweet, G. W. Challice, R. G. Fursland, W. J. Bowden. Also a 6-score of Stedman Doubles. F. S. A. George, A. J. Sweet, E. C. Sweet, G. W. Challice, W. J. Bowden.

#### THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

SEELY OAK.—On Sunday, April 10th, for Divine Service in the evening, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. A. Chambers, A. E. Pegler, W. Mumford, H. Withers, W. Short conductor, J. Dowler, S. Grove, J. Eaton. First quarter-peal of Stedman Triples by the ringers of the treble, 3rd, 7th and tenor.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

LONDON.—On Friday, March 11th, at St. James's church, Islington, 720 Bob Minor. H. May, G. Gains, J. Barry, C. Pothecar, H. Franks, H. Stubbs conductor. On Friday, March 18th, 720 Grandsire Minor. H. May, J. Barry conductor, H. Franks, H. Flanders, C. Pothecar, H. Stubbs. On Tuesday, March 22nd, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Bob Minor. H. May, C. Pothecar, W. Bennett, J. Barry, H. Franks, H. Stubbs conductor. On Easter Sunday morning, 720 Bob Minor. H. May, G. Gains, C. Pothecar, J. Barry, H. Franks, H. Stubbs conductor.

#### THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Tuesday, April 12th, for practice at All Saints church, 488 Superlative. J. Hensman, G. A. Hensman, H. Rainbow, W. J. Allen, S. Lawrence, A. Hensman, A. Stewart, W. Farey conductor. First in the method by all.

EYNSFORD (Kent).—On Friday, March 25th, for practice, 504 Grandsire Triples. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, T. Groombridge conductor, R. Baldwin, R. Brett, A. Bates. On Friday, April 15th, 504 in the same method, A. Bailey ringing the 3rd.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—On Sunday, April 17th, at the parish church, 486 Grandsire Caters. F. Pestell, R. Christian, H. Wright, D. Hayward conductor, E. Todd, J. Godfrey, G. Orford, R. Tooley, J. Matthews, J. Harwood.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Sunday evening, April 10th, at St. Mary's church, a touch of Grandsire Caters, 1277 changes, in 62 mins. H. T. Scarlett, W. B. Manning, F. C. Maynard, H. J. Maynard, J. H. Wilkins, F. Hull, R. W. T. Maynard composer and conductor, H. W. Brown, F. A. Nunn, F. E. G. French. The above was arranged for H. W. Brown, who hails from Twerton-on-Avon, Bath.

WHITWICK.—On Sunday, March 27th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 41 mins. W. Fern, T. Belcher, A. Whitmore, J. Moore, J. Prawson, L. Partridge, J. A. Moulton conductor, F. Boam. First 1260 in the method by a local band.

## CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING, 1904.

## ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS.

ASSOCIATION.	PRESENT.	ABSENT.
Ancient Society of College Youths ..	Arthur Hughes ..	W. T. Cockerill
	T. H. Taffender ..	J. W. Rowbotham
Society of Royal Cumberland Youths ..	Henry Dains ..	A. Hardy
	R. A. Daniell ..	
	A. Jacob ..	
St. James' Society .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	C. F. Winney
		W. Weatherstone
Bath and Wells Diocesan Association ..	H. J. Poole ..	Rev. G. de Y. Aldridge
Bedfordshire Association .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	Rev. W. W. C. Baker
Birmingham and District Amal. Society	(Unrepresented) ..	George Walker
Birmingham St. Martin's Guild ..	W. H. Godden ..	
Chester Diocesan Guild .. ..	Joseph Ashmole ..	
	Henry Dew ..	
Cleveland and N. Yorks Association ..	Rev. W. P. Wright ..	C. J. Clarkson
Devonshire Guild .. ..	Rev. M. Kelly ..	
	A. W. Searle ..	
Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Assoc.	C. L. Routledge ..	W. Holmes
	R. S. Story ..	T. Hudson
Ely Diocesan Association .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	Rev. W. W. Covey Crump
Essex Association .. ..	B. Keeble ..	W. J. Nevard
	N. J. Pitstow ..	Rev. T. L. Papillon
Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Assoc.	Rev. H. A. Cockey ..	Rev. E. Bankes James
		F. G. May
Hereford Diocesan Guild .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	J. G. Buchanan
		James E. Groves
Hertford County Association .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	Herbert Baker
Irish Association .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	R. R. Cherry, K.C., LL.D.
Kent County Association .. ..	Rev. J. O. Helmore ..	E. Barnett
		J. V. Cheesman
		W. Haigh
Lancashire Association .. ..	Rev. H. J. Elsee ..	J. Eachus
	J. Shepherd ..	R. Ridyard
Leeds and District Amal. Society ..	(Unrepresented) ..	J. W. T. Holgate
Lincolnshire Diocesan Guild .. ..	Rev. H. Law James ..	G. Chester
	R. Richardson ..	C. W. P. Clifton
Liverpool Diocesan Guild .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	W. Bentham
Middlesex Association .. ..	A. T. King ..	John Basden
	J. Waghorn ..	
Midland Counties Association .. ..	Sir A. Heywood, Bart. ..	
	J. Griffin ..	
	J. W. Taylor, jun. ..	
	W. Wakley ..	
Northants Central Association .. ..	F. Wilford ..	Herbert Haigh
North Notts Association .. ..	(Unrepresented) ..	W. L. Catchpole
Norwich Diocesan Association .. ..	C. E. Borrett ..	James Motts
		Charles Mee
		W. P. Routh
Oxford Diocesan Guild .. ..	Rev. G. F. Coleridge ..	
	F. W. Hopgood ..	
	Rev. F. E. Robinson ..	
Salisbury Diocesan Guild .. ..	Rev. H. Drake ..	Rev. H. E. Tilney Bassett
		A. P. Martin Stewart
Stafford Archdeaconry Society .. ..	Samuel Reeves ..	Rowland Cartwright
Surrey Association .. ..	A. B. Carpenter, M.D. ..	
	Charles Dean, jun. ..	
Sussex County Association .. ..	A. B. Bennett ..	G. F. Attree
	G. Williams ..	S. Saker
Winchester Diocesan Guild .. ..	H. White ..	Rev. C. E. Matthews
	J. W. Whiting ..	C. Willshire
Worcestershire and District Association	John Smith ..	R. E. Grove
Yorkshire Association .. ..	George Bolland ..	C. H. Hattersley
	W. Snowdon ..	W. Stainthorpe
HONORARY MEMBERS .. ..	Rev. E. W. Carpenter ..	Rev. A. H. Boughey
	John Carter ..	James Pettit
	Rev. C. D. P. Davies ..	Rev. J. H. Pilkington
	T. Lockwood ..	J. S. Pritchett
		W. H. Thompson
		J. A. Trollope
		P. E. Ward

## SUMMARY.

MEMBERS.	PRESENT.	ABSENT.	TOTAL.
Representative ..	44	45	89
Honorary ..	4	7	11
Total ..	48	52	100

ASSOCIATIONS.	
Fully represented ..	6
Partially ..	19
Not ..	10
Total ..	35

## Compositions.

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34256				2
52436	1	-		2
54326			1	2
54263	2		2	1
43265	2	-	1	2
23564	1			

Twice repeated.

Has the 4th, 5th and 6th each their extent in 6ths place without the 2nd in that position, and is believed to be the only peal published with these qualities on this plan. If the alternate calling be used to the first course, the changes will be increased to 5280.

## STEDMAN CATERS.

By CORNELIUS CHARGE, *Fulham*.

5055.

231456 5 16

\*361452978

163254	-	-
164352	-	-
162453	-	-
261354	-	-
264153	-	-
263451	-	-
362154	-	-
364251	-	-
463152	-	-
462351	-	-
461253	-	-
461352	s	-
462153	-	-
264851	-	-
261453	-	-
162354	-	-
164253	-	-
163452	-	-
361254	-	-
364152	-	-
362451	-	-
263154	-	-
†214563879	-	-
412365	-	-
415263	-	-
413562	-	-
314265	-	-
315462	-	-
312564	-	-
213465	-	-
215364	-	-
512463	-	-
513264	-	-
514362	-	-
514263	s	-
415362	-	-
412563	-	-
413265	-	-
314562	-	-
312465	-	-
315264	-	-
513462	-	-
512364	-	-
215463	-	-
213564	-	-
214365	-	-

Round next change.

\*Produced by bobs at 2, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16.

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## The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1904.

WE are unable to have our usual comment this week. As so many of our readers expressed their unqualified gratification at the pictures we published a few weeks ago, we are happy to say that others are in preparation.

**HANDBELLS FOR SALE.**—A peal of 42 in splendid condition. Price £7 10s. Also a nearly new polished hall stand, measuring 5-feet square, with hooks complete.—TYRRELL, Horndon on the Hill, Essex.



## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division was held at Hartfield (six bells), on Saturday, April 23rd, members to the number of about twenty being present from St. Peter's Brighton, Crawley, East Grinstead, Hartfield, Withyham: also Messrs. T. and G. Card (Southborough), E. Mankelow (Tunbridge Wells), and the Divisional Secretary, etc. The bells were raised at 3.30, and kept going in short touches till tea time. Tea was held at The Dorset hotel at 5.30, Mr. G. Joad (Withyham), presiding. The usual short business meeting followed. East Grinstead was chosen as the tower to attempt the next quarterly peal, Mr. Huggett to arrange for date, etc.

The Hon. Divisional Secretary on behalf of those present proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Hartfield for granting the use of the bells, etc., saying the Vicar had promised to preside that day, but yesterday wrote regretting his inability to do so, owing to his having to officiate at the funeral of a very old friend of his, and he was sure under the circumstances he would be excused.

After another touch of Minor and 120 of Stedman Doubles, all made tracks for Withyham tower—six bells—only a mile distant. Here the rest of the time available was spent with touches of Doubles and Bob Minor, train time arriving all too soon, the weather being all that could be desired for a meeting at these two country towers. It is hoped this meeting may be the means of drawing a few more recruits to the Association.

## LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting was held at The Old Nag's Head hotel, Kirkgate, Leeds, on March 29th, when a good attendance of ringing members were present from the following towers: Armley, Bramley, St. Chad's and St. Michael's, Headingley, Holbeck, Huddersfield, Pudsey, Tong, Kirkheaton and the local company. The President (Mr. G. Barraclough), was in the chair, and Mr. T. Maude in the vice-chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were passed as read. The balance-sheet was next read, showing an increase on the working of the society, the total balance being £9 11s. 7d., against £8 16s. 8d. of the previous year. The capital account shows cash in hand and at the bank £7 2s. 0½d. The balance-sheet was then passed as read by Mr. F. Woodhead (Secretary), and seconded by Mr. P. Johnstone.

A vote of thanks to the retiring officers for past services was proposed by Mr. G. Bolland, seconded by Mr. J. E. Carter, and carried unanimously. The retiring President (Mr. G. Barraclough), briefly responded. The following were then elected for office for the ensuing year: President—T. Maude; Vice-President—C. Jackson; Hon. Treasurer—J. Thackray; Hon. Secretary—F. Barraclough.

A vote of thanks to the auditors (Messrs. Holgate and Carter), was proposed by Mr. F. Woodhead, seconded by Mr. J. Woodhead, and carried. Both the auditors gave a brief account of the audit, and remarked upon the efficient manner in which the work had been done during the past year.

The usual vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens, and to the local company for kind arrangements was proposed by Mr. T. Maude, seconded by Mr. J. Thackray, and carried.

Mr. F. Woodhead replied. A few courses on the handbells brought the meeting to a close.

## The Metropolis.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, May 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LEWISHAM,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

CHARLES H. WALKER .. Treble.	JOSEPH TOWN .. .. . 5.
THOMAS G. DEAL .. .. 2.	THOMAS TAYLOR .. .. 6.
SAMUEL BIRD* .. .. 3.	*WALTER SMITH .. .. 7.
ALBERT E. SHARP* .. .. 4.	HARRY WARNETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by HARRY WARNETT.

\*First peal of Major.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. Treble.	JAMES DAVIS .. .. . 5.
FREDERICK PERRIN .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HARDY .. .. 6.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 3.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. 7.
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 4.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by E. BARNETT, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN. .. Treble.	HERBERT F. HULL .. .. 5.
HENRY J. MAYNARD* .. .. 2.	ROBERT J. MAYNARD .. .. 6.
GEORGE B. LUCAS, JUN. .. 3.	ERNEST S. POLL .. .. 7.
ROBERT W. T. MAYNARD .. 4.	HUGH T. SCARLETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. MARTIN, and Conducted by H. T. SCARLETT.

\*First peal of Major.

## The Provinces.

## TUNSTALL, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent, Oxford Delight, Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

F. CUTTING .. .. Treble.	JAMES STARLING .. .. 4.
J. DANIELS .. .. .. 2.	R. SMY .. .. .. 5.
A. LING .. .. .. 3.	W. SAWYER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

## TEYNHAM, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of College Single, and two each of Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM J. FAIRBEARD .. Treble.	*CHARLES TUMBER .. .. 4.
JOSEPH E. GRENSED .. .. 2.	FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD .. 5.
WILLIAM LAKER .. .. 3.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

\*First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. S. Bridgen, of Sittingbourne, to Miss G. Winterton, of Teynham.



## WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

OLIVER BROCK .. .. Treble.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 5.
FREDERICK BORRETT .. 2.	FREDERICK SMITH .. .. 6.
FREDERICK HOWCHIN* .. 3.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. 7.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. P. BRICE.

\*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

## STEDHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Plain Bob and Oxford, and three 720s of Kent. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM WERRY, JUN.* .. Treble.	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK .. 4.
HERBERT R. WEEKS* .. 2.	†ALBERT J. RAMSEY .. .. 5.
EDWARD BOXALL .. .. 3.	THOMAS STROUD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS STROUD.

†First peal of Minor. \*First peal. W. Werry is only sixteen years of age.

## BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 36 cwt.

THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. Treble.	ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 5.
ALBERT WALKER .. .. 2.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. 6.
HORACE F. STREET .. .. 3.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. 7.
ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 4.	SYDNEY J. JESSOP .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

This composition was rung on the front eight on May 18th, 1846, conducted by the late H. Johnson. It is now rung on the eve of the fifty-eighth anniversary of its performance as the first peal of Triples on the back eight.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Treble.	*FREDERICK LOCK .. .. 5.
GEORGE H. HOWSE .. .. 2.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 6.
GEORGE WATSON .. .. 3.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. 7.
FRANCIS A. KENNETT .. .. 4.	ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday peal to Miss Lusted, daughter of Mr. J. R. Lusted, churchwarden of this church.

## BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

REV. E. BANKES JAMES'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 11 cwt.

HARRY HOBBS .. .. Treble.	SYDNEY C. SAKER .. .. 5.
J. WILLIAM D. BURGESS* .. 2.	WALTER FRANKS .. .. 6.
JOHN BEAL .. .. .. 3.	SYDNEY SAKER .. .. 7.
ROBERT C. FORD .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BURT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by S. SAKER.

\*First peal with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the wedding of J. W. D. Burgess to Miss Edith Henbrey Smith, which took place at Christ Church Blacklands, Hastings, on April 25th last.

## LITTLE GLEMHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWARD P. BUCKENHAM .. Treble.	*WILLIAM G. PACKARD .. 3.
ARTHUR L. CARTER .. .. 2.	EDWARD E. EVERETT .. 4.
†WILLIAM G. STANNARD .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by WILLIAM G. STANNARD.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor. Rang at the entry of the new Rector—the Rev. E. S. King—into the parish.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON.)

On Friday, May 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

CHARLES MEE .. .. Treble.	EDGAR RIVERS .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 2.	ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
GEORGE W. MEE .. .. 3.	ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. 7.
ARTHUR A. GIRLING .. .. 4.	FRANK ROLFE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and

Conducted by ALFRED G. RIVERS.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

WM. C. S. HEATHCOTE * .. Treble.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 5.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 6.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 3.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. 4.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, and

Conducted by CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE.

\*Of St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh. First peal in the method on the bells.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 6.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 7.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 4.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

## SHEFFIELD.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD  
DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED  
SOCIETY.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, RANMOOR,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER ALLWOOD* .. Treble.	FRANK BURGAR .. .. 5.
JOHN THORPE† .. .. 2.	GEORGE LEWIS .. .. 6.
GEORGE BRADSHAW* .. 3.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 7.
JAMES EVINSON .. .. 4.	†GEORGE O. DIXON .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by GEORGE O. DIXON.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal of Major. †First peal as conductor.

## GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

LEWIS SILVER .. .. Treble.	JAMES DAVIES .. .. 5.
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SPICE .. .. 6.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 7.
FREDERICK PERRIN .. .. 4.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

## BUCKLAND, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Grandsire, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob.

J. ROBINSON .. .. Treble.	W. HUMPHREY .. .. 4.
J. POWELL .. .. 2.	F. SANDERS .. .. 5.
A. HOLMAN .. .. 3.	H. THORPE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. THORPE.

\*First peal. First peal in seven methods on the bells.

## GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt.

CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. Treble.	†GEORGE T. POTTER .. .. 5.
JOHN FOREMAN .. .. 2.	GEORGE WARDLE .. .. 6.
WM. C. S. HEATHCOTE .. 3.	JOHN FOREMAN .. .. 7.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 4.	ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. BAEKER, and Conducted by E. E. FERRY.

†First peal of Treble Bob. †First peal of Treble Bob with a bob bell. First peal in the method on the bells.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM CHALKLEY* .. Treble.	HERBERT FIELDS .. .. 5.
JOHN HARE .. .. 2.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. .. 6.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 3.	JOHN F. FOSTER .. .. 7.
THOMAS PATEMAN* .. .. 4.	HERBERT L. HARLOW .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal of Grandsire.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM CHALKLEY* .. Treble.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. .. 5.
HERBERT FIELDS .. .. 2.	†JOHN F. FOSTER .. .. 6.
THOMAS PATEMAN .. .. 3.	HERBERT L. HARLOW .. .. 7.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 4.	JOHN HARE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by CHAS. R. LILLEY

\*First peal. †First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to the son of the ringer of the 2nd.

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## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

S. WIGHTMAN, JUN. .. Treble.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM .. .. 2.	GEORGE PERRY .. .. 6.
GEORGE WHITING .. .. 3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. .. 4.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT GUILD.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. Treble.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. THYNG .. .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES.  
Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

HARRY LEWIS .. Treble.	RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 6.
FRANCIS J. LEWIS .. .. 2.	GEORGE JAYNES .. .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. 8.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 4.	GEORGE CONDICK .. .. 9.
JESSE GILLETT .. .. 5.	ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

## UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

F. PATRICK .. Treble.	A. S. BARRELL .. .. 5.
W. LEGGETT .. .. 2.	W. BARBER .. .. 6.
C. LANKESTER .. .. 3.	J. MOTTS .. .. 7.
E. SHERWOOD .. .. 4.	C. FISHER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. WILLIAMS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

## STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

JESSE GILLETT .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. 6.
FRANCIS E. HART .. .. 2.	GEORGE CONDICK .. .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	GEORGE JAYNES .. .. 8.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 4.	ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. 9.
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(THE OXFORD SOCIETY.)

On Monday, May 23, 1904 in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM FINCH .. .. Treble.	HARRY MILES .. .. 5.
EDWIN HIMS .. .. 2.	HARRY JUDGE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM J. SMITH .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM JEFFERY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM STONE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 20½ cwt.

WILLIAM FLEMMING .. Treble.	GEORGE BERRY .. .. 5.
CHARLES THOMPSON .. 2.	HARRY THOMPSON .. 6.
JOHN W. AVISS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM DREW .. .. 7.
GORDON F. THOMPSON .. 4.	FRED W. WATLING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by F. WATLING.

COLNE, LANCASHIRE.—THE COLNE SOCIETY.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

J. FOULDS .. .. Treble.	J. GOth .. .. 5.
R. BINNS .. .. 2.	W. H. HARRISON .. 6.
R. FOULDS, JUN. .. 3.	A. LANE .. .. 7.
W. MALLINSON .. .. 4.	W. HEATON .. .. Tenor.

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On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18½ cwt. in F.

THOMAS LINCOLN .. Treble.	ERNEST J. RUNTER .. 5.
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON* .. 2.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. 6.
ARTHUR EDWARDS .. 3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. 7.
FREDERICK G. RADLEY .. 4.	ARTHUR HEAD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

\*First peal in the method.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON.)

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE .. Treble.	FRANK ROLFE .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 2.	DANIEL PRENTICE .. .. 6.
HARRY J. MEE .. .. 3.	CHARLES MEE .. .. 7.
GEORGE W. MEE .. .. 4.	FREDERICK MEE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and Conducted by FREDERICK MEE.

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HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY, NORWICH.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REGIMUS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. 5.
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 2.	GEORGE MOY .. .. 6.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. 3.	GEORGE MAYERS .. .. 7.
ALBERT ROUGHT .. .. 4.	SAMUEL SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

First peal in the method on the bells.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY, NORWICH.

On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

ALBERT G. WARNES .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. 5.
ALBERT ROUGHT .. .. 2.	SAMUEL SMITH .. .. 6.
FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 3.	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 7.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. 4.	*ARTHUR W. LEEDER .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

\*First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

STONHAM ASPAL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAMBERT.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.  
Tenor 24 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM RUMSEY .. 7.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 3.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. 8.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. 4.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 9.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 5.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM* .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

NETHERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

C. ROLINSON† .. Treble.	H. PRICE .. .. 5.
S. J. HUGHES .. .. 2.	A. PRESTIDGE .. .. 6.
J. FAULKNER .. .. 3.	A. DAVIES .. .. 7.
F. BROADRIBB .. .. 4.	J. W. SMITH .. .. Tenor.

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The Archdeaconry of Salop Guild.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wellington to-day, Saturday, May 28th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m.

J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting of the Frome Deanery will be held at Frome this Saturday afternoon, May 28. Tea will be provided. Bells available all the afternoon.

A. M. G. DANIEL, *Hon. Sec.*

The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Halesowen to-day, Saturday, May 28. Bells will be available at 4. Service in church at 4.30 p.m.

W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association of Six Bell Ringers.—The annual meeting will be held at St. James, Leyland, to-day, Saturday, May 28th.

JAMES HIGSON, *Sec.*

60, Church St., Blackrod, Lanc.

The Kent County Association.—Ashford District.—A district meeting (without allowances) will be held at Willesborough to-day, Saturday, May 28th, at 4 o'clock.

C. WILFRID BLAXLAND, *Dis. Hon. Sec.*

Hythe.

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The monthly meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, May 28th, at St. Michael's, Headingley. Bells (8) open at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Oak inn at 8 o'clock.

F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on Thursdays, June 2nd, 16th and 30th, at 7.30 p.m., and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, June 8th, at 8 p.m. Business meeting after St. Michael's at headquarters.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southgate, on Saturday, the 4th June, by kind permission of the Rev. J. Beardall. Owing to the exigencies of local cricket, the bells will not be available until 6.30 p.m. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The Hon. Sec. would be glad to receive any outstanding subscriptions.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Romney Marsh and District Guild.—The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at New Romney on Saturday, June 4th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, to be followed by the usual business meeting. All members requiring tea kindly let me know on or before Wednesday, June 1st. All ringers heartily welcomed.

C. TRIBE, *Hon. Sec.*

British School Villas, Tenterden.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting at Potterne, near Devizes, on Saturday, June 4th, at 3 p.m.

REV. C. W. CORBE, *Branch Sec.*

Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 4th, at St. Saviour's church, Bacup. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting 6.30.

W. ASHWORTH, *Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Ruddington, on Saturday, June 4th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.

R. CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Cheddleton on Saturday, June 4th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. J. Gilbert, Rose Cottage, Cheddleton, by Thursday, June 2nd.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Sefton on Saturday, June 11th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.

REV. W. T. BULPIT, *Hon.*

W. BENTHAM, *Secs.*

The Bath and Wells Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Yeovil on Saturday, June 11th. The bells of St. John's (10) will be available all day. Dinner (1s. each to members) will be provided at St. John's Schools at 1.45 p.m., business following. Service, with address by the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, at St. John's Church at 4 o'clock. Members intending to be present at the dinner should inform me by Tuesday, June 7th.

A. E. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*

Bridgewater.

## ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

FULBOURN.—On Saturday, April 23rd, for practice, 720 Kent Treble Bob. W. Scotcher, E. Webb, G. Taylor, J. Page, W. Kempton, G. Bridge conductor.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BROMLEY.—On Sunday, April 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 43 mins. A. Humphrey, E. Dunn, J. Town, G. Simpson, G. H. Kite, C. Huxley, T. Harford conductor, W. James.

## ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY, EDINBURGH.

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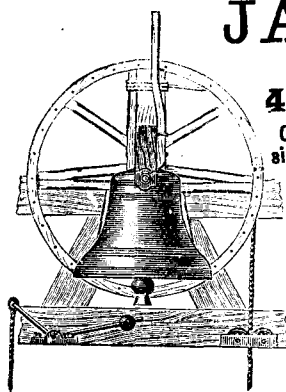
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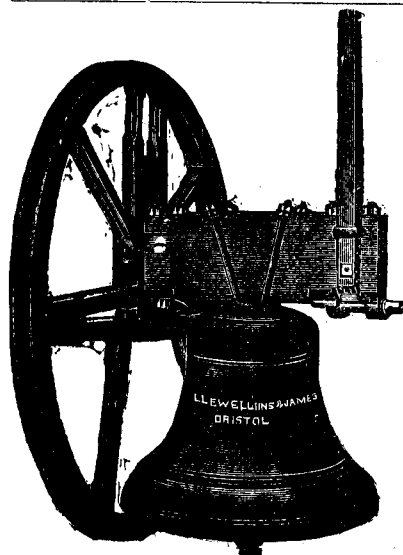
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

ROMNEY, NEW (Kent). St. Nicholas. Eight bells. 5th and 6th by Pack, 1776. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. by "R.C.," 1748; the rest by Mears as follows: treble, 1809; 2nd, 1784; 3rd, 4th and 7th, 1805. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Repairs by local man in 1897. Tenor soundbow badly worn. Ropes middling. No half-pull ringing now. Sunday ringing: first in month 10 to 10.50, and 5.45 to 6.20. Practice: Monday, 8.

ROMSEY (Hants). SS. Mary and Ethelfleda. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1790. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Blackburn, 1893. Ropes new 1900. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7, except in Lent, when dumb apparatus only is used.

ROSS (Herefordshire). St. Mary. Hereford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Rudhall, 1761, except tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in., recast by the same firm 1770. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Day, 1881. Chiming apparatus fitted 1893. Ropes worn out. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: 5.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

ROTHBURY (Northumberland). Eight bells. All by Mears, 1893. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Ropes good. Method: Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

## EMMANUEL CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

### DEDICATION OF BELLS.

There was a large congregation at Emmanuel church, Plymouth, on Saturday afternoon, April 2nd, on the occasion of the dedication of the peal of bells given by Mr. A. R. Tilby in memory of his mother, the late Mrs. Pauline Tilby, who formerly worshipped in the church for many years. The service opened with the hymn "Pleasant are

Thy courts above" to the tune "Maidstone," during the singing of which the choir, augmented by contingents from St. Augustine's, St. Barnabas, and Stoke, was formed in procession by the band of ringers, and Canon Edmonds (Chancellor of Exeter Cathedral), Revs. G. B. Berry (Vicar of Emmanuel), N. N. Lewarne, E. H. Pulling (chaplain to the forces), H. J. Holderness and E. Scholey. Dedication prayers having been said in the porch, the tower doors were opened, the bells rung for a short time, and the clergy and choir proceeded to the chancel. Sir George Elvey's anthem, "Praise the Lord," was beautifully sung by the choir, the organist (Mr. Reginald Waddy) playing an extemporary introduction in which the three main themes of the anthem were brought out. The quartette was sung by Frederick Knight, Miss Fanny Goodfellow, Mr. Ash, and Mrs. Harold Shaw. Psalm cl. was sung in unison to the melody of Humphrey's grand chant, and the remaining music of the service included the hymns "On the resurrection morning," "Hark, on high the joyful music," and "Hark, hark, my soul, angelic songs are swelling," to Smart's tune "Pilgrims." As a concluding voluntary Smart's "Festive March in F" was played.

Canon Edmonds, in the course of an address, said although without life, bells were able to indicate things in which they might seem to share. They were at least able to give expression to what the ringers meant; they were signs of human feeling directed to the service of the kingdom of God. Joy was in them, and also the potentiality of sorrow, whilst without life they were not without the power of vicarious human sympathy, and by their sorrowful cadences helped in times of grief. They could say aloud what men were often unable to say for themselves. They would in honour dedicate the bells in that church "In Memoriam," in lively and grateful recollection, in bright and joyful hope, and might the giver and the gift be to them a recollection of helpful and hopeful companionship in life, in work, in sorrow, and in joy.

The Three Towns branch rang touches of Grandsire Triples on the bells the same evening, and the bells were found to go fairly well, and have a splendid tone. They were cast and hung by Messrs. Warner and Sons.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The spring meeting was held at Henley-on-Thames on Saturday, May 7th. A short service was held in the parish church at 4.30, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. J. F. Maul), with an address given by the Rev. R. Wyldbore Smith, who took as his text Acts i. 8: "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem and in all Judæa and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." The rev. gentleman delivered a very earnest and impressive discourse appropriate to the season, which we regret being unable to publish.

Tea was partaken of in the Church Institute at 5.15. Among the company were the Revs. F. E. Robinson (Master), R. H. Hart-Davis (Hon. Secretary), J. F.

Maul (Vicar), Messrs. A. E. Reeves (Asst. Hon. Sec.), W. Appleby (Organising Secretary), Messrs. Routh, Pike, Newell, Truss, Hawkins, Wright, Brown, Hands, etc. Tea over, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for welcoming the Guild at Henley; also the preacher for his splendid sermon, and the choir and organist. The members then adjourned to the belfry, when the bells were kept kept ringing till 8.30 to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major.

A meeting was held on Saturday, May 14th, at Sonning in connection with the Reading branch, more than forty being present. Ringing commenced at 4.30, and was kept going till 8 o'clock. Several good touches were rung to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Treble Bob Major. The company included Messrs. Osborne (Branch Hon. Sec.), Reeves (Asst. Hon. Sec.), Wright, Foreman, Newell, Horne, Tucker, Rev. H. C. Bell, Brown, etc.

#### THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the above society was held in Sheffield, on Saturday, May 7th. Quite a large number of ringers turned up to time from the surrounding district, the grand ring of eight (tenor 25 cwt.) at St. Marie's, being set going at 4 p.m. and kept busy until 7 p.m. with touches of Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative, London Surprise and Yorkshire Surprise.

Also by the kind permission of the St. Peter's Company the ring of twelve (tenor 41 cwts.) were placed at the disposal of the Society, and those members who aspired to the higher number of bells, were initiated into the intricacies of the extra ropes, while others tried their hands at the "big-uns." Here touches of Treble Bob Maximus, Stedman Caters, and Double Norwich on the front eight were rung, and those members, who, for the first time stood up in Maximus are to be commended for the creditable way in which they handled the bells.

The Committee met at 6 p.m. to put the final touch to an amended set of rules (which they had been preparing for some time past) before presenting them at the annual meeting.

The business meeting was held at 7.30 p.m. at the headquarters of the Society, The Sportsman inn, Cambridge Street, sixty members being present, including representatives from Barnsley, Bolsterstone, Bolsover, Chesterfield, Norton, Rotherham, Treeton and All Saints, St. Marie's, Ranmoor and Walkley, Sheffield.

Through the kindness and generosity of the Rev. Dean Dolan, Presbyterian of St. Marie's, the members were provided with a plentiful supply of sandwiches, and after the inner man had been satisfied, business was began in earnest.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been given, the accounts of the past year were audited by Messrs. G. Hollis and G. Lewis, and passed as read which showed a membership of 105 actual change-ringers and a balance in hand of £1 18s. 9d. The amended rules were then put to the meeting and passed unanimously, the members being perfectly satisfied with the way in which they had been framed.

The election of officers then took place and resulted as follows:—President, Mr. Sam Thomas (re-elected); vice-

President, Mr. James Dixon: Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Edwin James (re-elected); Hon. Secretary, Mr. Sidney F. Palmer, and a committee consisting of one member from each tower where change-ringing is practicable in the district area.

A vote of thanks was ordered to be conveyed to the late secretary, whose business has recently taken him from the district, thanking him for his past services in connection with the Society, which he had been associated with since its creation.

On a motion by the President, and seconded by the vice-President, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Archdeacon Eyre and Dean Dolan for the use of their bells, and also to the latter gentleman for his hospitality. Five new members were elected, which brought business to a close.

The remainder of the evening was devoted to harmony, with courses of Grandsire Triples, Caters and Cinques, on the handbells. The meeting was a great success in every way, and one of the best on record in the annals of the Society. Judging from the tone thereof, combined with the excellency of the ringing and the advanced methods practised, the Exercise at the present time is certainly making good headway in the right direction.

#### PRESENTATIONS TO RINGERS.

On Wednesday evening, May 25th, being the practice-night at St. Mary's, Staines, the combined members of St. Mary's and St. Peter's met in the tower, and after ringing several touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and a course of Kent Treble Bob Minor, presented Mr. W. E. Butler, one of the members who was married to the eldest daughter of Mr. A. Wicks (the esteemed captain), with a handsome clock, silver jam spoon, pickle fork and butter dish. Mr. A. H. Bates, in a few well-chosen words, made the presentation, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Butler every happiness and a long life. Mr. Butler in response said he did not think he had done much for such a handsome present, and he should prize it very much, and on behalf of Mrs. Butler and himself he thanked them all.

On Saturday, April 2nd, the members of All Saints, Boyne Hill, met together to present one of their old and respected members with an armchair and address, subscribed for by twenty-four members. In making the presentation, Canon Drummond, the Vicar, said it was a small token from the members of the appreciation of the valuable services Mr. Bissley had rendered to them and the parish for so many years, and hoped that he would be spared for a good many years to continue his good work and influence with them. Mr. Bissley, who was completely taken by surprise, in acknowledging said that he failed to find words to thank them sufficiently, but said he hoped to be able to continue his work as an unofficial member of the belfry for a good many years to come, and any time the members required his services he should be only too pleased to give them. The chair, which is of oak, was made by Mr. Boreham, of High Wycombe, a member of the Oxford Guild, and was greatly admired for the good workmanship and finish, and the address was framed with oak from the old bell-frame taken out of Hayes belfry by one of the late members of Boyne Hill belfry.

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## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of this Association was held at Woolwich on Whitsun Monday, May 23rd. The usual programme was gone through, a small meeting of the Central Committee at 11 o'clock, the service in the church at 12 o'clock, and the dinner at 1. The service was conducted by Canon Escreet, the Rector, who gave a very practical and stirring address on the words "Workers together with God," (2 Cor. vi. 1). The hymns were "All people that on earth do dwell," and "When morning gilds the skies." The offertory for the Belfry Repairs Fund amounted to 16s., exactly the same sum was collected at Ashford in 1901, and at Maidstone in 1902.

At the dinner the Rector presided, and was supported by Messrs. Groombridge, Silver, Spice, Tawney, Manering, Barnett, Cheesman, Haigh, and others, Mr. E. O. Masters acting the part of vice-chairman. Miss Macalpine Leny, of Speldhurst, occupied the seat on the right hand of the chairman. The whole company numbered only 100. After the usual toast Mr. Pitman proposed "The Archbishop and Clergy," coupled with the name of the preacher at the service, to which Canon Escreet briefly responded.

The Hon. Secretary was then called upon to read the report for the past year. From this it appeared that the Association was still going ahead, though not making very rapid strides. The total membership was 933, as compared with 910 in the previous year. Reference was made to the death of G. D. Werner, Esq. (Tonbridge), who presided at the dinner in 1894; Canon Joy, the preacher and chairman at Maidstone in 1902; Sir Herbert Oakeley, the well-known musician, whose quadruple chant had been sung at the service; F. G. Colvin (Staplehurst); T. Durling, the aged steeplekeeper at Chislehurst; W. Bedwell, formerly Secretary of the Lewisham district; and W. Burkin, of Nutfield, Surrey, a former Master of the College Youths. Instruction of young bands was going on in the various towers, and it was interesting to notice that during the twenty-four years of its existence the Association had spent over £145 on the tuition of beginners. Bellhangers had been more than usually busy, Mears and Stainbank especially, and their work where completed had been favourably reported on. Eighty-seven peals had been rung in 1903, among them being the first peal of New Cambridge Surprise by the Association; this year we had to record first peals of Cinques and Maximus.

The balance-sheet compared very favourably with that of last year, when the expenditure exceeded the receipts by £9. This year there was a net gain of £9. The grant of £5 5s. to Swanscombe, besides the offertory and collection at Margate, had slightly reduced the Belfry Repairs Fund, but there was still a balance in hand of £47 4s. A grant of £1 1s. was made that morning towards the rehanging at Wickhambreaux. The report concluded with an appeal to the members to induce five-bell ringers to join the Association.

Before reading the report the Hon. Secretary said he had a request to make to conductors, that they would send up the proper names of persons ringing in peals—not Tom, Dick and Harry, but Thomas, Richard and Henry; and he would also warn them against calling new peals that might turn out be false. He wished also to thank the Rector for his kindness in welcoming the Association

to Woolwich, also the organist for accompanying the service: he desired especially to thank Mr. Masters for all his kind help in preparation for the meeting to-day. The report and balance-sheet were passed on the proposition of Mr. W. J. Jeffries, seconded by Mr. W. G. Grove. The election of officers and committee was the last business, and at its completion the company dispersed to enjoy the rest of the day in various ways. The towers open for ringing were Woolwich (8), Lewisham (8), Erith (8), St. Margaret's, Lee (8), and Eltham (6). Some members met early at Greenwich for the practice of Surprise methods, but owing to a case of illness close to the church they were compelled very soon to stop. No ringers appear to have visited St. Margaret's, Lee. Such apparent disregard of local hospitality is to be deprecated, as it tends to "to put people's backs up." Next year it will for this reason be expedient to have fewer towers open, even if the result be over-congestion at the central belfry.

## RINGING TOUR IN WEST KENT.

A most enjoyable ringing tour was carried out at Whitsuntide by several members of the Susex County Association. The party included Messrs. Bennett, Hart, and Dawe, from Brighton; Turner from Lewes; and S. F. Saker from Hastings. A start was made at Salehurst on Saturday afternoon, where it was proposed to ring a peal of Grandsire Triples. As the bells went badly, however, it was decided not to continue, and they were brought round at 1260 changes, rung in 45 mins. The next tower visited was Rolvenden, where a peal of Bob Major was rung on Whit Sunday. On Monday a peal of Stedman Triples was attempted on the magnificent ring at Tenterden, the party being assisted by Messrs. Tribe and Hinds, from Tenterden, and Player from Stone. The peal unfortunately came to grief after 2½ hours good ringing, the striking being excellent. In the evening the party drove over to Benenden, where various touches in the Standard methods were rung.

On Tuesday Appledore and Rye were visited, a peal of Grandsire Triples being successfully brought round at the former tower. Stedman was attempted at Rye, but was unsuccessful.

The party wish to convey their best thanks to Messrs. Tribe, Lambert, Johnson and Billenness for the hearty way in which they were entertained by them at Tenterden, Benenden, Appledore, and Rye respectively.

JARROW-ON-TYNE.—On Monday evening, May 2nd, for practice at St. Peter's church, 720 Bob Minor. G. Russell, W. Shaw, J. T. Hogg, W. Russell, E. Hern, R. S. Russell conductor.

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## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

## UNVEILING OF A PEAL BOARD.

The Monthly Meeting of this Association was held at Norton-le-Moors on Saturday, May 7th. This is a very popular place of meeting, as the members who reside in the thickly-populated towns of the Potteries can come out and install the breezy and invigorating air which blows over the broad stretch of moorlands which can be seen for miles around as you walk up the steep incline which takes you direct to the church. There were fifty-three members present who attended from the following towers: Leek, Stoke, Fenton, Tunstall, Hanley, Wolstanton, Biddulph, Kidsgrave, Brown Edge, Bucknall and Norton. After a few touches had been brought round the Rev. — Barchard (clerical secretary) proceeded to unveil a beautiful peal-board, which was most artistically written with pure gold leaf on a black ground, recording a peal of Treble Bob Minor in the seven following methods, which was rung by the Norton ringers on Saturday, February 27th, 1904: London Surprise, City Delight, Duke of York, Violet, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. F. T. Dawson, J. T. Taylor, W. A. Tabernor, B. Pegg, E. E. Johnson, J. E. Wheeldon. Conducted by J. E. Wheeldon. Mr. Barchard said it gave him very great pleasure to perform this most interesting ceremony of unveiling a peal-board which recorded a work done by the Norton ringers, of which they ought to be proud, for it was really a very creditable performance. But, he said, there was a sad feature about it, and that was that one of the ringers who took part in it had gone over to the majority. He referred to the late W. A. Tabernor, who he knew would have been delighted to have seen the completion of his work by the erection of the peal-board.

Mr. J. E. Wheeldon thanked the rev. gentleman on behalf of the Norton ringers for his kindness in coming over from Tunstall to attend the meeting and for taking such a lively interest in the proceedings.

Mr. Barchard, in reply, said he was very pleased to be able to come to Norton, and should always remember it, as the unveiling was the first official act of his since his appointment to the Secretaryship of the Association.

After tea Mr. H. Page proposed, and Mr. G. Woods seconded, that a vote of condolence and sympathy be sent to the family of the late W. Twigg, who served the Association faithfully and well for fourteen years as hon. secretary, and who had done so much for the furtherance of change-ringing in North Staffordshire. This was approved of in silence. A splendid exhibition of handbell ringing was given by Messrs. S. Churton, H. Page, G. Woods, and J. Titterton, who manipulated the bells with wonderful dexterity, which was thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed by their brother-ringers. The tower bells were kept going until 9.20, which brought a very successful meeting to a close.

J. E. W.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

## (YORKTOWN DISTRICT.)

A Quarterly Meeting of the above district was held at Hawley, Hants., on Saturday, May 14th, at The White Hart hotel, when members to the number of forty attended from Hersham, Ottershaw, Bagshot, Yorktown, Hawley, Yateley, Farnborough and Sandhurst. The President of the Guild (J. P. Stilwell, Esq., J.P.) Revs. Godden, Kirwan, E. W. Carpenter (Secretary) Coleridge and Stokes, and Messrs. J. C. Randell, W. Webb, T. W. Fairey and

W. J. Hodgson were also present. The President took the chair, and the minutes of the last quarterly meeting were read and confirmed. The subject of dividing the district into two and forming one for Walton-on-Thames was again brought on from the last meeting, and after a lengthy discussion on both sides it was decided by ten votes to four to let it stop as at present constituted, although it was acknowledged that at some time in the future it must be done. Two honorary and three per forming members were elected. The General Secretary explained again to those present the idea of the amendment of the rules. The next quarterly meeting was fixed for Saturday, August 13th, at Walton-on-Thames. An excellent tea was provided at The White Hart hotel previous to the meeting. The district secretary—Mr. C. Pearce—proposed a vote of thanks to the President for presiding, and also to the Rev. F. E. Godden, Vicar of Hawley, for the use of the bells. Several touches of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were rung during the afternoon and evening.

## GUILDFORD DISTRICT.

A meeting of this district was held at Chiddingfold on Saturday, May 14th, and was well attended by nearly forty ringers of the neighbourhood. Mr. T. Attwell, of the local band, was elected chairman at the meeting and apologised for the absence of the Rector, Canon Hunter, through a bad attack of lumbago, and proposed the rev. gentleman as an hon. member of the Guild. Two full members and five probationers were also elected. Mr. A. Pulling (peal secretary), reported that one peal (Bob Major) had been rung during the past quarter, and gave a list of failures and disappointments in getting towers and men with which most peal arrangers are pretty well acquainted, the incidents varying from illness near the towers to meeting one short.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## A GOOD RECORD.

SIR,—Good as the record of the Whitwick ringers undoubtedly is, it is easily beaten by the voluntary ringers of St. Peter's, Hersham, Surrey. The ring of eight was hung in the tower in July, 1901, since when they have been rung every Sunday for morning service without a miss up to date. They are also rung for the 7 o'clock services on Christmas, Easter and Whitsun mornings, frequently for the 3 p.m. children's service, and an occasional quarter-peal after evening service.

G. WOODIS.

SIR,—Will you kindly let me have a small space in your valuable paper in answer to Mr. Storer West's letter concerning a good record. I can truly say that we have rung twice on every Sunday for the last three years ever since our bells have been rehung, and last year we brought round over 60,000 changes. I think that will constitute a record. We also ring in sixteen different methods.

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## Date Touches.

DORKING (Surrey).—On Saturday, April 2nd, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 10 mins. H. Dobinson, A. H. Dobinson, A. H. Winch, J. H. White, H. Boxall conductor, E. Hull, A. Dean, W. Lynch. Composed by W. T. Boxall.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SHEFFIELD (Yorks).—On Wednesday, May 25th, on handbells, at the meeting-house, The Fleur-de-lis, 504 Stedman Triples. T. H. Taffender conductor, H. Langdon, C. Glenn, W. Bugar. Longest length on handbells by C. Glenn. At St. Peter's church 1248 Kent Treble Bob Maximus, in 1 hr. 5 mins. S. Thomas, N. Bower, W. Lomas conductor, F. Bugar, T. H. Taffender, W. Woodhead, C. Glenn, S. F. Palmer, A. Brearley, S. Seed, H. Langdon, W. Bugar.

HULL (Yorks).—On Sunday morning, May 29th, for Divine Service at Holy Trinity church, 504 Stedman Triples, J. Highfield, W. Southwick, F. Merrison, T. H. Taffender conductor, J. Marriott, G. T. Miller, C. Jackson, J. W. Dale.

LEEDS (Yorks).—On Sunday, May 22nd, for Divine Service in the evening at St. Peter's church, three courses of Stedman Cinques. H. Langdon, T. H. Taffender conductor, T. Lockwood, J. Broadley, H. Lockwood, F. Renton, A. Windsor, J. Hutchinson, W. Woodhead, F. Woodhead, E. J. Webb.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

CLENT.—On Sunday, April 17th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor. H. Bullock, W. A. Pugh, W. Shilcock, F. Boughton, J. Barber, W. Boughton, C. Boughton conductor, M. Roberts.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WICKHAM (Hants).—On Wednesday, April 20th, at the church of St. Nicholas, 360 Oxford Bob Minor. H. Merritt, W. Singleton, H. Privett, N. Welch, W. Churcher, G. Chappell conductor. And 720 Grandsire Minor. H. Smith, C. Privett, H. Merritt, H. Privett, W. Singleton, G. Chappell conductor.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

LLANGOLLEN.—On Wednesday, April 20th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire in 44 mins. \*S. Williams, \*F. Edwards, \*T. James, \*J. Rogers, J. Davies, T. Davies, J. W. Davies conductor, \*D. R. White. \*Longest touch.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ILMINSTER.—On Wednesday, April 20th, on the occasion of the wedding of the Rev. H. G. S. Atchley (curate), 720 Grandsire Minor. S. Crabb, C. Russ, G. Sibley, F. Baker, D. G. Taylor conductor, W. Coombes.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ASH (Kent).—On Sunday, February 28th, for Divine Service in the evening, two 6-scores of Grandsire and one of Plain Bob Doubles. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, R. Baldwin, R. Brett conductor. Also another 720 in the same method. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, R. Brett, F. Harris, R. Baldwin conductor. These are the first 720s of Minor on the bells since they have been restored and rehung by Mears and Stainbank, the "go" of the bells being excellent, and reflect great credit on the firm.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

KELVEDON (Essex).—On April 9th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob, in 30 mins. H. Evers, B. Elliott, W. Elliott, F. Chalk, E. C. Lambert conductor, B. Keeble.

COGGESHALL.—On April 16th, 672 Oxford Treble Bob Major and 336 Double Norwich. R. Potter, C. Norfolk, W. Dyer, E. C. Lambert, J. Sadler, F. Chalk, A. Shufflebotham, D. Elliott, E. Beckwith.

GREAT TOTHAM.—On April 17th, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 22 mins. On April 18th, another 720. F. Newman, T. Hammond, H. Brown, P. Sayers, C. Ballard, F. Chalk, E. C. Lambert conductor.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

HILLINGDON WEST (Middlesex).—On Tuesday, April 19th, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. J.

Peddle, W. H. Joiner, H. Waite, E. Hancox, A. Groves, Rev. H. G. Bird, A. Finch conductor, W. Foster Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late W. H. Gosden, who was a ringer at this church.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

ILKESTON.—On Sunday, April 24th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Poxon, H. Fletcher, J. Hufton, P. Price, J. H. Ilffe, H. Harrison, R. Clifford conductor, A. J. Knight.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHATTERIS (Cams).—On Sunday evening, April 10th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 360 Bob Doubles. H. Moxon, P. Smith, J. Moxon, G. Basham, A. Abrams. On Sunday morning, April 17th, for Divine Service, 360 Bob Doubles. H. Moxon, G. Basham, J. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, A. Abrams. For evening service 720 Bob Doubles standing as before. On Sunday evening, April 24th, for Divine Service, 480 Bob Doubles. J. McGill, G. Basham, H. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, A. Abrams. On Monday evening, April 25th, for practice, 360, a 6-score of Bob Doubles, and two 6-score of Grandsire Doubles each called differently. J. Moxon, H. Moxon, C. Martin, A. Abrams, G. Basham, D. Crashlay conductor.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CIRENCESTER.—On Easter Sunday, at Holy Trinity church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. J. M. Twiner, H. Lewis, A. C. Harmer, H. Nettle. S. Moore, F. J. Lewis conductor, S. M. Loxton, S. G. Andrews.

COLN ST. ALDWYNS.—On Sunday, May 1st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. W. Minchin, F. J. Lewis conductor, H. Lewis, T. Witchell, C. Bates, J. Kitchener, S. M. Loxton, C. Mustoe.

ASH (Kent).—On Wednesday, April 27th, at the parish church, 120 each of Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles. F. Banfield, G. Barham, G. Foord, J. Acott, R. Goodbourn conductor, H. Hogben. Also 720 Plain Bob Minor and 216 Grandsire Minor. F. Banfield, G. Barham, G. Foord, H. Hogben, J. Acott, R. Goodbourn conductor. On Sunday, April 17th, 336 Grandsire Triples. F. Banfield, G. Barham, W. Taylor, J. Ford, J. Acott, G. Foord, R. Goodbourn conductor, E. Bellingham.

COLCHESTER.—On Saturday, April 23rd, to celebrate St. George's Day, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 45 mins. G. Burch, W. Bowell, W. Button, F. Manning, F. Bumpstead, A. Burch, R. W. Stannard, W. J. Schofield. Also 1092 Grandsire Triples, W. J. Schofield ringing the treble and G. Burch tenor. Also touches of Kent Treble and Plain Bob, conducted by W. J. Schofield.

BLETCHLEY (Bucks).—On Saturday, May 28th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, composed by James George, of Rugby, in 45 mins. R. Sear, A. J. Hessian, L. Meager, F. Hedges conductor, H. Sear, E. Marks, F. Sear. W. Sear. First quarter-peal in the method with a bob bell by R. Sear and A. F. Hessian. This was especially arranged for A. J. Hessian and F. Sear, who hail from Rugby. They wish to thank the local band for the kindness shewn on their visit to Bletchley.

BORTH, NEAR LIVERPOOL.—On Monday, April 11th, at Christ Church, 720 Bob Minor. B. Cunningham, R. E. Jones, J. M. Jared, J. A. Green, A. Ogden, G. Luck.

NEWTON LONGVILLE (Bucks).—On Saturday, April 23rd, for practice at the parish church, six 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. F. C. Tompkins, W. Sear, H. Hopkins, T. Henry, H. Sears conductor, W. Smith.

PENGE (Surrey).—On Thursday, April 7th, at St. John the Evangelist, 720 Bob Minor. E. Edwards, G. Wickeus, H. Edwards, W. Smith, E. Popgee, W. J. Battson conductor. On Thursday, April 28th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. W. J. Battson, S. Hopkins, H. Edwards, W. Smith, E. Popgee, G. Wickens conductor.

SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).—On Sunday, April 24th, for Divine Service at Christ Church, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. G. Bester, H. Flanders, J. Miller, J. Armstrong, W. Pickworth, H. Miller, S. Wade conductor, P. Folkes.

WILLOUGHBY, NEAR RUGBY.—On Wednesday, May 11th, the St. Andrew's (Rugby) Society visited this place and rang 720 Bob Minor. J. B. Fenton conductor, A. J. Hessian, A. G. H. Newman, R. Brunsden, F. Sear, A. Bramall. And 120 Grandsire Doubles. H. O. White, J. B. Fenton conductor, A. G. H. Newman, A. Bramall, A. J. Hessian, F. Sear.

WILLESDEN.—On Tuesday, April 19th, at the parish church, 720 Double Stedman Slow Course Minor. J. Jackman, A. Hill, W. G. Matthews, J. Chandler, H. Kilby, A. Pittam conductor.



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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 1904.

THE peal records this week show the effect of the York meeting of the Council. Members from London and their friends have made good use of the time at their disposal, one of the performances actually being a "Central Council Peal." Messrs. TAFFENDER and PYE have been busy, and the records which include their names are of an high character. The performance at Beverley Minster—

the first peal on these famed bells—is peculiarly welcome. These bells have undergone a thorough scientific restoration within the past few years. The Rev. Canon NOLLOTH, who is an ardent admirer of church bells and ringers, interested himself greatly in the work, and the result is said to be a “perfect peal.” Every known improvement has been effected with these bells, and the Loughborough firm is said to have surpassed itself almost by their work at Beverley.

The list of attendances (and non-attendances) of the members of the Council were published last week. In our next number will be commenced the verbatim report of the meeting.

### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting was held at Newmarket on Whit-Monday. Only thirteen members were present from Ely, Chippenham and All Saints', Newmarket. Touches of Bob Minor were rung during the day. At 3.30 a good meat tea was served at Mason's Rooms in the High Street. Mr. W. Taylor, of Newmarket, took the chair after tea, when four new members from Chippenham were elected. It was proposed by Mr. Vale, of Ely, and seconded by Mr. Pilgram, that the next meeting be held at Chippenham, a fine ring of six, on September 19th. It was also proposed and seconded that the Vicar and Churchwardens be thanked for the use of the bells.

To W. E. PITMAN (Lyninge).—It is not necessary to publish your letter, the answer to which would be a decided negative. When a common single is used in G. T. there is a danger of changes coming up at hand which have already been had at back-stroke, and *vice versa*. This would surely occur in the case you mention. Again, if such a thing as you imagine were possible, don't you think it would have been discovered a hundred or more years ago? Obtain a knowledge of what is known as “in-and-out-of-course.”

MR. G. WILLIAMS, of Brighton, asks us to correct report of quarterly meeting held at Hartfield on April 23rd, reported in our issue of Saturday last, as a quarterly meeting of the Eastern Division. It should read: “A quarterly meeting of the Central Division of the Sussex County Association,” etc.

LATE NOTICE.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A district meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead to-day, Saturday, June 4th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Tea 6d. per head at 6 o'clock.  
Chalk Hill House, Watford. H. EDEN, Dist. Sec.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Two Hours Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDERICK DAVIES .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 5.
THOMAS LANGDON* .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS.. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE .. 3.	JAMES E. DAVIES .. .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal in the method (College Youth).

### The Provinces.

#### HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 19½ cwt.

ALFRED HACKETT* .. .. Treble.	VICTOR WHITE .. .. 5.
ELIJAH WHITE .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM WEBB .. .. 6.
WILLIAM COLEY† .. .. 3.	GEORGE N. COCKIN .. .. 7.
HARRY WILLIAMS .. .. 4.	MATTHEW HACKETT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM COLEY.

\*First peal. †First as conductor. ‡First away from the treble.

#### ASHTED, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

JOHN WYATT .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 5.
HARRY LAST .. .. 2.	ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 6.
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ALFRED THOMAS JONES* .. 4.	JOHN HOYLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

\*First peal.

#### WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES .. .. Treble.	JOHN SMITH .. .. 6.
THOMAS H. REEVES.. .. 2.	WILLIAM COOPER .. .. 7.
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JOSEPH WALKER .. .. 5.	RICHARD SPEAKMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

\*First peal of Caters.

#### LEEDS, YORKSHIRE.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 21, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, HOLBECK,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

HERBERT LANGDON .. .. Treble.	*JOSHUA WOODHEAD .. .. 5.
FRANK RENTON .. .. 2.	ALFRED WINDSOR .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
EDWARD J. WEBB .. .. 4.	FRANCIS WOODHEAD.. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples.

#### ROLVENDEN, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 22, 1904, in Three Hours Four and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM H. LAMBERT* .. Treble.	CHARLES TRIBE .. .. 5.
GEORGE BILLENNESS .. .. 2.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 6.
CHARLES W. PLAYER .. .. 3.	ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 7.
SYDNEY F. C. SAKER .. .. 4.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\*First peal in the method. This is supposed to be the first peal of Major on the bells; also the conductor's fiftieth peal of Bob Major.

**HANDBELLS FOR SALE.**—A peal of 42 in splendid condition. Price £7 10s. Also a nearly new polished ball stand, measuring 5-feet square, with hooks complete.—TYRRELL, Horndon on the Hill, Essex.

**DORKING, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 5.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. .. 2.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. .. 3.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 7.
HENRY CORBETT .. .. 4.	DAVID ANSCOMBE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN C. JACKSON.

The above is a transposition of Heywood's No. 1.

**PRIVETT, HANTS.****THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 12 cwt. 15 lbs.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. Treble.	JOHN J. JONES .. .. 5.
ERNEST ALLEN .. .. 2.	CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 6.
HENRY HUTTON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE .. .. 7.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. .. 4.	JAMES HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD, and Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

This is the fiftieth tower the conductor has rang a peal in. First peal in the method on the bells.

**LUGWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.****THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(CRADLEY BRANCH.)

*On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and Plain Bob. Tenor 18½ cwt.

FRANK PRITCHARD .. .. Treble.	DAVID HORNE .. .. 4.
HENRY PRITCHARD .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HADLEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES HORNE .. .. 3.	FREDERICK SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. SMITH.

First peal on the bells.

**ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.****THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Treble.	JAMES H. BLAKE .. .. 5.
JOHN NETLEY .. .. 2.	GEORGE WOODMAN .. .. 6.
EDWARD EDE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 7.
WILLIAM TICEHURST† .. 4.	WALTER J. RICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. C. D. P. DAVIES, and Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to C. Blackman, the band wishing him many happy returns. †First peal on eight bells. The band wish to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Blackman for their kind hospitality.

**HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES.**

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS HAIGH .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3.	JOHN F. MALLABY .. .. 8.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	ARTHUR T. KING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**BEVERLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty-two Minutes,*

AT THE MINSTER,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 41 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. Treble.	GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS HAIGH .. .. 3.	JOHN F. MALLABY .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 5.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells. The band wish to thank Canon Nolloth for his kind hospitality toward them after the peal.

**HORTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.****STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, May 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Violet, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 11½ cwt.

J. WORTH .. .. Treble.	J. COTTRELL .. .. 4.
J. CHEETHAM .. .. 2.	H. WHITEHURST .. .. 5.
J. R. BURGESS .. .. 3.	W. J. CARTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. J. CARTER.

**HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, May 24, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.**

Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 2.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GEORGE R. PYE, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells.

**BRIDLINGTON, YORKS.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, May 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 26½ cwt.

GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by WM. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

**APPLEDORE, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, May 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S TEN-PART No. 5.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE WATSON .. .. 5.
EWART G. JOHNSON† .. 2.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM E. PITMAN .. 3.	GEORGE JOHNSON .. .. 7.
SYDNEY F. C. SAKER .. 4.	*WILLIAM SHARP .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EWART G. JOHNSON.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor, aged 14.

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**SELBY, YORKS.—CENTRAL COUNCIL PEAL.**

*On Wednesday, May 25, 1904, in Three Hours,*

*AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. GERMANUS AND MARY,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

JOHN W. WHITING .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 5.
HENRY WHITE .. .. 2.	REV. G. F. COLBRIDGE .. 6.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 3.	HENRY DAINS .. .. 7.
ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 4.	FRANK W. HOPGOOD .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. The above were two representatives each of the Royal Cumberland Yonths, the Oxford and Winchester Diocesan Guilds and the Sussex County Association.

**PENSHURST, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, May 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

REV. E. BANKES JAMES'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

WILLIAM SPICE, JUN. .. Treble.	JAMES MAYNARD .. .. 5.
ERNEST EVEREST .. .. 2.	HENRY SEAL .. .. 6.
EDWARD BRIDGER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SPICE, SEN. .. 7.
EDWARD SMITH .. .. 4.	*GEORGE MEADE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by W. SPICE, SEN.

Rung to welcome the return of the Hon. Maurice and Mrs. Drummond to Swazlands, Penshurst, after their honeymoon in Scotland. \*First peal. The ringer of the treble is fifteen years of age.

**SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Wednesday, May 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARIE (R.C.), NORFOLK ROW,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. Treble.	FRED WILFORD .. .. 5.
TOM LOCKWOOD* .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. 3.	FRANCIS WOODHEAD .. 7.
HERBERT LANGDON .. 4.	GEORGE O. DIXON .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples.

**NOTTINGHAM.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION**

*On Wednesday, May 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ED. ROBINSON .. .. Treble.	HARRY R. COBBIN .. .. 5.
THOS. HORTON .. .. 2.	GEORGE H. JOHNSON .. 6.
JOSEPH WOOLLEY .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 4.	ROBERT M. BLACKWALL .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

**DURHAM,**

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, May 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,*

*AT THE CATHEDRAL,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 30 cwt.

REV. MAITLAND KELLY .. Treble.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 5.
JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. 2.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 6.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 3.	ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 7.
JAMES E. GOFTON* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\*First peal in the method.

**BLACKPOOL.**

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**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN A. WILLIAMS* .. Treble.	GEORGE CLEAL .. .. 5.
JOHN T. WILLSON* .. .. 2.	†ALBERT H. BELL .. .. 6.
JOHN E. CLARKE* .. .. 3.	FREDERICK H. DEXTER .. 7.
HAROLD RUSHBY .. .. 4.	*FRANK WILFORD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK H. DEXTER.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

**ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.**

*On Friday, May 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 22½ cwt.

J. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. .. Treble.	FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. 5.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. 2.	ISAAC MYERS .. .. 6.
JOSEPH BLACK .. .. 3.	JAS. W. WASHBROOK .. 7.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 4.	RALPH PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAS. W. WASHBROOK.

The above has the same sets as those used by Thurstans, but united by six singles instead of extra bobs. W. Shepherd had previously been elected a member of the Association.

**ASHTED, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,*

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN WYATT .. .. Treble.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. 5.
JOHN HOYLE .. .. 2.	CONOR O. BRIEN .. .. 6.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 7.
HENRY CORBETT* .. .. 4.	JAMES HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CONOR O'BRIEN, and Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

\*First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, who received the usual congratulations.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERES, 5008 CHANGES.**

Tenor 32 cwt.

EDGAR PEMBERTON .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 6.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 2.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 8.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 4.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. 9.
WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 5.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. Tenor.

Composed by W. T. ELSON, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged and rang to oblige Benjamin S. Thompson and Henry W. Kirton who hail from Chelmsford.

**NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,*

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 16 cwt. 9 lbs.

J. THOMPSON* .. .. Treble.	B. GREATORREX .. .. 5.
F. WATKINSON .. .. 2.	J. BROOKS .. .. 6.
W. BUTLER .. .. 3.	J. T. BUTLER .. .. 7.
W. FOX .. .. 4.	J. P. TARLTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by J. P. TARLTON.

\*First peal of Kent.

**SOUTHPORT, LANCASHIRE.**  
**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF THE EMMANUEL,*

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
**IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.**

TITUS BARLOW .. .. Treble.	ROBERT SANDERSON .. .. 5.
ROBERT DUCKWORTH .. 2.	WILLIAM LEVER .. .. 6.
JOHN DENNER .. .. 3.	JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 7.
THOMAS PEERS .. .. 4.	JOHN POTTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOSEPH POTTER.

First peal on the bells.

**CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.**  
**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5129 CHANGES.**

**Tenor 24½ cwt.**

DAVID FARTHING .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. 2.	*DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 7.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	*WALTER ALLWOOD .. .. 8.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 9.
BRAILSFORD C. HANDBY .. 5.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

This peal was rung by members of Friendly Societies, as a welcome home to Mr. E. F. Hind, of Chesterfield, Grand Master of the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows.  
\*First peal of Grandsire Caters.

**LEEDS, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, May 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CHAD, FAR HEADINGLEY,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
**PARKER'S ONE-PART, Tenor 20 cwt.**

FREDK. R. BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	*JAMES MOXON .. .. 5.
CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 2.	EDWIN WHEATER .. .. 6.
HENRY FERGUSON .. .. 3.	GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. 7.
HARRY GIBSON .. .. 4.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

\*First peal in the method; also on the bells, and first since being rebung.

**KIRDFORD, SUSSEX.**

*On Sunday, May 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,*

*AT THE PARISH CHURCH,*

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

**Being forty-two 6-scores, called differently.**

ARTHUR COLLINS .. .. Treble.	RALPH ARNOLD .. .. 4.
WALTER HUMPHREY .. .. 2.	FRANCIS T. HOAD .. .. 5.
HUGH R. THORPE .. .. 3.	MESHACH STENNING .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HUGH R. THORPE.

First peal on the bells.

**READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Monday, May 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

*AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,*

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
**A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.**

EDWARD HAYNES* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM HORNE .. .. 5.
W. RUNHAM* .. .. 2.	†ALBERT WHEELER .. .. 6.
REV. H. C. BELL .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
ERNEST HUGHES .. .. 4.	†HARRY BURGESS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

†First peal. \*First peal of Stedman. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Dr. H. Selby Little, a sidesman of St. Giles.

**PEAL CORRECTION.**—The band that rang the peal of Cambridge Surprise Major on Whit Monday at St. Mary's, Framsdon, Suffolk, were all members of the Norwich Diocesan Association.

**A VISIT TO BENINGTON (HERTS.)**

Ye Benington bells, ye Benington bells,  
How many a tale your music tells  
Of youth and home, and that last time  
When last we heard your merry chime.

What a world of memories the above must bring back to the older members of the ringing world. "How many a tale your music tells." The tale of London, Cambridge, Superlative and other musical methods.

For any enthusiastic ringer to pay a visit to the sleepy little village of Benington, in Hertfordshire, which comprises the church, two short streets of old fashioned cottages, and last but by no means least, the village pub., a delightful day may be spent.

On our arrival at the village, having stabled our horse—I mean bicycles, and ordered tea—which by the way we had at the home of one of the old ringers, and who, we were pleased to find out after we had visited the church, invariably rung the 7th, and whose name is to be seen on the peal boards—we made for the church.

There were the eight ropes hanging down, and, yes, there they are, as we had been told, peal boards of London, Cambridge, Superlative, Stedman, and what's more, some of the boards handsomely written by one of the ringers himself. But hark! what's that noise? surely someone winding-up the clock. Up the belfry stairs we go, and were not long before we were hailed with a hearty "Hullo, whose there," and on saying we should like to see the bells, we were invited to step in, the voice telling us he would not be long.

When face to face with "the voice" we were delightfully surprised to find it was Mr. John Kitchener, a nephew of the conductor of the old band, and who himself has rung peals of London, &c. He at once offered to show us the bells, and, sad to say, what signs of neglect, this lovely little peal of eight, tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp, seemed to show. All over the place there were ample signs of the tower being the home of birds, but still, there they were, eight of them, never perhaps to be rung again. The late squire and ringer (Leonard Proctor), lying peacefully in the churchyard, would never have thought they would have come to that, several trebles he had cast for this famous peal, till he got one to suit his critical ear.

Having now completed our inspection of the bells and everything else interesting connected with the church, our thoughts were directed towards tea, so turning our backs on the famous fabric, we found a nice tea awaiting for us, which we had to quickly dispatch as darkness was closing in. The tales of the good old times in Benington village, which the old ringer entertained us with during tea, I must tell another time. So with a hearty good-bye to the old man and his wife, we mounted our hors—bicycles and made tracks for home. H.H.

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## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on Thursdays, June 16th and 30th, at 7.30 p.m., and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, June 8th, at 8 p.m. Business meeting after St. Michael's at headquarters.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Fyodlingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Christ Church, Southgate, to-day, Saturday, 4th June, by kind permission of the Rev. J. Beardall. Owing to the exigencies of local cricket, the bells will not be available until 6.30 p.m. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The Hon. Sec. would be glad to receive any outstanding subscriptions.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—The next meeting of the above Guild will be held at New Romney to-day Sat., June 4th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Tea a 5.30. to be followed by the usual business meeting. All ringers heartily welcomed.

C. TRIBE, *Hon. Sec.*  
British School Villas, Tenterden

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Devizes Branch.—Monthly meeting at Potterne, near Devizes, to-day, Saturday, June 4th, at 3 p.m. Rev. C. W. COBBE, *Branch Sec.*

**Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, June 4th, at St. Saviour's church, Bacup. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting 6.30. W. ASHWORTH, *Sec.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Ruddington, to-day, Saturday, June 4th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m. R. CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Cheddleton to-day, Saturday, June 4th. D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*

**The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.**—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Sefton on Saturday, June 11th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.

REV. W. T. BULFIT, *Hon.*  
W. BENTHAM, *Secs.*

**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Yeovil on Saturday, June 11th. The bells of St. John's (10) will be available all day. Dinner (1s. each to members) will be provided at St. John's Schools at 1.45 p.m., business following. Service, with address by the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, at St. John's Church at 4.0. Members intending to be present at the dinner should inform me by Tuesday, June 7th.

Bridgewater. A. E. COLLES, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Armitage Bridge, near Huddersfield, on Saturday, June 11th, meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting-house, The Butchers' Arms. WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*

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**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at St. John Baptist, Hillingdon East, on Saturday, June 11th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m. Electric cars from Shepherd's Bush and Hammersmith pass the church. Fare, 5d. each way. I. J. PRATT, *Dis. Hon. Sec.*  
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36254	-	-	-	-	36245	-	-	-	-
52634	-	-	-	-	42635	-	-	-	-
23654	-	-	-	-	23645	-	-	-	-
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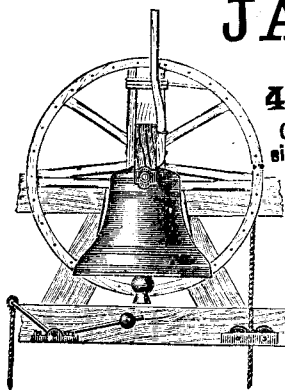
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**ROTHERHAM (Yorks).** St. Ann. Yorkshire Association. Ten bells. All by Mears, 1821. Tenor 32 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mallaby, 1897. Ropes new 1902, good. Methods: Grand-sire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.

**ROTHWELL (Yorks).** Holy Trinity. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor 1836-1838. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Bells go fairly. Clocking permitted. Repairs by Shaw, 1883. Ropes good. Methods: Treble Bob, College Exercise, and about 20 Minor methods. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30. Visitors are welcomed.

**ROWLEY REGIS (Staffordshire).** St. Giles. Eight bells. The back five by Mears (date not given); the rest by Barwell, 1887. Tenor 12 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Barwell, 1897. Ropes good. Ringers all learners. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 8, Saturday, 7.

**RUGBY (Warwickshire).** St. Andrew. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1895. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1895, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6.30 to 7. Practice: Monday, 7.

**RUDDINGTON (Notts).** St. Peter. Eight bells. No return.

**RUISLIP (Middlesex).** Eight bells. No return.

**RUNCORN (Cheshire).** Eight bells. No return.

### BLACKPOOL.

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## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The spring meeting of the Chipping Norton Deanery Branch was held at Hook Norton, on Saturday, May 14th, in splendid weather. The church of St. Peter occupies a commanding situation in the centre of the village, and was restored in 1845 at a cost of about £2,500. It is a spacious and interesting edifice of stone, originally Norman, and consists of chancel, clerestoried nave, aisles, south porch, north transept, and an embattled western tower, with eight crocketed pinnacles, containing a clock and eight bells, dated respectively 1600, 1788, 1797, 1719, 1869, 1897 and (two) 1899. There was a good attendance of ringers, and the towers represented were Chipping Norton, Hook Norton, Shipton-under-Wychwood, Enstone, and Longborough, and those present included the Master of the Diocesan Guild (the Rev. F. E. Robinson), the President of the branch (Rev. J. E. Phillips), the Rural Dean (Rev. G. A. Littledale), Revs. A. W. Russell (Hook Norton), W. Collingwood Carter (Shipton-under-Wychwood), E. J. F. Johnson (Sarsden-cum-Churchill), W. J. Palmer (Enstone), and Messrs. H. Dickens and W. Large, and the Secretary (Mr. J. F. Barlow).

In the course of the afternoon mixed bands rang touches of Doubles, Minor, and Triples, and again visited the tower in the evening. Evensong was said at 4.30, and the attendance was exceedingly good. The Rev. W. Collingwood Carter conducted the service, the Rev. J. E. Phillips read the lesson, and the Rev. F. E. Robinson preached an appropriate sermon.

A meat tea was provided in the schoolroom by Mr. G. May (Hook Norton), about forty sitting down.

The usual business meeting was held immediately after tea. The President of the branch occupied the chair. Letters of regret at inability to be present were read from the Rev. R. Hart-Davis (Secretary of the Diocesan Guild), Revs. T. W. Lee (Leafield), C. F. Garratt (Little Tew), A. G. Grisewood (Daylesford), H. Jubbs (Heythrop), Miss Whitmore Jones (Chastleton), and Mr. A. E. Reeves (Assistant Secretary of the Guild).

The President said the members of the branch would be pleased to know that the balance in hand at the end of December last was £6 6s. 11d., a state of things which spoke volumes for the management of the secretary and the treasurer. They would also be pleased to know that they had to enrol at that meeting two honorary members and fourteen ringing members.

The President moved a vote of thanks to the Rector of Hook Norton for his kindness in receiving the members that day, to the organist, and to all who had assisted to make the day so pleasant. The Rev. E. J. F. Johnson seconded.

The Rev. A. W. Russell acknowledged the compliment and proposed a vote of thanks to the Master of the Guild for his presence and address. The Rev. W. J. Palmer seconded.

The Master, in response, said it behoved one who was fast becoming an old man to try and do his very best. The Master of the Guild had to contend with good many disappointments, and he had experienced a keen disap-

pointment that day. He had tried his best to get up a company to ring a peal on those bells that day, but had not been successful. With regard to the Chipping Norton deanery branch of the Guild, they seemed to be in a flourishing condition, but so long as they had such a genial President as Mr. Phillips and such an efficient secretary as Mr. Barlow, they were certain to succeed in anything they undertook. With reference to the state of the Guild generally, there was a continuous increase in numbers. Other toasts followed.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very pleasant and instructive quarterly meeting of the Winchester district of the above Guild was held at Twyford, on Saturday, May 14th. By the kindness of the Vicar, the beautiful ring of eight bells was available from 2.0 p.m., and the Parish Hall was also kindly lent by him for tea at 5.30 and for the meeting after.

An excellent meat tea was provided by a member of the Twyford band (Mr. Abraham), and was thoroughly appreciated. In the absence of the Vicar, through ill-health, the curate of the parish, the Rev. — Percival, presided at the tea, but having to leave early, the captain of the Twyford band, Mr. Brown, was unanimously chosen to succeed him as chairman. After the meeting the bells were kept going until nearly nine o'clock. During the afternoon and evening touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, and Bob and Grandsire Minor were rung. The Stedman method has quite recently been taken in hand by some bands in the district, and on this occasion several members rang their first 504 in the method, and the Hon. Secretary promises to try and arrange for a quarter-peal to be rung on the Cathedral bells very shortly. Nearly all the members of the Cathedral, Twyford and Hursley bands were present, also Mr. H. and Miss Alice White from Basingstoke.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly meeting of the above was held at Lancaster, on Saturday, May 7th. The difficulty of procuring cheap railway facilities prevented a large attendance but representatives were present from Bolton-le-Moors, Eccles, Leyland, Preston, Pendleton, Manchester, Ambleside and Lancaster, the local representatives including Messrs. J. H. Parker, G. Winn and W. H. Hirst. The Rev. H. J. Elsee presided over the business meeting, which was held in the belfry at the parish church, and in the course of an address, said they were glad to have another meeting at Lancaster. Although the Association embraced the whole of the county they had not been able to hold many meetings in this district, and it must be twelve years since the last meeting was at Lancaster. It was always a pleasure to have a pull upon the bells at that fine old church, where they had the finest peal of eight to be found in the county. It was heavier than the heavy peal at Wigan, and although there were heavier peals at Manchester Town Hall and at Liverpool, still it was the best church peal in the county. He should have been glad if it were possible to hold more meetings in the district, but he supposed a great difficulty was that the towers were so scattered. There were some in the Fylde, but that district was rather inaccessible to Lancaster, still there was a ring of eight bells at Scorton, one or two further north, and there were several rings of six bells. He did not know whether it would be possible to form a Lancaster branch of the Association, which should take

in the northern part of the county, with perhaps Kendal and Ambleside, hold quarterly meetings, and try and unite the change-ringers of the district. They could not expect the Lancaster members to attend meetings south of Preston very frequently, but if the local branch could be established it might be the means of combining the ringers and strengthening the Association. As they knew, the object the Association was to try and raise the moral and social status of the ringers, improve the standard and methods of ringing, and bring the clergy and ringers into closer touch wherever that was possible. The working of that and kindred associations in various parts of the country had done a great deal in that direction during the last twenty years. They were looked upon in a very different way to that in which ringers used to be regarded, and much had also been done to improve the methods of ringing.

Rev. F. H. Payton, on behalf of the Vicar of Lancaster, extended a cordial welcome to the Association, and said that both clergy and ringers in Lancaster would be glad to do all they could to further the interests of the Association. He thought the formation of such a branch as had been suggested was feasible. At any rate they could try.

A desultory conversation as to the formation of a Lancaster branch followed, the Rev. J. D. Elwell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Hirst, and others participating, and eventually the suggestion was referred to the Lancaster members of the Association for consideration. On the proposal of Mr. A. E. Wreaks (hon. secretary), seconded by Mr. Satterthwaite (Ambleside), several ringers from Ambleside and Brathay were admitted to membership, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar of Lancaster for placing the belfry at the disposal of the Association. At the close touches were rung on the parish church bells, and a visit was also paid to St. Thomas's church.

#### Obituary.

##### WILLIAM BIGNOLD.

We regret to record the death of Mr. William Bignold, who for the past thirteen years served as church clerk and sexton at Shere, Surrey. He passed away on Monday, May 23rd, aged 64. His family is one of the oldest in the parish, his ancestors dating back to the 16th century, and he has for 47 years been a ringer in the above church, although he has never rung in any long peal. He was a splendid striker. His forefathers were ringers since 1712. The funeral took place on Saturday, May 28th, when he was borne to his last resting place by his brother ringers. The service was fully choral, the hymns being "Now the Labourer's task is o'er," "On the Resurrection morning," "My God, my Father, while I stray." After the service a muffled touch was rung, and in the evening a 336 of Grandsire Triptles.

MR. S. F. PALMER, hon. sec. of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society, writes:—

"Referring to the report of the annual meeting of the above Society in this week's 'BELL NEWS,' I notice the balance in hand is given as £1 18s. 9d. This should be £8 18s. 9d."

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council was held in the schoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey, York, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 24th, when 44 out of 89 representatives, and 4 out of 11 Honorary Members were present, as given in full detail in the official schedule of attendances published on page 137 of our issue of May 28th. Of 35 Associations six were fully representative, nineteen partially so, and ten were unrepresented.

Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., presided. Letters expressing regret that they could not attend, were read from the Revs. T. L. Papillon, A. H. Boughey, and C. E. Matthews, and from Messrs. Trollope and Saker.

## FINANCE.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies (Hon. Secretary), submitted the accounts as audited by the Standing Committee which were as follows: Balance from last year, £103 5s. od. The expenditure included expenses of the last annual meeting, £3 17s. od.; printing Peal Collection, £24 8s. 6d.; reprinting 2000 copies of the Glossary, less amount received for advertisements, £28 3s. 9d.; postages and other items, £1 2s. 6d., leaving a balance of £56 8s. 3d. The Hon. Secretary proceeded to explain that since the accounts had been balanced Messrs. Bemrose had sent in their account which included £6 18s. 1d. proceeds of sale of publications, and a charge of £9 15s. od. for printing the 500 copies of the Rules and Decisions of the Council as agreed upon at the last meeting of the Council. This would reduce the balance in hand to £53 11s. 4d. The net value of publications that the publishers had on sale after deducting commission was £62 18s. 1d., and also there was for sale the 500 copies of the Rules and Decisions which would bring the total assets of the Council to £125 16s. 11d. A further detailed statement showed that the publishers had during the year sold 37 copies on the preservation of bells, in stock 457; sold 36 Reports on Catalogue of Peals and Calls, 1894, left 92; sold 16 Glossary, left in stock 2027; sold 24 Rules for Associations, left in stock 137; sold 86 Rules for a Company, left in stock 821; sold 51 Bells, Belfries and Ringers, left in stock 61; sold 160 Collection of Peals, left in stock 840.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson proposed the adoption of the accounts.

Mr. N. J. Pitstow in seconding, asked if it would not be better to appoint auditors.

The President said this could be done if desired. The President and Hon. Secretary were responsible for the accounts. Finance was not the business of the Standing Committee. So the accounts had always been submitted to, and gone through by the Committee.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee said it did not appear that the Standing Committee were overburdened, and he thought the audit was a matter which could be left with them.

The resolution was adopted.

## VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

The Hon. Secretary said since the last meeting of the Council death had removed one of its original members. He referred to the late Mr. F. W. J. Rees, who was not only a member of the Council but also of the Standing Committee. He was sure that they would all agree that the Council had lost one who had at all times taken great interest in the work, and whose genial presence they were at all times pleased to have among them. He was himself in communication with Mr. Rees only just previous to his death. Mr. Rees had most kindly undertaken to go through the whole of the original edition of the Glossary, and correct for the new issue all topographical errors, and it was during this process that he heard in November from the daughter of the deceased gentleman that her father had died somewhat suddenly. Although ill for some time it was not till twelve hours previously that they learned that he could not recover. He moved that a vote of condolence with the family be passed, and that the Council express its appreciation of the useful work that the deceased had done as one of its members.

The President in seconding referred to the ability of the deceased, and the energy that was at all times displayed in the work that he took in hand.

The resolution was carried in silence, all the members standing.

## HON. MEMBERS.

The Hon. Secretary announced that there were two Hon. Members whose term of office now expired, and the Council had lost one by the death of Mr. Rees. At the present time there were eleven, including the two referred to, viz., the Rev. A. H. Boughey and Mr. W. H. Thompson.

The President said the Standing Committee considered that both the Dean of Trinity (Rev. A. H. Boughey), and Mr. W. H. Thompson should be re-elected Hon. Members, as both had already done good work in connection with the Council, and their services might be required in the future. With respect to filling the vacancy caused through the death of Mr. Rees, it might be desirable not at present to fill it, so that there might be a vacancy in case of need.

On the proposition of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, seconded by Mr. Story, the Rev. A. H. Boughey and Mr. W. H. Thompson were re-elected hon. members.

## THE GLOSSARY.

The Hon. Secretary reported upon the re-printing of the Glossary particulars as to cost of which he reported would be found in the accounts for the year. He mentioned that the new edition could be obtained at the same price as the old, 5d. per copy.

The President said it might be desirable in view of the large outlay to remind the Council that last year the publishers had no copies left, although some Secretaries of Associations had still a stock. Consequently it must not be expected that the present edition would be sold very quickly. The book was a valuable work, and there was sure to be a steady demand for it in the future. No one could possibly have read this book without observing what a vast amount of information Mr. Bulwer had got together. Mr. Coleridge had kindly gone through the whole of the proofs, and he considered the thanks of the Council were due to him.

On the proposition of the Rev. H. J. Elsee, seconded by the Rev. H. A. Cockey, the thanks of the Council were accorded to Mr. Coleridge for his assistance.

## PEAL COLLECTION.

Dr. Carpenter reported that the work in connection with the Collection of Peals was proceeding. Bob Major had been advanced so far that four sheets were in the printer's hands, of which three were printed.

Mr. H. Dains said he had seen the ms., and could state that the collection of Bob Major peals was the very best selection that could be made.

The Hon. Secretary said he had little to do with the Bob Major selection beyond the routine work. As stated by Dr. Carpenter, three sheets were printed, and a fourth was in hand. Mr. Trollope had most carefully gone through the proofs, and there could be no doubt that the Collection would contain the very best peals that could be selected. As the members were aware the first section had been published, and a number of copies sold. Although the work only went on slowly, yet it was going on steadily.

Mr. King asked how long it would be before the second section was likely to be issued.

The Hon. Secretary replied that he was unable to give a definite date, but it was hoped to issue it before long.

Mr. King pointed out that no "cross-head" lines appeared at the top of the pages, so as to enable the reader to see what the page referred to.

The Rev. H. Drake thought it very desirable that this should be done in the whole of the Council's publications.

The President said this was a matter the Committee would bear in mind for the future. There could be no doubt that the Collection was a laborious work, but at the same time it was a most important one which the Council must not hesitate if necessary to spend some of its funds in publishing, and so enable the Exercise to have a collection of the very best peals in each method.

## CONDITION OF RINGS.

The President said the reports of this Committee would take about another twelve months to appear in "THE BELL NEWS." He was doing the work himself, and could only give an hour a week to it. Many of the returns were made out in such a way



that after writing out the particulars it was often found necessary to revise the whole. In arranging the matter he had to rely upon the answers furnished, and certified by two qualified local ringers. This information he had no right to alter. What was wanted was general information as to the condition of the rings. It had been originally intended to publish in pamphlet form the information thus obtained. This he did not think could now be done, as much of the information would be out of date. The matter would come up next year. It would be desirable to publish an analysis which would give them something to place before the public.

#### RULES AND DECISIONS OF THE COUNCIL.

The Hon. Secretary reporting upon the resolution adopted at the last annual meeting respecting the issue in pamphlet form the minutes and decisions of the Council, said it was a matter that was left in the hands of the President and himself. It had just been issued, and copies were now ready at 6d. each. Probably some slight errors might appear, but it would only be such a minor matter that it could be easily rectified.

The President said the Hon. Secretary had placed his (the President's) name as one of the compilers, but it was entirely the work of the Hon. Secretary himself. It was an important production, and had entailed considerable labour, for Mr. Davies had had to go through the whole of the decisions of the Council in order to compile the pamphlet. In the course of time it would be necessary to issue another. It had been the practice to issue every three years the decisions, but here they had the whole from the commencement. It had been decided to send copies to the Secretaries of the various Associations, but time had not yet permitted this to be done.

#### PRESS COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly, on behalf of this Committee, reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Papillon stating that he had not had sufficient time to take the matter up. For himself he did not see that much could be done in the matter. He would suggest that if some of the members of the Council would write articles on ringing for publication in Magazines, some good might be done. He remembered reading an article in *All the Year Round* upon a visit to a meeting of the College Youths, which was of an interesting character. Something of this kind would be the means of bringing ringing more before the public. In his own district the local press was at all times ready to insert pars respecting ringing matters if sent in, but these chiefly referred to some local performance, and did not cause the general public to take the interest in ringing that was desired.

The Hon. Sec. read a letter from the Rev. T. L. Papillon, who explained that in the early autumn, the most convenient time to go into such matters, he was absent from home by his visit to America. He had however received encouraging replies from Editors under whose notice he had brought the matter. The Editor of *The Guardian* had suggested the idea of publishing together the four articles which some fifteen years ago appeared in that journal with a view of arousing public interest in ringing. The writer thought it would be desirable to continue the Committee, as good might be done in the direction referred to.

Mr. Bennett asked what would be the responsibility of the Council if the articles referred to were published in pamphlet form.

The Hon. Sec. did not think it was intended that the Council should take any responsibility.

The President said whatever was done it must be something that would interest the public, otherwise Editors would not entertain the question. Mr. Papillon had been engaged upon most important educational work as a member of the Moseley Commission to America. The Council could not possibly leave the matter in better hands than those of Mr. Papillon, who was in touch with the Editor of *The Guardian* and other papers.

The Rev. H. Law James said there was an article which appeared some time ago in one of the Magazines. He thought that this was the kind of thing that would do good.

The President said this article was the work of Mr. Bulwer. He was himself communicated with, and referred the Editor to Mr. Bulwer.

Mr. Searle said the whole question was to Editors a matter of

business. The public had to be catered for. Unless it was done in such a way as to interest the public it would be very difficult to get Editors to take the matter up. At the present day a large space was taken up with cricket and football news. This was because the general public were interested in them. As to the publication of any book, it must be made attractive, otherwise the support of the general public would not be secured.

The Committee were continued.

#### OVERLAPPING ARREARS.

The President said this was a matter which at the last meeting was referred to the Standing Committee. It had been gone into and the Standing Committee considered it could best be dealt with through members of the Council and through Association Secretaries.

#### COMMITTEE WORK.

The President said it had been suggested to him that less time should be spent upon reports of committees. But it should be remembered that much of the Committee's work was of a very important nature, and it was through the committees that the Council had done most of its best work. He thought it would be unwise to cut short consideration of Reports.

(To be continued.)

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The May meeting of the above was held at Drighlington on Saturday, May 7th, and proved a very enjoyable gathering. The inhabitants are very proud of the situation of their village, whose railway station they hold to be the highest in Yorkshire. Memories of the district round Peniston Junction, to say nothing of Ribbles Head with its grand views of Ingleborough and Pen-y-ghent, made one feel a little dubious about this, but doubtless it is one of the highest districts carrying a considerable population. At any rate, on this eventful day, the inhabitants were luxuriating in a wind whose liveliness proclaimed it accustomed to a full-sized moor for its play-ground, and it seemed to say to us strangers "If you don't like it get out of the way before you are bowled over;" so we got. Holding our hats on with both hands, even in the more sheltered nooks, we were able to get some little idea of the view. Far away in the distance reposed busy Leeds, with the clock tower of its town hall rising nobly out of the misty valley, whilst nearer at hand was Tong church, dear to vice-president Bolland and the six-bell men of the neighbourhood. Had we not been careful we should have walked straight into a tram-car and been taken all the way to Bradford for 3d., so up to date is this hill-top village.

Yorkshire seems to have enjoyed itself in the past after the manner of the Irishman who longs for someone to tread on the tail of his coat, for here we have Adwalton Moor, on which in 1643 the Fairfaxes, who had been making things lively in Leeds and Bradford were severely trounced at the hands of the Earl of Newcastle. [We hope our friend Mr. R. S. Story, in the North, will understand that any ill-feeling in this matter has quite blown over, we believe in fact the belfry would be open to him at any time for a peal and a study of local history.] But leaving these good people to fight it out, we proceeded on our more peaceful occupation of finding the church. That considerable preparation had been made for us was proved at the gate to the churchyard, where decorations announced to the passers by that the county Association were the visitors of the day. Personally proud, we felt our waistcoats all too small for our beating hearts, and were wishful to be photographed on the spot. Alas! that there was no one handy. The bells were merrily at work, but to enjoy them one had to shelter behind the nearest house, so strongly was our friend the wind laying down the advantages of fresh air taken in large quantities. Four o'clock saw the official committee gathering together, and at five a substantial tea was served to some 200 members and friends at the schools. Here the Vicar, the Rev. John Trew, gave quite a little lecture on bells, which was all too good for such an hungry occasion, many remarks being made afterwards as to the possibility of having it repeated under less disturbing circumstances. Mr. Trew, who has a charming personality, gained possibly by seeing the world, is an authority on Burmese

bells, and exhibited many specimens which he had brought home with him. It is interesting to know that he had met the late Mr. Ellacombe, and had joined him in a bell lecture and exhibition in times gone by. He exhibited to us a genuine wooden bell of considerable length, the advantage of this formation being the admission of multiple clappers, and as a noise producer it proved an effective instrument. The Burmese bells or gongs were however genuinely beautiful, and set one thinking as to their adaptability for the orchestra, which is badly in want of bells—but it is the deep tones of the Bourdons that are being sought after. In closing, Mr. Trew said he could not allow the occasion to pass without reference to their late comrade Mr. Jeremy Thornton, who had been a keen and faithful ringer at Drighlington for many years. He had always been a good ringer, and one who was determined to have the ringing good. All good ringers would see to it that they not only called others to church, but took some part in the service of the Sanctuary themselves.

The business meeting followed in the same schools, the President in the chair, supported by the Vicar, his churchwarden, Mr. Jackson, and the principal officers. The minutes of the previous meeting (Brighouse) having been read and passed, it was agreed, on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Bolland, that the vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of his bells and schools, previously passed at the tea tables, be entered on the day's minutes. The Vicar added, to what he had already said, that he hoped it would not be twenty-two years before the Association paid them another visit, and expressed his readiness to become an honorary member if elected, whereupon, on the motion of the President, seconded by Mr. Stainthorpe, hon. treasurer, he was unanimously made an hon. member. Further thanks to the Rev. W. Romaine Hervey, Vicar of Birstall, and the Rev. Charles Farrow, Vicar of Tong, for the use of their respective rings of bells, were passed on the motion of the President and vice-president.

The place of next meeting was left in the hands of the committee. On the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Abbshaw (in the absence of the hon. sec., Mr. Holgate, who was unavoidably absent on official business connected with the Bramley Carnival in aid of the Leeds Infirmary), the following alteration of a rule was unanimously passed: "As soon as convenient after the May meeting a notice will be sent to each member whose annual subscription is unpaid; members thus notified are not entitled to the annual report."

Mr. Cotterell, of Halifax, moved, with Mr. Chas. Jackson, of Hull, as seconder, a hearty vote of thanks to the Drighlington branch for their generous arrangements, and to the ladies for assisting with the tea. This was replied to by the Vicar, who said Mr. Wilson was on duty elsewhere. On the motion of Mr. Bolland, seconded by Mr. Lawson (Lightcliffe) a vote of thanks to the chairman was passed, and with this the official work ended, the remainder of the day being spent in ringing. Among those present were members from thirty-eight churches, including Tong, Cleckheaton, Birstall, Leeds, Bradford, Dewsbury, Keighley, Rothwell, Horbury, Hull, Low Moor, Skipton, Headingley, Armley, Wortley, Burley, Sheffield, Huddersfield, Lightcliffe, Pontefract, Halifax, Holbeck, Shipley, Pudsey, Calverley, Earlsheaton, Otley, Sandall, Haworth, Gargrave, Stainland, Mirfield and Drighlington. We cannot close this notice without congratulating the local committee on their work for the Association, and especially Mr. G. H. Wilson, the local hon. sec. The whole of their arrangements worked smoothly and without a hitch, and were greatly appreciated by the numerous visitors.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the above Association was held at Middlesbrough on Whit-Monday, May 23rd, and was the occasion for a pleasant reunion of old friends. Though Middlesbrough was nominally the headquarters of the meeting, yet the towers of both Thornaby and Stockton-on-Tees parish churches were thrown open to members. Ringing was indulged in at Middlesbrough up to service time, 12.45 p.m. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. C. Fowler, Vicar of Whorlton-in-Cleveland, an hon. member of the Association, who also gave the address, and the Secretary, the Rev. W. P. Wright, presided

at the organ. It was noticed with satisfaction that a larger percentage of members present at the meeting attended the service than was the case last year. The preacher, after alluding to the introduction of bells and ringing into the services of the Church, impressed upon his hearers the great need of truth and accuracy in all that we do in life, and that this is one of the great lessons which a careful study of change-ringing is able to teach men. What is worth doing at all, is worth doing well, and if bell ringing is worth learning it is something which ought always to be carried on with a high ideal before us, remembering it is something which is done in the service and to the glory of Almighty God.

At 1.30 the members sat down to an excellent dinner provided at The Grand hotel. The President (Mr. G. J. Clarkson) was in the chair, supported by Mr. J. H. Blakiston (vice-president), Rev. J. C. Fowler, Rev. W. P. Wright (hon. secretary and treasurer), etc., etc. Dinner over, the President of course gave the toast of "The King," which was received as usual with musical honours. Next followed the toast of "The Bishops and Clergy," and the Rev. J. C. Fowler suitably responded.

The Secretary then read his annual report. It stated that the Association was in a satisfactory condition both as to membership and financially, there being a balance of £18 in hand, and that successful meetings had been held during the year at Thirsk, Wath and West Tanfield, Richmond and Whitby. The report and balance sheet were adopted and ordered to be printed. As there were present at the meeting Messrs. Howard Waghorn, Williams, Jacob and Dains, delegates to the Central Council meeting at York, the President next proposed the toast of "The Visitors," welcoming them to Cleveland, and expressing in suitable language the pleasure it gave members of this Association to see them amongst us.

Messrs. Dains and Howard replied for the visitors. All these gentlemen were afterwards elected life members of the Association. The President next read a letter from the Bishop of Ripon, acknowledging the good work done by the Association, and expressing his willingness to become its patron, an announcement which was received with loud applause. He also reported that the Rev. A. N. Thomas, Rector of Guisborough, had joined as an honorary member.

The Rev. J. C. Fowler then took the chair during the election of officers for the ensuing year. This resulted in the whole of the retiring officers being unanimously re-elected, and the Rev. W. P. Wright was elected as the second representative of the Association on the Central Council. This concluded the business meeting, and members dispersed to the several towers to enjoy the remainder of the day in ringing.

#### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### A "GOOD RECORD."

SIR,—Referring to the letter of Mr. Storer W. West in your issue of May 28th, I should like to inform your readers that the Heavitree band (Devon Guild) have rung for Divine service on Sundays during the last four years as follows:—

1900	...	106	services
1901	...	104	"
1902	...	96	"
1903	...	102	"

At each meeting change-ringing has been done, and on festival Sundays such as Easter and Whitsun there have been three meetings, occasionally ringing a quarter-peal before the 6 o'clock early service. Our band would also like to know if theirs constitutes a record.

T. LAVER.

#### NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT DEBENHAM (Suffolk).—Arranged and rung to commemorate the 12th anniversary of the celebrated long peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, 16,608 changes, in 10 hrs. 32 mins., at St. Mary's, Debenham, on Whit-Monday, June 6th, 1892.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 1904.

## The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes;

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 28 cwt.

FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. Treble.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. 8.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 4.	HARRY FLANDERS .. 9.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 5.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE,

\*First peal in the method.

## Handbell Peals.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Wednesday, June 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PELICAN HOTEL, SOUTHWARK STREET, E. C.,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES.

HENRY R. NEWTON .. 1-2.	GEORGE N. PRICE.. .. 7-8.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. 3-4.	JOHN W. GOLDING.. .. 9-10.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. 5-6.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL 11-12.

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and  
Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.Umpires—Alfred B. Peck and William H. Pasmore. Witness—F. White. Rung  
on the anniversary of the wedding of W. H. Pasmore.

## THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Monday, June 6, 1904, in Two Hours Twenty-one and ½ Minutes,

IN THE TOWER OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

MISS C. A. NEVILLE* .. 1-2.	WILLIAM E. JUDD.. .. 5-6.
JAMES W. DRIVER.. .. 3-4.	JOHN W. KELLEY.. .. 7-8.

Conducted by WILLIAM E. JUDD.

Umpire—Arthur Jones. This is the first peal on handbells by the All Saints  
Society, Fulham; also the first peal in hand by all the band.

## The Provinces.

## RAWTENSTALL.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, May 31, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. *well*

GEO. E. ROLLERSON.. .. Treble.	GEORGE HY. HARGREAVES 5.
THOMAS COLLINGE .. .. 2.	HERBERT H. SHAW .. .. 6.
THOMAS ROLLERSON .. .. 3.	JOHN HENRY NUTTALL .. 7.
JAMES ROLLERSON .. .. 4.	ALGERNON NEWMAN.. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS ROLLERSON.

First peal in the method by all except James Rollerson, and the first peal of Major  
on the bells by a local company.

## HENFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 31, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE GATLAND .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR A. FULLER.. .. 5.
SAMUEL BURT .. .. 2.	LAZARUS PAYNE.. .. 6.
ALBERT GODDARD† .. .. 3.	CHARLES TYLER .. .. 7.
GEORGE PAYNE.. .. 4.	†ARTHUR E. BAKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by LAZARUS PAYNE.

†First peal.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TANN .. .. Treble.	*WALTER BARRETT .. .. 5.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 2.	*HENRY ADCOCK .. .. 6.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 3.	FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. 7.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT.. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES HUNT, and Conducted by JAMES TANN.

\*First peal in the method.

## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 1, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. Treble.	ALBERT H. WARD .. .. 5.
FRANK HILL* .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. .. 6.
SAMUEL WESLEY† .. .. 3.	HERBERT DAY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH BOURNE.. .. 4.	HENRY GEORGE.. .. Tenor.

Conducted by SAMUEL WESLEY.

\*First peal. †First peal as conductor. Rung to welcome the Rev. D. G. Smith  
as curate to the above parish, who was ordained at Southwell Minster on Sunday,  
May 29th, 1904.

## BOBBING, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 1, 1904, in Two Hours Forty-three and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canter-  
bury, Kent, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

ALBERT J. DAY.. .. Treble.	FREDERICK FAIRBEARD .. 4.
EDMUND J. HYLAND.. .. 2.	JOSEPH E. GRENSTED .. 5.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. 3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

## KIDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, June 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. Treble.	HARRY JUDGE .. .. 5.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 2.	JAMES FRANKLIN .. .. 6.
REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
HARRY MILES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM STONE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

WALTER LOTT .. .. Treble.	*HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 5.
CHARLES W. BRETT.. .. 2.	*EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. 6.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE 3.	*R. HYDER JENKINS .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. BRETT .. 4.	†PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. PATRICK, and Conducted by PHILIP H. PIERCE.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

## LODDON, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	OLIVER BROCK .. .. 5.
HARRY BORRETT .. .. 2.	WALTER BARRETT .. .. 6.
JAMES BETTS .. .. 3.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 7.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 4.	GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by FREDK. BORRETT.

The above are all bachelors.

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(BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire Minor.

WILLIAM NEWTON* .. .. Treble.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 4.
FRANK YORK† .. .. 2.	†JOHN HARE .. .. 5.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 3.	FREDERICK WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal in seven methods. †First peal in seven methods away from the treble.

CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 33 cwt.

JOHN W. DAVIES .. .. Treble	HARRY W. WILDE .. .. 5.
ROBERT SPERRING .. .. 2.	HENRY DEW .. .. 6.
ERNEST SMITH .. .. 3.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. 7.
THOMAS J. BETHEL .. .. 4.	ARTHUR J. WATKIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. SPERRING.

MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

SAM MASON .. .. Treble.	G. W. STOKES .. .. 5.
C. GREEDY* .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
C. SUMMERS .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. ATKINS† .. .. 4.	S. CORNELIUS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. ATKINS.

†First peal as conductor. \*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. Treble.	CHARLES DEAN .. .. 5.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 2.	ALBERT C. CALVER .. .. 6.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. .. 3.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 7.
DR. ARTHUR B. CARPENTER .. .. 4.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

ALMONDBURY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN ROBERTSON* .. .. Treble.	*JOHN W. HUTTON .. .. 5.
JAMES BARRACLOUGH .. .. 2.	WILLIE WOMERSLEY .. .. 6.
BERTIE COWLING* .. .. 3.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. .. 7.
CYRIL CRYER* .. .. 4.	*JESS LITTLEWOOD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by B. F. LAMB.

\*First peal.

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GRAVESEND, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE CONYARD .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 5.
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 2.	HENRY WILSON .. .. 6.
GEORGE WILSON .. .. 3.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. 7.
HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 4.	WILLIAM JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

H. W. Kirton was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting for the peal.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

HERBERT BAKER .. .. Treble.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 5.
ARTHUR G. ELLIS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. PASMOEE .. .. 6.
HENRY S. ELLIS .. .. 3.	FREDERICK DENCH .. .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by JOHN W. GOLDING.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BREWOD, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

JOHN PERRY* .. .. Treble.	ALFRED TURLEY .. .. 5.
ARTHUR J. SEABROOK† .. .. 2.	HERBERT KNIGHT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM FISHER .. .. 3.	JOHN C. ADAMS .. .. 7.
FREDERICK J. STEELE .. .. 4.	JAMES E. GROVES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

\*First peal on tower bells as conductor. †First peal of Major with a bob bell. The ringers were very kindly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Perry, parents of the conductor, on this and previous occasions.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. THOMAS'S GUILD.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES.

HARRY SMITH* .. .. Treble.	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. .. .. 6.
HERBERT SHEPPARD .. .. 2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT .. .. 3.	HARRY GOODMAN .. .. 8.
EDWIN FELLOWS .. .. 4.	JOHN GOODMAN, SEN. .. .. 9.
SAMUEL HUGHES .. .. 5.	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT, and

Conducted by SAMUEL SPITTLE.

\*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. W. W. Jenkins, wife of Mr. Churchwarden Jenkins, and in honour of the induction of the new Vicar of St. Edmund's church, Dudley, the Rev. E. A. Johnstone.

HARRINGTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720s each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, each called differently.

ARTHUR E. PAYNE .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK TINGLE .. .. 4.
MORRIS A. TURNER .. .. 2.	HERBERT J. JULIAN .. .. 5.
ROBERT F. TURNER .. .. 3.	DAVID J. NICHOLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First peal in five methods by all the band and on the bells. The band wish to thank the Rev. J. Atkins for giving them permission to ring.

## SPROUGHTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, New Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. Treble.	EDGAR RIVERS .. .. 4.
GEORGE W. MEE .. .. 2.	ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. 5.
HARRY J. MEE .. .. 3.	CHARLES MEE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES MEE.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FREDERICK W. RICE .. Treble.	ALFRED D. MILLS .. .. 5.
JOHN RICE .. .. 2.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK* 3.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 7.
GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 4.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by FREDK. W. RICE.

\*First peal of Treble Bob Major.

## KINGS NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, June 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FRED SUMNER .. .. Treble.	J. S. PRITCHETT .. .. 5.
HARRY WITHERS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. 6.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 3.	JAMES DOWLER .. .. 7.
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PEAL CORRECTION.—The methods in the peal rung at Horton, Staffordshire, on May 23rd, and published in last week's issue, should read—Violet, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire; Kent was omitted.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

TWYFORD (Hants).—On Saturday, May 14th, at the quarterly district meeting, 504 Stedman Triples. H. White, Alice White, \*E. Lampard, G. Smith, W. T. Tucker, W. H. George conductor, J. Ashford. Also another 504. \*J. W. Elkins, H. White conductor, \*W. Andrews, W. C. Lampard, G. Smith, W. T. Tucker, W. H. George, C. Abrahams. \*First 504 in the method.

RINGWOOD (Hants).—On Sunday evening, April 17th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. M. Stewart, C. Randall, A. Randall, E. Thomas, W. Kerley, W. H. Stanley, C. Goodenough conductor, H. Titcombe.

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TUNSTALL (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, March 20th, 704 Treble Bob Major. J. Darlington, G. Smith, F. Smith, H. Smith, W. F. Hartshorne conductor, W. Thompson, A. Clay, J. Johnson. On Sunday, March 27th, 704 in the same method. G. A. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Smith, H. Smith, J. Johnson, F. Darlington, A. Clay, W. Thompson conductor. On Sunday morning, April 4th, for Divine Service, 504 Stedman Triples. G. A. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Smith, W. Thompson, F. Darlington, H. Smith, J. Johnson, E. Shone. On Tuesday, April 12th, for practice, 420 Stedman Triples. J. Darlington, A. Clay, F. Smith, H. Smith, J. Johnson, W. Thompson conductor, G. Smith, J. Godber. On Sunday, May 1st, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major. G. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Smith, H. Smith, W. Thompson, F. Darlington, A. Clay, J. Johnson.

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ASH (Kent).—On Sunday, February 28th, for Divine Service in the evening, two 6-scores of Grandsire and one of Plain Bob Doubles. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, R. Baldwin, B. Brett conductor. Also another 720 in the same method. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, R. Brett, F. Harris, R. Baldwin conductor. These are the first 720s of Minor on the bells since they have been restored and rehung by Mears and Stainbank, the "go" of the bells being excellent, and reflect great credit on the firm.

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PRITTLEWELL (Essex).—On Sunday, June 5th, for Divine Service at St. Mary's church, 576 Treble Bob Major. W. Bedwell, H. F. Wilson, W. Dudley, G. R. Wilson, J. Perry, H. W. Kirton, J. Prior, W. H. Judd conductor. Also 224 Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. W. Kirton.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on Thursdays, June 16th and 30th, at 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
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**The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.**—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Sefton to-day, Sat., June 11th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m. Business meeting 6 p.m.

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**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Yeovil to-day, Saturday, June 11th. The bells of St. John's (10) will be available all day. Dinner (1s. each to members) will be provided at St. John's Schools at 1.45 p.m., business following. Service, with address by the Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, at St. John's Church at 4.0. *Bridgewater.* A. E. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Armitage Bridge, near Huddersfield, to-day, Sat., June 11th, meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting-house, The Butchers' Arms. WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held to-day, Sat., June 11th, at Childwall. Bells ready at 4.0. WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The two new trebles at Bocking will be opened to-day, Saturday, June 11th. There will be a short Dedication service at 3 o'clock. ERNEST W. BECKWITH, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*  
Coggeshall.

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Bolsover (8 bells) to-day, Saturday, June 11th. Tea in Wright's Cafe at 5 p.m. Meeting afterwards. Ringing friends invited. T. ALLIBONE, *Sec.*  
North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at St. John Baptist, Hillingdon East, to-day, Saturday, June 11th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea, 5.30 p.m. Electric cars from Shepherd's Bush and Hammersmith pass the church. Fare, 5d. each way. J. J. PRATT, *Dis. Hon. Sec.*  
Hillingdon.

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Kingsbury on Saturday, June 18th. The bells will be ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 5.0. Business important. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. Isaac Moreton, Kingsley, Stoke-on-Trent, by Thursday, June 16th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*  
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**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—Owing to the bells at Barley Moor not being available, the next meeting will be held at Gorton on Saturday, June 18th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting 7.0.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St.

Thomas's, Leesfield, on Saturday, June 18th. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harrold on Saturday, June 25th, at 3 o'clock.

REV. A. RUST, } *Hon. Secs.*  
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**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Hull on Saturday, June 25th. The bells at Holy Trinity (10) are available from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m. and St. James' (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. at The Blacksmiths' Arms, Naylor's Row. F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.**—The annual meeting in connection with this Society will be held on Saturday, June 25th, at Lichfield. Bells available for ringing touches from 2 till 4 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5.0. Tea in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock, to be followed by the general meeting. The tea will be 6d. per head for all those sending in their names on or before the 20th inst., to others it will be 1s.

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**The Essex Association.**—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Bobbingworth (6) on Saturday, June 25th. North Weald (6) and Moreton (5) will be available. Business meeting in schoolroom.

GEO. W. FAULKNER, *Dist. Sec.*

**The Saffron Walden Society** (Established 1623).—The 281st anniversary of this Society will be held on Monday, 27th June, 1904.

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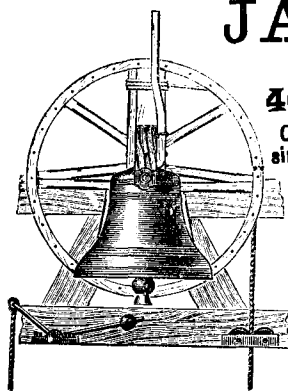
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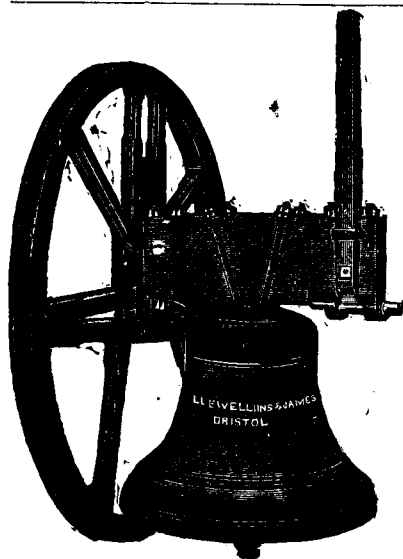
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**RUSPER (Sussex).**—St. Mary. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. Two trebles by Warner, 1897, the rest by Eldridge, 1699. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner, 1897. Ropes new 1897. Methods: Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 3rd in month for half-an-hour before services. Practice: Tuesday and Friday, 7.

**RYDE (Isle of Wight).** All Saints. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1886. Tenor 26 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Repairs in 1898. Ropes new 1901, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 10.55, and (irregularly) 6 to 6.25. Practice: Tuesday, 8, but no ringing in Lent.

**RYE (Sussex).** St. Mary. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. All by Pack, 1775. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1897. Ropes new 1897, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, winter, Wednesday, summer, 8.

**SADDLEWORTH (Lancashire).** St. Chad. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Mears, 1884, the rest by Rudhall, 1781. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Thoroughly overhauled by Mears, 1884. Ropes new 1894, good. Methods: various Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.45 to 10.30, and from May to September 5.45 to 6.30., September to April 2.15 to 3. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

**SAFFRON WALDEN (Essex).** Eight bells. No return.

**ST. ALBANS (Herts.)** The Cathedral. 8 bells. No return.  
St. Peter. Ten bells. No return.

**ST. ANNE'S-ON-SEA (Lancashire).** St. Anne. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, date not given. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Taylor, 1894. Ropes four years old. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 9.50 to 10.30, and 5.50 to 6.30. Practice: Monday.

**ST. BEES (Cumberland).** St. Bega. Eight bells. All

by Mears, date not given. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs since hung. Ropes seven years old. Sunday ringing: 9.45 to 10.15, and 5.30 to 6. No practice.

## THE BOCKING BELLS (ESSEX).

### THE OCTAVE COMPLETED.

On Saturday afternoon the two new treble bells which have been placed in the tower of Bocking parish church to complete the octave and to commemorate the sixtieth year of the Very Rev. Henry Carrington as Dean and Rector of the parish, were dedicated, and the peal was re-opened. The bells have been put in by Mears and Stainbank, at the sole cost of Mrs. Carrington, following upon the rehang of the old bells, the cost of which was borne by the Dean and Mrs. Carrington.

There was a large congregation at the dedication service. After hymn, prayers, psalm, and the anthem, "O sing to the Lord," the Rev. C. Hutchinson, Rector of Rayne, and the Rev. E. V. Casson, curate of Bocking, proceeded to the belfry, which is on the ground floor at the west entrance under the tower, where, taking the ropes of the two new bells in his hand, the curate read the special prayers for the occasion. The Rector of Rayne then crossing his arms, with a rope in each said, "I declare these bells to be now dedicated and consecrated to the service of Almighty God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen."

The Countess Evelyn Martinengo Cesaresco, daughter of the Dean and Mrs. Carrington, who had come over from the Continent expressly to be at the dedication, then unveiled a marble tablet on the belfry wall, on which is the following inscription:—

To the glory of God and to commemorate the 60th year of the Very Rev. Henry Carrington, M.A., as Dean and Rector of the parish of Bocking, these two treble bells are erected by Mrs. Carrington to complete the octave. Dedicated June 11th, 1904.

Then follow the ringers' names:—

Fredk. Rudkin, Charles Bearman, Samuel Sargent, Fredk. Warren, Fredk. Radley, Wm. Grimwade, Norris Smith, Wm. Steele, Wm. Moore, Henry Hammond, Samuel Hayes. Col. G. S. Savill and Joseph Savill, churchwardens.

The local ringers rang a few rounds on the eight bells, and the clergy proceeded to the chancel. The Rev. C. Hutchinson subsequently delivered a short address. He spoke of the origin of bells and the various uses they were put to in early times. Referring to the act of consecration of the bells, he said there was nothing superstitious in the ceremony, which really meant that they were set apart for the service of God. He trusted that the prayer that had been offered "that they who were to use those bells might ever do so with reverence and godly fear, and keep themselves pure both in word and deed," might be fulfilled. Referring to the long life of the Dean among them, Mr. Hutchinson observed that sixty years was a period that went back to the days of their grandfathers, and, in some cases, their great grandfathers. The



young people present would be able to carry forward the memory of their much-loved Dean and Rector, and would tell their children and grandchildren of the event of that day.

The service concluded with the hymn, "Hark! on high the joyful music; Hark! the music of the bells."

The bells were again rung in a plain course by the local band, and subsequently touches were rung by ringers from other places. The ringers and choir were entertained to tea by Mrs. Carrington. There is an inscription on the new bells similar to that on the tablet in the belfry.

In the evening the ringers, choir, and visitors, to the number of eighty-three, were entertained by the Dean and Mrs. Carrington at The Black Boy hotel, Colonel Savill, the senior warden, presiding. Proposing the health of the Dean and Mrs. Carrington, and the Countess Martinengo Cesaresco, the chairman said their generous kindness was known to everyone in the parish. The toast was accorded musical honours.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry branch was held at Barrington on Whit-Monday, May 23rd. The Foxton bells, by the kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. W. Greenwood), were placed at the disposal of the Association, as well as those at Barrington.

Tea was provided in the schoolroom at 4 o'clock, the Vicar of Barrington (the Rev. H. R. Foster), presiding over a small attendance. Amongst those present were the Rev. R. L. Twells (General Secretary of the Association), H. S. T. Richardson, Esq., B. H. T. Drake, Esq. (University Guild), G. Taylor, J. Taylor, W. B. Kempton (Cambridge), H. Sharp (Wilburton), P. Webb (Ickleton), and J. R. Wharton Duff, Esq. (Shelford, District Secretary), and others from Hinxton, Ickleton, Cottenham and Cambridge. Before the minutes of the previous meeting were read, Mr. Wharton Duff said that he should like to take that opportunity of giving the members his most cordial thanks for the honour they had done him in electing him to be their Secretary. They all knew to what a high standard of excellence their late Secretary (Mr. P. Webb) had brought things, and he must say he did not know how to reach that standard; the next best thing therefore was to try and get as near the mark as possible. The minutes having been read by the District Secretary, it was proposed by Mr. Wharton Duff, seconded by J. Taylor, that they should be passed and signed, which was agreed to. Mr. P. Webb proposed that the next meeting be held at Ickleton on Saturday, October 1st, which was seconded by F. Bowtell, and carried. Mr. T. R. Dennis (Cambridge), was elected as a ringing member of the Association.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness in presiding; also to those clergy who had granted the use of the bells, was proposed by Mr. Wharton Duff, seconded by Mr. W. B. Kempton, and carried with acclamation. The Vicar having replied in a few well-chosen words, the meeting terminated. After tea 360 Bob Minor was rung on the handbells, and 720 of Oxford Treble Bob on the tower bells.

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#### EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting was held at Bolsover on Saturday, June 11th. Members were present from Bolsover, North Wingfield, Tibshelf, Swanwick, Blackwell, Pleasley, South Normanton, South Wingfield, Clay Cross, and ringing friends from Chesterfield and Calow. A letter of apology was read from the President (R. Lloyd, Esq.), regretting his inability to attend through other business engagements. The Rev. A. V. Colston (Vicar), was voted to the chair, and gave the visitors a hearty welcome to Bolsover. The minutes were duly read and confirmed.

On the motion of the Secretary, and seconded by Mr. R. Hall, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for so kindly providing tea, and for the use of the bells for the day. Fifty-three sat down to tea, favoured with beautiful weather, the members all enjoying themselves, some at the ropes, others admiring the beautiful old castle, etc. The bells, a beautiful peal of eight, in F sharp, were kept merrily going to various methods until 9 p.m.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Eynsford on Saturday, April 30th, when about sixty members put in their appearance, the bells being available from 2 p.m. The meeting was held in the National Schoolroom at 6 p.m., when the Vicar, the Rev. A. S. Hutchinson, took the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Several new members were elected. It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. John's, Sidcup, on July 23rd. The chairman was elected an hon. member of the Association. The rev. gentleman thanked the members for electing him, but he hoped they did not require him to ring a peal, for he thought he was past that.

Mr. E. O. Masters proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the Vicar for his kindness in granting the use of the bells and schoolroom, and for so kindly presiding at the meeting. This was seconded by the district secretary and carried unanimously.

In thanking the members for their vote of thanks, the Vicar said it had given him very great pleasure to preside, as everything had worked so harmoniously.

This concluded the business, the members again returning to the tower, the bells being kept going till 8 p.m.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The first quarterly meeting of the Western District of Herts. was held at Hemel Hempstead, on Saturday, June 4th, when twenty-eight members were present. Some good touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung during the afternoon, and at 6 o'clock, tea was partaken of at Mrs. Harding's refreshment rooms. After the business meeting, at which twelve new members were elected, a move was made by cycle and motor car to Apsley, a six-bell tower, and ringing in various methods was kept up until 8.30. It was very gratifying to see the number of young ringers present, whose efficiency does great credit to their conductors.

#### THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

PRESENTATION TO THE REV. B. DARLEY.

The annual meeting of this Association, of which the Lord Bishop of Southwell, Dr. Ridding, is the President, was held on Saturday, May 7th, at West Retford. The Rector, (Rev. Canon

Gray), presided over the business meeting, held in the schoolroom, when most of the towers were represented, the Rev. A. E. Meredith (Bawtry), and the Rev. B. Darley (Hartbill), hon. secretary, being among others present.

The Secretary in presenting the report said that although the association fully maintained its numerical and financial position at the close of the year 1903, the report for that year is meagre, and the sum total of performances for entry in the peal book is the smallest for many years.

The officers were re-appointed with the exception that Mr. W. Marshall takes the place of Mr. T. Thorpe (Worksop), on the committee, and Mr. E. Pinder succeeds Mr. H. Wilson, Bawtry. The next meeting was fixed to take place at Anston, on July 16th. Mr. Haigh presented a report as delegate to the annual meeting in London of the Central Council.

A service was afterwards held in the church, when the Rev. A. E. Meredith preached an able sermon on the aim and object in life. At the close the members partook of tea at The Newcastle Arms hotel, and then adjourned to the towers of East and West Retford and Ordsall churches, where several short touches were rung.

Votes of thanks were passed to Canon Gray for presiding, and for the use of the church and schoolroom, to the Rev. A. E. Meredith for preaching the sermon, and the clergy of the churches in Retford for the use of the bells.

The Secretary observed that Canon Gray was one of the best friends of the association.

An interesting presentation of a beautiful marble timepiece took place after the tea to the Rev. B. Darley, rector of Hartbill, Sheffield, as a mark of appreciation of his services as honorary secretary during the past ten years.

Mr. Stenton (Anston), in performing this duty, remarked that he was voicing the feelings of the association when he said that they had the right man in the right place. He could not find words to adequately express their great thankfulness to Mr. Darley for the splendid services he had rendered.

Mr. H. Haigh (Retford), one of the oldest members, observed that everybody knew Mr. Darley's solid worth to the association, and he hoped he would accept the gift not for its intrinsic value, but as an acknowledgement for the work he had done for them.

Canon Gray, a honorary member, added his own appreciation of Mr. Darley's services, and said that Canon Ebsworth had sent a letter in which he said that the success of the association was largely due to the enthusiasm of Mr. Darley.

The Rev. B. Darley, in returning thanks for what he said was an unexpected present, said he could not sufficiently thank them for their kind remarks and appreciation of his services. There were some people who abused the world and said it was ungrateful, but for his part he had met with a great deal of gratitude for trivial service, and this was one of those occasions. The little he had done for the association did not deserve such a handsome present. He thanked them all from his heart, and he should treasure the gift as long as he lived. He had thought at the end of ten years they might get some one else as secretary, but now he would have to try and see whether he could not do something more for the association.

#### A WEDDING JUBILEE.

On Monday, June 6th, 1904, the echoes of the Park in which the Deanery of York stands were awoken by three hearty cheers from the choristers of the Cathedral, to serenade the noble Dean and his lady, on the jubilee of their marriage fifty years ago. They sang a beautiful anthem, composed and conducted by T. T. Noble, Esq., the talented organist, and which was splendidly sung and with great feeling.

Five of the Minster ringers, Messrs. Earnshaw, Haigh, G. Breed, A. C. Fearney, A. Haigh, not to be thought lacking in respect, also met at the same time and place, and rung on their hand-bells a course of Grandsire Caters, (the tower bells cannot be rung during the restoration of the building), commemorating the same anniversary, and wishing the Dean and his lady long life and prosperity.

On Thursday, in the same week, a bountiful tea, to which close upon seventy of the officers and working men servants connected with the establishment were received by the Dean and

Lady Emma, who shook hands with every guest as they entered the door. After tea, they adjourned into the grounds, were photographed in a group, and all who were disposed to smoke were supplied by his reverence with cigars, or pipes and tobacco, and others to a game of cricket, &c. The singers and the ringers were again in evidence, whose efforts were again appreciated by the company present, the enjoyment of which was cut short by the god of waters.

W.H.H.

#### Obituary.

##### JOHN HARTLEY.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. John Hartley, of Haworth, who died on June 2th, 1904, at the age of 80 years. He was an excellent striker. He was well-known throughout Yorkshire in his younger days, having frequently rung at contests in different parts of the county. He had only one peal to his credit, an independent one of Treble Bob Minor in seven broken methods. This peal was rung in 1853. He always preferred touches short and good to long peals. He was a ringer at Haworth parish church for a period of about 61 years. He only retired from ringing about two months before his death, when he informed his brother ringers that frequently feeling unwell, he could not be relied upon to be at his post regularly. A few days after this he went on a visit to his son, the Rev. W.R. Hartley, at Barnburgh Rectory, Yorks, where his death took place on the above named date. The funeral took place on Saturday, June 11th, at Haworth parish church, the Rev. T. W. Story officiating. The Dead March in Saul was played by Mr. Metcalfe, the assistant organist. He was carried to his last resting place by the Haworth parish church ringers who rang a muffled touch before and after the funeral. On Sunday, June 12th, two special hymns, viz.:—"I heard a voice from Jesus say," and "There is a blessed home," were sung as a memorial to him, and the bells were rung muffled for both services. He was very highly respected by every one who knew him. The deceased was a member of the Yorkshire Association.

#### NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT ST. JOHN'S, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.—The 100th peal on these bells was celebrated by ringing one of London Surprise. The number is made up thus:—Kent Major 27, Stedman Triples 23, Double Norwich 9, Superlative Surprise 9, Bob Major and Triples, 8 each, Grandsire Triples 5, London Surprise 3, Oxford Treble Bob 3, Seven Methods 2, Duffield Major, Union Triples and Woodbine Major 1 each. The first peal was Bob Major, rung nearly 20 years ago, conducted by R. S. Story; and W. Story and C. L. Routledge also took part in both peals. Of these 100 peals C. L. Routledge has taken part in 72, A. F. Hillier 60, W. Story 53, R. S. Story 42, J. E. Keen 25, T. T. Goston 15, R. Richards 7, and J. Rowell 8. As the towers in which a century of peals have been scored must be few, it would be interesting if the conductors of such towers would send up a similar list to the above.

THE PEAL AT FRAMS DEN.—Mr. G. Howchin's, sen., 100 Peals.—Kent Treble Bob Maximus 6, Oxford ditto 1, Stedman Cinques 3, Grandsire Cinques 2, Oxford Treble Bob Royal 3, Kent ditto 7, Stedman Caters 1, Grandsire Caters 8, Double Norwich Major 5, Oxford Treble Bob Major 26, Kent ditto 16, Canterbury Pleasure Major 1, Bob Major 8, Stedman Triples 2, Grandsire Triples 5, Bob Triples 1, On Six Bells 3, Five Bells 2. Total 100.

LATE NOTICE.—The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, the 21st, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursdays, June 30th and July 14th, and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, July 6th. On Saturday, July 2nd, a meeting for practice will be held at the parish church, Kingston-on-Thames, where the bells will be available from 5 to 9 o'clock. It is earnestly hoped that a large number of members and friends will be able to meet on this occasion; if it prove a success the Society may be led to hold other similar gatherings in various outlying districts of the metropolis.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.—Mr. Wm. Story has removed to Noswal House, 441, Westgate Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Mr. Wm. Truss has removed from Bethnal Green to 32, Edward Road, Walthamstow.

## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

(Continued from page 160.)

## SINGLE-HANDED HANDBELL PEALS.

Mr. Snowdon, in re-opening a discussion upon single-handed handbell peals, adjourned from the last Council meeting, said he would remind the Council that as he pointed out last year he was not responsible for this item upon the agenda. The motion which he was now going to move was not his, but he was aware that it was necessary to consider the matter and come to some decision. Every one would agree with him of the beauty of double-handed ringing, and would he was sure be in favour of keeping it up. He remembered some time ago receiving a request to know if single-handed peals would be allowed. He would admit that he put the letter away and the question had not yet been answered. He thought that in coming to a decision the Council ought to consider the circumstances under which a single-handed peal might be rung. Some might say the Council had nothing to do with it. He thought it had. He considered that the Council would do well to countenance such performances, provided they were done under special circumstances. He knew of one instance where it had been the custom to ring a peal at a certain date for twenty-two years. It happened that the tower upon one occasion was under restoration, but the band went and rang a single-handed handbell peal, in order not to lose their annual peal. Such would be permissible. It might be stretching a point, but at the same time the record would remain unbroken. Single-handed ringing was also very useful where a band wanted to practice eight-bell ringing, but only had six in the tower, and it might be that they would have to travel a considerable distance to reach an eight-bell tower. A band who wanted to ring Grandsire Triples on handbells would under such a condition with only six bells in the tower be ringing a peal under special circumstances. Or again, take the case where for various reasons the tower could not be opened for ringing. Here again single-handed handbell ringing would often prove most convenient as a means of practice. The question arose how far would a band be right in ringing a single-handed handbell peal? It was one to be looked at in a broad sense. If permitted should it be recognised as a peal?—and after all a peal is a peal—if so what number of points ought to be allowed for such a performance? He did not consider it was a performance to be in any way encouraged. At the same time in order that there should be common fairness to all, one had to sink personal preferences and consider if single-handed handbell peals might not be permitted if rung under special circumstances. He moved that whilst the Council did not desire to encourage single-handed handbell peals, it offered no objection when rung under special circumstances.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson, who seconded, said he did so by request. He was not himself a handbell ringer.

The Rev. H. Law James said the question was whether such a performance was a peal or not. If such mongrel compositions as Plain Bob Triples were peals then surely a peal rung single-handed on handbells must be a peal. It must however to be a peal be rung. As an illustration, if some one went into the tower at the Minster and lapped it, that would not be a peal because it was not rung.

Mr. Borrett said the question appeared to have arisen through what took place in his district. There a company were desirous of practising London upon eight bells, but were shut out of eight-bell towers without going some distance. In those days it was not thought that London could be rung double-handed, but recent events had shown that it could. It would be very shabby not to permit a band to score a peal single-handed rung under such circumstances as he had referred to, more especially as they could not possibly accomplish it double-handed.

Mr. King said a single-handed handbell peal was a performance which should rank as a peal, but he did not think that it should rank the same as a peal upon tower bells. If it was a question of points a peal of London double-handed ought to rank above the same single-handed. These horrid points did not commend themselves to him. If the practice was to lead men to go on to higher methods then he had nothing to say against them, and considered that these single-handed performances should, like others, be put upon fair lines.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey considered that three points below

those allowed for a peal upon the tower should be allowed for a single handbell peal. A suggestion was made last year that one half should be allowed. This would be difficult, as an odd number of points as seven for Triples were the number now allowed.

The Rev. H. Law James said a double-handed peal was worth two on the tower, and so also was a silent peal rung in the tower worth two others.

The President thought that the discussion had better be confined to the question of single-handed peals.

Mr. Snowdon asked if it was considered desirable that any points at all should be allowed.

The Rev. H. Drake considered that the question of points should be left to the Committee who drew up the original scale of points. They could go into the matter in a more deliberate manner than could be done by the Council. As to encouraging such performances that was another matter. As to the value of points it appeared to him that in a single-handed handbell peal the points given would be chiefly to the conductor, but it was not so in a double-handed peal, which required far more skill than the single-handed peal, and the points given were to the credit of the whole band. Consequently a single-handed peal could not be of the same value as a double-handed peal. He should advise the Council not to have anything to do with the question of points.

The Rev. H. Law James said no sooner did a hitch take place in a handbell peal than it was gone, whereas in ringing a peal on the tower bells the weight of metal helped to keep one right.

Mr. White doubted if a single-handed handbell peal was worth the trouble of ringing. A double-handed peal was so far ahead of any single-handed performance.

Mr. Daniell said there was no getting away from the fact that a peal was a peal.

The President did not think that single-handed peals should be encouraged. True there had been some rung. He had himself done single-hand ringing in teaching a young band, although he was not sure that it was a good mode of instruction. The reason why he did not like it was because you could fumble on after a breakdown. You could start anywhere. This could not easily be done double-handed or on the tower. Single-handed handbell peals were miserable performances. He would suggest that the resolution should be amended to the effect that whilst the Council did not see its way to approve of such peals it is of opinion that Associations are justified in permitting them to be rung under special circumstances.

Mr. Snowdon agreed to this, but was desirous of dealing with the question of points.

The President said it had already been shown that upon the question of points there was a difference of opinion, and that while some did not approve of allowing points at all, others considered there should be half points, which would be difficult, as had been pointed out. He considered that the question of the points should be referred to Mr. Attree and those who formed the Points Committee, and they should be asked to report to the next meeting of the Council.

The Rev. H. Law James thought the number of points should be equal to a peal on the tower.

The President hoped the Council would leave the matter in the hands of Mr. Attree's Committee.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee suggested altering the resolution so as to read "whilst the Council did not wish to encourage."

Mr. White moved "that under special circumstances" be struck out.

The Rev. H. L. James seconded.

Mr. King thought the term "discountenanced" as was used in decisions of the Council in 1893 respecting the ringing of a peal on seven bells might be inserted.

The Rev. H. L. James said such peals were not to be recorded.

Mr. King: The sentence is "nevertheless a performance on seven bells without the addition of a covering bell is to be discountenanced." He thought, however, the word discouraged would be better.

The President thought if a resolution of such a nature was moved and accepted by Mr. Snowdon, as the mover of the original resolution, and Mr. White, the mover of an amendment to strike out special circumstances, it would clear the ground for the Council to come to a unanimous decision.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee moved an amendment "That while it is the opinion of the Council that a peal rung single-handed retained in hand according to old custom is technically a peal, nevertheless such a performance is to be discountenanced."

Mr. Daniell did not see why there should be so much discussion, when, according to the Glossary the performance under discussion was a peal.

The President said the Council had been asked for three years for a decision on the point. There were people outside who wanted to know. Respecting the Glossary it did not give decisions. The Council were asked for one.

Mr. King seconded the amendment moved by the Rev. H. J. Elsee, which, the original motion being withdrawn, was adopted with only one dissident.

The Rev. H. Drake moved that the Committee on Points be asked to go into the matter and bring up a report next year as to the number of points that should be allowed, adding to his resolution that in the opinion of the Council one half should be allowed for single-handed handbell peals, as is allowed for peals on the tower.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey seconded.

The Rev. H. Law James considered that the question of points should stand over till next year, and that the whole question of points for handbell peals should be gone into by the Council, and he would give notice of such a motion.

The last part of the resolution having been withdrawn, the Rev. H. Law James gave notice accordingly, and the matter was referred to the Points Committee.

(To be continued.)

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents*

*To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."*

#### "A GOOD RECORD."

SIR,—Under the above heading, in your issue of May 28th, Mr. Storer W. West asks if your readers know of anything better in connection with ringing for service than the Whitwick record of last year: the full ring of eight bells for ninety-two Sunday services. I may then perhaps be allowed to state that at Beverley Minster for the last two years, we have rung the full peal of ten bells for service every Sunday, morning and evening; also for afternoon service, except on eighteen Sundays when eight bells were rung, this gives an average of one hundred and forty-seven services in the year, for which all the ten bells were rung. I believe that many other churches in the North could show a similar record, and Mr. West's letter is an encouraging evidence of the increase in ringing for Divine Service in the Midlands and in the South. It may be interesting to add that here we also ring "Great John" for the last five minutes morning and evening, and the first five minutes in the afternoon.

W. GIBSON.

SIR,—In answer to Mr. Storer West, will you allow me a small space in "THE BELL NEWS" to say that the Holy Trinity Society, Guildford, have a better record than the Whitwick Society. We ring every Sunday throughout the year for at least two Divine Services (eight bells and always change-ringing). At Christmas, Easter and Whitsun, we ring at 5.30 a.m. and 6.40 a.m. for the Holy Communion, and our average attendance for the year is 113 for Divine Service only.

B. CHORLEY.

SIR,—Relying on your generosity I should like to reply to Mr. Storer W. West, re the "good record" in "connection with ringing for service." The Portsea band (voluntary ringers), have rung for fourteen years continuously twice each Sunday for service. So rare has been the occasions when the number of bells were less—that I may say 8 bells were used each time. Our methods have been mostly Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples and Bob Major, each time the tower is open for use.

JOHN HARPER.

SIR,—Will you kindly let me have a small space in your

valuable paper in answer to Mr. Storer West's letter concerning a "good record." It is easily beaten by the voluntary ringers of St. James's Society, Bury St. Edmunds. We have rung eight and ten bells for 160 times for Sunday Service during January, 1903-4, ringing four methods. I may also add that we have lost twenty young ringers in two years.

A. E. MOORE.

SIR,—The letters of your various correspondents re the above are interesting to ringers, who pride themselves on their Sunday ringing; but the records claimed so far are easily surpassed by the ringers of St. Margaret's, Barking. During the year 1903, the belfry was open for service ringing, including special services, early celebrations, &c., no fewer than 118 times, and out of a company of fourteen, eight members had over 100 attendances each. For over twelve years the bells have been rung at least twice every Sunday, with only two exceptions. The first on January 8th, 1886, when the town was in mourning for the victims of the Barking boiler explosion, and the second on January 27th, 1901, when the nation was in mourning for our late Queen. We are a purely parochial band, the members all living within a mile of the tower, purely voluntary also, there being no reward for regular attendance, and no fines for non-attendance. Only half-pull ringing is done, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich Major, Superlative, Cambridge, and (latterly) London Surprise Major.

THOS. FAULKNER.

SIR,—Kindly permit me to ask Mr. Woodis whether their bells are rung as regular for the evening service as the morning, if so theirs is indeed a splendid record, and I extend to them our hearty congratulations, but if not I fail to see how our record as stated last week is so easily beaten. Mr. Day does not say how many bells he is in the habit of ringing on, if they have a ring of five or six, you will no doubt agree that it is much easier to find ringers for these number of bells than for a ring of eight. I might mention that we have a peal ringing band who are all members of the choir. I hope to be able to publish a peal rung by them very shortly. Mr. Day's 60,000 changes for the year is nothing compared to what we have been doing for several years. During the months of August September and October last year, I took an account of all change-ringing in our tower by our own ringers (an honorary band) and the total was 27,000. The ringing the rest of the year had been quite as good. Whitwick is a village of about 3,800 inhabitants.

STORER W. WEST.

#### THE HENRY BURSTOW TESTIMONIAL.

SIR,—I am requested by the Committee of the Sussex County Association to bring before the members of the Exercise the case of Mr. Henry Burstow, of Horsham, who unfortunately in his old age (nearly 80), is in need of help, and to ask them to contribute to the fund now open to assist him, and to which the Association has voted £2 2s. He rang in the long peal of 13,000 changes at Warnham, beside in many other peals, taught change-ringing in eleven belfries and is looked upon as the "Father of ringers in Sussex." I shall be greatly obliged if contributors will send to Mr. F. B. Tompkins, 45, East Street, Chichester, Sussex.

A. B. BENNETT, Hon. Sec.

#### FALSE PERFORMANCE.

SIR,—This week's "BELL NEWS" contains the report of a peal of Minor containing 720 of New Cambridge Minor. I am sorry to say that New Cambridge Minor repeats twice in each lead.

H. LAW JAMES.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1904.

On another page of this number will be found a report of  
the proceedings at a bell-opening in the village, or  
small town, of Bocking, in Essex. Such an event has  
been looked forward to for many years, but not always  
with great hopefulness. Perhaps what is known as the  
process of "pegging away," viz.: keeping the idea of an  
increase of the bells constantly in view by the Bocking  
Company, past and present, who have been persistent in  
keeping such a praiseworthy feature in remembrance—  
has led to this desirable consummation, and we con-  
gratulate them therefore upon the fruition of their long-  
cherished hopes. The Bocking ringers, not only of to-  
day, but of many generations to come, and also the  
parishioners in future ages, will hold in affectionate  
memory the present Dean and Rector of Bocking and his  
family.

We notice the record on a tablet which has been erected

to commemorate this augmentation, the names of the Bocking ringers, and it is stated that an inscription of like character is placed on the bells also. For their long anxiety, their yearnings (sometimes painful and despondent) for this grand consummation, such a record will be an exceeding great reward. We cannot help referring to the last one of these names so recorded—SAMUEL HAYES. The family of HAYES belongs to Bocking. Many of them have been connected with the village bells for centuries almost. One of the best of heavy-bell men was the late MURRAY HAYES, a brother of Samuel; there was the late JOSEPH HAYES also, father of these celebrated brothers, and they all looked forward with earnestness to the time when they would be able to ring Triples and Major on the bells of their native parish. SAMUEL HAYES has among this well-known and respected family only been spared to see this long-wished for event, and we can well imagine that while taking part in the opening ceremony he might have expressed a wish that the distinguished ringers of his family had lived to see that day.

#### BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Frome Deanery Branch was held at Frome, on Saturday, the 28th of May last. Tea was provided at The Union Jack, at 4 p.m., and the meeting, which was very well attended, was held immediately afterwards. The Rev. W. A. Dwight and Mr. A. M. C. Daniel were re-elected as President and Hon. Secretary respectively.

It was decided that the annual meetings should be held in future alternately at Frome and Midsomer Norton, which will be a great benefit to the numerous outlying parishes in the Deanery. Chilcompton was agreed upon as the place for the next quarterly meeting. The ringers attended evensong at St. John's church, where some very good touches of Grandsire Triples and Doubles as well as Stedman Doubles were rung on the splendid ring of eight bells.

#### ST. CRANTOCK CHURCH, CORNWALL.

A clock with Westminster chimes has just been erected at this church by Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby. It has been made generally to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe. Messrs. Smith are also making a clock with chimes and five bells for Redruth Town Hall in the same county.

#### The Metropolis.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, WOOLWICH,

##### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	QR.-MASTER-SERG. A. PYE 6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM KERBLE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung to celebrate the 62nd birthday of Mr. J. Prewett, father of the ringer of the second.

#### BARNES, SURREY.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

THE ALL SAINTS (FULHAM) SOCIETY.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Treble.	ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 5.
JOHN W. KELLEY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM T. ELSON .. .. 6.
FREDK. A. HOLDEN .. .. 3.	HON. A. P. ERSKINE .. .. 7.
EDGAR HUMFREY .. .. 4.	*EDGAR L. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. A. HOLDER.

\*First peal. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. James Badham to Miss Marian Bright. The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERES, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE WOODISS .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
FREDK. G. PEPRIN .. .. 2.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 7.
HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. .. 8.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 4.	CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. 9.
HARRY LAST .. .. 5.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART., and

Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

#### The Provinces.

##### BURGH, SUFFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

##### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Kent, and four of Oxford Treble Bob.

H. HAWES* .. .. Treble.	J. LAST .. .. 4.
W. LAST .. .. 2.	W. KING .. .. 5.
G. ABLITT .. .. 3.	C. KING .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. LAST.

\*First peal.

##### COOKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

##### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

GEORGE PUGH* .. .. Treble.	*JOHN T. HICKMAN .. .. 4.
CHARLES H. WOODBERRY .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM PUGH .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PALMER* .. .. 3.	GEORGE DAVIS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES H. WOODBERRY.

\*First peal.

##### WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

##### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 9, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S No. 3. Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Treble.	JOHN NETLEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 2.	GEORGE WOODMAN .. .. 6.
HENRY BURSTOW .. .. 3.	JOHN COOK .. .. 7.
FREDERICK W. CRIPPS .. 4.	WALTER J. RICE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.



## CRAYFORD, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. Treble.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. 5.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. 2.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE .. 3.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 7.
EDWARD AUDSLEY .. .. 4.	*THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE.

\*Fiftieth peal as conductor, and first in the method as such.

## BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 8, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT ST. CHAD'S (R.C.) CATHEDRAL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S ONE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS WARD .. .. Treble.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 2.	FRANK FAY .. .. 6.
ALBERT WARD .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 7.
HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. .. 4.	PATRICK FINITY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

## CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22 cwt.

JAMES OSWICK .. .. Treble.	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON .. 5.
WILLIAM NEWMAN .. .. 2.	HARRY RITCHELL .. .. 6.
WILLIAM ROWLAND, JUN. .. 3.	HENRY F. COOPER .. .. 7.
ALFRED WHIGHT .. .. 4.	R. HENRY ROLFE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. ROWLAND, JUN.

First peal on the bells by a band entirely resident in Chelmsford.

## LONGBOROUGH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

A. PARDINGTON .. .. Treble.	T. WILLIAMS .. .. 4.
C. LLOYD .. .. 2.	C. J. ARKELL .. .. 5.
F. HATHAWAY .. .. 3.	W. LARGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. LARGE.

First peal of Minor on the bells. First peal of Minor by all except the conductor.

## BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. Treble.	OLIVER BROCK .. .. 5.
WALTER BARRETT .. .. 2.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 6.
ERNEST LINCOLN .. .. 3.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. 7.
GEORGE BAXTER* .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and  
Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\*First peal.

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## FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE PERRY .. .. Treble.	EDGAR HICKS .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. GROOM .. 6.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. 3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. 7.
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 4.	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY .. Tenor.

Composed by E. WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

Reference elsewhere.

## ALDENHAM, HERTS.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,

5120 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

HUBERT EDEN .. .. Treble.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. .. 5.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 2.	CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW* .. 3.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by JOHN W. GOLDING.

\*First peal in the method; also first peal in the method on the bells.

## SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUFFOLK.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 5.
EDWARD MANKELOW .. .. 2.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. 6.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. 7.
KEITH HART .. .. 4.	JOHN F. STEDMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung as a birthday peal for the ringer of the tenor.

## BRIERLEY HILL, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

THOMAS J. SALTER .. .. Treble.	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY .. 5.
ROBERT MATTHEWS* .. .. 2.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. 6.
ALFRED DAVIES* .. .. 3.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 7.
ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 4.	*JOHN BASS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

\*First peal of Stedman.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 2.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 6.
WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 3.	EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 4.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. H. Dains, who is staying in Ipswich.



WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
WILLSON'S VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. in F.

WALTER FERN .. .. Treble.	THOMAS BELCHER .. .. 5.
JOHN MOORE† .. .. 2.	BENJAMIN WEST .. .. 6.
FRANK MIDDLETON .. .. 3.	JOHN A. MOULT.. .. 7.
JOHN RAWSON .. .. 4.	FRED BOAM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. A. MOULT.

†First peal with a bob bell. All these ringers are members of the Whitwick church choir. This is believed to be the first peal of Triples rung by men who are all choristers and ringers at one church.

HERTFORD.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

MATTHEW ELLSMORE .. Treble.	GEORGE H. BARKER.. .. 5.
JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 2.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 6.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
HENRY S. REEVES .. .. 4.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and  
Conducted by HERBERT BAKER

This peal was rung on the 70th birthday of the Right Hon. the Earl Cowper, K.G., the esteemed friend and neighbour of the Borough of Hertford, who built this tower in 1876, and is a generous benefactor to the church.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5127 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE.. .. 2.	ISAAC G SHADE .. .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYB .. .. 8.
ERNEST PYE .. .. 4.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 9.
ARTHUR JONES .. .. 5.	ARTHUR T. KING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

J. H. SWINFELD .. Treble.	H. BRIGGS .. .. 5.
W. A. NEEDHAM* .. .. 2.	*H. CUER .. .. 6.
H. ARGYLE .. .. 3.	T. W. CHAPMAN .. .. 7.
G. J. WINTER .. .. 4.	A. R. ALDHAM .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by A. R. ALDHAM.

\*First peal of Treble Bob.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5008 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS WARD* .. Treble.	FRANK FAY .. .. 5.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL.. 2.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 6.
HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 3.	CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 7.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER.. .. Tenor.

Composed by H.V. DAINS, and Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

\*First peal of Major.

SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION,  
THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-  
SHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, June 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOSEPH ATKIN .. Treble.	†CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 5.
SIDNEY F. PALMER†.. 2.	FRANK BURGAR .. .. 6.
JAMES EVINSON .. .. 3.	JAMES A. DIXON .. .. 7.
GEORGE BRADSHAW .. 4.	GEORGE O. DIXON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK BURGAR.

†First peal in the method. The above are all members of the Ancient Society of College Youths. Rung on the light eight.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM J. GROOM .. Treble.	EDGAR HICKS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. 2.	GEORGE ROWE, JUN. .. 6.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. 3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. 7.
GEORGE THURLOW .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SAWYER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, June 13, 1904, in Two Hours Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S.

SYDNEY J. JESSOP* .. Treble.	*SAMUEL GROVE .. .. 5.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS*.. 2.	†JAMES DOWLER .. .. 6.
HARRY WITHERS .. .. 3.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER.. .. 7.
WILFRID MUMFORD* .. 4.	ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES DOWLER.

†First peal as conductor. \*First peal in the method away from the tenor.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JOSEPH ROWELL .. Treble.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 5.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE.. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 6.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 4.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. LAW JAMES, and  
Conducted by C. L. ROUTLEDGE.

This is the 100th peal on the bells, see paragraph on another page.

BEXHILL-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE HOWSE .. Treble.	GEORGE WATSON .. .. 5.
GEORGE PENFOLD .. .. 2.	FRANCIS A. KENNETT .. 6.
ALBERT E. BARROW .. .. 3.	FRANK A. BENNETT.. .. 7.
FRANCIS MEDHURST .. 4.	HARRY DENMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Rung as a farewell peal to A. E. Barrow who is leaving the neighbourhood for Redhill.

**BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, June 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. Treble.	HUBERT EDEN .. .. 5.
SYDNEY T. C. SAKER .. 2.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 6.
FREDERICK T. C. NEVETT 3.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. 7.
FRANCIS A. SMITH .. .. 4.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT Tenor.

Conducted by ERNEST E. HUNTLEY.

**Handbell Peal.****NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY.***On Sunday, June 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Seven Minutes,*

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. KNIGHTS, 15, HEIGHAM STREET,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

In three methods, viz., Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and Plain Bob.

ALBERT G. WARNES .. 1-2.	*FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 3-4.
FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS .. .. 5-6.	

Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

\*100th peal; further reference next week. G. Mayers acted as umpire, and timed the peal as rang.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The ringer of the 2nd bell at Kidlington on June 3rd was Frank Webb, not Frank Bennett, as reported.

**Date Touches.****THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

ISLEWORTH.—On Sunday, May 1st, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 13 mins. E. Webb, F. A. Holden, J. H. B. Hesse, F. G. Goddard, E. Reeve, T. Cutforth, J. Howes, H. Seward. Composed by J. Howes and conducted by F. A. Holden.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

TEIGNMOUTH.—On the occasion of the Annual Meeting on Whit-Monday the Three Towns branch rang a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples. W. G. Hiscott, G. H. Myers, W. Hopley, E. Hendy, W. Richards, J. Jordan, W. Ford, G. Parr. Composed and conducted by W. Hopley. The band afterwards rang touches of Triples on the East and West Teignmouth bells.

**THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,**

HALESOWEN.—On Monday, May 16th, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 10 mins. A. Hackett, E. White, H. Williams. H. Lea, V. White, W. Coley conductor, G. N. Cockin, H. Raybould.

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.**

ERDINGTON (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, May 28th, at the church of SS. Thomas and Edmund, a date touch of 1904 Stedman Triples, in 1 hr. 4 mins. B. Witchell, T. Ward, A. Ward, F. Fay, H. Dickens, H. Witchell, G. Swann, P. Finity. Composed by W. Gordon, of Stockport, and conducted by B. Witchell.

**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

CLIFTON (Beds).—On Sunday, May 27th, at the church of All Saints, for evening service, a date touch of Grandsire Doubles, 1904 changes, in 1 hr. and 4 mns. F. Pratt, H. L. Harlow conductor, A. Pratt, J. Blott, W. Sharp, E. Kitchby. Rung on the fifteenth birthday of H. Pratt.

RAYLEIGH.—On Sunday, May 29th, for the Dedication Festival at the parish church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples. W. Bingham, G. Smith, S. Bingham, W. Dudley, G. R. Wilson, H. T. Wilson, W. H. Judd, G. Neville. Composed by J. Rogers and conducted by W. H. Judd.

WEDNESBURY (Staffordshire).—On Sunday evening, May 15th, for Divine Service, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 11 mins. T. Foster, H. Tinsley, W. E. Brittan, C. Wallater, J. Bates, G. Hughes, W. Smith, J. Lawton. Composed and conducted by G. Hughes.

**Miscellaneous.****THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

MINEHEAD (Somerset).—On Saturday, April 30th, at St. Michael's church, a 3-peal of Grandsire Triples, 2,520 changes, in 1 hr. 31 mins. Sidney Mason, J. Reed, Sam Mason, G. Atkins, C. Summers, C. Greedy, H. Moore, conductor, R. Chubb.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

DONCASTER.—On April 23rd, at St. George's church, an attempt was made for a peal of Stedman, which unfortunately came to grief after ringing 1 hr. and 50 mins. R. Bayles, W. Bellamy, G. Halksworth, J. F. Mallaby, C. Armitage, C. Glenn, A. N. Wood, S. Holmes. Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr. in in E flat.

HEADINGLEY.—On April 25th, at St. Michael's church, an unsuccessful attempt was made for Stedman Triples, which collapsed after ringing 2½ hrs. owing to a call not being heard while a mistake was being corrected. Rcv. T. H. Dixon, P. Johnson, T. Flint, W. Wood, I. Woodhead, B. Shaw, A. N. Wood, H. Lindsay. Tenor 40 cwt. 1 qr. in E.

LEEDS.—At the church of St. Matthew, Holbeck, a peal of Double Norwich was attempted, but "stand" was called owing to a change-course after ringing 1½ hrs. H. C. Buckley, A. N. Wood, W. Wood, H. Williams, B. Shaw, W. Jackson, H. Lindsay, H. Haste. Afterwards two musical touches of Stedman were rung. Tenor 16 cwt.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

STANSTED (Essex).—On Sunday, April 17th, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, for Divine Service in the morning, a 504 Stedman Triples. W. T. Prior, G. Jordan, G. Gray, W. Prior, J. Luckey, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, H. Little. On Saturday, April 30th, for practice, a 720 London Surprise Minor, with the tenor covering. W. T. Prior, W. Prior, J. Luckey, G. Gray, T. Jordan, T. J. Watts, W. Watts conductor. And on Sunday, May 1st., for morning service, a 441 Superlative Surprise Major. G. Gray, J. Luckey, G. Jordan, G. H. Barker, T. J. Watts, T. Jordan, W. T. Prior, W. Watts, conductor. Also 300 Stedman Triples. W. T. Prior, J. Luckey, G. Jordan, G. H. Barker, T. Jordan, T. J. Watts, W. Watts conductor. G. Greenhill. Tenor 13 cwt.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**

SOUTH WIGSTON (Leicestershire).—On Saturday, June 11th, at St. Thomas' church, 1652 of Grandsire Triples, taken from Cleal's one-part peal, in 58 mins. J. Willars, J. T. Wilson, E. Merryweather, J. Clark, D. Taylor, A. Bell, W. Willson conductor, W. W. Thompson.

BUCKLEY (Flintshire).—On April 4th, at the parish church, 1528 Stedman Triples. H. Jones, T. J. Price, H. Hughes, Herbert Hughes J. Usher, E. H. Griffiths, W. Short, W. Bellis. Conducted by W. Short. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of E. Messham, a member of the company, to Miss A. Roberts, his brother-ringers wishing them much happiness.

NORTHOP (Flints).—On Saturday, April 23rd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins. H. Jones, Herbert Hughes, Henry Hughes, J. Usher, E. Mersham, E. H. Griffiths, W. Short conductor, T. J. Price.

OLD WARDEN (Beds).—On Wednesday, April 6th, for practice, a 720 Oxford Bob Minor, in 23 mins. J. Ventiner, W. Newton, F. York, T. Scott, W. J. Mayes conductor, F. Wells. On April 28th, a 720 of Oxford Bob, a 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and a 720 of Plain Bob. Job Vintiner, F. Wells, F. York, T. Scott conductor, W. Newton, W. J. Mayes. First 720 as conductor.

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## Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—A meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on Thursday, June 30th, at 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Kingsbury to-day, Saturday, June 18th. Bells will be ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 5.0. Business important.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*  
High Street, Bucknall.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—Owing to the bells at Barley Moor not being available, the next meeting will be held at Gorton to-day, Saturday, June 18th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting 7.0.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's, Leesfield, to-day, Sat., June 18th. Bells ready at 4, meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

Lavenham, Suffolk.—The bells will be at the disposal of ringers from 7 a.m. till 7 p.m. on Tuesday next, June 21st. A. SYMONDS.  
41, Market Place, Lavenham.

The Bedfordshire Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harrold to-day, Saturday, June 25th, at 3 o'clock.

REV. A. RUST, *Hon. Secs.*  
I. HILLS,

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Hull on Saturday, June 25th. The bells at Holy Trinity (10) are available from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m., and St. James' (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. at The Blacksmiths' Arms, Naylor's Row. Excursion leaves N.E.R. at 2.30 p.m.

F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The annual meeting in connection with this Society will be held on Saturday, June 25th, at Lichfield. Bells available for ringing touches from 2 till 4 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5.0. Tea in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock, to be followed by the general meeting. The tea will be 6d. per head for all those sending in their names on or before the 20th inst., to others it will be 1s.

S. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*  
50B, Bull Street, West Bromwich.

The Essex Association.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Bobbingworth (6) on Saturday, June 25th. North Weald (6) and Moreton (5) will be available. Business meeting in schoolroom.

GEO. W. FAULKNER, *Dist. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Upchurch on Saturday, June 25th. Tower open for ringing at 4.30 p.m. Committee meeting 6 p.m. A. OSBORNE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

The Saffron Walden Society (Established 1623).—The 281st anniversary of this Society will be held on Monday, 27th June, 1904.

F. J. PITSTOW, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held

at Waddington on Saturday, July 2nd. Ringing from 3.0 p.m. Meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—The annual Festival will be held at Godalming on Saturday, July 9th, at the Borough Hall. Service in the Parish Church, preacher, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Further particulars later. E. W. CARPENTER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual Festival will be held at Windsor on Monday, July 11th. Service in St. John's church at 12 noon, preacher, Rev. J. H. Ellison (Vicar of Windsor). Business meeting in St. John's church rooms, 12.45. Dinner in Guildhall at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members only who send their money with the order and their ringing qualification to me on or before Monday, July 4th. The whole amount will be refunded to change-ringing members and 1s. each to probationers present at the dinner. ALBERT E. REEVES, 20, Radstock Road, Reading. *Festival Sec.*

St. Mary's, Barnsley.—All tower ringing for the present is stopped, owing to renewals to bells. Notice of completion will be given. C. D. POTTER, *Hon. Sec.*

St. John's, Redhill.—In future all communications respecting the above tower must be sent to Mr. H. Edwards, 19, Lower Road, Mead Vale, Redhill. Practice is now held on Thursdays instead of Saturdays at 7.30 p.m. Visitors always welcome. H. EDWARDS.

Will any of the many friends of Mr. C. W. P. Clifton, of St. Peter-at-Arches, Lincoln (formerly of Chesterfield, Nottingham and Grantham), who are desirous of subscribing towards a suitable present upon the occasion of his approaching marriage, kindly remit same to JOHN W. WATSON, "The Chimes," West Parade, Lincoln.

## Compositions.

### DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By WILLIAM WILLSON.

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kept by an old Maidenhead friend, until train time came. The members wish to thank all who helped to make the outing a success, and especially Mr. Neville of Mortimer and Mr. H. White of Basingstoke, for making arrangements, and to the Vicars of Mortimer and Basingstoke for the use of the bells.

### TUNSTALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Thursday, April 21st, the ringers and their wives of Christ Church were entertained to supper at The Criterion Restaurant by the Rev. H. R. Barchard, B.A., the newly-elected clerical secretary of the Stoke Archidiaconal Association. After a sumptuous repast the boards were cleared, and a very enjoyable evening was spent, songs being contributed by Messrs. Twigg, Thompson, F. Smith and F. Darlington, Mr. Barchard and Mrs. G. Smith dividing the honours of accompanists. At the close of the proceedings a vote of thanks was tendered to the host for his kindness by Mr. G. Smith and supported by Messrs. Johnson and Darlington. The host, in acknowledging the same, advised the ringers to pull together and expressed a wish that they would

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**LYMINGE (Kent).**—On Saturday, May 28th, an attempt was made for Holt's Ten-Part peal of Grandsire Triples, but owing to a late start it was brought round at half-way.

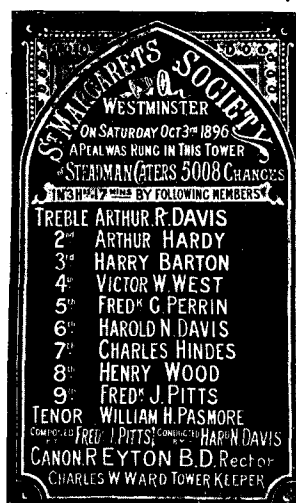
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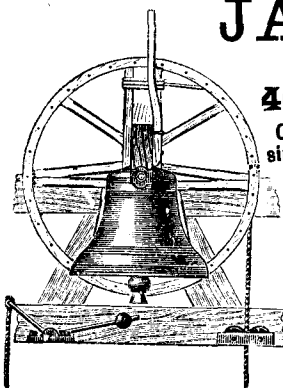
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

ST. IVES (Hunts.)—Eight bells. No return.

ST. LAWRENCE-ON-SEA (Kent). Kent County Association. Eight bells. All by Mears; treble, 2nd, 5th and 6th, 1889; the rest 1808. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go well for Triples. Chiming apparatus fitted. Rehung by Snelling, 1889. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. No Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA (Sussex). Christ Church. All by Gillett, 1898. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Iron frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Repaired and tuned by Barwell, 1899. Ropes new 1894, fair. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30. Rector and churchwardens take great interest in the bells, and grant £30 annually to the company.

ST. NEOTS (Hunts.) St. Mary. Ely Diocesan Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor. Date not stated. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. No repairs recently by a bellhanger. The ringers have recommended re-hanging, but no steps have been taken, probably owing to want of funds. Ropes bad. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing occasionally, 11, 3, and 6 o'clock. Practice: first Tuesday in month.

SALEHURST (Sussex). St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

SALFORD PRIORS (Warwickshire). Eight bells. No return.

SALISBURY (Wilts.) St. Edmund. Eight bells. No return.

St. Martin. Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. Treble and 2nd by Mears, 1886; 3rd and 4th by the same 1843 and 1842 respectively; 5th and 6th, 1675, no founder mentioned; 7th and tenor by Wallis, 1582 and 1628 respectively. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Slight repairs by Blackburn;

date not stated. Church authorities always ready to do what is needful. In reply to query as to condition of ropes, the following is the answer:—"Most inquisitive question; no business of Central Council." Method: "Grandsire, as much or more than anything." Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Saturday, 7 in winter; also Wednesday at the same hour.

St. Thomas. Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 6 in. by Rudhall, 1716; the rest by Wells, 1771. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Blackburn, 1887. Ropes fair. Always renewed as required. No half-pull or regular Sunday ringing. Practice: 7 (day not stated), during November and December.

### LINSLADE, BUCKS.

The new clock and bells placed in the tower of St. Barnabas church by Mrs. Hadley, were dedicated to the service of God on Thursday, May 19th, by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Reading. The clergy present were the Vicar (Rev. C. E. Dandridge), the curate (Rev. D. Hurst Jones, the Rural Dean (Rev. F. H. Tatham), and the Rev. W. W. Richards (Vicar of Heath). A shortened form of evensong was first gone through, the Psalms being xcvi., xcix., c., and ci., whilst the lessons read respectively by the Vicar and the Rev. F. H. Tatham were Numbers x. 1-11, and Ephesians v. 15-22. The anthem was taken from Psalm cxix. and concluded with the hymn "Come let us join our cheerful songs," during which the Bishop and clergy, preceded by the Vicar's warden (Mr. W. Jeffs), and Mr. C. Richardson, proceeded to the west end of the church. Mr. Jeffs said, "Right Reverend Father in God—As churchwardens of this parish we ask you to receive and dedicate to the service of God the clock and two extra bells which have been presented to this church by Maria Hadley, of this parish, to the glory of God and in memory of her late husband, James Hadley." The Bishop replied to the effect that he consented to do this, and proceeded to recite the dedicatory sentences and other prayers, and during the singing of another hymn the Bishop and clergy retired to the east end of the church, his Lordship entering the pulpit from which he preached from the text "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom," Psalm xc. 12. Afterwards the hymn "Praise my soul the King of Heaven" was sung, during the collection for the fund for repairing the old bells, and at the close, "Come ye faithful raise the anthem" was sung as a processional hymn. After the service the bells were raised in peal and rung for a short time by F. Vickers, A. Cheshire, G. Wright, E. Field, A. Vickers, C. White, W. Jeffs, jun., and W. Neale. On Sunday morning, May 22nd, for Divine Service, a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles, standing as before, with 7-6-8 covering.

The peal of bells in the tower have been improved by addition of two extra bells, making a peal of eight, one being a new tenor weighing 9 cwt. 21 lbs. in A, and the

other a treble. The 5th bell has been recast, and the 3rd, 4th, 6th and 7th quarter-turned, and the whole re-hung by Mears and Stainbank. The treble bell bears the inscription: "To the glory of God may my sound be pleasing, oh Christ, King of Heaven." The tenor bell is inscribed—"To the glory of God this bell and the treble bell were given by Elizabeth Hadley in memory of her late husband, James Hadley. Charles Edward Dandridge, *Vicar*; Henry Finch, William Jeffs, *Churchwardens*."

#### UNVEILING OF A MARBLETTE PEAL-TABLET AT GREAT BENTLEY, ESSEX.

A very interesting ceremony took place in the belfry of St. Mary's church, Great Bentley, on Tuesday, May 17th, when a marblette peal-tablet recording the first two Surprise peals rung on the bells, was unveiled by the Vicar in the presence of a large assembly. The first was a peal of London Surprise Major, and the second a peal of Superlative Surprise Major. The donor of the tablet (Mr. W. J. Nevard), after a few remarks referring to the peals, asked the Vicar to unveil and accept the tablet. The peals themselves were he said very good achievements, and that was the reason why he asked permission to erect a suitable tablet, as the two peals accomplished required great skill.

The Vicar after unveiling the tablet, made a very eloquent speech, and said it was a real pleasure to accept such a beautiful tablet; also that the peals were so successfully rung, and which he listened to with great interest. He thanked the donor for the beautiful tablet, and concluded with dedicating this memorial to the glory of God and the Church.

Touches of Grandsire and Bob Major were rung before and after the ceremony by ringers from Thorington, Little Bentley, Brightlingsea, Great Bromley, and the local company. The tablet bears the following inscription.

"Perseverance crowned by success. The Essex Association. On Saturday, February 13th, 1904, in two hours and forty-five minutes, a peal of London Surprise Major, 5056 changes. William J. Nevard, *Treble*; James Motts, 2; Ernest Pye, 3; Alfred W. Brighton, 4; Edward Evans, 5; Isaac G. Shade, 6; Lewis W. Wiffen, 7: William Pye, *Tenor*. On Sunday, February 14th, 1904, in two hours and forty minutes, a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, 5056 changes. Weight of tenor 8 cwt. Edward Evans, *Treble*: Alfred W. Brighton, 2; James Motts, 3; Isaac G. Shade, 4; William Pye, 5; Ernest Pye, 6; William J. Nevard, 7; Lewis W. Wiffen, *Tenor*. Both peals were composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by W. Pye. These are the first peals rung in the methods on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. J. Nevard, the donor of the tablet."

The tablet is the work of Messrs. Caspar and Co., and is of beautiful design. This is the first marblette tablet supplied by them in Essex, and it is hoped it will not be the last, as it has been much admired by all.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—ANNUAL FESTIVAL.

If any curious inhabitant or stranger had asked on Monday, May 16th, "What meaneth, then, this ringing of the bells in mine ears?" he would have found the reason to be that the town of Dorchester had been invaded, for one day only, by a horde of bell-ringers from the various parts of the diocese of Sarum, campanological zealots who descended on the belfries of the district "like the wolf on the fold." For it was the annual festival of the Salisbury Guild.

There were present nearly 100 ringers from various parts of the diocese. The towers represented were those of Dorchester,

Fordington, Wimborne, Poole, Sturminster Newton, Maiden Newton, Sherborne, Leigh, Puddletown, West Lulworth, Wyke Regis, Devizes, St. James Southbroom, Berwick St. John, Coombe Bissett, Verwood, Horningsham and Long Buston. At noon the ringers gathered at St. Peter's for service. The service was conducted by the Rector (the Rev. A. Metcalfe), assisted by the Rev. C. W. B. Cobbe, curate of Southbroom, Devizes.

The Rector preached on bells, bell-ringers, and bell-ringing, his sermon, which was marked by erudition and appropriate and suggestive thought, being based upon Exodus xxviii. 34, "A golden bell and a pomegranate upon the hem of the robe round about."

At one o'clock the ringers sat down to luncheon at The Antelope Hotel. The Master of the Guild (Mr. H. H. Palaret) presided, and was supported by Captain John Acland, Canon M. Hankey, the Revs. H. E. Tilney Bassett, A. Metcalf, and C. W. B. Cobbe, and Mr. Edgar Lane (organist and choirmaster of St. Peter's). Amongst those present were the Revs. J. C. Mansel-Pleydell, T. L. Jenkins, and H. Drake.

The Master, after luncheon, first heartily thanked Mr. Metcalf for his thoughtful and earnest sermon that morning, the choir and organist of St. Peter's for the excellent way in which they had led the music of the service, and the incumbents of the various churches for having welcomed the ringers to their towers. The Rev. A. Metcalf, responding, said that they in Dorchester were glad to welcome the ringers of the diocese to that ancient town. He was glad to see so large a congregation that morning, in the ancient church of St. Peter's. He was not a bell-ringer himself. He once made an attempt in his church in Sussex, pulling the tenor bell for service, and he had a pain a yard long for several days afterwards. He was a bell-ringer in this sense; that he tried to send the joyful sound of the Gospel Sunday after Sunday. Speaking of what things the bells seemed to say to different people, that some heard the bells say "Come to church, come to church," but he was afraid that many thought they said "Stay away, stay away!"

The vice-presidents were all re-elected, with the exception of the late Lord Heytesbury.

The Rev. H. Drake proposed the addition to the vice-presidents of the Rev. J. C. M. Mansel-Pleydell, Captain Acland, and Mr. A. Grist, of Bournemouth, one of the founders of the Guild. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Master said he was glad to recognise the work that had been done by Mr. Grist, who had worked very hard and well since the Guild had started. Their next business was to elect a new Master. He was sorry to say that his doctor insisted upon his giving up the office, as he could not undertake the travelling which he ought to do as Master. His doctor would not allow him to attend meetings as a matter of health. His looks belied him, for he looked very well indeed. He thanked the members of the Guild for the honour they had conferred upon him during the last few years in electing him Master of the Guild. In taking his adieu of them as Master he did so with great regret, and thanked them for the way in which they had always supported him. He would ask them to elect in his stead one far more fitted for the office than he was, and than any other man in England. He asked them to elect in his place Captain Acland. Captain Acland, as perhaps many of them knew, had been a leading and accomplished ringer for many years. They could not elect a more efficient Master—one who knew more about the subject and whose heart was more thoroughly in the cause. Captain Acland would give them greater help than he had even been able to do.

Mr. Tilney Bassett said he was extremely sorry that Mr. Palaret found it necessary to give the Mastership up. He had been their Master six years, and had taken great interest in the Guild. At the same time it gave him great pleasure to second his proposition that Captain Acland should be elected as his successor. They had heard how well-qualified he was for the office, and he felt quite sure that the motion would recommend itself to every one present. The motion was carried unanimously.

Captain Acland, in thanking the Guild for the honour they had done him, said they might depend upon his doing the best he could for the Guild. He had not done so much ringing as lately as he could have wished to do. It was not very pleasant for him to stand in the belfry and not have a rope in his hands, but, as with Mr. Palaret, the doctor did not allow him to do

very much. Dorset, however, was his native county, and if he could do anything for Dorset and for the diocese of which it formed a part, he would do it; for all his life he had devoted himself to ringing. During most of his ringing years he bore the name of Acland-Troyte. Thus almost all of his old ringing friends knew him as Troyte, and not as Acland: but still he was the same, in regard to ringing at any rate. He had been instrumental in starting and helping other societies, even the great Central Council of England, for he was one of the five who in 1883 had the privilege of starting that council. He was also one of the organisers of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to which the famous veteran Mr. Robinson belonged, Mr. Robinson being among ringers what Dr. G. W. Grace was among cricketers. He gladly, then, accepted office, for a year at any rate; and if he was found of any use he should not draw back. It was a difficult matter to succeed Mr. Palairret, whose unflagging energy and unfailing courtesy he admired immensely. He did not think that he could ever equal it; but he could follow in his footsteps and try to imitate his example. If he could not get about among them so much as he might wish to do, he begged of them never to be afraid to ask him by letter for any help that he could give. And as even in the best of families there were sometimes little rubs, he asked them to look upon him as a peacemaker or an arbitrator. Finally he suggested that the retiring Master should take his place as vice-president. This was at once agreed to.

Mr. W. Pinkley, of Salisbury, was re-elected hon. treasurer of the Guild.

Mr. Palairret, in moving the re-appointment of the Rev. H. F. Tilney Bassett as hon. secretary, declared that a more thoroughly energetic secretary, or one more determined to ensure the prosperity of the Guild, they could not possibly have. The Rev. H. Drake, seconding, said they were all grateful to Mr. Tilney Bassett for his work. In East Dorset they had not quite agreed with the way in which he had done all things, through no fault of his personally, but simply because the diocese was too large to be worked by one secretary. But he had done the best that could be done under the circumstances. The motion was carried unanimously. The Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett thanked the meeting for re-appointing him, and assured them that he would continue to do his best for the Guild. He rather dissented from Mr. Drake's remark that the diocese was too large for one man to work. Under the old way of doing things he would have agreed with him; but now that the Guild was divided into four branches, and each branch had its own district organisation and its own energetic secretary, who did his work thoroughly well, he as general secretary had little to do except at one period of the year. And with the diocese so divided he did not think it in the least necessary to have two general secretaries. One man, he thought, could easily do the work.

Two vacancies on the committee were filled by the election of the Rev. C. Wood and Mr. Rummings. The election of branch officers was confirmed. Mr. C. H. Hampton was re-elected hon. auditor. A vacancy having occurred on the Central Council, Mr. Martin Stewart was unanimously elected to it. The rules of this Guild as revised and amended by the committee were read and approved.

The Rev. H. Drake, referring to the movement for the revival of minor orders in the Church, mentioned a request which had been made to the Bishop to take into consideration the claims of bell-ringers to the first of those minors, as being in a sense *ostiarii*, or door-keepers. He read the Bishop's reply stating that his opinions on the proposed revival of minor orders were about to be published by the National Society. He (the Bishop) did not see how ringers could be treated as *ostiarii*. Mr. Drake then moved:—

"That in any deliberations concerning the revival of minor orders of the Church, the *de facto* claim of bell-ringers to represent at least partly the first of such orders should not be overlooked."

Canon Hankey said that, as having the honour of representing Dorset in Convocation, and as having been present at the debate on the subject in Convocation, he could assure them that any discussion was quite premature. No one of them could for a moment question that the office of lay reader, with the possibility of preaching in church, was a more important duty than that of ringing the bells. And even for the recognition of lay readers as permissible preachers they came in Convocation

to the conclusion that they were not prepared. In no real sense had they been recognised as a minor order, and the result was that Convocation postponed the consideration of the report. They would have to wait. Great changes were looming in the distance; and of one thing they might be sure—that there would in future be a much larger recognition of laymen in every way.

Mr. Palairret observed that Mr. Drake's motion was one that might very well come before the committee, but was not suitable to be put at that meeting. He added that it was not an instructional meeting for young ringers. The ringers would, if possible, provide instruction on other occasions when application was made for it.

The ringers then dispersed to the towers of the neighbourhood, Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Grandsire and Bob Doubles and Minor, and "Churchyard Bob," were the methods rung during the remainder of the day.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 11th, in the small village of Lawton, the church bells rang out a merry peal, in honour of a very important and interesting event, when J. W. E. Lawton, Esq., came into possession of his estate, after being in the hands of trustees for upwards of twenty years. After ringing about two hours the ringers, their wives, and a few friends were invited to dinner by J. W. E. Lawton, Esq. at The Lawton Arms, which was provided by the landlord, Mr. H. Buckley, assisted by his wife and family, to which great credit is due for the excellent arrangement and the good dinner which was taken of as course after course was served. All present were satisfied with the sumptuous repast. After dinner the cloths were removed, and a smoke was enjoyed while listening to the strains of music which was given by the Lawton handbell ringers. A friend also played on the violin the National Airs of Europe. The jingling of a small bell at the top of the stairs made every one wonder what was amiss, when up came Mr. H. Buckley accompanied by a gentleman. Mr. Buckley called out, "Ladies and gentlemen," I have great pleasure in introducing "The Squire of Lawton." The violin struck up with "Auld Lang Syne," all joining in singing it. The squire was next conducted by Mr. H. Buckley round the room, and he gave each one a hearty shake of the hand. This over, a toast "The King" was drunk, following this, Mr. E. Briscall, proposed the "Health of the Squire, his wife and family," which was drunk with musical honours. The squire responded, thanking all for giving him such a hearty reception, for which he said he never expected. The next on the paper was The Blue Bells of Scotland, on the hand-bells. Following this, Mr. Smith sang "The Wolf," and the violin gave "Tralarney." The health of the tenants was drunk, after this Mr. E. Briscall gave a hearty welcome to the squire on behalf of the ringers, wishing him a happy and long life. The squire responded, thanking them for ringing and giving him a hearty welcome, saying, he hoped the ringing would be acknowledged more in the future, and again thanking them on behalf of his wife and family. "Men of Harlech" was given on the hand-bells, and Mr. F. Smith sang "Hearts of Oak." The next was a song by the squire's solicitor which caused great amusement and laughter, entitled "Keep Moving." Then the hand-bells played "Auld Lang Syne," and the squire said good-night to all, and a most enjoyable evening was brought to an end.

CORRECTION.—In the letter appearing over the name of Thos. Faulkner in last week's issue, the 10th line should read: "January 8th, 1899," not January 8th, 1886.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

(Continued from page 173.)

## THE CLASSIFICATION OF METHODS.

Mr. H. Dains in moving that a Committee be appointed to classify methods and report thereon to the Council, said they all knew that Double Norwich Major was called Double Norwich Court Bob Major, could they say why it was called Court. Just the same with Treble Bob, but they did not know why it should be "Treble Bob." As to Surprise methods, what was there in many of them to cause them Surprise. He considered there should be a Committee to go into the matter and report to the Council.

The Rev. H. Law James suggested that if the matter was referred to the Legitimate Methods Committee it would be desirable to add the name of his brother, who knew much about the matter.

The President suggested the re-appointment of the Committee.

Mr. Dains accepted the suggestion and moved accordingly, adding the name of the Rev. E. Bankes James.

Mr. Bennett seconded.

The Rev. H. Drake suggested that Mr. Daniell's name as one well up in terms be added.

Mr. Daniell disclaimed any knowledge of methods.

Mr. Dains's resolution was carried.

## POINTS FOR MINOR—"BROKEN LEADS."

Mr. Bolland, in moving that forty points be allowed for seven Minor Surprise methods and twenty-five for seven Treble Bob Minor methods with "broken leads," said that the points as at present allowed for these, viz., twenty-five for seven Minor Surprise methods and fifteen for Treble Bob methods were not at all satisfactory. Each ought, it was considered in fairness to six-bell ringers, to have more. Bobs in a six-bell Surprise method affected the method as much if not more than is the case in Major methods. In Treble Bob methods with "broken leads" would be included Primrose, Tulip, Symphony, College Exercise, London Scholars, London Trebles, Morning Exercise, all of which with many others had the front work more or less broken. Thus there was a reason, and he thought a reasonable one, why more points should be allowed in both cases. Such he thought would be but common fairness to six-bell companies who rang these methods, and upon these grounds he appealed to the Council to support the motion.

Mr. Bennett seconded. He considered that seven Surprise Minor methods were worthy of more points than were now given them. If this was done he considered it would be an inducement to ringers to go in for more Surprise methods.

Mr. Story supported the resolution. As one who had had considerable experience in six-bell ringing he was fully aware of the difference in some of the methods. Seven Surprise methods were worth more points than were at present (25) allowed, and so was seven Treble Bob methods worthy of more than fifteen points.

Mr. Snowdon, in supporting the resolution said a more concentrated effort was required to ring seven Surprise methods than was required to ring an ordinary seven or eight-bell peal. If the mind wandered at all in ringing seven methods it might not only happen that a ringer had to try and remember the work that he was doing, but also the method that he was ringing. The Points Committee very properly took notice of the number engaged in a peal. A large number of points for these six-bell peals would be encouraging to six-bell ringers.

The President asked the meaning of the term "broken lead."

Mr. Snowdon said in Treble Bob Minor methods with broken leads as many as four bells may come to the lead between the two leads of the treble, and collectively do their work which in Kent and Oxford would be done by the one bell in the slow hunt. In some variations three bells are so employed, and in others only two. For example take Imperial, London Treble Bob and College Pleasure as given in "Standard Methods."

The President said the Council could not take upon itself to decide the number of points that should be given. This had always been in the hands of the Committee, who could fully weigh the matter. He suggested that the matter should be referred to the Points Committee.

Mr. Bolland expressed a hope that if the suggestion of the President was adopted that a six-bell ringer would be added to the Committee.

The Rev. H. Law James said some of the so called Surprise methods were not Surprise methods at all. Several did not come up to the definition of Surprise. After all he did not yet understand the meaning of the term "broken lead."

Mr. Bolland said the lead was broken by more than one bell taking up the work in front.

The Rev. H. Drake supported the suggestion of the President that the matter should go to the Points Committee. As to the term "broken lead" it was he thought the same as used in the old books as to single or double method. There should be some one upon the Committee who had a knowledge of the history of the method.

The President pointed out that the Committee could be added to.

Mr. Snowdon moved, and Mr. Bennett seconded, that the matter be referred to the Points Committee, and that Mr. Story be added.

The President said he would like to know from Mr. Bolland if it was his desire to recommend that forty points be allowed for seven Surprise methods, and twenty-five for seven Treble Bob methods with the so called "broken leads," if so it would be for the Points Committee to say how far they could endorse the recommendation.

Mr. Bolland having agreed, the resolution was adopted, Mr. Story being placed upon the Committee in place of Mr. Washbrook.

## UNITS OF ORGANISATION—FEDERATIONS—OVERLAPPING.

The Rev. H. Drake moved the following resolution: "That the Central Council recognise as a unit of organisation those societies of ringers which cover as a rule an area not larger than a county, overlapping being allowed on the boundaries of such areas by mutual arrangement. All larger organisations shall usually be considered as federations, and smaller ones as affiliated societies, in neither of which cases need the question of overlapping arise."

The rev. gentleman said that this was not a subject which was ripe for decision; nor was he prepared to ask them to vote at present on a resolution so worded; but it was a matter which in the near future would press for settlement, and therefore some deliberation on the matter would help them to make up their minds. He was not himself very decided on the matter, and would be prepared to take up another position from that of the resolution should the discussion tend that way. During the last generation their numbers and arrangements for ringing, all over the country, had largely increased, but they were still trying to work with the same old organisations, which were very good twenty years ago, but not so efficient at the present day. Not that the present organisations were not doing good work among skilled ringers, and would not continue to do so in the future. But for the sake of instruction and progress, they now needed to cover the ground more closely. The idea intended by the resolution was that the unit should be reduced. Instead of their present larger organisations grouping several counties on diocesan or larger lines they should have societies which should in no case cover more than an archdeaconry or a county, and usually be smaller. These should be federated when convenient into the present larger societies for a joint, annual, or quarterly meeting. Many societies were trying to meet this need by dividing into branches, but this did not meet the case, at the branches were not sufficiently self contained. He gave several instances of towers which had been trying for more than twenty years to learn change-ringing, but could not get into touch with the present unwieldy Associations; and other instances of the distances covered preventing diocesan Associations doing the work they ought to do on their different borders. He also referred to the loss of valuable ringing power in the fact that those who were learning ringing at the Universities and Theological Colleges could not get into helpful touch with our present overgrown Societies. He hoped that an expression of opinion, another year, by the Central Council, might assist Societies to make such a movement as he had suggested. If so they might (as another development) ultimately look forward to the ground being so covered with such societies that they alone



would have the right to send representatives to the Central Council; larger federations being represented through the smaller ones, except in special cases.

Mr. Daniell, who seconded, said he believed that the Yorkshire Association was one of the first to be established, and had in its own area caused an interest to be taken in ringing. So far as diocesan Associations went he did not know why they should confine themselves to diocesan areas. They as churchmen were not baptised to a diocesan area, but baptised into the Church of which they were members. Since many of the Associations were brought into existence a great change had taken place. There were now much greater facilities for travelling than formerly, and the circumstances of the areas had to be considered.

Mr. King did not think that many of the Associations looked upon the Central Council as a fond parent. He doubted if the Central Council had any right to deal with this matter. The Associations had been constituted by the members themselves, and it was little use to interfere. If the members were satisfied with the Associations as they stood let them remain as constituted, and not let the Council seek to bring about a change by an expression of a mere pious opinion.

Mr. White considered that the Rev. H. Drake had used strong arguments against the adoption of his proposal. They had seen how an Association had been cut up into four divisions, and were told that it was not working so well as the larger Associations, yet they were being asked to do the same thing.

Dr. Carpenter thought that the mover of the resolution had hit the nail on the head in suggesting that the Council should not have anything to do with these piteous quarrels. He did not see why there should be these quarrels, if the members would only remember what the Associations were really formed for. Some looked upon Associations as existing simply for what they could get out of them, others simply for peal-ringing, instead of for the welfare of the Exercise and the proper care of the bells and belfries. If members of the Exercise would but keep these facts before them they would do a great deal better. True in some places there was overlapping, but that to a great extent was due to the means of rail communication. Some of the Associations were established upon diocesan lines, but a diocese was not formed on railway lines. All these points should be borne in mind from a common sense point of view. When there was a real friction let the members themselves talk it over and come to some mutual understanding, and he had not the slightest doubt that the friction would disappear. A little common sense would often settle the whole matter. Matters of such a nature should be approached with open minds by both sides and there need be no fear of the result. All should go for the welfare of the Exercise, bells and belfries, which was the true objects of the Guilds, and if they went for the welfare of the Church of which they were members they would get on without troubles.

Mr. Snowden said the whole question could be weighed up by asking if these quarrels were worth taking notice of. He thought the Central Council was making them all friends, and such quarrels where they existed would, if left to themselves, soon die a natural death.

The Rev. H. Drake pointed out that he had not introduced the term piteous quarrel. He thought good had been done by the discussion, and he would withdraw the resolution, as no good would result from a vote at present.

The Rev. H. Law James thought every Society and Association should be left to manage its own affairs.

The President said Mr. King had summed up the whole question. To go into this matter would be as autocratic as the Irish Land Act. He thought the Council could not do anything but harm in offering such suggestions, or in any way attempting to alter the area of any Association.

The resolution was withdrawn.

(To be continued.)

#### BLACKPOOL.

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#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Canterbury district, was held at Dover, on Saturday, May 7th. Unfortunately the afternoon was very wet, and only twenty-four members were present from Bekebourne, Deal, Dover, Lyminge, Tyenham, Tunstall, and Wickham. The towers of St. Mary's (8) and St. James's (6), were open, and touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Minor were rung. Tea was served at Messrs. Inglestone and Graves, Market Square. The business meeting was held at the Church Institute, the Vicar of St. Mary's, Canon Bartram, presiding. Eleven new members were elected, and Mr. W. E. Pitman was elected district representative, in place of Mr. C. H. Drake, who resigns. The District Secretary was re-elected.

Lyminge and Walmer were proposed for the next annual meeting, and a show of hands resulted in favour of Walmer. A meeting for ringing only will be held at Lyminge in October, and if that is successful, one in another part of the district in February.

In replying to a hearty vote of thanks, the Chairman spoke of the great pleasure it gave him in meeting all lay-workers of the Church, and hoped the association would pay another visit to Dover.

#### Obituary.

##### ROBERT ROBERTS.

It is with intense regret that we have to announce the death on Sunday morning, June 12th 1904, of Robert Roberts, of Portmadoc, after a very severe attack of pneumonia, at the age of 41. His illness lasted only nine days. The deceased was a member of the St. John's Guild, Portmadoc, from the time the Guild had its start. He was also a member of the North Wales Association. His fellow ringers regret his loss most severely, we have lost a good friend and an enthusiastic ringer. The greatest sympathy was felt for his wife and daughter. The funeral took place at the Portmadoc cemetery, on Wednesday, June 15th, the Revs. J. E. Williams, vicar, and T. A. Williams officiating. The large number of friends and ringers present at the graveside testified to the respect and esteem in which deceased was held. There was a beautiful array of wreaths, chief of which was one in the shape of a bell, contributed in affectionate remembrance by his brother ringers. Amongst those present at the funeral were the Rev. T. Jenkin Jones, Rev. R. R. Roberts, and representatives of the local lodge of Oddfellows, of which deceased was a member. Immediately after the funeral, the bells of St. John's church were rung deeply muffled as a token of respect.

E. W.

##### TOM MARSHALL.

The Stockport St. George's band have lost one of their most useful members; Mr. Tom Marshall having died suddenly at his residence, 46, George Street, on the morning of June 7th. The funeral took place in the Borough Cemetery, on the Friday afternoon, the officiating clergymen being the Rev. J. H. Thorpe, B.D., vicar of St. George's. A number of very beautiful wreaths and crosses were sent by relatives and friends, including one from St. George's company. A couple of deceased's favourite handbells were slung across the coffin, and taken off at the cemetery and used in ringing a course of Grandsire Triples at the graveside by J. W. Bayley (St. George's), Wm. Gordon, sen. A. S. Gordon and Cecil Darwen (St. Mary's). A practice was held at St. George's on the Thursday evening, with the bells very deeply muffled; when between twenty and thirty ringers attended to show their respect for a deceased colleague. The deceased had rang between thirty and forty peals in the following methods: Plain Bob and Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, Kent Treble Bob Royal, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, and Stedman Triples. A considerable number of these peals he also conducted. He conducted the only peal of Stedman Triples which has yet been on St. George's bells.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1904.

## ANOTHER WEDDING GIFT TO MR. FRANK CARTER.

At a meeting of the Waltham Abbey Society, held at The  
Green Dragon on a recent Saturday evening, Mr. Frank Carter,  
the popular secretary of this society, was the recipient of another  
very valuable and useful wedding present in the shape of a  
case of silver fish carvers, the gift of J. Parnell, Esq., J.P.

On making the presentation the Master of the Society, Mr. W.  
A. Alps, said Mr. Parnell had read in the *Weekly Telegraph* the  
account of the recent presentation to Mr. Carter, and had  
expressed his wish to himself make to their secretary a gift  
in honour of his wedding. Mr. Parnell had always taken a deep  
interest in the ringers and had done much to promote their  
comfort and welfare. It was at his request that the speaker  
was about to make the presentation to Mr. Carter.

Mr. Parnell, after saying many other kind things of Mr.  
Carter, said that as secretary to the ringers he had given great  
satisfaction, and it was a pleasure to know that he was going to  
continue his connection with the society—a sentiment which



they, as ringers and friends of long standing, were only too pleased to echo.

Mr. Carter, in the course of his reply, said he was very proud of the high compliment paid him, which was another of the many kind thoughts of Mr. Parnell. The present had given him the greatest delight, and the circumstances of its coming into his hands at a meeting of the Waltham Abbey Society of Change-ringers, in the presence of his brother-ringers, and the kind way in which the master of the society (Mr. Alps) had handed him the present from Mr. Parnell, added much pleasure to the occasion. They all knew of Mr. Parnell's interest in the ringers of Waltham Abbey. He was one of those who always set a proper value upon scientific change-ringing such as was rung at the Abbey, and had knowledge of the time and application necessary to the acquisition of proficiency in the art. Mr. Parnell's kind interest in the ringers was deeply appreciated. The existence of the beautiful belfry or ringing chamber of Waltham testified largely to Mr. Parnell's generosity. The present now made was a compliment to the Waltham ringers as well as to himself personally. His best thanks he tendered to Mr. Parnell, and said he greatly valued the kind thought that had prompted the proposition.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

FRANK G. FRENCH .. .. Treble.	ROBERT MAYNARD, JUN. .. 6.
HENRY J. MAYNARD .. .. 2.	WILLIAM B. MANNING .. 7.
FRED C. MAYNARD .. .. 3.	ERNEST S. POLL .. .. 8.
ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN. .. 4.	*RICHARD NEWTON .. .. 9.
JOHN H. WILKINS .. .. 5.	ROBERT K. KNIGHT .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and  
Conducted by ROBERT MAYNARD, JUN.

\*First peal away from the tenor. Arranged for R. Newton who hails from Manchester, and was elected a member previous to starting; also as a birthday compliment to F. French. The ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 6th are father and three sons, and is their first peal together.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, POPLAR,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 6.
HARRY FLANDERS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 3.	CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. 8.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 4.	FREDERICK W. THORNTON .. 9.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	FREDERICK H. GOOCH .. Tenor.

Composed by FRANK HOPGOOD, and Conducted by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

Rung on the 89th anniversary of the battle of Waterloo.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, HAMPS TEAD,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt.

FRANK SMITH .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. PRYOR .. .. 2.	THOMAS TITCHENER .. .. 7.
ERNEST PRYOR .. .. 3.	*ERNEST YOUNG .. .. 8.
EDWIN TURL .. .. 4.	EDWARD CHAPMAN .. .. 9.
ERNEST BONFIELD .. .. 5.	RICHARD BEVAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. G. MILES, and Conducted by MARK WOODCOCK.

\*First peal on ten bells.

### The Provinces.

#### IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, June 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 6.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 2.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 7.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. .. 3.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. 8.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 9.
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. .. 5.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged and rung to oblige Mr. H. Dains, who is having his holiday in Ipswich and district.

#### HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

HARRY J. MEE* .. .. Treble.	*ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON* .. 2.	*ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. GIRLING* .. .. 3.	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN .. 7.
FREDERICK SHIPP† .. .. 4.	*CHARLES MEE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and Conducted by CHARLES MEE.

†First peal in the method. \*Members of the All Saints Society, Spronghton.

#### HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat

H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. Treble.	REV. J. HOLME PILKINGTON .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. 2.	F. S. POOLE .. .. 6.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON .. 3.	B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE .. 7.
E. H. LEWIS .. .. 4.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. Tenor

Composed by J. PLATT, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

#### RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

HERBERT DAY .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM FOX .. .. 5.
WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. .. 6.
JOSEPH BOURNE* .. .. 3.	BENJAMIN GREATORREX .. 7.
GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. .. 4.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. BOURNE.

\*First peal as conductor.

#### ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

WESLEY WATSON .. .. Treble.	*JOHN MOULE .. .. 5.
HARRY W. CATERWELL† .. 2.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 6.
GEO. JAY† .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
HARRY F. DAWKINS .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell.

## WELLS, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. Treble.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
CHARLES BAKER .. .. 3.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. 7.
JAMES TANN .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. HUNT, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

## GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED WRIGHT .. .. Treble.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 5.
FREDERICK J. RADLEY .. .. 2.	HENRY T. WILSON .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. WILSON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR H. HEAD .. .. 7.
THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WM. H. JUDD.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 30 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK T. C. NEVETT .. 5.
HERBERT MARTIN .. .. 2.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. 6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. .. 7.
FREDERICK J. BRINKLOW .. 4.	*RICHARD CHALKLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

\*First peal.

## LYMINGE, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND EADBURGA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

HARRY BARTON .. .. Treble.	HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. .. 5.
EDWIN G. BUESDEN .. .. 2.	EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. ANDREWS .. .. 3.	PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. BRETT .. .. 4.	HENRY C. CASTLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by PHILIP H. PIERCE.

First peal on the bells since augmentation. The "go" of the bells is excellent, and the band consider them to be equal to any of the best rings of eight in the district for peals.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

JOHN B. MARTIN .. .. Treble.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. .. 5.
FRED PALMER .. .. 2.	JAMES GARRATT .. .. 6.
ALFRED H. MARTIN .. .. 3.	LEWIS CHAPMAN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. .. 4.	WALTER PERKINS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and  
Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

The calling will be found in the Central Council Appendix, page 79.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	*CHARLES ROOPE .. .. 5.
EDGAR BORRETT .. .. 2.	FREDERICK ROOPE .. .. 6.
ALFRED SMITH .. .. 3.	JOHN ALLEN .. .. 7.
FREDERICK SUBRIDGE .. 4.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS and  
Conducted by FREDERICK BORRETT.

\*First peal.

## ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.  
Tenor 18 cwt. in E.

J. THOMPSON .. .. Treble.	W. BUTLER .. .. 5.
J. MILLNER .. .. 2.	J. T. BUTLER .. .. 6.
W. HOPKINSON, JUN. .. 3.	W. HOPKINSON, SEN. .. 7.
E. BUTLER .. .. 4.	J. P. TARTLTON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. BUTLER.

## RYE, SUSSEX.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.  
Tenor 19 cwt.

LEONARD J. STAPLEY* .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
GEORGE BILLENNESS .. 2.	*ERNEST S. REED .. .. 6.
CHARLES TRIBE .. .. 3.	CHARLES W. PLAYER .. 7.
FRANCIS A. VINCETT* .. 4.	THOMAS A. VINCETT .. Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\*First peal of Major. This was the quarterly peal for the Division.

## TAXAL, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESHIRE DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being 720 each of Duke of York, New London, Woodbine,  
Violet, Merchants' Return, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 11 cwt.

JAMES L. ROBINSON .. Treble.	WILLIAM LOWERY .. .. 4.
JOHN W. ASHTON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM MARSHALL .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 3.	FRED HOLT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

First peal on the bells, a fine ring by Taylor.

SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION,  
THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-  
SHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARIE (R.C.)

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN W. J. COTTAM* .. Treble.	*HERBERT KETTEL .. .. 5.
MARTIN SIMMONITE* .. 2.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 6.
ARTHUR HAGUE* .. .. 3.	JAMES A. DIXON .. .. 7.
ALBERT KETTEL* .. .. 4.	†JOHN M. ANDREWS .. Tenor.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

†First peal. \*First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.  
The above is James A. Dixon's fiftieth peal.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.  
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(THE BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt. in E flat,

THOMAS R. SCOTT† .. .. Treble.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. .. 2.	JOHN HARE .. .. 6.
FRANK YORK† .. .. 3.	† WILLIAM J. MAYES .. .. 7.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 4.	* FREDERICK WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and  
Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

†First peal on eight bells. \*First peal of Major away from the treble. First peal in the method on the bells.

NEWTON LONGVILLE, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being forty-two 6-scores.

A. E. POWELL .. .. Treble.	T. HENRY .. .. 4.
L. MEAGER .. .. 2.	R. NICHOLLS .. .. 5.
F. HOPKINS .. .. 3.	G. HOPKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. NICHOLLS.

This is the first peal on the bells by a local band, and the first by this Branch of the Guild.

OLNEY, BUCKS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

HARRY SEAR .. .. Treble.	HARRY TYSOE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM J. DAVISON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM FREEMAN .. .. 6.
ISAAC HILLS .. .. 3.	CHARLES W. CLARKE .. .. 7.
WALTER FINEDON .. .. 4.	SYDNEY SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Oxford and Kent  
Treble Bob, Double Court, and two 720s of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES SAMSON .. .. Treble.	CHARLES BAILEY .. .. 4.
WILLIAM SAWYER .. .. 2.	ROBERT SMY .. .. 5.
ALDERMAN LING .. .. 3.	HENRY PUTTOCK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY PUTTOCK.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt.

KEITH HART .. .. Treble.	† FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 2.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 6.
ROBERT J. DAVE .. .. 3.	* GEORGE WOODISS .. .. 7.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by E. WIGHTMAN, and  
Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal in any Surprise method. †Fiftieth peal of Superlative. All the above are members of the Cumberland Youths.

BARKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING.)

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, BARKING,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

HAROLD PARKER* .. .. Treble.	DENNIS CARRIER .. .. 5.
ERNEST G. FENN .. .. 2.	ROWLAND FENN .. .. 6.
D'OYLY S. SIMONS .. .. 3.	THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. 7.
GEORGE W. FAULKNER .. .. 4.	ALBERT C. HARDY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CALEB FENN, and Conducted by THOMAS FAULKNER.

\*First peal. This peal was rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Annie Cottis and Mr. Caleb Fenn, a member of both the above Societies, which had taken place a few hours previous at the above church.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, June 21, 1904, in Four Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5280 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. .. 7.
EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. 2.	EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 8.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 3.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 9.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 4.	ALBERT E. DURRANT .. .. 10.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. .. 5.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. .. 11.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 6.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged for Mr. Henry Dains, who is enjoying his holiday in Ipswich and district.

Handbell Peals.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, June 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-one and ½ Minutes,

IN THE QUEEN'S TOWER, TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE 1-2.	E. H. LEWIS .. .. 5-6.
H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 3-4.	REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 7-8.

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD and  
Conducted by REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY.

First peal as conductor. Umpire—A. O. C. Longridge.

CAMBRIDGE.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Two Hours, Twenty-three and ½ Minutes,

IN THE QUEEN'S TOWER, TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

E. H. LEWIS .. .. 1-2	H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 5-6
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 3-4	B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE 7-8

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

Umpire—A. O. C. Longridge. First peal in the method on handbells by the Guild and by all the band.

CAMBRIDGE.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, June 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

IN THE REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY'S ROOMS, TRINITY COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 1-2.	REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 5-6.
E. H. LEWIS .. .. 3-4.	REV. W. W. C. BAKER 7-8.

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

## Date Touches.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

PENSHURST (Kent).—On April 17th, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1904 changes, taken from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. 9 mins. H. Seal, J. Wallis, H. Letts, H. Goodwin, W. Spice conductor, E. Bridger, P. Denton, H. Baker.

CHIDDINGSTONE (Kent).—On April 17th, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1904 changes, taken from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. 7 mins. E. Smith, E. Everest, H. Letts, A. Langley, W. Spice, E. Bridger, P. Denton, G. Mortlock. Conducted by W. Spice.

ROCHDALE (Lancashire).—On Thursday, June 2nd, at the church of St. Alban, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 8 mins. E. Schofield, J. Meadowcroft, G. Staff, W. Schofield, J. Harrison, W. Kershaw, A. Sidebottom, S. Brierley. Composed by J. Fielding, and conducted by S. Brierley.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Monday, June 6th, for practice, 832 Double Norwich Major. F. Webb, C. H. Howard conductor, A. B. Wiffen, A. Shufflebotham, W. Steele, G. H. Sentance, W. Grimwade, H. J. Collins. On Sunday morning, June 19th, 864 Kent Treble Bob Major. C. H. Howard conductor, W. Sadler, F. Webb, P. Holmes, H. Pilcher, G. Sentance, H. E. Hammond, A. B. Wiffen. For evening service 800 in the same method. C. H. Howard, W. Sadler, F. Webb, E. Newman, H. Collins, G. Sentance, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor.

BOCKING (Essex).—On Tuesday, June 14th, 1264 Bob Major. N. Smith, F. Radley, A. Shufflebotham, W. Moore, F. Warren, S. Hayes, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor. On Saturday, June 18th, 1008 Bob Major. A. Shufflebotham, F. Rudkin, S. Sargent, W. Moore, F. Warren, C. Bearman, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor. On Sunday afternoon, June 19th, for Divine Service, 576 Kent Treble Bob. A. Shufflebotham, H. E. Hammond, F. Warren, W. Moore, J. T. Barker, C. H. Howard conductor, W. Grimwade, W. Steele.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

PENSHURST (Kent).—On Wednesday, April 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. \*W. Spice, jun., H. Seal, E. Bridger, J. Maynard, G. Edwards, P. Denton, W. Spice, sen. conductor, W. Kember. \*First quarter-peal.

## THE NORWICH DIOGESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORTH ELMHAM (Norfolk).—On Easter Sunday, for the 11 o'clock service, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, tenor covering R. Willby, F. Willby, F. I. Futter, W. Ayers, C. Ayers, W. Howson conductor, H. Betts. And 168 Grandsire Triples. G. Mash, F. Willby, F. I. Futter, R. Willby, W. Ayers, C. Ayers, H. Howson conductor, H. Betts. For children's service, at three o'clock, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, and one course of Grandsire Triples. For evening service, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor and 168 Grandsire Triples, standing as before. On Sunday, April 10th, for evening service, a 330 Grandsire Triples. G. Mash, W. Ayers, F. I. Futter, R. Willby, F. Willby, C. Ayers, W. Howson conductor, H. Betts. On Thursday, April 14th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Bob Major, a 224 of Oxford Bob Major. R. Willby, W. Willby, F. I. Futter, W. Ayers, W. Bason, C. Ayers, R. Cooke, W. Howson.

## THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

LONDON.—On Sunday, June 19th, for Divine Service at St. Margaret's church, Westminster, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters. F. Perrin, M. Woodcock, W. Holmes, W. Crookford, Hon. A. Erskine, J. Davis conductor, E. Brett, W. Woodhead, B. Langdon, A. Hardy.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

HALESOWEN (Worcestershire).—On Whit-Sunday, for morning service, 840 of Stedman Triples. W. Coley, E. White, W. Webb, H. Williams conductor, V. White, H. Lea, H. Raybould, H. Hackett. And for evening service, a 504 Grandsire Triples. A. Hackett, E. White, H. Raybould, H. Williams conductor, V. White, H. Lea, G. N. Cockin, M. Hackett.

## THE CENTRAL NOTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Sunday, May 1st, for evening service, a quarter-

peal of Stedman Triples. G. A. Hensham, W. Rogers, A. Stewart, W. Allen, J. T. Hensham (first in the method), H. Blundell, A. P. Hensman conductor, F. Farey.

## EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SWANWICK.—On Monday, April 25th, at the parish church, to commemorate the first anniversary of the opening of the bells, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, each 6-score called differently. F. H. Kay conductor, \*A. Haslam, \*H. Kerry, \*T. Stimpson, H. Fretwell. \*First quarter-peal. First on the bells.

SOUTH WINGFIELD.—On Saturday, April 39th, for practice, 720 Grandsire Doubles, each 6-score called differently. \*C. Burrows, \*W. G. Christian, H. Fretwell, F. H. Kay conductor, \*W. Booth, T. Stimpson. \*First 720.

ANDOVER (Hants).—On Tuesday, June 14th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. A. Barber, T. Steuens, H. Smart, E. Milis, O. Smart, G. Samway, R. C. Mayo conductor, W. Butt. This is the first quarter-peal by all except the conductor.

EASTBOURNE.—On Sunday, June 19th, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. C. Harfey, J. Sharp, A. Miles, A. Gower, T. Price, A. W. Reeves, A. E. Reeves conductor, G. H. Howse.

FARNSFIELD (Notts).—On Saturday, May 21st, 360 Grandsire Doubles. J. Smith, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, J. P. Beeson, A. J. Chamberlain, E. Foster. Each called differently.

SOUTHWELL (Notts).—On Wednesday, June 1st, on handbells, 240 Bob Doubles. J. P. Beeson, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, A. J. Chamberlain, E. Foster. On Tuesday, June 14th, on handbells, 720 Grandsire Doubles. J. P. Beeson conductor, A. J. Chamberlain, E. Foster. Each of the above were called differently.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

MR. F. KNIGHTS', OF NORWICH, 100 PEALS.—Kent Treble Bob Maximus 5, Royal 5 conducted 1, Major 15 conducted 9; Oxford Treble Bob Royal 3 conducted 1, Major 37 (including 1 on handbells) conducted 15; Stedman Cinqes 2, Caters 2, Triples 4; Grandsire Cinqes 1, Caters 5, Triples 2; Bob Triples 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major 4; Bob Major 5; on Six Bells 8 (including 2 on handbells) conducted 3; on Five Bells 1. Total 100, conducted 29.

New Steamship Service from the Thames to Deal and Dover and Back in a Day.—On the 26th inst. the New Palace Steamers will inaugurate a fresh service from Tilbury to Deal and Dover in a day with their fine palace steamer "Koh-i-Noor." Special trains will run in connection with these sailings, from Fenchurch St. and St. Pancras, calling at intermediate stations to pick up suburban passengers, who can thus make the trip from their own districts. A more delightful trip than this would be hard to find, the coast scenery from Margate and Ramsgate to Deal and Dover and back is sure to be greatly appreciated, and sufficient time will be allowed on shore at Deal and Dover to view the places of interest with which both these places abound. The New Palace Steamers' special Husband's boat to Margate, Saturday afternoons, will commence running on July 2nd, and special trains will run in connection with this boat from Fenchurch Street at 3.25 p.m., and a tender, the "Mermaid," will leave Old Swan Pier, London Bridge, at 1.50 p.m., to connect with the "Koh-i-noor" at Tilbury at 4 p.m.

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The Bedfordshire Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Harrold to-day, Saturday, June 25th, at 3 o'clock.

REV. A. RUST, } Hon. Secs.  
I. HILLS, }

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Hull to-day, Saturday, June 25th. The bells at Holy Trinity (10) are available from 4.30 to 6.30 p.m., and St. James' (8) from 2.30 to 9 p.m. Business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. at The Blacksmiths' Arms, Naylor's Row. Excursion leaves N.E.R. at 2.30 p.m.

F. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The annual meeting in connection with this Society will be held to-day, Saturday, June 25th, at Lichfield. Bells available for ringing touches from 2 till 4 o'clock. Short service in the Cathedral at 5 o'clock. Tea in the schoolroom at 6 o'clock, to be followed by the general meeting.

S. REEVES, Hon. Sec.

50B, Bull Street, West Bromwich.

The Essex Association.—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Bobbingworth (6) to-day, Saturday, June 25th. North Weald (6) and Moreton (5) will be available. Business meeting in schoolroom.

GEO. W. FAULKNER, Dist. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Upchurch to-day, Sat., June 25th. Tower open for ringing at 4.30 p.m. Committee meeting 6 p.m.

A. OSBORNE, Hon. Dis. Sec.

The Saffron Walden Society (Established 1623).—The 281st anniversary of this Society will be held on Monday, 27th June, 1904.

F. J. PITSTOW, Hon. Sec.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursdays, June 30th and July 14th, and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, July 6th. On Saturday, July 2nd, a meeting for practice will be held at the parish church, Kingston-on-Thames, where the bells will be available from 5 to 9 o'clock. It is earnestly hoped that a large number of members and friends will be able to meet on this occasion; if it prove a success the Society may be led to hold other similar gatherings in various outlying districts of the metropolis.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—Members are reminded that the meetings for practice will take place on Friday, July 1st, and every alternate Friday after at 8.15 p.m.

JAMES E. DAVIS, Sec.

65, Furley St., Peckham, S.E.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Waddington on Saturday, July 2nd. Ringing from 3.0 p.m. Meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, Branch Sec.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Biddulph on Saturday, July 2nd. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. J. Cottrell, Well Lane, Gillow Heath, by Thursday, June 30th.

D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec. pro. tem.

High Street, Bucknall.

The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Wortley on Saturday, July 2nd. Train leaves Sheffield (G.C.R.) 2.35 p.m., return excursion fare 1s.

SIDNEY F. PALMER, Hon. Sec.

87, Bradley Street, Sheffield.

The Sussex County Association.—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Heene, Worthing, on Saturday, July 2nd. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at the Church Room 5.15, business to follow. Members intending to be present please notify the undersigned by Thursday, June 30th. The "County Challenge Bell" being now at this tower the secretary hopes to see a good muster.

H. EVANS, Hon. Div. Sec.

Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—A general meeting will be held at Cheltenham on Saturday, 2nd July. St. Mary's tower open at 10 a.m. Service at 12 noon. Dinner and business meeting at Curl's Imperial Hotel, High Street (adjoining Lloyd's Bank) at 1 p.m. In addition to the Cheltenham tower, the towers of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton, and of Prestbury also, will be open for ringing in the afternoon and evening. Dinner and tea half-price to those informing Mr. W. T. Pates, Hewlett Road, Cheltenham, not later than the previous Thursday.

96, City Road, Bristol.

F. G. MAY.

The London County Association, late the St. James' Society.—A special general meeting of the above will be held on Monday, July 4th, at 9.45 at the meeting house, The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, Strand, when it is hoped as many members will attend as possible. The usual fortnightly practice will be held previous at 7.45 at St. Clement Danes.

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—The annual Festival will be held at Godalming on Saturday, July 9th. Special service in the Parish Church at 12.30 p.m., preacher, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Dinner, 1.30 p.m. at the Borough Hall, tickets 2s. each. Annual meeting, 3 p.m. Tea can be provided for members at 9d. or meat tea at 1s. 6d. if required. Applications for dinner and tea tickets must reach me not later than Tuesday, July 5th.

E. W. CARPENTER, Hon. Sec.

Thorpe Vicarage, Chertsey.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.—A quarterly meeting of this Association will take place at Halesowen on Saturday, July 9th. The Rev. J. C. Hill, Rector, will give an address at the service in church at 5 p.m. prompt, and also preside over the business meeting after, in the church house. A free tea will be provided for those only sending in their names to me on or before Wednesday, July 6th. The tower and bells will be available for ringing. All outstanding contributions should be handed over at this meeting.

JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 9th. Bells ready at 4.0.

WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.

The Midland Counties Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, July 9th. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea (1/-) and general meeting at 5 p.m. in the Victoria Schools, Vicar Lane, near the church. The 10 bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. till 9 p.m., except during the time of tea and general meeting. Will those members and friends who intend being present at tea kindly notify Mr. A. Knights, Brunswick

Street, Chesterfield, not later than Wednesday, July 6th.

W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.

Colgrave, Notts.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual Festival will be held at Windsor on Monday, July 11th. Service in St. John's church at 12 noon, preacher, Rev. J. H. Ellison (Vicar of Windsor). Business meeting in St. John's church rooms, 12.45. Dinner in Guildhall at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members only who send their money with the order and their ringing qualification to me on or before Monday, July 4th. The whole amount will be refunded to change-ringing members and 1s. each to probationers present at the dinner.

ALBERT E. REEVES, Festival Sec.

20, Radstock Road, Reading.

St. Mary's, Barnsley.—All tower ringing for the present is stopped, owing to renewals to bells. Notice of completion will be given.

C. D. POTTER, Hon. Sec.

St. John's, Redhill.—In future all communications respecting the above tower must be sent to Mr. H. Edwards, 19, Lower Road, Mead Vale, Redhill. Practice is now held on Thursdays instead of Saturdays at 7.30 p.m. Visitors always welcome. The method practised is Grandsire Triples. A young band.

H. EDWARDS.

ADDRESS WANTED.—Mr. S. M. Dodington, Sherborne, Dorset, wants address of A. B. Bennett, Esq., of Sussex County Association.

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### Ringers' Outings.

THE ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIETY, HEADINGLEY.—Saturday, June 4th, 1904, will long be remembered by the members of the above band as a very happy day, when, through the generosity of T. Maud, Esq., of Pudsey, a visit was paid to the seaside town of Bridlington. This was the outcome of a promise made by Mr. Maud some time since to celebrate the accomplishment of the first peal of London Surprise Major by members of the Yorkshire Association, and thus once more this gentleman has shown in a practical manner the great interest he takes in the work of change-ringers. The band was accompanied by Mr. Maud and Vice-President Bolland of Tong; others invited failed to turn up. The journey commenced in a lively fashion, much handshaking and merriment being shown when it became known that the dramatic member of the party had become a father during the previous six hours and after a wedded life of ten years. Brother Shan was also congratulated on his pluck in keeping his promise at such a time, and in honour of the event the band rang a course of Double Norwich Court on the handbells, followed

during the journey by courses and touches in the following methods: Duffield, Superlative and London Surprise, Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and Bob Major.

The two hours' ride was thoroughly enjoyed, as it was a beautiful afternoon and the country looked fresh and lovely, with the hedges of hawthorn blossom and wild flowers in abundance. The towers of the different churches were pointed out by those knowing this interesting district, the Central peal tower of Selby Abbey coming in for due notice.

On arrival at Bridlington the party made for the Priory Church and were soon engaged pulling up the splendid peal of bells. A course of Treble Bob Major was first rung with G. Bolland ringing the 7th, afterwards six courses of Double Norwich, finishing up with a touch of London Surprise (supposed to be the first on the bells) and a musical touch of Stedman. Some time was spent in the church admiring the noble architecture, the stained windows and other things of interest in this grand old building. The outside, too, is very interesting, where parts of the old foundations, when the building was very much larger, are still in evidence. The Priory Church as it is to-day has doubtless been

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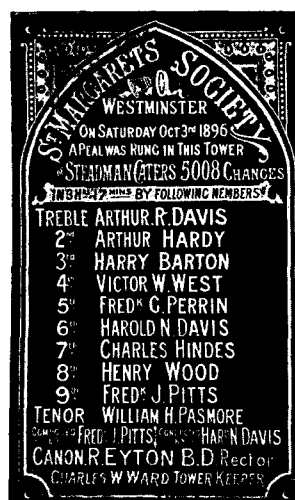
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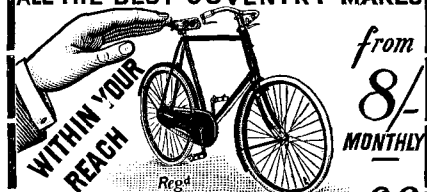
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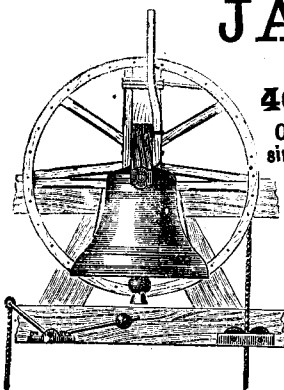
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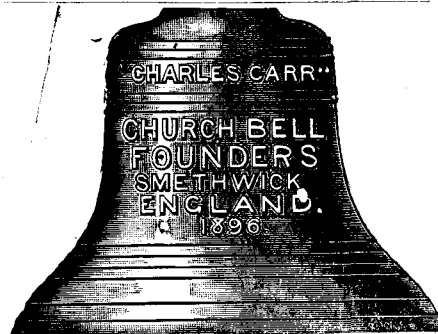
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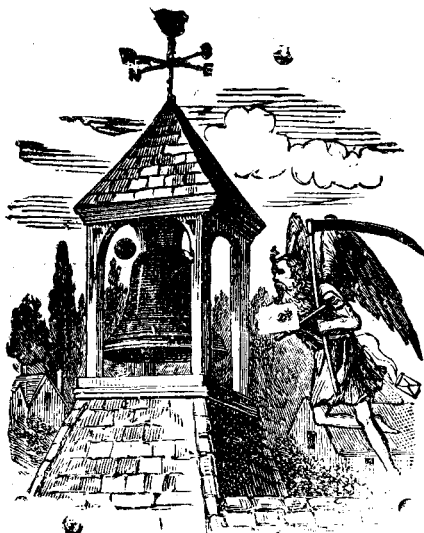
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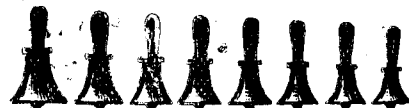
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SALTBURN** (Yorks). Parish Church. Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1901. Tenor 23 cwt. Iron frame. Bells go well. No reply as to ropes. Method: Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7. Visitors are welcome.

**SANDBACH** (Cheshire). Chester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd and 3rd by Warner, 1857, 1858 and 1866 respectively; the rest by Rudhall, 1719. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Warner, date not given. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

**SANDWICH** (Kent). Eight (?) bells. No return.

**SAWBRIDGEWORTH** (Herts.) Great St. Mary. Essex Association. Eight bells. 3rd by Lester, 1749. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. by Briant, 1795; treble and 2nd by Taylor 1871 and 1872 respectively; the rest by the same, 1870. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Gray, date not given. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Oxford Bob, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

**SAWSTON** (Cambridgeshire). Eight bells. No return.

**SCARBOROUGH** (Yorks.) St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

**SCUNTHORPE** (Lincolnshire). St. John the Evangelist. Eight bells. No return.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The annual meeting of the above was held at East Teignmouth on Whit-Monday. Ringing took place at the following towers: East and West Teignmouth, Newton Abbot, Powderham, Kenton, Dawlish, Bishopsteignton, Kingsteignton and Combeinteignhead. At 4.0

120 representatives of the following bands assembled in the splendid Church Hall: St. Sidwell's, St. David's, St. Thomas, Heavitree (Exeter), The Three Towns, Tiverton, Ottery, Withycomb, Harpford, Honiton, Washfield, Calverleigh, East Teignmouth, Sidmouth and Upton.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly, President, on behalf of the members of the Guild, presented Mr. Ferris Shepherd, who recently left the county to take an appointment in Ireland, with an illuminated address, a gold watch chain, bell pendant and pair of gold sleeve links, as a token of esteem and recognition of the valuable service he had rendered in the cause of change-ringing. He referred to his connection with the Guild for over 25 years, during which period Mr. Shepherd had taken part in 60 peals. Mr. F. J. Shepherd expressed regret at the unavoidable absence of his father, and tendered his thanks for the expressions of goodwill and the handsome present, which he accepted on his father's behalf.

The Hon. Sec., the Rev. F. Molineux, moved the adoption of the report, which recorded an all round progress and a high state of efficiency of the bands in union. The unprecedented number of 35 peals had been scored, two of these being Bob Royal by the Plymouth men, while eight had been conducted by young conductors. Nine peals had been scored by a band brought down for a tour in the county by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. There had been a steady increase in the number of new members, while three bands had been elected during the year, i.e., Washfield, Upton and Walkhampton. The report was supported by the President, who testified to the keenness and desire for improvement that he found existing among the members during his visit to the different branches, and thanked them for the hearty welcome that they extended to him on his visit.

The Treasurer's statement of accounts showed a very satisfactory state of affairs, a balance of £39 being brought forward. The list of members comprised sixty hon. members, fourteen lady associates, and twenty-five bands in union.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly was again elected President; the Rev. F. Molineux Hon. Secretary and Treasurer; Mr. E. Shepherd as Assistant-Secretary for Exeter in place of Mr. Ferris Shepherd; and Mr. S. G. Buchanan Wollaston as a member of the Committee. The members decided to hold the annual meeting next year at Ilfracombe, Plymouth being also suggested.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar (Rev. J. Veysey), and Major Bower for assisting in the arrangements for the day, and to the clergy who had thrown open their towers, brought the business to an end. A service at the parish church with an address by the Vicar followed at 6 o'clock, after which the members adjourned again to the different belfries, and some excellent touches of Stedman and Grandsire were accomplished.

## BLACKPOOL.

**R**INGERS and their Friends will find good accommodation at Mr. JOHN SMITH'S, 47, Livingstone road, Blackpool (late of Rawtenstall)—Near Central Station and Sea.—Piano.—"The Bell News" taken.—A good half-pull neighbourhood.

### THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The Whit-Monday meeting was held in Darlington in brilliant weather, and the ringing throughout the day at the three churches—St. Cuthbert's (8), St. John's (8), and Holy Trinity (6) was plentiful and good, Stedman Triples Double Norwich and Treble Bob being the methods rung at the two former, while a 720 each of Kent, Oxford, and Cambridge Surprise composed the ringing at the 6-bell tower. About forty sat down to dinner at The King's Head, when the President was supported by the Vicar of Darlington, the Rev. Francis Mortimer, and the curate of St. Cuthbert's, also by Mr. C. E. Borrett, Secretary of the Norwich Association, Mr. G. J. Lungley, Mr. C. L. Routledge, Mr. Heathcote of Edinburgh, the Vice-President, Mr. G. Park, taking the vice-chair. The President proposed the toast of the Bishops and Clergy, the Vicar of Darlington responding, bidding the Association welcome to the town. Messrs. Borrett and Heathcote were toasted as The Visitors, and the former responded, saying he hardly felt a stranger among the assembled ringers, as he had known several of the members for many years and had conducted the first peal on handbells by the Association.

The President, in according a vote of thanks to the Clergy and Wardens of the churches where the bells had been so kindly placed at the disposal of the ringers, complimented the Darlington and district ringers on the number of peals they had placed to the credit of the Association lately. He included Shildon and Bishop Auckland, and hoped soon to hear of higher methods being tackled in these districts.

On the motion of the Secretary a vote of condolence was passed to Mrs. Jos. Pattison, on the decease of her husband, a prominent member at one time of the Association.

The new members elected included the Vicar of St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool, Rev. H. Robinson, and Mr. T. G. Gamlen, of the same place. Ringing was kept up throughout the evening, and altogether an enjoyable day was spent, the Darlington ringers taking care that everything was in good going order in the towers.

### THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of this Guild was held at Sefton on Saturday, June 11th, when forty members attended from Aughton, Bootle, Crosby, Crossens, Southport, Sefton, Tue Brook, Upholland, and were heartily welcomed by the Rector (Rev. G. W. Wall), and the churchwardens (Messrs. W. Hope and M. Bradley). A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Rev. G. F. Bartlett (Vicar of Crosby), and an impressive address was given by the Master of the Guild (Rev. W. T. Bulpit), Vicar of Crossens, who took for his text St. Matthew xxv., 23: "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things." This, he said, embodies service and a reward. It is right to strive for a reward if the Master promises it. The reward to rule over many things is incomparably greater than the service. All Christians should be servants, and it is a great honour to serve in the belfry of God's House. The service should be rendered from a high motive, and should embody discipline, brotherhood and punctuality. These should be reflected in the spiritual life. Ropesight would be then

looking unto Jesus. Intelligence in change-ringing will be supplanted by the inspiration of the Spirit. Ringers should be steadfast, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that their labour is not in vain in the Lord.

The wardens then entertained the ringers in the school-room. The business was of a routine character, several new members being elected. The usual vote of thanks brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

### STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the above was held at Kingsley on Saturday, June 18th, when upwards of seventy members attended from the following towers, viz.: Stoke, Tunstall, Longton, Uttoxeter, Leek, Hanley, Norton, Cheddleton and Kingsley. The business meeting, which was held in the rectory grounds, was presided over (in the absence of the Rector), by the Rev. C. James, who welcomed the Association to the pretty little village of Kingsley. The President, Vice-Presidents and Committee were re-elected. The Rev. H. P. Barchard, of Tunstall, who is taking very active interest in the Association, was unanimously elected Hon. Clerical Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. D. Preston, of Bucknall, was elected Hon. Lay Secretary in succession to the late Mr. W. Twigg. Both gentlemen expressed thanks for their election. On the proposition of Mr. G. Woods it was decided to admit members who reside outside the Archdeaconry as life members at a subscription of 3s. 6d. The balance-sheet, which was read by the Hon. Lay Secretary, shewed a balance in hand of £15 19s. Mr. Richardson (Uttoxeter), was elected an hon. member, and there were also four performing members elected.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting. The members then sat down to a capital tea, kindly provided by the Rev. H. E. Beech, Rector of Kingsley. After tea a short service (at which the attendance was very small), was held in the church. The lessons were read by the Rev. H. P. Barchard, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. C. James from the text—"Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon and evening.

### LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly ringing meeting was held at St. Michael's, Headingley, on Saturday, May 28th. A peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted at St. Chad's, Far Headingley, and was successful after ringing 3 hrs. The business meeting was held at The Oak inn, Mr. T. Maude in the chair, and Mr. Jackson in the vice-chair, and upwards of thirty members were present from Burley, Bradford, Headingley, Holbeck, London, Leeds, Pudsey, Hull, Scarborough, and the local company.

The minutes of the previous meeting were passed as read. It was proposed by Mr. C. Jackson, seconded by Mr. G. Barraclough, that Hull be the place of the next meeting. No invitation being forthcoming, this was carried. Four new members were elected. No other business being forthcoming, the usual votes of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for kind arrangements, was proposed by G. Barraclough, seconded by C. Jackson. This concluded the business, and touches in various methods on the handbells finally terminated the meeting.

## WITNEY, OXON.

The institution of the Rev. J. B. Kirby to the rectory and vicarage of the parish church of Witney took place on Monday, June 13th. The Rector-elect was rung into the parish with some touches of Stedman Triples, during the performance of which he ascended to the ringing-chamber and expressed his grateful acknowledgment of the welcome, as well as the hope that each of the ringers would soon be personal friends of his. The actual service took place at 5.0 p.m., for which a good touch of 504 Stedman Triples was rung by A. Brooks, H. Brooks, F. Pounds, J. Monk, T. Bull, J. Brooks, Rev. C. Jenkyn (conductor), J. Horne. J. Richards took part in the ringing earlier in the day. A peal had been intended and arranged for, but the attempt had to be postponed owing to the claims of the hayfield upon several of the company.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the south-western division was held at Bobbingworth on Saturday, June 25th. Situated as it is about three miles from a railway station, it was not expected that any large number would attend, yet, including a contingent of cyclists, some twenty-eight members put in an appearance from West Ham, Woodford, Loughton, Wanstead, Barking, Romford, etc. During the afternoon the North Weald bells were at the disposal of the members, as were also the ring of five at Moreton, and both towers were visited. The six at Bobbingworth are a handy and musical peal, and were rehung last year, the "go" being excellent. A meeting was held in the schoolroom, Mr. S. Hayes (District Master), in the chair. The North Weald band were elected probationer members of the Association, and it was unanimously decided to hold the annual meeting of the division at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, if convenient.

A vote of thanks to the incumbents of the three churches was passed, as was one to Mr. Rann for his energy and interest in making arrangements for the meeting.

## WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

We are asked to insert the following extract from the *Whitwick Parish Magazine*, and have much pleasure in so doing.

## THE BELLS.—SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Whitwick Society was held in the schools, on Thursday, April 12th. The Vicar presided, supported by Mr. J. Henson (Vicar's Warden). There were also present Messrs. J. A. Moulton, R. Rawson, F. Boam, B. West, T. Belcher, W. Fern, J. Moore and Secretary (probationers) H. Henson, G. Underwood and A. Clarke. The minutes of last meeting were read and passed. The annual report as prepared by the secretary was also read and passed and ordered to be entered on the minutes. The Captain (J. A. Moulton), vice-Captain (J. Rawson), Secretary (S. W. West), were unanimously re-elected.

It was resolved that all probationers be required to ring at least 500 changes without a break with the treble bell before being eligible to become full members.

The attendance register showed that J. Rawson headed the list with 139 out of a possible 156, W. Fern 129, T. Belcher 120, J. Moor 104, J. A. Moulton 99, L. Partridge 77, W. Burton 63, F. Boam 58, G. West 55, B. West 48, A.

Whitmore 25, T. Allen 18, (Hon. Members) S. W. West 128, F. Middleton 50, H. Partridge 42.

The Vicar heartily congratulated Mr. Rawson on his fine record; the meeting fully endorsed the chairman's remarks.

The Secretary's report described the work of the past year as "one unbroken series of successes, one uninterrupted wave of real and decided progress." More ringing of every description has been done during the last twelve-months than in any previous year of the society's existence. The "Call to Worship" or ringing for Divine Service has been magnificently maintained, the full eight bells have been rung for 92 services against 68 and 67 the two previous years. The successful ringing of three peals of 5,040 changes each, seven quarter-peals of 1,240 changes each, besides an almost innumerable company of shorter compositions, proves beyond doubt that change-ringing in Whitwick has reached a high stage. Considerable success has been achieved in the practice of "Stedman," one of the finest methods yet produced, it has engaged the attention of the best ringers for about 300 years, it being composed by Fabian Stedman about 1600. Two quarter-peals have been rung already by your ringers in this difficult method.

STORER W. WEST, Hon. Sec.

## Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## AN HOLIDAY RESORT.

SIR,—It may interest your many readers and at the same time help them, if not too late, to decide as to the locality of their holiday, to hear where I have had the pleasure of spending a very happy week. I arrived at 3, Waterloo Place, Christchurch, Hants, the residence of Mr. George Preston, last week, and have found in the town and neighbourhood many things which contribute to a happy holiday. The country round is lovely and varied, sea coast, moor, and forest, and the roads good for cycling. Plenty of boats are available for trips on the two rivers, Avon and Stour, which encircle the town. The priory church is full of historical interest dating back as far as the 10th century. Bournemouth is only five miles distant by a good road and there is good train service. Here are to be had plenty of trips on the "briny" occasionally as far as the Channel Isles and France. Last but by no means least, there is splendid ring of ten at Christchurch Priory and several good rings of eight within easy cycling distance. All particulars on this head will I am sure be readily supplied by mine host, Mr. Preston, who would do his best to arrange any ringing that might be desired.

39, Broad Street, Bristol.

C. E. D. BOUTFLOWER.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

THE REV. F. E. ROBINSON'S 900 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples, 53, conducted 8; Caters, 29, conducted 1 (including a 13,247); Stedman Triples, 528, conducted 387 (one non-conducted); Caters, 72, conducted 39 (including a 12,041, and a 15,041—record); Cinques, 4, conducted 1; Union, Triples, 1; College Single Triples, 2; Bob Major, 2; Royal, 1; Double Oxford Major, 1; Double Norwich Major, 90, conducted 5 (including a 10,080, and a 12,096); Duffield Major, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 3; Kent Treble Bob Major, 14, conducted 2; Royal, 11; Maximus, 2; Duffield Royal, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 56, conducted 6; Cambridge, 16, conducted 4; London, 13, conducted 3 (including 11,328. Total, 900; conducted 4567. Rung in 273 towers.

CHELMSFORD (Essex).—On Sunday, June 26th, at St. Mary's church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1250 changes, in 51 mins. W. Rowland, sen., A. Head, W. Rowland, jun., H. F. Cooper, W. Battle, H. Richell, H. Head, H. W. Burton conductor, A. Wright, R. H. Rolfe.



## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

(Continued from page 185.)

## GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES—INDIVIDUAL INFLUENCE—AND SMOOTHNESS OF RINGING.

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies (Hon. Secretary), moved that the Council urges upon its individual members the importance of lending the weight of their influence in their several Associations to the adjustment of the geographical boundaries between their own and contiguous Associations, and to any other question tending to promote smoothness of working.

In bringing the resolution forward the Hon. Secretary said it was to some extent upon the same lines as the last resolution which had been gone fully into. If the Council passed the resolution each member would go armed with the weight of the Council's advice to him personally, and thus much good might be done in bringing the matter, if necessary, before the Associations. As had been stated by the President, it was not within the province of the Council to ask Associations to do these things, but the Council might properly advise.

The Rev. H. Drake seconded.

The President considered this a very wise way to go to work. The resolution had been most carefully drawn.

Mr. King was doubtful if a member of the Council was not the last person in the world whose advice would be acted upon by his Association. It would be, he feared, said that there was some personal interest in the matter. He should however support the resolution.

Mr. Daniell also supported the resolution.

Mr. Snowdon said the resolution was such common-sense that he considered everyone should support it. There were in all Associations times when it was desirable to act quietly. A Secretary might consider it desirable to act quietly in giving advice, and so might a member of the Council. The Yorkshire Association had as near neighbours the Midland Counties, but they had always got on very well together. There were some small societies that belonged to both Associations, but there was no difference between them. All should try and live as peaceful neighbours.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee said there might be cases in which an official might have to act in a most unselfish manner toward his own Association. In his own diocese they had a large Diocesan Association. An application was received for admission from a company, and they were admitted. Then a County Association was formed. By the support and influence of an official this company went to the County Association.

The resolution was adopted.

## THE BOOKING OF PEALS TO MORE THAN BY ONE ASSOCIATION.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey moved "That in view of the continuance of the practice of publishing peals under the title of more than one Association, it is desirable to impress upon ringers the necessity of loyally carrying out the resolution passed by the Council in 1893." In moving the resolution Mr. Cockey said it would be remembered that in 1893 the Council passed a resolution which read as follows: "It is desirable when a band of ringers belonging to more than one Association meet to ring a peal that they should decide beforehand to which Association such peal should be credited, and that for the future no peal should be published under the name of more than one Association." The resolution as it stood upon the agenda was not his own, and it would be seen that he had slightly altered the last part. There were still a few cases in which peals were published under the name of more than one Association. Why he could not understand. It was contrary to all reason. Let them take the case of a cricket club, football club, or polo club, neither of these would think of publishing a match under the names of two clubs, not because the players all happened to belong to both. Take for instance cricket. It might be possible for a M.C.C. team to be all members say of the Essex Cricket Club, but the team would not think of publishing the match under the heading of the M.C.C., and also of the Essex Cricket Club. Just the same with football or a polo match. Neither would think of publishing the name of more than one club or team. Then why should it be done in ringing peals. If a band were all members of more than one Association and they wish to notify the same in any way, let them

publish the peal under the name of one Association and give a footnote that the band were also members of such an Association. The resolution passed in 1893 had been acted upon by some Associations, then why not by all, and so avoid the confusion that must arise.

Mr. Story in seconding thought that the attention of the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS" might be called to the matter with a request that he would only publish peals under the name of the first Association that was given.

Mr. Snowdon said the resolution was one not acceptable to the Yorkshire Association. Points for peals were a modern institution. When the Yorkshire Association was formed it was agreed that every peal rang should be placed to the credit of any member who took part. In Yorkshire a big battle had to be fought against prize-ringing, and this recording of peals to a man's credit assisted them in putting down prize-ringing. In some bands one half would be members of one Association and the other half members of another Association. As to points these should go to the Association, the name of which appeared first. It seemed to him most unfair that a man should not be permitted to score the whole of the peals in which he took part, especially when these were rung, as often was the case, on the border line. He did not think that the Yorkshire Association would agree to depart from what had been their usual practice.

The Rev. H. Drake considered it a matter which should be left in the hands of the Associations, and doubted if the Council had any right to interfere.

Mr. Daniell supported this view.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey said by the practice of publishing under the name of two Associations, there were two incompatible records.

The Rev. H. Law James did not see the harm of this.

Mr. W. Wakley said as Mr. Snowdon had remarked, the Yorkshire Association and the Midland Counties Association were near neighbours, and were on good terms with one another. The Midland Counties Association had been acting loyally in respect to the resolution since it was passed in 1893, but in case of Yorkshire Mr. Snowdon had shown how it was that Yorkshire had scored so many points. He agreed with the mover of the resolution that no man could ring more than one Association peal at one time. To return to the old system of recording under the heads of two or even more names, would be creating confusion. The practice of some not complying with the resolution, was unfair to those Associations who do so.

Mr. King supported the resolution. He thought that in the course of time the practice of recording peals under more than one name would die out. He believed that in the first year after the passing of the resolution, the number of peals recorded under the name of two Associations was far greater than at the present time. This experience showed that in course of time the practice would die out.

Mr. Dains asked if it was the practice to book the same peal by more than one Association. He remembered a Waterloo peal that was rang in which there was a sharp tussle to get it double booked, but it was not.

Mr. King said as a Secretary he had never taken the leavings of other people. He had not booked any peal that had been booked by another Association.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore said in his own Association if the name of another Association appeared, the peal was not booked unless the name of the Association was the first.

Mr. Griffin asked if in the illustration given by Mr. Snowdon a peal would be booked if rung by four members of one Association and four members of another.

Mr. Snowdon replied if four members of the Yorkshire Association met four border men and rang a peal, they would expect to book the peal if the four border men were also members of the Yorkshire Association.

Mr. Bennett said in Sussex they did not have any double peals. If the suggestion was made that they should ring a Yorkshire and Sussex Association peal, the attempt would not be made. This was how they managed their affairs in Sussex, and he saw no reason why others should not do the same.

The President said some years ago a peal appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" as having been rung as a tribute of respect to some deceased worthy, and also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th. He would ask the Council to put this in

conjunction with what Mr. Wakley had said, and it would be seen at once what a state of absurd confusion would arise if the practice went on of calling the same thing by two names.

The resolution was adopted with three dissentients.

#### CONDUCTORS.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson, in bringing forward the question of how many conductors it is desirable to have in a company of ringers, said it was well to encourage some promising young ringer to take up conducting, so as to be prepared with some one in case of illness or absence through any other cause of the conductor. For any conductor not to do this he was acting not only on selfish lines, but it was not a Christian spirit to keep the whole of the conducting in his own hands. This if was desirable to have more than one conductor in a company. As to how many it was desirable to have in a peal that was another question. He considered there should only be one. When he had gone into a strange tower and had been asked if he would conduct, he had consented to do so if other people would keep quiet.

The Hon. Secretary said a great change had taken place during the last thirty years. There was a time when there never was more than one conductor in a tower. It was almost impossible to realise what the state of things in respect to conducting was in those days. Conducting was a sort of masonic secret which only occasionally leaked out, and young men had to thrust through obstacles in order to make any progress. Such a state of things had come to an end, and it was rare now to find a company with only one conductor. Everyone should try and learn something of conducting, and obtain some knowledge of the scientific basis of a peal. As to conducting he was at all times thankful to have someone taking part in a peal that was also able to call it. In the case of a late call assistance sometimes could be given which would save the peal. There should in each company be as many conductors as possible. They might not all be able each practice night to call a touch, or call a peal every week, but all should have the opportunity of taking part in conducting as often as possible. It was in towers where there was only two that there was a tendency of selfishness.

The President said the question was one which he had had on the list of subjects for some years, but it had not been brought forward for want of time. It had come under his personal notice that different companies managed in different ways. There appeared to be very few bands at the present day where there were not two conductors. He should like to hear an expression of opinion upon the matter by some of those who had had experience in teaching others. Was it desirable that those who were teaching a band should confine their teaching of conducting to one or two members or not. There was a great deal underlying the question. Some might say that every member of the band should be taught something of conducting. If this was done would they get any of the band sufficient practice to master practical conducting? If on the other hand it was confined to only say two of the band, it may make them reliable conductors, but in their absence the rest are helpless. As to interference in ringing a peal this was not the point under discussion.

Mr. W. Wakley said when in calling a peal there were in the band half-a-dozen others equally capable with himself to conduct, he should feel more certain of the peal. He thought that every young man should be induced to take as deep an interest in the science as he could. The great difficulty in the present day was to get young men to take that interest. Many of them as soon as you attempt to teach them, think they know as much as you do yourself. If the young man who was learning to ring would only ask for some information every time the band met, it would show that he was taking an interest in ringing, and he would be making progress, whereas with many of them so long as they got through a touch that was all they cared for. As to conducting he would like to see every member of a band able to call a touch. As to calling peals that was another matter. Let them learn to call touches thoroughly, and when they were sufficiently advanced the comrades of the young man who was efficient would not hesitate to make a start for a peal under his conductorship.

Mr. Bolland said when everyone knew so much of ringing it

often proved the loss of the peal. Generally speaking there was one of the band that would come out at the top in everything, head and shoulders above the rest.

Mr. Bennett said he had not taught ringing without teaching something of conducting. It had before now happened that a young band taught how to conduct had upon going out to meetings been able to call a touch when no one else was able to do so. Teaching how to conduct caused the young ringer to take more interest in ringing than he otherwise would do.

Dr. Carpenter thought the more there were in a band able to conduct, the better, therefore he said "let them all come." The great ambition of some ringers was to ring a silent peal, in which case the whole of the band must be conductors.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey said if as many of the band as possible were taught to conduct, they would be more useful as ringers when they went to other places to live as so many did.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter said if the whole of the band were taught conducting, the work was not so well done as it might be, if confined to one or two of the band. There was a danger of reducing it to a low level. The question was one of time. Was there sufficient time to make them all good conductors. Is it not better to select those with talent and make the best use?

The Rev. F. E. Robinson moved, and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge seconded, that in the opinion of the Council it is desirable promising ringers should be given the opportunity of learning how to conduct.

Mr. S. Reeves and Mr. G. Williams spoke in support of the motion.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly said a few years ago in Devonshire no peal was rung. Last year there were thirty-four peals called by nine or ten conductors. This was through encouraging conducting.

The resolution was adopted.

#### NEXT YEAR'S MEETING.

The President said when the Standing Committee recommended last year that the present meeting should be at York, it was understood that next year the Council should meet at Canterbury.

On the proposition of the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, seconded by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, it was resolved that Canterbury be selected for next year's meeting.

The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore offered the Council a hearty welcome.

The President said it was hinted that the meeting at York—so far north—would be a failure. The large attendance of delegates from the south set an example for those from the north to be present at Canterbury.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson moved, and Mr. Snowdon seconded a vote of thanks to the President, which having been duly acknowledged, the meeting terminated.

In the evening a large concourse of ringers met at Mr. Breed's house.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JULY 2, 1904.

THERE is an account of a noteworthy performance among the peal records in this number, not by reason of its length or complexity, but from the fact that it is the nine hundredth peal rung by the conductor—the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON, the worthy and respected Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. It has been remarked that the peal records would seem deficient somewhat unless they embraced the account of a peal called by the rev. gentleman. It used to be said of the late GEORGE STOCKHAM that he had done more for the Grandsire method than any other man. By this was meant that whatever he called was Grandsire, either Triples, Major or Caters; and always having a number of pupils they were soon made to score a peal, and thus he rang a great number in this method. By the same parity of reasoning it may be said that if Stedman required popularising the Master of the Oxford Guild has effected it, for of the many peals he has called the greater number are in this method.

Nine hundred peals! What a great warrant of Mr. ROBINSON's love for the art of change-ringing; and though such a high number, we can imagine that his unsuccessful attempts have been almost as many. We have before now ventured on the prophecy that he will not cease ringing till his one thousandth peal has been accomplished, and granted health we think it will be fulfilled.

Meanwhile, the spectacle of a parish priest of the Church of England taking so great an interest in bells and ringing is a very agreeable one. That it has conduced greatly to its extension among others in similar situations to himself there is no doubt. The nine hundred peals of the beloved Master will loom out immensely in ringing annals. If he lives to complete another hundred, no doubt some movement will take place among ringers to celebrate in a proper manner such remarkable skill and perseverance.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 28 cwt.

HUBERT EDEN .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 2.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 3.	FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. 8.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 4.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 9.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE .. 5.	ARTHUR N. HARDY .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and  
Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESEMAN.

Rung in honour of the King's Birthday.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. 7.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOSEPH B. FENTON, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

### The Provinces.

#### BROMLEY, KENT.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

GEORGE DURLING .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 5.
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 2.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE .. 3.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 7.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE .. 4.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. Tenor.

Composed by J. PAGETT, and Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells, and the conductor's 150th peal.

#### BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 36 cwt.

FRANK FAY* .. .. Treble.	ERNEST T. ALLAWAY* .. 6.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 2.	ALBERT WALKER .. .. 7.
THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. 3.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 8.
ALF. PADDON SMITH* .. 4.	HARRY WITHERS* .. .. 9.
HORACE F. STREET* .. 5.	ARTHUR E. PEGLAR .. Tenor.

Composed by YORK GREEN and Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

\*First peal of Royal. This peal was rung after meeting one short for Stedman Cinques

#### GARSTON, LANCASHIRE.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, June 22, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN ASPINWALL .. .. Treble.	J. WILLIAM RAWLINSON .. 5.
EDWARD CAUNCE .. .. 2.	*JOHN ALLEN .. .. 6.
JOHN TURNER* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM DAVIES .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. NEWTON .. 4.	WALTER HUGHES .. Tenor.

Composed by G. F. WILLIAMS, and Conducted by WALTER HUGHES.

\*First peal of Major. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. C. E. Turner to Miss Taylor.

#### WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, June 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5075 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REKVES .. .. Treble.	THOMAS H. REEVES .. .. 6.
JOHN JAGGAR .. .. 2.	REUBEN HALL .. .. 7.
JAMES P. SIMPSON .. .. 3.	JESSE SCREEN .. .. 8.
THOMAS NORTON .. .. 4.	JAMES HARES .. .. 9.
JOSEPH WALKER .. .. 5.	RICHARD SPRAKMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

This peal has the 6th twenty-four times behind the 9th, and twenty-four times behind the 8th, was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect to Mr. James Hall, a member of the above Society.

#### FELTHAM, MIDDLESEX.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CATHERINE,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

WM. H. BEAUMONT* .. Treble.	ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 5.
JOHN HOWES .. .. 2.	*EDGAR HUMFREY .. .. 6.
WILLIAM E. JUDD .. .. 3.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 7.
JAMES STRUTT .. .. 4.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN HOWES.

\*First peal of Major; also first peal of Major on the bells.

#### BRISTOL.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE T. DALTRY .. Treble	SAMUEL PHILIPS .. .. 5.
WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 2.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 6.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 3.	FRED. G. MAY .. .. 7.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 4.	GEORGE JAYNE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRED. G. MAY.

#### HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat;

JAMES MOTTS† .. .. Treble.	†HENRY DAINS .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON† .. 2.	ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN† .. 3.	†EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 7.
EDWARD EVANS† .. .. 4.	†ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

†Members of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich. \*First peal in the method.

## WANTAGE, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

FREDERICK WHITE .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK POUNDS .. .. 5.
P. E. JONES .. .. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 6.
A. MAYO .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
THOMAS RICKETTS .. .. 4.	RICHARD WHITE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal on the bells since the rehanging of the tenor.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, GOSFORTH.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 22½ cwt.

JOSEPH ROWELL .. .. Treble.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 5.
ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 2.	CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 6.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 3.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 7.
R. ALDER GOFTON .. .. 4.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

## STOCKTON-ON-TEES, DURHAM.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.  
Tenor 27½ cwt.

F. P. HOWCROFT .. .. Treble.	*JOHN WALLER .. .. 6.
W. H. STEPHENSON .. .. 2.	R. GREENWOOD .. .. 7.
JOSEPH CLARKSON* .. .. 3.	A. W. BARRETT .. .. 8.
THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 4.	T. STEPHENSON .. .. 9.
A. M. C. FIELD† .. .. 5.	*W. WALLAND .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. Cox and Conducted by T. STEPHENSON.

\*First peal of Grandsire Caters †First peal with a bob bell.

## TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM A. FOWLER .. Treble.	W. J. BOWDEN .. .. 5.
ISAAC CREED* .. .. 2.	JAMES BURGE .. .. 6.
SAMUEL P. MERSON† .. 3.	JOSEPH. MADDOCK .. .. 7.
E. C. SWEET .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WHITE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. A. FOWLER.

\*First peal of Triples. †First peal of Triples with a bob bell. First peal as conductor.

## KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

ROBERT F. TURNER .. Treble.	WILLIAM HORDEN .. .. 5.
FREDERICK TINGLE .. .. 2.	MORRIS A. TURNER .. .. 6.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE* .. .. 3.	DAVID J. NICHOLS .. .. 7.
HERBERT J. JULLIAN .. 4.	FRED. BRIDGMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

\*First peal on eight bells.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5280 CHANGES. Tenor 24½ cwt.

JOHN FLINT .. .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. 3.	SAM THOMAS .. .. 7.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS

## ALDERMASTON, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR W. PIKE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES GILES .. .. 5.
CHARLES MOULDEN* .. 2.	WILLIAM NEWELL .. .. 6.
AMBROSE OSBORNE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
ALFRED W. REEVES .. .. 4.	†HARRY DAVIS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman. †First peal. This is the conductor's gooth peal.

## TONG, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being 720 each of College Exercise, Tulip, Primrose, College  
Treble, Arnold's Victory, City Delight and College Pleasure.  
Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES SALLAWAY .. Treble.	WM. BOLLAND .. .. 4.
TOM LATIMER .. .. 2.	GEORGE B. BOLLAND .. 5.
PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. 3.	HENRY ODDY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE B. BOLLAND.

## PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 15 cwt in E.

JAMES HOUGH .. .. Treble.	FRANK JONES .. .. 5.
JOSEPH SHONE .. .. 2.	EDWIN BREEZE .. .. 6.
JOSEPH WOODS .. .. 3.	JAMES DILLON .. .. 7.
JOSEPH CLIFFE* .. .. 4.	†THOMAS GOULDIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDWIN BREEZE.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal.

## ROLVENDEN, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE ROMNEY-MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Sunday, June 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 120.

EDGAR BURDEN .. .. Treble.	*ALFRED JOHNSON .. .. 5.
GEORGE BILLENNESS .. 2.	CHARLES W. PLAYER .. 6.
FREDERICK G. BURDEN .. 3.	GEORGE GREEN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM E. LAMBERT .. 4.	CHARLES TRIBE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS,

\*First peal. Mr. G. Green was elected a member of the Kent County Association and the Romney Marsh and District Guild previous to starting.

**Handbell Peals.****ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)*On Tuesday, June 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by O. LANG, and Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Umpire—O. Wiles.

**WHENSTEAD, SUFFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

(THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, SPROUGHTON.)

*On Sunday, June 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,*

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. CHARLES PARKER,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

FRANK ROLFE .. .. 1-2.	EDGAR RIVERS .. .. 5-6.
CHARLES MEE .. .. 3-4.	HARRY J. MEE .. .. 7-8.

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and Conducted by C. MEE.

Umpire—Charles Parker.

**Date Touches.**

STOCKPORT (Cheshire).—On Whit-Sunday, for evening service at St. Mary's church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. and 6 mins. J. H. Mason, W. Gordon conductor, T. Sale, A. Birch, A. Gordon, J. A. Gordon, A. S. Gordon, J. Tullett. Longest length by J. H. Mason.

**Miscellaneous.****THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

OLD WARDEN (Beds.).—On Saturday, May 14th, an attempt for a peal was lost after ringing a 720 of each, through the light going out. Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. J. Hare, F. York, P. R. Scott, C. R. Lilley conductor, W. J. Mayes, F. Wells.

CLIFTON (Beds.).—On Whit-Sunday, May 22nd, for Divine Service, a 720 Bob Minor. \*W. Sharpe, C. R. Lilley conductor, J. Hare, \*H. L. Harlow, \*A. Pratt, \*J. Blott. \*First 720 of Minor. Rang on the back six. Tenor 11 cwt in G.

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

ROYSTON, HERTS.—On Easter Sunday, for morning service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles each called differently. A. Wilkerson conductor, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, R. King, E. H. Bedwell. For evening service, a 360 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, R. King, A. Wilkerson conductor. On April 10th, for morning service, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles. W. Darlow, E. Bonnett, A. Wilkerson conductor, R. Wilkerson, R. King, W. H. Maile. And for evening service, a 360 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, A. Wilkerson conductor. On April 13th, a 720 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, R. King, A. Wilkerson conductor. First 720 by a local band. On April 24th for evening service, a 360 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, A. Wilkerson, R. King conductor. On May 1st, for evening service 500 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, F. Bowtell, A. King, R. Wilkerson, R. King, A. Wilkerson conductor. On May 4th, for practice, a 360 Bob Minor. W. Darlow, S. Wilson, A. Wilkerson, E. Bonnett, R. King conductor, R. Wilkerson. On May 24th, for practice, a 360 Bob Minor. W. Darlow, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, W. H. Maile, R. King conductor. On May 29th, for evening service, a 360 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, A. Wilkerson, R. King conductor. On May 31st, for practice, a 720 Oxford-Bob Minor. S. Wilson, E. Bonnett, A. King, R. Wilkerson, A. Wilkerson, R. King conductor.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

HEMPSTED (near Gloucester).—On Sunday evening, May 8th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. G. Taylor, W. Workman, A. T. Webb, C. Boxwell, W. B. Jones conductor, G. Nash. This is the first quarter-peal rung by the local band.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

CHELMSFORD (Essex).—On Sunday, June 12th, at St. Mary's church for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes, in 47 mins. W. Praill, W. Rowland, jun., W. Rowland, sen., W. Newman, H. Cooper conductor, H. Richell, A. Whight, W. Ridgewell.

GREAT BADDOW (Essex).—On Tuesday, May 17th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes, in 48 mins. H. Bush, H. Dawson, H. W. Kirton, W. Newman, A. Head, A. Richell, H. F. Cooper conductor, W. Rice.

GREAT TOTHAM (Essex).—On May 9th, 720 Oxford and 720 Kent Treble Bob. B. Cottis, F. Newman, H. Brown, P. Sayer, F. Chalk, J. Buckenham, E. C. Lambert conductor. First in the method by B. Cottis and F. Newman.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

HEAVITREE (Exeter).—On Whit-Sunday, May 25th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. T. Townsend, T. Laver, W. Youlden, W. Burrough, W. Miflin, W. Boundy, F. J. Shepherd conductor, W. Nethercott. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. W. Hancock, F. J. Shepherd, R. Hamilton, W. Burrough, W. S. Lettbridge, J. George composer and conductor, J. R. Sandover, W. Nethercott.

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

SHEFFIELD.—On Sunday, May 1st, for Divine Service at the church of St. Marie, (R.C.) a 1260 Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. T. G. Sarel, \*John Wood, G. Bradshaw, J. Evinson, H. Ward, G. Lewis conductor, J. Dixon, W. Midgley. \*First quarter-peal in the method.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

BEADFIELD (Berks).—On Tuesday evening, June 7th, at St. Andrew's church, for practice, a 720 Plain Bob Minor, in 23 mins. S. Chapman, J. Abery, \*Miss M. Chillingworth, G. Abery, A. Lamperd, A. A. Savage conductor. \*First 720 Plain Bob Minor with a bob bell. Also two 360s Plain Bob on the same date, in which Miss C. Chillingworth and Miss K. Smith rang on bob bells.

ENGLEFIELD (Berks).—On Sunday, June 12th, at St. Mark's church, for morning service, a 720 Oxford Bob Minor, in 24 mins. J. Alexander, J. Abery, J. Wedge, J. Parsons, A. A. Savage, J. Bower conductor.

BURGHFIELD (Berks).—At the parish church in the afternoon, and at St. Andrew's, Bradfield, for evening service, 360s of College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob were rung. In addition to the above ringers, the following members also took part in the afternoon and evening. Miss M. Chillingworth, A. Lamperd, W. Vince and T. Rowe.

WALTHAMSTOW (Essex).—On Sunday evening, January 12th, being Hospital Sunday, at St. Mary's church a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 51 mins. F. E. G. French, F. Rumens, F. C. Maynard, W. Truss, J. H. Wilkins, R. W. T. Maynard composer and conductor, W. B. Manning, E. S. Poll, R. Newton, R. Knight. This was arranged for R. Newton, who hails from Manchester.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursday, July 14th, and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, July 6th. This day, Saturday, July 2nd, a meeting for practice will be held at the parish church, Kingston-on-Thames, where the bells will be available from 5 to 9 o. It is earnestly hoped that a large number of members and friends will be able to meet on this occasion; if it prove a success the Society may be led to hold other similar gatherings in various outlying districts of the metropolis.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Waddington to-day, Saturday, July 2nd. Ringing from 3 o p.m. Meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Biddulph to-day, Saturday, July 2nd.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Wortley to-day, Sat., July 2nd. Train leaves Sheffield (G.C.R.) 2.35 p.m., return excursion fare 1s.

SIDNEY F. PALMER, *Hon. Sec.*  
87, Bradley Street, Sheffield.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Heene, Worthing to-day, Saturday, July 2nd. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at the Church Room 5.15, business to follow. The "County Challenge Bell" being now at this tower the secretary hopes to see a good muster.

H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*  
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

**The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.**—A general meeting will be held at Cheltenham to-day, Saturday, 2nd July. St. Mary's tower open at 10 a.m. Service at 12 noon. Dinner and business meeting at Curl's Imperial Hotel, High Street (adjoining Lloyd's Bank) at 1 p.m. In addition to the Cheltenham tower, the towers of Charlton Kings and Leckhampton, and of Prestbury also, will be open for ringing in the afternoon and evening.

96, City Road, Bristol. F. G. MAY.

**The London County Association.** late the St. James' Society.—A special general meeting of the above will be held on Monday, July 4th, at 9.45 at the meeting house, The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, Strand, when it is hoped as many members will attend as possible. The usual fortnightly practice will be held previous at 7.45 at St. Clement Danes.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*  
91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—The annual Festival will be held at Godalming on Saturday, July 9th. Special service in the Parish Church at 12.30 p.m., preacher, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Dinner, 1.30 p.m. at the Borough Hall, tickets 2s. each. Annual meeting, 3 p.m. Tea can be provided for members at 9d. or meat tea at 1s. 6d. if required. Applications for dinner and tea tickets must reach me not later than Tuesday, July 5th.

E. W. CARPENTER, *Hon. Sec.*  
Thorpe Vicarage, Chertsey.

**The Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—A quarterly meeting of this Association will take place at Halesowen on Saturday, July 9th. The Rev. J. C. Hill, Rector, will give an address at the service in church at 5 p.m. prompt, and also preside over the business meeting after, in the church house. A free tea will be provided for those only sending in their names to me on or before Wednesday, July 6th. The tower and bells will be available for ringing. All outstanding contributions should be handed over at this meeting. JOHN SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*  
Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 9th. Bells ready at 4 o. WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chester field on Saturday, July 9th. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea (1/-) and general meeting at 5 p.m. in the Victoria Schools, Vicar Lane, near the church. The 10 bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. till 9 p.m., except during the time of tea and general meeting. Will those members and friends who intend being present at tea kindly notify Mr. A. Knights, Brunswick Street, Chesterfield, not later than Wednesday, July 6th.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*  
Colgrave, Notts.

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—The Taunton Branch will hold their next quarterly meeting at Halse on Saturday, July 9th. Tea will be provided at the Parish Room at 5.30. Business following.

W. WHITE, *Local Sec.*

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Acton on Saturday, July 9th. The time for ringing will be limited from 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

J. J. PRATT, *Dis. Hon. Sec.*  
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**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Sawbridgeworth on Saturday, July 9th. Bells open from 3. Tea to members 6d., non-members 9d. All ringing friends will be welcome.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, July 9th, at St. Bartholomew's church, Chipping. Bells at 3, meeting at 5.30.

R. SANDERSON, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The annual Festival will be held at Windsor on Monday, July 11th. Service in St. John's church at 12 noon, preacher, Rev. J. H. Ellison (Vicar of Windsor). Business meeting in St. John's church rooms, 12.45. Dinner in Guildhall at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members only who send their money with the order and their ringing qualification to me on or before Monday, July 4th. The whole amount will be refunded to change-ringing members and 1s. each to probationers present at the dinner. ALBERT E. REEVES, 20, Radstock Road, Reading. *Festival Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, July 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea will be provided at The George and Dragon inn at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting. All members intending to be present at tea are requested to notify the district secretary not later than Wednesday, July 13th.

W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—MR. J. W. T. Holgate, Hon. Sec., has removed to No. 21, Westover Road, Bramley, near Leeds.

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## Ringers' Outings.

THE ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIETY, HEADING-LEY (continued from page 192).—A move was now made for tea, and on the way a very welcome friend, in the person of Mr. J. W. Moorhouse (who had cycled the 70 miles from Wakefield), turned up. Many were the expressions of satisfaction at his determination to be present. After a good meal the tower was again visited for him to hear the bells. He rang the 26-cwt. tenor to two courses of Treble Bob, and then the bells were ceased for the day. The ringers were loud in their praises of the beautiful mellow tone of the bells, and it makes one wish Messrs. Taylor could put some of the older peals through the melting pot again.

A chat with the locals and expression of thanks to them for their kindness ended this part of the programme. Needless to say, the promenade and other attractions of the place were visited, the Old Buffer falling asleep on the sands and losing his umbrella. He, however, saw Charlotte, and returned to hear a course each of Caters and Triples on the handbells before leaving to catch the train.

The band were in excellent spirits during

the return journey. Songs were sung by various members, including Pa and Sambo. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Maude for his kindness, and on that gentleman rising to reply, "For he's a jolly good fellow" was sung in Yorkshire style. He expressed the pleasure it had given him to be present, both to hear the bells and to see the evident enjoyment of the band, concluding a very interesting speech with a hope that peals in other methods would be rung and also that the knowledge gained would be imparted to others.

Mr. Bolland also spoke a few words and detailed a bit of history relating to a bygone generation of Tong ringers, complimenting the band on the number of methods rung during the day. A very pleasant outing was concluded with the singing of "Auld lang syne" as the train steamed into Leeds station at midnight.

## BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

On Thursday, May 26th, the bells of the Norman Tower were rung in honour of the Suffolk Agricultural Show being held at Bury St. Edmunds. Ringing commenced at 9 a.m., being kept up at intervals during the day, starting with a touch of Grand-

sire Triples, following on with touches of Bob Royal, Grandsire and Stedman Caters and Kent Treble Bob Royal. The ringers taking part in it were:—Messrs. G. Debenham, H. Turner, G. Lilley, A. Bridges, H. Simpson, R. Moore, H. R. Moore, A. E. Moore, H. F. Moore, F. Eaton, A. Palmer, J. Chinery, and F. Rudd. The following were visiting ringers:—Messrs. J. Motts and R. Duffield (Ipswich), H. Hopson and E. Poppy (Beccles), D. Elliott (Coggeshall), H. Gladwell (Felsham).

MARKET DRAYTON (Salop).—On Wednesday, April 20th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. E. Weatherby, W. Weatherby, H. Hall, T. W. Peake, J. Clark, A. Crawley, R. T. Holding conductor, G. Hall.

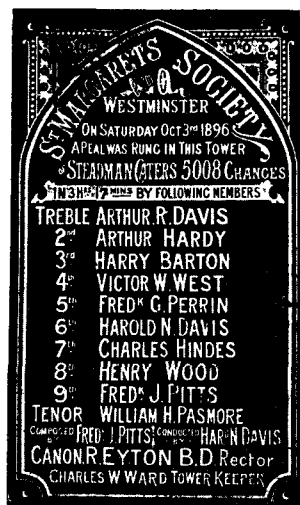
SCARBOROUGH (Yorks).—On a recent Saturday, at St. Mary's, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after ringing an hour. A 408 of Stedman and 434 of Grandsire were brought round. H. Ferguson, A. Windsor, A. Gibson, G. Tingle, D. Woodhead, C. Jackson, F. Woodhead, G. Barraclough.

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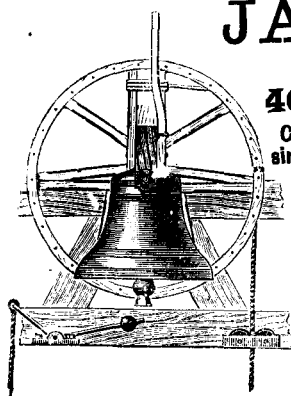
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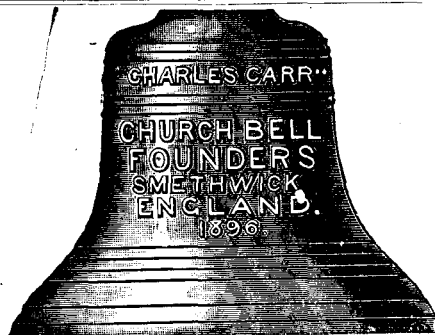
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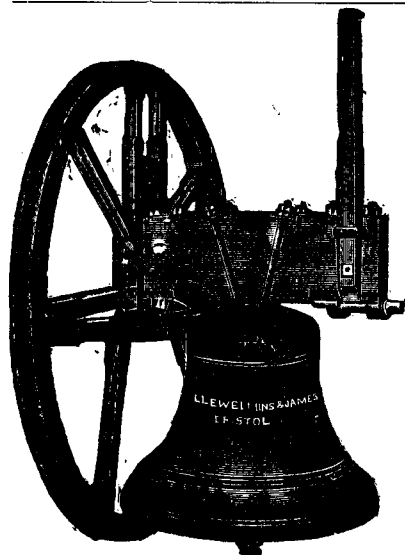
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

SEAFORD (Sussex). St. Leonard. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. 7th by Gillett 1886. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 4 in., by Mears 1855; the rest also by Mears 1811. Timber frame. Bells go heavily. Only slight repairs since bells were first hung. Soundbows rather worn except 7th. The 5th is cracked across the crown. It is intended to appeal to the church authorities. Ropes fair. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 5.45 to 6.15. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

SEDBERGH (Yorks.) Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1897. Tenor 16 cwt. Iron frame. Bells go well, Ropes new 1897. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

SEDGLEY (Staffordshire). All Saints. Eight bells. The two trebles by Taylor 1829; the rest 1720; founder unknown. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung 1897, but not by a bellhanger. The 3rd is badly worn. Ropes new 1896, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5 to 6. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

SELBY (Yorks.) SS. Mary and German. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. Treble, 2nd and tenor by Mears 1863; 4th by the same 1821; the rest by Ebor 1710. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner 1893. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob.

## THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The members of this society held their monthly meeting at Hull on Saturday, June 25th, by special invitation of the Hull company. A good number of members left

Leeds at 2.30 p.m., arriving about 4.30 p.m., the day being exceptionally fine. They were met on arrival by the members of the Holy Trinity and St. James's societies. A peal of Stedman Triples having been arranged for the latter church, the band for the peal at once made their way there. Other members proceeded to Holy Trinity church where the splendid ring of ten were at their disposal, and touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung. In the meantime owing to the bad "go" of the bells the attempt for the peal was abandoned, after ringing an hour. All parties then adjourned to the meeting-house, The Blacksmith's Arms, for the business meeting. In the absence of the President Mr. Charles Jackson (vice-president), took the chair, supported by upwards of forty members from the following towers: Bradford, Beverley, Cleethorpes, Headingley, Huddersfield, Kirkheaton, Scarborough, Pontefract, Newcastle, and members of the Holy Trinity and St. James's societies. The minutes of the previous meeting at St. Michael's, Headingley, were passed as read. Rothwell was announced as the place for the next meeting. Six new members were elected. On the proposition of Mr. G. Barraclough, seconded by Mr. J. Moxon, a vote of thanks to the Vicars and churchwardens of both churches for the use of the bells, and to the local companies for their kind arrangements was unanimously carried.

Mr. C. Jackson suitably responded on behalf of the local companies. Afterwards a social evening was spent, touches and tunes being rung on the handbells, and this successful meeting finally terminated at a late hour.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the above was held at Biddulph on Saturday, July 2nd. Ringing commenced about 4 o'clock, and was continued till just before 6 o'clock, when the Rev. J. W. Haslett unveiled a tablet recording a peal of Minor rung on December 15th, 1903. The rev. gentleman expressed the pleasure it gave him to unveil the record of the first peal on the bells, and hoped that it was only the forerunner of many other peals. He also presented, on behalf of the Biddulph ringers, a book on scientific ringing, to Mr. W. J. Carter, as a mark of their appreciation and esteem.

An adjournment was then made to the schoolroom, where tea was provided by the local ringers. Certificates for proficiency in the Art of change-ringing were presented by the Rev. J. W. Haslett to Messrs. Worth, Cheetham, Burgess, Cottrell and Whitehurst. Two new members were elected. Votes of thanks were passed to the local ringers and to the ladies who presided over the tea.

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## TWO OLD SHROPSHIRE RINGERS—SAMUEL LAWRENCE AND SAMUEL LEE.

BY R. A. DANIELL.

It is proper at the outset to observe that anyone who may derive any gratification from a perusal of what I am about to set down, will not owe much to me. The materials, where not contained in such readily accessible books as the Dictionary of National Biography and Miss Lee's biography of her father, have been copied by Mr. Byolin, of Shrewsbury, and Mr. Slater, of Glemsford, and kindly lent by the latter to me; so that it is to the time and pains devoted by these gentlemen that the Exercise is indebted for what follows. My share of the work is merely editorial, or to borrow the picturesque diction of Mr. Henry Dains—it may be described as dominated by a foundation.

At the same time the subject is naturally interesting to me, as I have relatives residing at or near Shrewsbury, Bridgnorth and Shifnal, and my parents were married at Madeley near the last-named place. Moreover, my great uncle, the late Mr. William Farmer, of Sutton Maddock, near Shifnal, was, prior to his emigration to Canada more than seventy years ago, a member of the Exercise, and must almost certainly have known Lawrence. I may mention that Mr. Farmer took with him to Canada a set of handbells, which may very likely be the first imported into that portion of the British Empire.

A flat gravestone in Shifnal churchyard bears an inscription informing the reader that Samuel Lawrence died on April 5th, 1825, aged 62. The memoir of him appearing in the late Mr. John Day's recollections, published in this journal some years since, is too valuable not to be reproduced here. It is as follows:—

*From the Recollections of Mr. John Day, of Birmingham.*

"MR. SAMUEL LAWRENCE.

"Among the 1820 men I did not know but of whom I heard much, the one most spoken of and appreciated was S. Lawrence. He was a native of Shifnal, a farrier by trade, and must have been in easy circumstances, judging by the number of peals he took part in at places wide apart and at a period when travelling was most expensive. He was supposed to be the second heaviest man in England, being upwards of 32 stone in weight, and nevertheless he was always ready for a peal. Lawrence took part in the first peal of Stedman Cinques ever rung (which was accomplished on the bells of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, London), in the two peals at St. Martin, Birmingham, in 1820, and in many others including the peals at Warwick and Solihull. His death was the result of an accident. The bells of St. Martin, Birmingham, were rehung in the year 1823 and the opening took place, I believe, at Easter that year. He was to be present at the dinner given to celebrate the event, and early in the morning was about to start to set out in his chaise cart, a vehicle built for him, but into which he could not mount without aid. By some means or other the chair which he used was improperly placed, and when he got upon it it broke under him, causing him a severe fall and a broken thigh. The news of the accident arrived in Birmingham just as the company were sitting down to dinner, and cast a gloom over the day's proceedings. Through his great obesity the bone could not be properly set, mortification ensued, and Lawrence died. He was always

spoken of by the old ringers with the greatest possible respect. Among my acquaintances years ago was an old man named Elvins, a carpenter, who had assisted C. Oliver, sen., in that capacity while hanging the ten bells at Dudley in the year 1819. Of course he was at the opening and there first saw Lawrence. He used to tell me that when he saw him strip to ring in the belfry, the opening peal, he never saw such arms in his life, they were as thick as a child's body. The staircase at Dudley tower is rather narrow; Lawrence managed to squeeze himself up it pretty well, but Elvins used to say that it took three to get him down again; one to push, one to pull, and Lawrence in the middle; I had many interesting conversations with Elvins about the old ringers. Though not a ringer himself, he knew more about them and their doings than any other man I ever met. He knew Elijah Roberts well, and had witnessed his great skill in handbells. In our conversation it generally worked round to the ringers and Lawrence, and on one occasion I remember well he finished up by saying: "Ah! it is a pity such a man as Sam Lawrence should ever die"! I suppose it would be on a friendly visit of the St. Martin's Youths to Shifnal, when they rang Cooper's peal of Stedman Triples which he called from the ms., that Lawrence rang the 7th, and by way of joke asked Cooper what sort of a peal he called that. "For," said he, "I have rung sixty plain courses." Another of his remarks I used to hear quoted was on the completion of the peal of Cinques at St. Martin's, Birmingham in 1820, when he said "Well, lads, I was in the first, and I have no doubt in the last."

There is now in the Museum at Shrewsbury a peal-book of Lawrence's with certain notes and accompanying documents, and from these and what one may assume from other incidental evidences, Mr. Day's high opinion of Lawrence seems to be abundantly corroborated. The peal-book is about 7 inches by 4½. The peals are well written professionally; and there are illustrations, coloured and otherwise, of churches and steeples and emblematic designs, and there are one or two notes in Lawrence's own handwriting, and it appears to me that the figures of Cooper's peal of Stedman Triples rung at Shifnal in 1819 and a defence of that performance against criticism were also written by him. The peals entered in the book are seventy-seven in number, and there is at least one peal rung by him, which he has not recorded, namely a peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Battersea in 1788, appearing in the College Youths peal-book. The methods are Grandsire, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Stedman's Principle, and he conducted a score or so of his peals.

The first performance is a peal of Grandsire Triples at Shifnal on April 30th, 1783; the second, 5120 Oxford Treble Bob at Aston, near Birmingham; his third, 6000 Bob Major at Shifnal, after which appears this note:—

About this time the following persons did ring 1008 Bob Major on the Hand Bells, at the house of Mrs. Sarah Nock, Shifnal.

Standing as follows:—

J. Nock 1-2, in the Parlour  
J. Debney 3-4, in the Brewhouse  
S. Lawrence 5-6, Upstairs  
T. Clemson 7-8, in the Cellar (called).

His peals were rung in the Midlands till 1787, when he seems to have come to London for some two years. He had already been admitted into the College Youths in the preceding year, and seems from his address given amongst

the subscribers to *The Clavis*, to have taken up his abode at Chelsea. He is one of those named by Osborn as amongst the aristocracy of the College Youths at that period, and with them he rang in London and the neighbourhood ten peals and two doubtful ones. They were of the ordinary character of the period except the 6204 Stedman Cinques rang at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on October 6th, 1788, in which he rang the tenth. This was the first peal of Stedman Cinques rung, and the first recorded of Lawrence in that method. In the early part of the year 1790 he seems to have returned to Shifnal, and though he does not seem to have accomplished anything after that year for some six years, he in 1797 renewed his activities in his own and adjoining counties, and on July 18th, 1798, he had the pleasure of ringing with his old friends of the College Youths a peal of Grandsire Cinques at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, being the first peal on those then new bells.

The year 1820 found him busy. On the 17th of April he rang the 7th in 7200 Kent Treble Bob Maximus at St. Martin's, Birmingham, and afterwards there was some handbell ringing, including a course on sixteen, in the Grandsire method, in which he rang 13-14. At Chesterfield and Dudley he rang in Treble Ten, and on the 28th December, 1820, he rang the 7th in 6600 Stedman Cinques, at St. Martin's, Birmingham. This practically closed his career, as there is only one other peal recorded, a peal of Bob Triples in 1823. And at this point we will respectfully bid farewell to this interesting personality of a bygone age, and begin the consideration of the other ringer whose name figures in our title. One may, however, here reproduce as a curiosity a note in Lawrence's book.

At Chester, October 25th, 1809, 5040 Grandsire Triples, in 2 hrs. and 55 mins.

	Age.
1. G. Hitchin ...	19
2. R. Williams ...	20
3. J. Royle ...	17
4. E. Jones ...	18
5. G. Sinclair ...	18
6. W. Doyle ...	18
7. J. Andrews ...	19
8. G. Woodons ...	20

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At Leeds, in Kent, January 1st, 1810, 5120 Oxford Treble Bob in 3 hrs. and 5 mins.

	Age.
1. J. Barham ...	84
2. T. Bingham ...	55
3. W. Tilley ...	73
4. J. Boldin ...	59
5. W. Sweetlove...	59
6. T. Booth ...	51
7. T. Austin ...	72
8. G. Tilley ...	62

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(To be continued.)

### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Saturday, June 25th, a quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Harrold. There was a fair attendance of members from Bedford, Biddenham, Bromham, Turvey, Emberton and Northampton. A large variety of six-bell methods were rung, the local band occasionally taking part. At six o'clock a tea was provided at The Wheatsheaf hostelry, the meeting following. In the unavoidable absence of the hon. sec. Mr. C. W. Clarke was elected to the chair. A discussion first arose regarding the representation of the Association on the Central Council. It was stated that the representative, the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, was unable to attend the Central Council meeting this year; thus the Association was represented. This was a thing which ought not to be, and having enough members in the Association it was suggested that there be two representatives. This met

with the cordial approval of all present and was referred to the committee for further consideration and report.

The next business was with regard to the action of the Ely Diocesan Guild. Mr. J. W. Barker, in introducing the subject, stated that some years ago (he believed in 1897) the Bedfordshire Association was approached by the Ely Guild with regard to the amalgamation of the two societies. It was at the annual meeting and there was a large attendance of members. The Rev. W. Crump, then hon. sec. of the Ely Diocesan Guild, spoke at length on the subject, but only the proposer and seconder voted for it, the others unanimously voting against it. The matter was dropped and nothing more was heard until the annual meeting of the Ely Guild last Easter Monday was seen in "THE BELL NEWS." He considered it outrageous that an association should do as the Ely Guild had done; they had violated all recognised laws of association boundaries, and had set to work, by "peace or war," to confiscate the towers of the Bedfordshire Association. The report in the paper was most aggressive in tone and pointed particularly to the Rev. W. Crump's statement when at Bedford in 1897 "that he believed that all associations would eventually be amalgamated together under one large association." According to the ringers' own paper the rev. gentleman stated "that there were a large number of ringers in Bedfordshire who did not want to belong to the Bedfordshire Association, but wished to belong to the Ely Diocesan Guild." He knew of only one tower which was doubtful, and as he had never heard of them leaving the Bedfordshire Association he would consider them loyal and true.

The ringers in Bedfordshire were spread over a large area and if the Bedfordshire Association is not capable of managing its own affairs, it is absolutely certain that the Ely Guild could not take upon themselves the management of this district satisfactorily.

Eventually the following resolution, proposed by Mr. J. W. Barker, seconded by Mr. Crouch, was carried: "That this meeting disapproves of the action of the Ely Diocesan Guild in forming an Archdeaconry in Bedfordshire. It considers it a gross piece of over-lapping, and thinks that the Bedfordshire Association should have been made aware before action was taken in that direction."

The next quarterly meeting is, as arranged at the annual meeting, to be held at Clifton. A vote of thanks to the Vicar was carried; also thanks were tendered to Mr. Clarke for occupying the chair.

### OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINDSOR FESTIVAL, MONDAY, JULY 11TH, 1904.

I beg to add a little information to the hon. sec.'s programme for the use of ringers attending this meeting. There are good bus services between Windsor and surrounding places of interest as follows:—

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Maidenhead. From The New Inn, Windsor, 2.30, 5.30, 8.0; leave Maidenhead Town Hall for Windsor, 9.30 a.m., 11.0, 2.30, 5.0 p.m. Motor busses leave Slough station for Stoke, Farnham and Beaconsfield. Any further information will be gladly given to visitors by

W. H. FUSSELL.

## DEATH OF MR. ALFRED S. LAWSON.

It is our painful duty to announce the sudden death of the above-named gentleman, which took place on Wednesday, the 29th of June, at his residence, in his 69th year. Mr. Alfred Silva Lawson had for the past twenty years been the senior partner in the firm of "Mears and Stainbank," Bell Founders, of Whitechapel, London. In this capacity he was not so well known, perhaps, as his predecessor Mr. Stainbank was, as he took no leading part, or very little, in the practical management of affairs. The prestige of the foundry, nevertheless, greatly increased during his connection with it, but this was owing to the energy and talents of the manager during the period above mentioned—Mr. Arthur Hughes—who, we understand, continues at the head of affairs. The fact that Mr. Hughes has more than maintained the high position the Whitechapel foundry has so long enjoyed is well known, every detail of bell-founding and hanging coming under his immediate control and supervision, and ensuring the utmost success in whatever he attempted.

The decease of Mr. Lawson was, as stated above, sudden. He had been ailing for some time past, but on the day before his death he mentioned that he "felt better than he had done for months," and would like a day's rest at home before attending at the foundry in Mr. Hughes's absence round the country on bell business. He went home, when, soon after, the end suddenly came, to the intense dismay of his sorrowing family. The interment of the deceased gentleman took place on Monday last, the 4th instant, at Elmers End Cemetery.

As a pendant to the foregoing we give the following extract from the 23rd Annual Report of the Kent County Association (p. 5) read at Woolwich on May 23rd, 1904:—

"In the matter of bell-hanging and repairs, Messrs. Mears and Stainbank have been very busy in the County since the beginning of 1903, and in every case it is believed their work has met with cordial approval. Mr. Arthur Hughes has kindly supplied the Secretary with the following list of their operations:

ASH (near Sevenoaks).—Peal quarter turned and rehung in new fittings; framework strengthened.

BOUGHTON MONGHELSEA.—Small repairs to the fittings of the six bells.

CHERITON.—Peal rehung in new fittings and iron frame.

ELMSTEAD.—Framework strengthened and the fittings of the six bells repaired.

EYNSFORD.—Two trebles added to complete the octave.

LINTON.—Peal rehung in new fittings and oak frame (made for eight bells).

LYMINGE.—Two trebles added to complete the octave, 3rd recast, and peal rehung in new fittings and framework of wrought steel.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—Peal quarter turned and rehung in new fittings.

SWANSCOMBE.—New peal of eight bells, tenor 18 cwt., erected complete in iron frame.

WICKHAMBREAUX.—Peal of six quarter turned and rehung in new fittings; framework strengthened."

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## THE DARLINGTON AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Whit-Tuesday Messrs. C. Todd, W. H. Porter, G. J. and G. Lungley, G. and G. W. Park, and R. B. Wilson spent a very pleasant day at Middleham, which is situated in one of the beautiful dales of the North Riding of Yorkshire. The journey from Darlington, about twenty-six miles, was made by waggonette kindly provided by Mr. G. Park, and the drive through the country lanes, which were in the full glory of the budding spring, was thoroughly enjoyed. A halt was made at Catterick for breakfast, and afterwards, by way of a digester, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Minor were rung on the bells of the parish church, Mr. Kerr Smith, son of the Vicar, taking part. Continuing our journey by way of Hornby Park, passing close by the castle, the seat of the Duke of Leeds, we arrived at Middleham a little before one o'clock. Here we were met by Dr. Pauli, who gave us the welcome information that he was providing dinner for us at a neighbouring hotel, and it would be ready in a few minutes. After dinner a visit was paid to East Witton, where an attempt for a 720 Cambridge Surprise failed in the fifth course. Time not permitting another start a 120 of the same concluded the ringing here. At Middleham the ringing included a 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Plain Bob, and 240 each of London Surprise, Kent and Plain Bob, Dr. Pauli and another member of the local band taking part. At the conclusion of the ringing an adjournment was made to the residence of Dr. Pauli, where a substantial tea awaited us. Having given ample demonstration that there is nothing like ringing for developing an appetite, the evening was spent in handbell ringing and indulgence in the fragrant weed. Before parting Mr. C. Todd, on behalf of the visitors, expressed their thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Pauli for their most generous hospitality.

Dr. Pauli, in reply, said our visit had given them great pleasure, and hoped we would come again.

We also wish to thank through this medium the respective Vicars of the churches visited for allowing us to ring, Mr. Kerr Smith for his assistance at Catterick, and the ringers who met us at East Witton.

## THE ALL SAINTS' (FULHAM) SOCIETY.

On Saturday, June 18th, an interesting ceremony took place in the belfry of the church of St. Mary, Barnes, viz.: the unveiling of a tablet. Twenty ringers were present, including two ladies.

In opening the proceedings, Mr. Driver, in the absence of the Master, said they were gathered on an unique occasion. The present tablet was the first which had been erected by the Fulham Society, and was intended to record the first peal on the bells (Bob Major) which was rung in December last, and he now asked the Rector to accept and unveil it.

The Rector (Rev. Meredyth Kitson, said he was glad to be asked to unveil the tablet, which was a very handsome one. The bells were historical, three were old, one being erected to commemorate the defeat of the Spanish Armada, the remaining five being a memorial of Queen Victoria's sixty years' reign.

After a short touch of Stedman Triples, and a course of Grandsire Caters on the handbells, Mr. Hesse proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for his presence. This was seconded by Mr. Elson and carried unanimously.

The Rector in reply said he was very pleased to welcome them, and felt sure that the young band now learning would have the assistance of his neighbours of Fulham.

Ringling in various methods was kept going for two hours concluding with handbells on the Rectory lawn.

The peal board, which is Gothic in design, is the work of Mr. Hunt of Guildford, and gave great satisfaction.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. R. Alcock has removed from 29, Milbank Street, South Bank, to 13, Bon Lea Tec, Thornaby, Yorks.

## BLACKPOOL.

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## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The anniversary of the glorious 18th June, "Waterloo Day," always revives in the heart of every patriotic Englishman and woman a feeling of pride and deep thankfulness, and although eighty-nine years have flown since that memorable battle was fought and won, the thought of what might have happened to the inhabitants of these islands had the fates decided against us cannot be expressed in so many words. It is not, however, as to how battles are fought and won which shall form the scheme about to be related, it is in regard to a visit paid by members of the above Society at the kind invitation of their lady member, Miss Rosa Macalpine Leny, to Sevenoaks, Penshurst and Speldhurst. Leaving London Bridge at 9.23, "The Youths" arrived at Sevenoaks at 10.6 p.m. Here they were met by Miss Leny and her two sisters, Mrs. Mackinnon, wife of the Rector of Speldhurst, and Mrs. Mansfield. Seats were taken on a well appointed char-a-banc and four, with Mr. Spittle in charge of the ribbons, and the inimitable Walter as guard, with his toot-a-toot, and whose lustiness of lung power is not a failing quantity. Reaching The Crown hotel, Sevenoaks, the party dismounted and paid a visit to the parish church of St. Nicholas, which is built of Kentish rag stone, in the perpendicular style of the 13th and 14th centuries, it has a tower, 99 feet in height, containing a clock and a peal of eight bells. Permission to ring here could not be obtained, and the reason given was that it would *disturb the residents above the Church*. A telescopic investigation was made, but the aerial monsters referred to were undiscovered. In the church are a number of monuments to Charles, first and only Earl Whitworth, sometime Vice-roy of Ireland, also to the Fermore, Boswell, Amherst, Lake, Pitt, Scott and Lambarde families, besides several stained windows. The register dates from 1559. Our inspection over we returned to The Crown hotel, where a substantial lunch awaited our best attentions. Just previous to this, however, we took a stroll in the magnificent grounds attached to this comfortable hostelry and in a summer house therein four of the gallant boys discoursed a touch of Stedman Triples on the handbells, thoughtfully furnished by our much respected treasurer, Mr. Hughes of Whitechapel fame. Our inner man having been sufficiently replenished with the good things provided, a stroll across the street brought us to Knole Park, the seat of Lord Sackville. This house was mainly built by Archbishop Bourchier, who died in 1486, and Thomas Sackville, Earl of Dorset, (1539-1608), whom Queen Elizabeth made Lord High Treasurer of England. The chest she presented to him is still to be seen at Knole and is in a wonderful state of preservation. It will be remembered that Thomas Sackville was a poetical writer of some importance. The building is a quaint mixture of the perpendicular Gothic of the xvth century, and the early Italian style of the xviith century, and covers, with its out-buildings, five acres of ground. The front, seen from the approach is of the later period with the exception of the gates. The inner court is chiefly Lord Dorset's building, and has his initials on the lead pipes; the hall is Bourchier's work, as is also the chapel and chaplain's room; the state rooms contains a large collection of portraits and other pictures. The tapestried pictures in the chapel, venetian bedroom and organ room are very fine. At the north corner of the mansion is situated a barn of Bourchier's time, and on the other hand the "Duchess Walk," an avenue of oaks: at the north-east corner was a gaol for the Archbishop's servants; further on an avenue of beeches leads to the ancient pleasaunce, where there are some fine old trees. The picturesque undulations of the splendid park, which is six miles in circumference, covering upwards of a thousand acres, well stocked with red and fallow deer, and full of magnificent forest trees, in stately avenues and solemn groves, render Knole one of most attractive seats in the southern part of England. The "Youths" having feasted their eyes upon all that this magnificent relic of the past affords in historical food, mounted their chariot en route for Penshurst, where tea was partaken at Ye Leycester Arms hotel. Mr. Spicer, the well-known ringer of Penshurst, kindly anticipating our approval obtained permission for the boys to have a pull on Penshurst bells, the opportunity so thoroughly afforded was greatly appreciated, so after tea the bells were set moving to the tune of Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major for half an hour, time not admitting of more to be indulged in. The church of St. John the Baptist, Penshurst, is

of stone, chiefly in the late perpendicular style, the south chancel aisle, the mortuary chapel of the Sidney's, was restored by Lord de Lisle and Dudley in 1856. Under the chapel are interred the remains of Algernon Sidney, beheaded on Tower Hill, December 7, 1683. There are also numerous tombs, monuments and brasses to the Sidney, Hardinge, Bullen, Iden and other families. The register dates from 1558. The visitors take this opportunity of thanking the Rector for so kindly allowing them the use of the bells. Off again for another spin of three or four miles through magnificent scenery the party reached their goal, Speldhurst rectory, where dinner was partaken of. Miss Leny, in a few kind words, expressed the happiness it gave her in welcoming the "Youths" once more to Speldhurst, Mr. W. D. Smith (Master), and Mr. F. E. Dawe, suitably responding. A pleasant feature in the day's proceedings was that the Rector of Speldhurst, Rev. D. H. O. D. MacKinnon, was enabled to join the party at Sevenoaks at luncheon and in the visit to Knole. Unfortunately no ringing could be successfully done at Speldhurst owing to the fourth rope slipping the wheel; this was rather a disappointment.

The three ladies came with the Youths as far as Tunbridge Wells to bid them good-bye, and with a lusty cheer as the train moved out the Youths ventilated what they could not sufficiently express in words, their thorough appreciation of the kindness and hospitality of their lady member.

London Bridge was reached at 11.44 p.m. where we all dispersed to our various destinations. The names of those present are Messrs. W. T. Cockerill, F. E. Dawe, G. Dorrington, jun., E. Horrex, A. Hughes, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, W. Prime, W. D. Smith, H. A. Taffender, and G. F. Winney, and F. C. Mauler, one of the vergers at St. Paul's Cathedral.

W. D. SMITH.

## Obituary.

## JOSEPH SAXBY.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of James Saxby, which occurred on Thursday, June 23rd, at the age of 66. He had been a member of the Wortley church choir for the long period of forty-two years, and at the time of his death four of his sons were members of the choir and two were ringers in the church. The funeral took place on Sunday in the churchyard of St. Leonard's, the Rev.—. Butler, M.A. (Barnsley) officiating in the absence of the Vicar. The service was fully choral, Psalm xc. being chanted to Barnby, and the hymns "Let saints on earth in concert sing" being sung in the church, and "Brief life is here our portion" at the graveside. The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths. On Monday evening two 720s, one of College Single, and one Bob Minor, muffled, in 51 mins. were rung as a token of respect to the memory of James Saxby. The bells were fully muffled for service on Sunday for all the services.

## JAMES HALL.

A member of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford since its formation, and also a regular attendant of the Christ Church, West Bromwich, belfry, for the past twenty-two years, passed away on Wednesday, June 15th, after a long illness, and was buried at the Cemetery, on Sunday, the 19th, being carried to the graveside by six of his fellow ringers. He had the respect of all around him, as he was always ready to do his best in any method he was capable of ringing, having rung 79 peals in the above society. The bells at Christ Church were rung muffled for the evening service on the Sunday and a peal of Grandsire Caters was rung on the 22nd inst. as a token of respect.

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SATURDAY, JULY 9, 1904.

## ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

In accordance with a resolution made some weeks ago  
at headquarters, and with the hope of fulfilling a long-  
expressed wish by members of the Society residing at a  
distance too great for frequent attendance at the London  
towers, a district meeting was held at Kingston-on-  
Thames on Saturday, the 2nd inst.

From 5 to 9 o'clock with little intermission the bells of  
All Saints' church were kept going by the numerous  
visitors and local ringers in various methods, and one who  
knows something was heard to remark that this was the  
best practice he had had for many a long day, a remark  
which others present entirely agreed with.

For distance, Mr. F. S. Bayley easily won, having  
braved the elements on his bicycle from Portsmouth.  
Others who had started on the road from London got wet  
through and had to return, while another who rode  
through, was glad to make use of the South-Western

Railway for the return journey. Had the day been fine there would doubtless have been a large contingent of cyclist ringers to further swell the number.

At nine o'clock a move was made to The Wheatsheaf hotel, where a capital room was kindly placed at our disposal, a most enjoyable hour or two being spent in handbell ringing and friendly conversation.

The veteran Mr. Wright, with Mr. Strutt and four other local ringers, entertained us with a well struck course of Grandsire Cinques, while the visitors rang touches of Stedman Triples and Caters.

Several of the Kingston ringers having expressed a wish to join the Society, their elections will, before this notice appears, have been ratified at a meeting at head-quarters.

Mr. O'Meara who, in the regretted and unavoidable absence of the Master Mr. W. D. Smith, had been voted to the chair, thanked the Kingston band for their hearty welcome and co-operation, and in the same friendly spirit offered such a welcome to those who were able to visit the London tower meetings.

Mr. Strutt in very kindly terms responded, and as the time had passed far too quickly, a hasty retreat had to be made to the railway station.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS

On Saturday, June 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LEWISHAM,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Treble.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 5.
EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 2.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 6.
GEORGE H. BARKER .. .. 3.	*HARRY WARENETT .. .. 7.
ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN THORP, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

†First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. G. Barker was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

### Handbell Peals.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, July 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE GLOUCESTER ARMS, ROCHESTER ROW, WESTMINSTER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES.

HARRY R. PASMORE .. 1-2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. 7-8.
HENRY R. NEWTON .. 3-4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. 9-10.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. 5-6.	JOHN N. OXBORROW .. 11-12.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

Umpires—Messrs. A. B. Peck, A. G. Ellis, and H. S. Ellis.

### The Provinces.

The following peal is a corrected issue :

#### WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, June 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES .. .. Treble.	THOMAS H. REEVES .. .. 6.
JOHN JAGGAR .. .. 2.	REUBEN HALL .. .. 7.
JAMES P. SIMPSON .. .. 3.	JESSE SCREEN .. .. 8.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 4.	JAMES HARES .. .. 9.
JOSEPH WALKER .. .. 5.	RICHARD SPEAKMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

This peal has the 6th twenty-four times behind the 9th, and twenty-four times behind the 8th, was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last token of respect to Mr. James Hall, a member of the above Society.

### HITCHIN, HERTS.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. Treble.	FRANK FURR .. .. 5.
WILLIAM NEWTON* .. .. 2.	JOHN HARE .. .. 6.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 3.	JOHN F. FOSTER .. .. 7.
WILLIAM ALLEN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM EBBES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal on eight bells.

### PULHAM, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. Treble.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. 5.
CHARLES BAKER .. .. 2.	JAMES BETTS .. .. 6.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 3.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. 7.
JAMES TANN .. .. 4.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. P. BRICE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

### MORTIMER, BERKS—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs.

WILLIAM R. LONG* .. Treble.	GEORGE W. T. SMITH .. 5.
HENRY WHITE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM FORD .. .. 6.
JOHN SWAIN .. .. 3.	AMBROSE OSBORNE .. .. 7.
THOMAS NEVILLE .. .. 4.	FREDERICK PUNTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY WHITE.

\*First peal.

### ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

J. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. .. Treble.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 5.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. 2.	I. MYERS .. .. 6.
JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. 3.	FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. 7.
JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. 4.	R. PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

F. J. Shepherd was elected a member of the Association before starting.

### TUNSTED, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 2.	JOSEPH GOWER .. .. 6.
CHARLES BORRETT .. .. 3.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 7.
FREDERICK DIGBY* .. .. 4.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\*First peal in the method.

## DISS, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

GEORGE O. HURD .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN .. 5.
ARTHUR E. FULLER .. .. 2.	FREDERICK KNIGHTS .. 6.
WILLIAM IRELAND .. .. 3.	WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD .. 7.
FREDERICK DAY .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

## DUNSTER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

W. MATTHEWS'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

J. REED .. .. Treble.	G. W. STOKES .. .. 5.
C. GREEDY .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
C. SUMMERS .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. ATKINS .. .. 4.	S. CORNELIUS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY MOORE.

## HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND JAMES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

ROBERT MCCANN* .. .. Treble.	HERBERT T. KNOWLES .. 5.
ABRAHAM WINTERTON .. 2.	ALBERT HILLS .. .. 6.
ERNEST V. COX .. .. 3.	ROBERT G. KNOWLES .. 7.
WILLIAM PAGE .. .. 4.	GORDON CHECKETTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. HOPWOOD, and Conducted by W. PAGE.

\*First peal of Major. E. V. Cox was elected a life member previous to starting. Rang as a welcome peal to the new Vicar.

## WEST HARTLEPOOL, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JAMES BAXTER .. .. Treble.	*W. H. PORTER .. .. 6.
W. H. STEPHENSON .. 2.	A. W. BARRETT .. .. 7.
J. W. NEWTON .. .. 3.	R. GREENWOOD .. .. 8.
F. P. HOWCROFT .. .. 4.	*E. C. HUNT .. .. 9.
A. M. C. FIELD .. .. 5.	T. METCALFE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by THOS. METCALFE.

\*First peal of Treble Bob Royal. First peal of Royal on the bells. Rang in commemoration of the induction of the Rev. H. Robinson as Vicar of the parish.

## GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

REUBEN COPELIN .. .. Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 5.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 2.	HARRY FLANDERS .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 3.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by WM. PYE.

## EDINBURGH.

## (THE ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Tenor 42½ cwt.

FRANCIS V. H. SINKINS† .. Treble.	*JAMES R. ROBERTSON .. 6.
WILLIAM B. SAMPSON* .. 2.	†EDMUND F. PRICE .. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 3.	*RICHARD WHITSON .. 8.
C. CLEVELAND ELLIS† .. 4.	†WILLIAM H. BARBER .. 9.
HENRY BARTON .. .. 5.	†WM. C. S. HEATHCOTE .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

†First peal of Grandsire Caterers as conductor. First peal on tower bells by the Society. \*First peal. †First peal of Grandsire Caterers.

## WATERFORD, IRELAND.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

I. MYERS .. .. Treble.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 5.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. 2.	FERRIS SHEPHERD .. 6.
R. BLEE* .. .. 3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. 7.
GEORGE SALTER .. .. 4.	R. PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

First peal of Stedman on the bells, and first peal for thirty-two years. \*First peal to the method. The last peal rung by Mr. Blee was a Grandsire one in 1872 on these bells.

## SHERE, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs. in E.

MAURICE BIGNOLD* .. Treble.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 5.
SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 2.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. 6.
THOMAS W. RADFORD .. 3.	REV. G. F. COLERIDGE .. 7.
CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 4.	JAMES HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES HUNT.

\*First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells. Rang in honour of the election of H. Fellowes (a local ringer), to the office of parish clerk.

## OLD WARDEN, BEDS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob and Grandsire Minor.

Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM NEWTON .. Treble.	JOHN HARE .. .. 4.
THOMAS R. SCOTT .. 2.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 5.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3.	WILLIAM J. MAYES .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

## GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

CHARLES TAYLOR* .. Treble.	*JOHN W. SEAMER .. 5.
PERCY C. LONG* .. 2.	PHILIP O. BIXBY .. 6.
FREDERICK S. BUTLER .. 3.	FRED W. HARGREAVE .. 7.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. 4.	CHARLES JACKSON .. Tenor.

Composed by P. O. BIXBY, and Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

Arranged for W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, Essex. All are members of the Yorkshire Association, and this is C. Jackson's 150th peal in that Association. \*First peal of Major.

## PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt

GEORGE N PRICE .. .. Treble.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. 6.
FREDK. W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. 7.
FREDK. T. C. NEVETT .. 4.	FREDERICK WHITE .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. MADGWICK .. Treble.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. 4.
JOHN RICE .. .. 2.	ALFRED D. MILLS .. 5.
GEORGE THOMPSON* .. 3.	FREDERICK DENCH .. 7.
JOHN STEDDY .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by E. WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Superlative.

## SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Primrose, College Treble, College Exercise,  
London Scholars' Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, City Delight  
and College Pleasure. Tenor 8½ cwt.

THOMAS BETTISON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 4.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 2.	WILLIAM H. TURTON .. 5.
HARRY GREAVES .. .. 3.	JOHN FLINT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by T. BETTISON.

## Handbell Peals.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, July 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

HENRY HODGETTS* .. 1-2.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 5-6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3-4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Umpire—W. Watson. \*First peal in the method on handbells. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## Date Touches.

ROUGHAM (Suffolk).—On Saturday afternoon, June 25th, at St. Mary's church, in 1 hr. and 5 mins, a date touch of Bob Minor, 1904 changes. W. Buckle, C. Lomax, R. S. Long, F. Fronde, S. Roper conductor, F. Buckle. Tenor 16 cwt. The ringers wish through the medium of "THE BELL NEWS" to thank the Rev. B. S. Fryer, rector, for the use of the bells.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

AVETON CIFFORD (Devon).—On Monday, April 4th, an attempt for a peal of Bob Major came to grief after ringing about 1,500 changes, owing to the treble rope slipping wheel. W. J. Hiscott, E. Hendy, E. W. Marsh, C. R. Lilley conductor, W. Hopley, W. Richards, W. Ford, G. H. Myers.

KINGSBRIDGE (Devon).—On Monday, April 4th, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples was brought round after ringing 2,520 changes, in 1 hr. and 20 mins. owing to the bad go of the bells. E. W. Marsh, W. Hepley, W. J. Hiscott, W. Richards, C. R. Lilley conductor, E. Manning, W. Ford, G. H. Myers.

DODBROOK (Devon).—On Monday, April 4th, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. W. Ford, C. R. Lilley, E. W. Marsh, W. Hepley conductor, W. Richards, G. H. Myers.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

HILLINGDON EAST (Middlesex).—On Thursday evening, May 10th, at St. John's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins. Rev. H. G. Bird, A. Finch, H. Waite, S. Hancox, W. H. Joiner, J. J. Pratt conductor, H. H. Chandler, W. Honor. On Sunday, June 5th, at St. John's church, for evening service, a quarter peal of Oxford Bob Triples in 43 mins. J. Peddle, F. Ayres, W. Odell, A. Finch, J. J. Pratt, E. Hancox conductor, H. Chandler, W. Foster.

HILLINGDON WEST (Middlesex).—On Monday, May 29th, at St. Andrew's church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 40 mins. A. Finch, W. Joiner, J. J. Pratt conductor, E. Hancox, H. Waite, H. Gosden, H. Chandler. W. Foster.

ANDOVER (Hants).—On Tuesday, June 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. Barber, T. A. Stevens, H. Smart, E. Mills, O. Smart, G. Samway, R. C. Mayo conductor, W. Butt. This is the first quarter-peal rung on the bells and the first quarter-peal by the local band.

BASINGSTOKE (Hants).—On Sunday, June 26th, for evening service, a 447 Grandsire Triples. H. White, Dora White, J. Ward, F. Mills, C. F. Handsford, A. Burgess, J. E. Ballard conductor, G. Martin.

DISLEY (Cheshire).—On March 8th, at St. Mary's church, the first 720 of Plain Bob was rung by the following:—G. Swindells, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, J. Broome, E. Bailey conductor. On Tuesday, April 5th, a 720 Plain Bob. G. Swindells, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, J. Broome, C. Bailey conductor. On Tuesday, April 12th, a 720 Plain Bob. R. Marsland, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, F. Holt conductor, J. Broome, E. Bailey. On Friday, April 15th, a 720 Plain Bob. R. Marsland, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, E. Bailey, F. Holt conductor. And on Sunday, for evening service, April 17th, a 720 Plain Bob. G. Swindells, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, F. Holt conductor, J. Broome, E. Bailey. On Tuesday, April 19th for practice, a 720 College Single. R. Marsland, E. Bailey, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, J. Broome, F. Holt conductor. And on Sunday, April 24th, for morning service, a 720 Plain Bob. R. Marsland, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, J. Broome, E. Bailey conductor. On Sunday, April 24th, for evening service, a 720 Plain Bob. G. Swindells, H. Whittaker, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, J. Broome, E. Bailey conductor. On Friday, April 29th, for practice, a 720 College Single. R. Marsland, Rev. A. T. Beeston conductor, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, F. Holt, C. Bailey. Also a 720 Plain Bob. R. Marsland, Rev. A. T. Beeston, A. Lomas, A. Marsland, E. Bailey, F. Holt conductor.

PETERSFIELD (Hants).—On March 21st, a 504 Grandsire Triples. F. Wilkins, W. Read conductor, W. Butler, J. Arthur, A. Butler, A. Garrett, G. Barnes, W. Wilkinson. On April 3rd, a 350 Grandsire Triples. F. Wilkins, A. Butler, W. Wilkinson conductor, J. Arthur, G. Barnes, W. Read, W. Butler, W. Downs. On May 15th, a 518 Grandsire Triples. F. Wilkins, J. Arthur conductor, W. Butler, W. Read, A. Garrett, J. Cap, G. Barnes, H. Mells.

ROUGHAM (Suffolk).—On June 12th, at St. Mary's church, a 720 Plain Bob Minor, 26 singles, in 26 mins. G. Bullock, S. Landymore, T. Fitzjohn, J. Cunningham, F. Buckle, W. Burrows conductor. Tenor 16 cwt

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**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—The annual Festival will be held at Godalming to-day, Saturday, July 9th. Special service in the Parish Church at 12.30 p.m., preacher, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. Dinner, 1.30 p.m. at the Borough Hall, tickets 2s. each. Annual meeting, 3 p.m. **E. W. CARPENTER, Thorpe Vicarage, Chertsey. Hon. Sec.**

**The Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—A quarterly meeting of this Association will take place at Halesowen to-day, Sat., July 9th. The Rev. J. C. Hill, Rector, will give an address at the service in church at 5 p.m. prompt, and also preside over the business meeting after, in the church house. The tower and bells will be available for ringing. All outstanding contributions should be handed over at this meeting. **JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec. Church House, Church Lane, Tipton, Staffs.**

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood to-day, Saturday, July 9th. Bells ready at 4.0. **WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.**

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chesterfield to-day, Saturday, July 9th. Committee meeting 4.15. Tea (1/-) and general meeting at 5 p.m. in the Victoria Schools, Vicar Lane, near the church. The 10 bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m. till 9 p.m., except during the time of tea and general meeting. **W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec. Cotgrave, Notts.**

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—The Taunton branch will hold their next quarterly meeting at Halse to-day, Saturday, July 9th. Tea will be provided at the Parish Room at 5.30. Business following. **W. WHITE, Local Sec. Hillingdon.**

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Acton to-day, Sat., July 9th. The time for ringing will be limited from 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. **J. J. PRATT, Dis. Hon. Sec.**

**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Eastern District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Sawbridgeworth to-day, Saturday, July 9th. Bells open from 3. Tea to members 6d., non-members 9d. All ringing friends will be welcome. **W. H. LAWRENCE, Little Munden.**

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, July 9th, at St. Bartholomew's church, Chipping. Bells at 3, meeting at 5.30. **R. SANDERSON, Hon. Sec.**

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Mirfield to-day, Saturday, July 9th, to commence at 5.0. Meeting house, The Dusty Miller. **WALTER IDLE, Sec. 47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.**

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The annual Festival will be held at Windsor on Monday, July 11th. Service in St. John's church at 12 noon, preacher, Rev. J. H. Ellison (Vicar of Windsor). Business meeting in St. John's church rooms, 12.45. Dinner in Guildhall at 1.30. **ALBERT E. REEVES, 20, Raistock Road, Reading. Festival Sec.**

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on Thursday, July 14th.

**WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec. "Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.**

**The Kent County Association.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, July 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea will be provided at The George and Dragon inn at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting. All members intending to be present at tea are requested to notify the district secretary not later than Wednesday, July 13th. **W. LATTER, Hon. Dis. Sec.**

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, on Saturday, July 16th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Meeting 6.30. All ringers welcome. **J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.**

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Brown Edge on Saturday, July 16th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. G. Redfern, Brown Edge, Stoke-on-Trent, by Thursday, July 14th. **D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec. pro. tem. High Street, Bucknall.**

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—A meeting of the members of the North and East District of this Association will be held at Edgware on Saturday, July 16th. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend. The bells will be raised at 4.30 p.m. **ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec. 18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.**

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Hunts Archdeaconry.—A district meeting of the above will be held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, July 16th. Tea will be provided at The Axe and Compass at 4.30. Members intending to be present at tea kindly inform secretary not later than Tuesday, July 12th. **G. D. COLEMAN, Dist. Sec.**

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's Church, Helmshore, on Saturday, July 16th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. **W. ASHWORTH, Branch Sec.**

**The North Notts Association.**—The midsummer quarterly meeting will be held at Anston on Saturday, July 16th. Members intending to take tea are requested to inform Mr. S. Smith, Anston, Sheffield, by July 12th. Kiveton Park Station (G.C.R.) one mile. **B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.**

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Sudbury District.—A branch meeting will be held on Saturday, July 23rd, at Haverhill. The tea and meeting will be held at the Vicarage, when the Vicar of Haverhill will take the chair. The tower of Haverhill (6 bells) will be open to the ringers. It is hoped to arrange for ringing at some of the neighbouring towers. **REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, Dist. Sec.**

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Mr. J. W. T. Holgate, Hon. Sec., has removed to No. 21, Westover Road, Bramley, near Leeds.

**APPLETON (Berks).**—On Monday, May 23rd, at the church of St. Lawrence, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. C. White, H. Walters, F. Barrett, H. Tubb, F. Tubb conductor, R. White, F. Whitsen, T. W. Tubb.

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### Ringers' Outings.

**THE CHISWICK SOCIETY.**—On Saturday, June 11th, the Chiswick ringers had their first annual outing. Accompanied by the Vicar of Chiswick, the Rev. F. W. Isaacs, and the Rev. A. E. Dudley, they took the train for St. Albans and were received at the station by Mr. Whitebread. Taken to the Abbey, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung before evensong. Adjourning to St. Peter's, they were very kindly received by Mr. Debenham, former hon. sec. of the Hertford Association. Grandsire Triples and Grandsire and Stedman Caters were here indulged in. A substantial tea was then partaken of at Slater's, and another visit paid to St. Peter's church, where a pleasant day was finished with Grandsire Triples, Stedman and Double Norwich. The ringers are very much indebted to Mr. Whitebread and Mr. Debenham, who did so much towards making the afternoon so enjoyable.

**THE SKIPTON-IN-CRAVEN SOCIETY.**—On Saturday, June 25th, the members of the Holy Trinity branch, Skipton-in-Craven, had their annual outing. Starting from Skipton by the 7.4 a.m. train, Lancaster was reached just after 9 o'clock, where a

char-a-banc was waiting, and the party was conveyed to Kirkby Lonsdale, making short halts on the way at Hornby and Burra. The drive to Kirkby was full of interest. Ingleborough was in full view the whole of the time; and such well-known bridges as Greta Bridge, the Bridge of Roberts and the Devil's Bridge were passed, the river Lune at the latter place being a fine sight. Dinner was partaken of at the Waverley Temperance Hotel, and then the party repaired to the parish church to ring touches of Violet and Kent Minor. Leaving Kirkby at 3.30, Morecambe was reached by way of the Red Well and Bolton-le-Sands at 7 o'clock. The evening was spent in a convivial manner. On Sunday, permission having been obtained to ring for morning service at Morecambe parish church, touches of Kent, Oxford, Violet, New London, Duke of York and Oxford Delight were got through successfully. The service was one of exceptional interest, inasmuch as it was the occasion of unveiling a tablet of honour to Morecambe men who had served in the Boer war. The ceremony was performed by Col. Murray, of the King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment. A drive to Heysham Harbour, Overton and Sna-

chems was the programme for the afternoon: and the party reached Skipton at 8.15 the same night, having had a most enjoyable trip. The members wish, through the medium of "THE BELL NEWS," to thank the Rev. Dr. Llewellyn Davies, Vicar of Kirkby Lonsdale; and also the Rev. Canon Troughton, Vicar of Morecambe, for the use of the bells.

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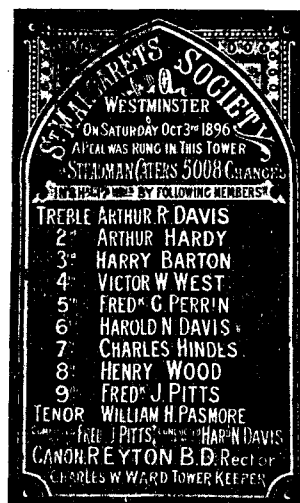
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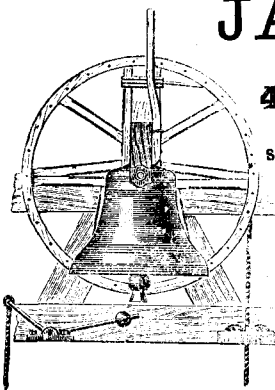
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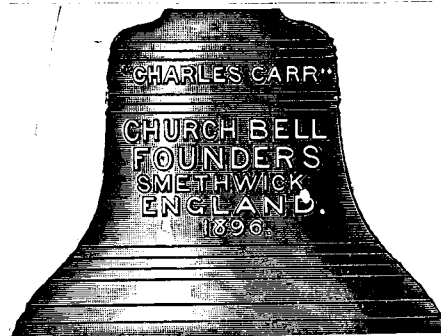
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

SELLY OAK (Worcestershire). St. Mary. Eight bells. All by Warner. The two trebles 1887; date of rest not given. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1887, bad. Methods: Grandsire and Treble Bob. No Sunday ringing. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

SEVENOAKS (Kent). St. Nicholas. All by Pack, 1769. Tenor 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner 1898. Ropes new 1898, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 8.

SHANKLIN (Isle of Wight). St. Saviour. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. All by Mears 1888. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. A silent apparatus fitted. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Tower having been repaired bells are not yet rung on Sundays. Practice: Monday, 8, summer; 7.30 winter.

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Every one has heard of "Port Sunlight," as the wonderful town, situate on the Mersey, is called. That useful article of commerce known as "Sunlight Soap" is as familiar to our ears as any other article of domestic economy, perhaps more so. The commercial success of this wonderful product, and others equally well-known, has been the means of converting, through the remarkable energy of Mr. W. H. Lever, a riverside swamp (almost) into a healthy township, where every conceivable arrangement of the best, sanitary and otherwise, has been brought into play. Schools, libraries, baths, and many other desiderata of the present age have been liberally provided by the philanthropic gentleman above-named, and at last has been reared a handsome church, complete in every detail. We cull the following particulars con-

cerning the proceedings at the opening ceremony from a local paper:—

Erected at a cost of about £28,000 by Mr. W. H. Lever, Port Sunlight's new church was opened amidst much rejoicing. This latest addition to the architecture of Port Sunlight is a very valuable and noteworthy one, the church being one of the finest for miles round. It was in September, 1902, that the foundation stone was laid, and since then work has been proceeded with in a rapid manner. The church is built of Helsby red sand-stone, and the roofs have coverings of brown roofing flags. Designed in the later perpendicular style, the endeavour has been made to make the internal appearance of the church open, lofty, and handsome, with effective colouring from the sandstone and marble pavements: and the oak work of all the fittings, benches and screens. That this result has been obtained no one who has seen the church will deny; the endeavour has been admirably successful. The total length of the church is 151 feet, with a width of 51 feet, the transepts having a width of 25 feet, and projecting from the nave about 22 feet. There are four entrances to the building: two in the nave and one into each transept. The vestry also has a separate entrance. The aisles have a clear width of eight feet, on ordinary occasions are free from seats of any kind, and only used for means of access to the benches. The chancel, in which are the choir seats, has a length of 47 feet, and a width of about 27 feet, with an apsidal end, with three large windows, which are flanked by two other large windows. The three windows of the apsidal end are filled with stained glass, being erected by Mr. W. H. Lever in memory of his father and mother. The central window represents the Ascension, the left-hand window Christ blessing little children, and the right-hand window the raising of Jairus. The inscription of the window is as follows: "To the memory of James and Eliza Lever, parents of the Founder of Port Sunlight, who wishes here to place on record the fact that Port Sunlight would have been impossible of realisation by him without the influence of their example and careful training." All the roofs of the church throughout are timbered of pitchpine, unstained and unvarnished. The floors have oak blocks under the benches, and black and Italian marble pavements throughout the aisles, crossings and chancel.

The tower, which stands at the south-west corner of the church, rising to a moderate height, as bell-ringers' floor and belfry, with a ring of eight bells, tenor 15 cwt. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank were the founders, and the bells and their fittings have been spoken of very highly. Eight members of the Chester Guild rang a peal of Triples upon them on the 25th ult., and the "go" of the bells was recorded as excellent. There are original inscriptions upon all of them, that on the tenor being—

"For the honour of God and for the use of this village, these bells were raised by William Hesketh Lever. A.D. 1904."

A large crowd assembled outside the church prior to the opening ceremony, and the merry peal of the fine bells was admirably commented on.

The Rev. S. Gamble-Walker, pastor of the church,



referred to the laying of the foundation stone in September, 1902, by Mrs. Lever, and spoke of the esteem with which that lady was regarded by everyone in the district. The congregation of the church had queried as to the best manner in which they could give expression to their feelings, and decided, after much deliberation, that some small thing would be prized by Mrs. Lever, especially if it was something that she could hand down to those who in time she would leave behind her. The result was that he held in his hand a gold key, suitably inscribed, bearing Mrs. Lever's initials, and containing a picture of the church. He had the greatest pleasure in asking Mrs. Lever to accept the key as a very small token of the very deep respect felt for her by every person present.

The gold key (most artistically executed by Elkington and Co., Ltd., the King's Goldsmiths, Liverpool), is designed in the style of the 13th century. The head is filled in front with a view of Christ Church executed in enamel, and the reverse has the monogram, "E. E. L." in gold, and is enclosed in a Morocco case, having on the outside a silver-gilt plate bearing the following inscription:—"Presented to Mrs. Lever by the committee and congregation of Christ Church, Port Sunlight, on the occasion of her opening the new church, the gift of William Hesketh Lever, Esq. June 8th, 1904."

Mrs. Lever responded, and having declared the church open, after turning the key in the lock, presented a silk robe to the Rev. S. Gamble-Walker. The people soon filled the church, which has ordinarily accommodation for 600, which can be increased to 1,000. On Wednesday night there were many in excess of this number, the calculation being that about 1,200 people were present. The service was conducted by the pastor, Mr. W. H. Lever reading the lessons. A feature was the excellent singing of the choir, who during the evening rendered an anthem composed by the organist, entitled "How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord."

The Rev. S. Gamble-Walker said in the course of his sermon that it would ill become him if his first word from that pulpit was not a word of gratitude to the donor of that church for the great generosity and large-hearted purpose which had promoted the erection of so beautiful and stately an edifice. They recognised both the purpose, which was great, and the generosity, which was munificent, and, recognising this, they fervently hoped that God would grant both to the donor and his wife and to his heir a continuance of life in health and vigour that they might reap more fully the harvest of good and generous deeds they had sown, not the least of which was the magnificent church in which they were then met. The central window behind him bore an inscription which paid a worthy tribute to the memory of the father and mother of the donor of this church, an inscription indicative of the fact that their influence and training laid the foundation of the life and character which to-day were so rich in all good works; and just as that window was a memorial to them and to their work, so this church would remain through ages yet to come a magnificent monument, testifying through its splendid proportions and stately walls, as well as through its gentler and more delicate parts, to the thoughtful consideration and lofty purpose of him to whom they owed that place in which to worship God.

At the close the hymn "Now thank we all our God" was sung, and the congregation slowly dispersed.

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## STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

On Saturday evening, June 18th, the members of St. Thomas's Society were entertained to dinner at the Talbot hotel, through the kindness of Mr. J. E. Jones and several members of the congregation. The Vicar, the Rev. H. Sherrard, was in the chair, supported by Mr. C. W. Wyndham and Mr. J. E. Jones, and following upon an excellent repast consisting of soup, fish, joints and sweets, the evening was devoted to speeches and entertainment, together with a liberal supply of refreshments and tobacco. The Vicar in an interesting address referred to the privileges of the office of bellringer, and expressed the hope that all would aspire to ring their best. He quoted Tennyson's poem "Ring out wild bells," and of the lesson, etc., he learnt from the poem, and proceeding, thanked the ringers for their services, and congratulated them on the excellence of their work and their zeal as shown by their regularity and punctuality. On behalf of all present he also thanked Mr. Jones for his kindness in organising the gathering. Mr. G. H. Pagett, on behalf of the ringers, supplemented the remarks of the Vicar, thanking Mr. Jones for the interest and kindness he had shown to them, this being the second occasion he had made arrangements on their behalf. During the evening Mr. Jones favoured the company with a recitation from Shakspeare, also a humorous one; songs were rendered by Messrs. Bird, Dodd, Hand, Pagett and Watkin, also tunes and a course of Triples. Mr. Pagett also played several selections on the piano, and accompanied the songs. An interesting and enjoyable gathering was brought to a close by all singing the National Anthem. G.H.P.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT ST. NICHOLAS, BRISTOL.—This peal was rung to honour one, Mr. W. Sommerville to wit, who did so much to raise the Guild of St. Nicholas to its present state of efficiency in the art of change-ringing, and although business claims caused his removal from Bristol he is ever in the minds of those who had the pleasure of meeting and ringing with him. When it was announced Mr. Sommerville contemplated an early marriage, the first thing thought by the ringers was bells, and although there were no bells at the church where he was married, Canon Alford, of St. Mary's church, of the same parish (Stoke Bishop), very kindly gave the permission to ring his bells, and the following paid a visit to Stoke Bishop on Wednesday, July 6th, to ring during the afternoon: W. J. Hinton, R. J. Wilkins, H. Howell, J. Thomas, J. Burford and F. G. May, and rang Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor, Treble Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise Minor. In the evening the peal of Stedman recorded was successfully brought round, and none more pleased than the conductor who had charge of the ringing arrangements. The band who rang the peal wishes to convey to Mr. and Mrs. Sommerville their hearty congratulations, the best of luck, and happiness.

SHALFORD (Surrey).—Recently at the parish church a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. \*F. Bennett, \*E. Worsfold, C. Willshire conductor, T. Streeter, \*R. Crowhurst, W. Trewin. \*First 720. First 720 of Treble Bob on the bells.

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## TWO OLD SHROPSHIRE RINGERS—SAMUEL LAWRENCE AND SAMUEL LEE.

BY R. A. DANIELL.

(Concluded.)

The name of Samuel Lee is not so well known in the annals of change-ringing as that of Lawrence, but he was one of the most remarkable men who have ever been members of the Exercise. He was born in the year 1783, being the youngest of a family of six boys and five girls. The account which he gives of himself in a letter, written when he was thirty years of age, and a schoolmaster at Shrewsbury, is of so great interest that he shall speak for himself:—

"MR. SAMUEL LEE TO JONATHAN SCOTT, ESQ.

SIR,—In conformity to your request I now proceed to give you a detail of my pursuits in languages with some circumstances connected therewith. The first rudiments of learning I received at a Charity School at Longnor in the County of Salop, where I was born, which is a village situated on the Hereford Road, about eight miles from Shrewsbury. Here I remained until I attained the age of twelve years, and went through the usual gradations of such institutions without distinguishing myself in any respect; for as punishment is the only alternative generally held out, I, like others, thought it sufficient to avoid it. At the age above mentioned, I was put out apprentice to a carpenter and joiner by Robert Corbett, Esq., in which, I must confess, I underwent hardships seldom acquiesced in by boys of my age; but as my father died when I was very young, and I knew it was not in the power of my Mother to provide better for me, as she had two more to support by her own labour, I judged it best to submit. About the age of seventeen I formed a determination to learn the Latin language, to which I was instigated by the following circumstances: I had been in the habit of reading such books as happened to be in the house where I lodged, but, meeting with Latin quotations, found myself unable to comprehend them. Being employed about this time in the building of a Roman Catholic Chapel for Sir Edward Smith, of Acton Burnell, where I saw many Latin books, and frequently heard that language read, my resolution was confirmed. I immediately bought 'Ruddiman's Latin Grammar' at a book stall and learnt it by heart throughout. I next purchased 'Corderius' Colloquies' by Loggon, which I found a very great assistance to me, and afterwards obtained 'Entick's Latin Dictionary,' also, soon after, 'Rega's Testament' and 'Clarke's Exercises.'

There was one circumstance, however, which as it had some effect on my progress, I shall mention in this place. I one day asked one of the priests, who came frequently to us, to give me some information of which I was then in want, who replied that 'Charity began at home.' This was very mortifying, but it only served as a stimulus to my endeavours; for from this time I resolved if possible to exceed even him.

There was one circumstance, however, more powerful in opposing me, and that was poverty. I had at that time but six shillings a week, to subsist on and to pay the expenses of washing and lodging; out of this, however, I spared something to gratify my desire for learning, which I did, though not

without curtailing myself of proper support. My wages were, however, soon after raised one shilling a week, and the next year a shilling more, during which time I read the Latin Bible, 'Florus,' some of 'Cicero's Orations,' 'Cæsar's Commentaries,' 'Justin,' 'Sallust,' 'Virgil,' 'Horace's Odes' and 'Ovid's Epistles.' It may be asked how I obtained these books? I never had all at once but generally read one and sold it, the price of which, with a little added to it, enabled me to buy another, and this being read, was sold to procure the next. I was now out of my apprenticeship and determined to learn the Greek. I bought therefore a 'Westminster Greek Grammar,' and soon afterwards procured a testament, which I found not very difficult with the assistance of 'Schrevelius's Lexicon.' I bought next 'Hunford's Greek Exercises,' which I wrote throughout, and then, in pursuance of the advice laid down in the exercises, read 'Xenophon's Syropædia,' and soon after 'Plato's Dialogues,' some part of the 'Iliad' and 'Odyssey' of Homer, 'Pythagoras' Golden Verse' with the 'Commentary of Hieracles,' 'Lucian's Dialogues of the Dead,' and some of the 'Poetæ Minores' with the 'Antigone of Sophocles.' I now thought I might attempt the Hebrew, and accordingly procured 'Bythner's Grammar' with his 'Lyra Prophetica,' and soon after obtained a Psalter, which I read by the help of the Lyra. I next purchased 'Buxtorf's Grammar and Lexicon' with a Hebrew Bible, and now I seemed drawing fast to the summit of my wishes, but was far from being uninterrupted in these pursuits. A frequent inflammation in my eyes, with every possible discouragement from those about me, were certainly powerful opponents; but habit and a fixed determination to proceed had now made study my greatest happiness, and I every day returned to it rather as a source of rest from manual labour, and though I felt many privations in consequence, it amply repaid me in that solitary satisfaction which none but a mind actuated as mine was could feel. But to return. Chance had thrown in my way the 'The Targum of Onkelos,' and I had a Chaldaic Grammar in Bythner's 'Lyra,' with the assistance of which and of 'Schindler's Lexicon' I soon read it. I next proceeded to the Syriac, and read some of 'Guther's Testament' by the help of 'Otho's Synopsis' and 'Schindler's Lexicon.' I had also occasionally looked over the 'Samaritan Pentateuch,' which differs little from the Hebrew, except in a change in letters. I found no difficulty in reading it in quotations whenever I found it, and with quotations I was obliged to content myself, as books in that language were entirely out of my reach. By this time I had attained my twenty-fifth year, and had a good chest of tools, worth, I suppose, about £25.

I was now sent into Worcestershire to superintend on the part of my master, Mr. John Lee, the repairing of a large house belonging to the Rev. Mr. Cookes. I began now to think it necessary to relinquish the study of languages, as I perceived how ever excellent the acquisition might have appeared to me, it was in my situation entirely useless. I sold my books and made new resolutions. In fact, I married, considered my calling as my only support, and some promises and insinuations had been made to me which seemed of a favourable nature in my

occupation. I was awaked, however, from these views and suggestions by a circumstance which gave a new and distressing appearance to my affairs; a fire broke out in the house we were repairing, in which my tools, and with them all my views and hopes, were consumed. I was now cast on the world without a friend, a shilling or even means of subsistence. This, however, would have been but slightly felt by me, had not the partner of my life been immersed in the same afflicting circumstances. There was however, no alternative, and now I begin to think of some new course of life in which my former studies might prove advantageous.

I thought that of a country schoolmaster would be the most likely to answer my purpose. I therefore applied myself to the study of 'Murray's English Exercises,' and improved myself in Arithmetic.

There was, however, one grand objection to this—I had no money to begin, and did not know any friend who would be inclined to lend. In the meantime the Rev. Archdeacon Corbett had heard of my attachment to study, and having been informed of my being in Longnor, sent for me in order to inform himself of particulars. To him I communicated my circumstances, and it is to his goodness I am indebted for the situation I now hold, and several other very valuable benefits which he thought proper generously to confer. My circumstances since that time are too well known to you to need any further elucidation. It is through your kind assistance I made myself thus far acquainted with the Arabic, Persian and Hindostanee languages, of my progress in which, you Sir, are undoubtedly the best judge. I am, Sir, with every possible respect, your much obliged and very humble servant,

*Blue School, Shrewsbury,* (Sd) SAMUEL LEE.  
26th April, 1813."

This is an admirable record of ability and pluck, and through the interest of Jonathan Scott and Archdeacon Corbett Lee was able to transfer these qualities to a wider sphere than that of teaching the young idea how to shoot in a Shrewsbury Charity School. The Church Missionary Society desired to make use of his gift of tongues, and he was enabled to enter at Queens' College, Cambridge, where he took his degree in the year 1818, and was subsequently admitted to Holy Orders. He soon became Professor of Arabic in the University of Cambridge—indeed on the surface it looks as though the degree of Master of Arts was conferred on him at an earlier stage than usual in order to enable him to hold this Professorship—and in the year 1831 he became Regius Professor of Hebrew. He was appointed a Canon Residentiary of Bristol Cathedral, holding also the benefice of Barley, in Hertfordshire, where he died in 1852. A portrait of him hangs in the museum at Shrewsbury.

It is needless to dilate on the enormous knowledge and work of Dr. Lee. If any of the scholarly readers of "THE BELL NEWS" deem it worth while to supplement this notice, what they may have to say will be of great interest; but I am unable to do justice to the subject, and content myself with citing the following words from the "Dictionary of National Biography."

"Lee was certainly one of the profoundest of linguists. His linguistic genius was chiefly exhibited in his scholarly editions of the New Testament in Syriac, 1816, of the Old Testament in the same language in 1823 and also in Malay; of the Psalter

and Gospels in Arabic and Coptic; of Genesis and the New Testament in Persian, and of the New Testament in Hindustani."

This, be it observed, is the portion of Lee's work mentioned as "chiefly" exhibiting his genius, but it is far from exhausting his published work.

In private life one is led to regard him as a most high-minded and amiable man. He was, besides, an appreciative musician; and this leads us on to notice his connection with the Exercise. Between 1802 and 1811 he rang four peals of Grandsire Caters, three of them in the same band with Lawrence, three at Shrewsbury and one at Wrexham. The last was rung at the opening of the ring of ten at St. Mary's, Shrewsbury, on September 2nd, 1811, and to the record of this in Lawrence's book is appended this note:

"The above is the last of the performances of the Rev. Samuel Lee of above 5000 changes, though he still occasionally rings a touch for amusement, and as a relaxation from the sedentary duties of his office."

Lawrence did not take part in this peal. How many other peals Lee may have rung prior to 1811 there are no means known to me of ascertaining.

In Lawrence's book are two letters addressed to him by Lee which follow on here:—

Letter No. 1. "PENTONVILLE, LONDON.

Nov. 29th, 1817.

MY DEAR SIR,—Accept my warmest thanks for your kind letter, and the present which followed it, in due time. I have to ask a thousand pardons for having neglected to reply earlier, the only excuse I have to offer is that of having been so fully employed and moreover of having had a journey to each of the Universities, that I have scarcely had a moment to discharge the numerous debts which I owe to the kindness of my warm and numerous friends; I mean in replying to their kind letters. I now seize the first vacant hour to say how much I am obliged to you for your call and notice; and to assure you I shall always feel much obliged with a repetition of the favour of your company whenever convenient; as also with that of any of my Salop friends of your acquaintance, which I should thank you to say for me, when you may see them.

I have read the controversy you were so kind as to send me. I wonder that you did not drag the observer outland; as it is evident from his own language that he by no means was entitled to that appellation, but was a ringer of the adverse party. I have not been much exercised myself in Controversy; the little I know about it seems to prove the hopeless task of convincing one who is determined to follow the dictates of a vicious disposition, and if I am not much mistaken, such is the character of your opponent the Observer, your challenge to the test of experiment was the decisive one; both as it serves to show the dastardly spirit of your opponents, and an entire want of confidence in those abilities which they would have palmed upon the public for genuine.

Your Conversation and papers revived in a small degree my former love for the Exercise, insomuch that I was tempted to ascend the bell-loft of Cambridge and to ring a bell in a short touch of Bob Royal. I found I had not quite forgotten it. But whether these bells went extremely ill, or whether my want of practice was the cause, I know not, but

my arms felt so excessively strained, that I could scarcely do anything for a short time after. It is curious that those bells are hung in such a manner that the position of the ropes in the belfry is contrary to any I had ever seen, which appeared very awkward to me. The bells are finely toned, ten in number. The ringing is generally not good.

I have had an increase in my family since I saw you; a fine little girl made her appearance about the middle of October. The mother has safely recovered, and the child is in good health, a blessing which increases in magnitude by comparison with the late lamentable event in the Royal House. I hope I shall make a due use of the consideration. I have lately written a short history of the Syrian Church in India; it will be published in a few days. I will send you a copy. In the meantime, you will see some account of that interesting community in Dr. Buchanan's Christian Researches. Please to give my respects to Mrs. Lawrence and all friends.

I remain, my dear Sir, yours very truly,

(Sd) SAMUEL LEE.

Mr. Samuel Lawrence, Shifnal, Salop.

Letter No. 2.

"CAMBRIDGE,

February 7th, 1821.

MY DEAR SIR,—Accept my best thanks for your kind letter with your Notices of the truly Herculean tasks, in which you have lately borne a part. I suppose with you that it will stand for some time *an untouched dish*, perhaps for ever. I had no idea that Birmingham could boast so good a set of Change Ringers as your papers state; but such testimonies are not to be withstood.

Mr. Davey I find is as much interested as ever in the science; and I am apprehensive your zeal does by no means abate. With respect to myself I am always interested in hearing of such performances, but the truth is, I have so many engagements, and those requiring so much attention that I have but little time for recreation of any kind, and if I had, peal ringing, to the extent of your recreation in that way, would be exercise rather too violent and require too many partners to make it practicable.

When you see Mr. Riley or Mr. Davey, I would thank you to remember me respectfully to them. You talk of making an excursion in this neighbourhood in the summer; if I happen to be at home, I shall be most happy in seeing you; but I am afraid I shall be in Paris, as I propose setting out early in the vacation for that place, for the purpose of collecting Manuscripts in the Royal Library. Mrs. Lee however will be at home, and will be glad to see you and your friends. You will find a good peal of bells here. The ringers are very far inferior to your Birmingham friends: they ring Bob Royal, Treble Ten and Caters, but rather in an inferior style. I dare say that they will be glad to meet you.

I shall endeavour to get you a copy of the history mentioned in yours. I am afraid our friends at Madeley have by this time forgotten or disposed of your copy. I will apply to the Society in London.

I am truly sorry for the accident which you say happened to Mrs. Lawrence, and the only consolation that I can give you is to acquiesce in the will of Him who has the sole control over the events of this life. You have not lived to this day not to know, that in its best form this is but the scene of trial of one kind

or other. If we can assure ourselves of a safe arrival to a better, we shall have no reason to complain. I have not forgotten the hospitality of Mrs. Lawrence since I was your inmate some years ago; and I wish I could more serviceably express my gratitude on this occasion.

I am sorry to say my brother remains as usual; nor is there any hope of his ever being otherwise.

When you see your Salop friends pray remember me to them. I saw them in the summer. Change-ringing seems to have deserted Salop entirely.

I remain, my dear Sir, yours very truly,

SAMUEL LEE.

To Mr. Samuel Lawrence, Shifnal, Shropshire.

P.S.—If you come to Cambridge the Porter at any of the Inns will direct you to my house.

I thank you for your kind enquiries after our health; we are all, thank God, well."

I have omitted one paragraph in the former letter, which is not material. The event in the Royal House referred to is the death of the Princess Charlotte, daughter of the Prince Regent.

These letters are beyond all doubt highly honourable to both men—to Lawrence the Shifnal farrier, who had gained the esteem of the young carpenter and school-master, twenty years younger than himself, and retained it when the obscure youth had developed into the celebrated scholar; and to Lee, singularly gifted, and now well established in an altogether different social sphere, whose feelings towards the old friend with whom he had rung in his early days are thus shown to be unchanged amidst a career of success which might have turned many a man's head. And what an overwhelming rebuke are these letters to the assiduous references to the Exercise of the past, appearing in such books as Mr. Tyack's! For, remember, Lee must have known all that there was to know about change-ringers and their ways, and hence no higher tribute can be offered to the respectability of the Exercise in general than the tone of the allusions to it by this well-informed and high-minded writer. Limited in experience, as we are, to our present life, we cannot understand the life that lies beyond it; but we may well believe that the friendship, so honourable on earth to Samuel Lawrence and Samuel Lee, is a still existing fact where they now are.

#### GARGRAVE, YORKS.

In explanation of the following paragraph, taken from the *Craven Herald*, it may be said that, out of a population of 1,100 some 250 are employed at Airebank Mills, and as these have been closed four months, following on eight months half-time, it may be understood that this was indeed a welcome announcement.

"THE GOOD TIME COMING."—Surprise and curiosity were created on Wednesday morning by the vigorous ringing of merry peals on the parish church bells at the hour of six o'clock. Enquiry elicited that the cause of this unusual event was the fact that work had, at that hour, been re-commenced at Airebank Mills, which have been taken by the Messrs. Slingsby, of Carleton, and in order to make the welcome announcement the sonorous notes of the bells resounded through the vale for about an hour and a half.

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emerging from their chrysalis of conservatism in bringing their operations into harmony with present-day events. That such action will prove of great service, both to the ancients as well as the moderns, cannot be doubted; and beneficial also to the Exercise.

THE BELLS OF SEDGLEY (Staffordshire).—We are asked to make known the fact that these bells were hung in the year 1901 by Messrs. Charles Carr, of Smethwick, Birmingham.

### The Metropolis.

#### Handbell Peals.

##### THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Monday, July 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

IN THE TOWER OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH, FULHAM,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

MISS C. A. NEVILLE .. 1-2.	WILLIAM E. JUDD .. 5-6.
JAMES W. DRIVER .. 3-4.	†JOHN H. B. HESSE .. 7-8.

Conducted by JAMES W. DRIVER.

Umpires—J. W. Kelley and F. J. Jee. †First peal on handbells.

### The Provinces.

#### THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

##### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Woodbine, and two 720s each of Oxford and Kent.

EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. Treble.	ALPHAEDUS J. BERRY .. 4.
CHARLES NUNN .. .. 2.	*GEORGE MOSS .. .. 5.
THOMAS DAVY .. .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE CATTERMOLLE.

\*First Treble Bob peal. This peal was arranged for G. Moss.

#### BRISTOL.

##### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERPILERS, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	JOHN BURFORD .. .. 6.
W. JAMES HINTON .. .. 2.	SAMUEL PHILLIPS .. .. 7.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 3.	HENRY T. HOWELL .. .. 8.
WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 4.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 9.
CHARLES H. GORDON .. 5.	URIAH BRAVEN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

Reference elsewhere.

#### PULHAM, NORFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TANN .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. 5.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 2.	JAMES BOUGHTON .. 6.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 3.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. 7.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 4.	*GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. P. BRICE.

\*First peal in the method. Rang as a birthday compliment to E. Poppy.

#### OXHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM HODGETTS .. Treble.	FREDERICK T. C. NEVETT .. 5.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 2.	HUBERT EDEN .. .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and

Conducted by HUBERT EDEN.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Edward G. Farncomb and May Eden, sister of the conductor.

#### PULHAM, NORFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

##### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

EGBERT BORRETT† .. Treble.	CHARLES ROOPE .. .. 5.
ARTHUR ROOPE* .. .. 2.	FREDERICK ROOPE .. .. 6.
ALFRED SMITH .. .. 3.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. 7.
JOHN ALLEN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by E. BORRETT.

†First peal as conductor. \*First peal. Rung on the Rector's birthday.

#### COLCHESTER, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

##### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. Treble.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
JAMES MOTTS .. .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

#### CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

##### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

##### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ALFRED D. MILLS .. Treble.	CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 4.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

This was F. Rice's 150th peal.

#### BATH, SOMERSETSHIRE.

##### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

REV. W. POYNTON .. Treble.	JOHN HOLMAN .. .. 5.
ALFRED C. MELHUISE .. 2.	WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. 6.
GEORGE TEMPLE .. .. 3.	HENRY W. BROWN .. 7.
THOMAS KING .. .. 4.	*CHARLES BEESLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT.

This peal was arranged for the Rev. E. W. Poynton, Rector of Kelston, an enthusiastic ringer, whom the Bath ringers are pleased to welcome in their midst. \*First peal.

**L**OCUM TENENCY or Temporary Work wanted near a good Ringing Centre, August 15th to September 10th, by the REV. H. DRAKE, Verwood, Wimborne.



## SLOUGH, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

REV. G. F. COLERIDGE .. Treble.	HARRY BARTON .. 5.
F. V. H. SINKINS .. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 6.
CONOR O'BRIEN .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
HON. A. ERSKINE .. 4.	WILLIAM HORNE .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung on the occasion of the annual meeting at Windsor.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

FRANCIS A. SMITH .. Treble.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 5.
FREDK. T. C. NEVETT .. 2.	HARRY A. HOKREX .. 6.
SYDNEY SAKER .. 3.	EDWARD WHITEHEAD .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 4.	WILLIAM HEWITT .. Tenor.

Conducted by ERNEST E. HUNTLEY.

This was W. Hewitt's fiftieth peal.

The following peals are the result of six days' ringing in Northants and Bucks., arranged specially for the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt

FRED PALMER* .. Treble.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 5.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 2.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. 6.
WALTER PERKINS .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
FRED WILFORD .. 4.	WILLIAM R. HENSHER .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal in the method. Rung after meeting one short for Treble Bob.

## HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 17 lbs.

JAMES GARRATT .. Treble.	JOHN B. MARTIN .. 5.
THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 2.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 6.
WALTER PERKINS .. 3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN .. 7.
WILLIAM R. HENSHER .. 4.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 6, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

ALPHAUS PERKINS .. Treble.	JAMES GARRATT .. 5.
WILLIAM R. HENSHER .. 2.	WALTER PERKINS .. 6.
CLIFTON NEWMAN .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
FRED PALMER .. 4.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Perkins.

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## OLNEY, BUCKS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

WALTER PERKINS .. Treble.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 5.
SAMUEL WESLEY .. 2.	FRED W. WILFORD .. 6.
JAMES HOUGHTON, JUN. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM R. HENSHER .. 4.	SIDNEY SMITH .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 8, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

THOMAS R. HENSHER .. Treble.	FRED WILFORD .. 5.
SAMUEL WESLEY .. 2.	WILLIAM R. HENSHER .. 6.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. 4.	HARRY HOWARD .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## NEWPORT PAGNELL, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qrs. in E flat.

ALFRED J. HESSIAN* .. Treble.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 5.
FRED SEAR† .. 2.	HARRY SEAR .. 6.
JAMES GEORGE .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 4.	VALENTINE SEAR .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal on the bells. \*First peal. †First peal in the method.

## Date Touches.

Lowick (Northants).—On Saturday, May 28th, a date touch of Oxford Bob Minor in 1 hr. 10 mins. C. Guest, A. Johnson, J. M. Nickerson, D. Redhead, C. Swan, R. C. Loveday conductor.

YORKTOWN (Surrey).—Sunday morning, July 3rd, in 1 hr. 9 mins., a date touch of Grandsire Triples. H. L. Garfath jun., W. Boyles, C. Pearce, G. Miles, F. Nye, A. Smith, W. A. J. Ives, C. Jeffery. Composed by W. J. Fisher (Farnborough) and conducted by H. L. Garfath jun. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Mr. J. Mealing, a sidesman of St. Michael's church.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

PETERSFIELD (Hants).—On February 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. W. H. Butler, A. Butler, W. Butler, J. Arthur conductor, A. Garrett, W. Wilkinson, G. Barnes, W. Downs. On May 22nd, a quarter-peal in 44 mins. F. Wilkins, A. Garrett, W. Butler, J. Arthur, A. Butler, W. Read conductor, W. Wilkinson, W. Downs.

SHALFORD (Surrey).—On Tuesday, June 28th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. Miss Alice White, E. Worsfold, E. Lucas, F. Bennett (1st 720), R. Crowhurst, C. Willshire conductor.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MIDDLESBROUGH.—On Monday, May 23rd, at the parish church, 244 Bob Major, and 144 Stedman Triples. H. Dains (London), G. Williams (Brighton), A. Jacob (London), J. Waghorn (London), T. Medcalf, W. Rudd, W. Walland, Cottrill (Guisborough), B. Stevenson (Stockton), And 720 of Bob Major. W. Clarkson, J. W. Passman, J. Barnett, R. Alcock, J. W. Whittle, W. Walland, J. H. Blackiston, A. McFarlane. And 672 Kent Treble Bob Major. Rev.

W. P. Wright, W. Clarkson, J. H. Jones, A. McFarlane, J. W. Whitte, W. Walland, J. H. Blakiston, J. W. Passman.

### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STADBROKE (Suffolk).—On Monday, May 23rd, an attempt for a peal of Double Norwich came to grief after ringing 4800 changes, owing to the tenor man being knocked up. C. Brock, E. Evans, W. Barrett, E. Borrett, E. Poppy, J. Betts, F. Borrett, F. Day.

BECCLES (Suffolk).—On Wednesday, June 8th, at St. Michael's church, a peal of Grandsire Caters came to grief after ringing 4500 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins. F. R. Borrett, G. Howchin, jun., E. Poppy, C. E. Parnell, G. Howchin, senr., G. Baxter, G. E. Symonds conductor, E. Borrett, H. Ling, R. Freestone.

### THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

LLANDAFF.—On January 3rd, for morning service at the Cathedral, a 447 Grandsire Triples. C. Price, J. Aldridge, J. Pitcher, A. Heath, J. Clutterbuck, W. Biss, A. Bowley conductor, J. Harris. On January 31st, for morning service, 419 Grandsire Triples, J. H. Aldridge, J. Harris, J. Pitcher, F. Pitcher, W. Biss, A. Bowley, J. Clutterbuck conductor, C. Price. On Monday, February 8th, for practice, 336 of Grandsire Triples. C. Price, Serg. Dawe, W. B. Biss, F. Pitcher, J. Aldridge, J. Clutterbuck, A. Rowley, J. Harris. \*Longest touch with a bob bell. On Sunday, February 14th, for morning service, a 279 of Grandsire Triples. C. Price, T. Cox, J. Pitcher, Fred. Pitcher, J. Harris, J. Clutterbuck, W. Coombes conductor, A. Rowley. On Sunday April 3rd, for morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples. C. Price, W. Coombes, J. Pitcher, Fred. Pitcher, J. Harris, J. Clutterbuck, A. Rowley conductor, J. Aldridge. On Sunday, April 10th, for morning service, 308 Grandsire Triples. J. Aldridge, T. Cox, J. Harris, F. Pitcher, W. Biss, J. Clutterbuck, A. Rowley conductor, C. Oram. On Monday, April 11th, for practice, 504 Grandsire Triples. Serg. Dawe, T. Cox, J. Pitcher, W. Miller, J. Aldridge, J. Clutterbuck, A. Rowley conductor, H. Day. On Sunday, May 8th, for service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. C. Price, J. Harris, W. Biss, J. Aldridge, J. Clutterbuck, A. Rowley W. Coombes conductor, T. Cox.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

GARGRAVE.—At St. Andrew's Church, on Saturday, June 11th, an attempt was made for 5184 Treble Bob Major with the bells muffled, it being the first anniversary of the death of the Rev. C. J. Marsden, Vicar of Gargrave for 54 years. All went well for 2 hrs. 1 min., when down came the tenor rope, a splice having drawn. All were deeply disappointed, not so much at the loss of the peal as the loss of the opportunity to pay, in the manner peculiar to their calling, a tribute of respect to their late revered head.

### THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Sunday, May 3rd, at All Saints' church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. A. Hensman, W. Rogers, H. Rainbow, A. P. Hensman, J. T. Hensman, H. Blundell, W. Farey conductor, W. J. Allen. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

### THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EPSOM (Surrey).—On Friday, June 24th, the King's birthday, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins. A. Young, A. Bassett, A. Brown, F. W. Challen, D. Snelling, A. Shrubbs, W. Gearing conductor, A. Coleman.

### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HEMPSTED (near Gloucester).—On Sunday evening May 29th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 45 mins. A. R. Lulham (1st quarter-peal), W. B. Jones, A. T. Webb, C. Boxwell, Geo. Taylor conductor, Geo. Nash.

### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

SEDGLEY (Staffs).—On Sunday, June 12th, after Divine service, to celebrate the 81st birthday of J. Devenport, who has rung in that tower for upwards of 60 years, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. J. Goodman, J. Devenport, E. Screen, F. Bradley, W. Mills, J. Screen conductor, F. Bennett, R. Speakman.

### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHATTERIS (Cams).—At the parish church, on Sunday, April 1st, six 6-scores of Bob Doubles, called differently, in 25 mins. H. Moxon, I. Moxon, P. Smith, G. Basham, A. Abrams. On April 2nd, for practice, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. J. McGill, A. Abrams, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, G. Basham. On Sunday, April 8th, for evening

service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. H. Moxon, A. Abrams, P. Smith, G. Basham, I. Moxon. On Sunday, 15th, for morning service, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, P. Smith, A. Abrams, G. Basham. Also three 6-scores of Bob Doubles for evening service by the same band. On Monday, 16th April, for practice, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, A. Abrams, D. Crashlay conductor, H. Basham. On Sunday, 22nd, for morning service, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, G. Basham, A. Abrams, D. Crashlay conductor, S. Parsons. Four 6-scores for evening service. J. McGill, G. Basham, P. Smith, D. Crashlay, conductor, A. Abrams. On Monday, 23rd, for practice, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, P. Smith, G. Basham, A. Abrams.

HURSLEY (Hants).—On May 27th, at the parish church, a 720 of Grandsire Minor was rung to welcome the Rev. H. Larnar back from his honeymoon. J. Pannell, J. Richards, R. G. Hunt, W. H. Mason (first 720), W. Jones conductor, H. Westbrook. On Saturday, June 4th, a 720 Bob Minor. J. Pannell, C. Fray, J. Richards, A. Marks, W. H. George, W. Tucker conductor. And 360 Bob Minor. J. Pannell, C. Fray, J. Richards, A. Marks, W. Tucker conductor, W. Jones. Also 360 with W. Jones, 5, and W. Tucker conductor. 6. The above was arranged for Messrs. George, Tucker, Fray and Marks, from Eastleigh and Stoneham respectively.

LINSLADE (Bucks).—At the church of St. Barnabas, on Sunday, May 22nd, for afternoon service, 168 Grandsire Triples. W. Botsford, F. Vickers, W. Seabrook, J. Nash, J. Nicholls, G. Bonfield conductor, W. Webb, W. Holiday.

NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).—Recently at the parish church, a 360 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., W. Tucker conductor, W. Rowe, sen., A. Marks. On Wednesday, May 18th, two 360s. E. Mundy, C. Fray, W. H. George, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. Tucker. On Wednesday, June 1st, 720 Bob Minor, with E. Dumper, 1, the rest as before. On Wednesday, June 8th, 360 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, E. Dumper, C. Fray, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. H. George conductor. Also 720 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, C. Fray, W. H. George, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. Tucker conductor.

RED HILL (Surrey).—On Thursday, May 19th, for practice at St. John's church, 350 Grandsire Triples. W. Streeter, H. Ewins, A. Bashford, G. Croucher, W. Pottle, H. Reeves, H. Card, H. Edwards. And 504 Stedman Triples. H. Ewins, W. Hersey, F. Linter, H. Reeves, J. Ansell, G. Croucher, H. Card conductor, H. Edwards. And on Thursday, May 26th, a 518 Grandsire Triples. R. Gear, G. Thompson conductor, A. Piper (Eastbourne), W. Bashford, W. Pottle (first 504), H. Reeves, H. Card, H. Edwards. On Sunday, May 29th, for morning service, a 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Streeter, (first quarter), A. Piper, A. Bashford (first quarter), H. Reeves conductor, H. Ewins, G. Croucher, H. Card, H. Edwards. On Thursday, June 2nd, a 630 of Grandsire Triples. H. Reeves conductor, H. Ewins, H. Bashford, A. Piper, W. Pottle, G. Croucher, H. Card, H. Edwards.

STONY STRATFORD (Bucks).—On Saturday, May 21st, at the parish church, a 360 Bob Minor. A. Giles, E. Yates, A. Clarke, C. Valentine, R. Plumb, W. Tucker conductor. On Sunday, May 22nd, for morning service, 360 Bob Minor. A. Giles, E. Yates, H. Clarke, C. Valentine, H. Tucker, W. Tucker conductor. And for evening service, a 720 Bob Minor. A. Giles, R. Plumb, E. Yates, H. Tucker, C. Valentine, W. Tucker conductor. On Monday, May 23rd, a 720 Bob Minor, A. Clarke, R. Plumb, H. Tucker, W. Bonham, W. Tucker, C. Valentine conductor.

TROWBRIDGE (Wilts).—Recently, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples from Holt's Original. W. Hulbert, W. MacAffrey, S. Aldom, J. Hayward, W. J. Prescott, A. J. Hulbert, W. Hill, J. Holman.

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## THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES.

The Second Session of the Fifth Council was held in the Shoolroom of St. Michael-le-Belfrey, York, on Whitsun Tuesday, May 24th, when forty-four out of eighty-nine representative, and four out of eleven honorary members were present. Of thirty-five Associations six were fully represented, nineteen partially so, and ten were not represented.

The President, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., presided. Letters expressing regret that they could not attend were read from Revs. T. L. Papillon, A. H. Boughey, C. E. Matthews, and from Messrs. Trollope and Saker.

The Hon. Treasurer presented the annual statement of accounts, which was as follows: Balance in hand at the previous meeting, £103 5s.; Subscriptions, £10 15s. (two Associations, viz., Ely Diocesan and Birmingham District being in arrears). Against this there had been hire of room and reporting meeting of 1903, £3 17s.; printing Peal Collection, £24 8s. 6d.; printing Glossary less £2 11s. 3d. received for advertisements, £28 3s. 9d.; Postage and small sundries, £1 2s. 6d., leaving in hand a balance of £56 8s. 3d. On the motion of Rev. F. E. Robinson, seconded by Mr. N. J. Pitstow, the accounts were passed.

The Hon. Secretary read the account of Sales and of publications in hand as furnished by Messrs. Bemrose and Sons, the Council's publishers.

It was proposed by the Hon. Secretary, and seconded by the President, that a vote of condolence with the family of the late Mr. F. W. J. Rees be passed, and that the Council express its appreciation of the useful work accomplished by Mr. Rees as one of its members. The resolution was passed in silence, all the members rising.

On the motion of Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, seconded by Mr. R. S. Story, the Rev. A. H. Boughey and Mr. W. H. Thompson were re-elected honorary members.

On behalf of the Standing Committee the Hon. Secretary presented the reprint of the Glossary to the Council, and on the motion of Rev. H. J. Elsee, seconded by Rev. H. A. Cockey, a vote of thanks was unanimously accorded to Rev. G. F. Coleridge for his labours in correcting the proof for press.

Dr. A. B. Carpenter, Mr. H. Dains and the Hon. Secretary reported progress in the matter of the Peal Collection.

The President reported on behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Rings.

The Hon. Secretary presented the pamphlet of Rules and Decisions drawn up by the President and himself in conformity with last year's resolution of Council.

The Press and Popular Book Committee reported that owing to various unavoidable circumstances not much had been accomplished, but that matters were fairly hopeful. The Committee was continued in office.

With respect to the question of overlapping areas the President, on behalf of the Standing Committee, reported that the Committee were of opinion that the matter could best be dealt with through the influence of members of the Council and Association Secretaries.

Mr. W. Snowdon, in continuing a discussion adjourned from last year's meeting, moved that while the Council does not desire to encourage single-handed handbell peals, it offers no objection to them when rung under special circumstances. This was seconded by Rev. F. E. Robinson.

Mr. H. White moved, and Rev. H. L. James seconded, an amendment omitting the words "under special circumstances." A further amendment was moved by Rev. H. J. Elsee, and seconded by Mr. A. T. King, to the effect that "While it is the opinion of the Council that a peal rung single-handed retained in hand according to old custom is technically a peal, nevertheless such a performance is to be discountenanced."

The original resolution and amendment having been withdrawn, Mr. Elsee's amendment was passed with one dissentient.

On the motion of the Rev. H. Drake, seconded by Rev. H. A. Cockey, the question of points for these peals was referred to the Committee on Points, the Rev. H. L. James at the same time giving notice that he would bring the whole question of Points for handbell peals before the Council next year.

It was proposed by Mr. H. Dains, seconded by Mr. A. B.

Bennett, and carried, that the Committee on Legitimate Methods be re-appointed, with the addition of the Rev. E. Banks James, and that it be an instruction to the Committee to classify methods and report thereon to the Council.

It was moved by Mr. W. Snowdon, and seconded by Mr. A. B. Bennett, that Mr. R. S. Story be added to the Committee on Points *vice* Mr. J. W. Washbrook, and that the Committee be asked to consider the advisability of allowing 40 points for peals in Seven Surprise Minor Methods, and 25 points for peals in Seven Treble Bob Methods having "broken leads." The resolution was adopted.

On the motion of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by the Rev. H. Drake, it was resolved "That the Council urges upon its individual members the importance of lending the weight of their influence in their several Associations to the adjustment of the geographical boundaries between their own and contiguous Associations and to any other question tending to promote smoothness of working."

It was proposed by Rev. H. A. Cockey, seconded by Mr. R. S. Story, and carried, that "In view of the continuance of the practice of publishing peals under the title of more than one Association, it is desirable to impress upon ringers the necessity of loyally carrying out the resolution passed by the Council in 1893."

Rev. F. E. Robinson moved, and Rev. G. F. Coleridge seconded, a resolution to the effect that "In the opinion of the Council it is desirable that promising ringers should be given the opportunity of learning how to conduct." Carried.

On the motion of Rev. G. F. Coleridge, seconded by Rev. F. E. Robinson, Canterbury was selected as the place of meeting next year.

A vote of thanks to the President, moved by Rev. F. E. Robinson, seconded by Mr. W. Snowdon, concluded the meeting.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## "A GOOD RECORD."

SIR,—Referring to the letter of Mr. West with regard to a record for ringing for Divine Service on Sundays, the Bottesford band (Framland Society, Leicestershire) commenced to ring on the first Sunday in October, 1884, and rang for morning and evening service on every Sunday except one Sunday evening, up to October 12th, 1902, when the bells became unringable. We then chimed the bells till put in the founder's hands, and since the bells were re-opened on December 17th, 1903, have rang every Sunday since. A record is kept of every attendance for morning and evening service, and two or three of the ringers have not missed once in four years. At the time we had six bells we often had not more than seven ringers, some of the time only six; now we have had two new trebles added we have eight ringers. I think ours is a very good record. Change-ringing was done on every occasion—Plain Bob and Grandsire.

S. BAKER.

## AN OMISSION.

SIR,—Your issue of June 25th contains an account of a peal of Bob Major rung on handbells at Cambridge on Monday, June 20th, in which the name of the Umpire, S. G. Grantham, is not mentioned. I should be much obliged if you would kindly correct the omission in your next issue.

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**The Kent County Association.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting will be held at Speldhurst to-day Saturday, July 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea will be provided at The George and Dragon inn at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting.

W. LATTEK, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, to-day, Saturday, July 16th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Meeting 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Brown Edge to-day, Saturday, July 16th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec. pro. tem.*

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—A meeting of the members of the North and East District of this Association will be held at Edgware to-day, Saturday, July 16th. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend. The bells will be raised at 4.30 p.m.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Hunts Archdeaconry.—A district meeting of the above will be held at Hemmingford Abbots on Saturday, July 16th. Tea will be provided at The Axe and Compass at 4.30.

G. D. COLEMAN, *Dist. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Thomas's church, Helmshore, to-day, Sat., July 16th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30.

W. ASHWORTH, *Branch Sec.*

**The North Notts Association.**—The mid-summer quarterly meeting will be held at Anston to-day, Saturday, July 16th. Kiveton Park Station (G.C.R.) one mile

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Sudbury District.—A branch meeting will be held on Saturday, July 23rd, at Haverhill. The tea and meeting will be held at the Vicarage, when the Vicar of Haverhill will take the chair. The tower of Haverhill (6 bells) will be open to the ringers. It is hoped to arrange for ringing at some of the neighbouring towers.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, *Dist. Sec.*

**The Halifax and District Association.**—The next general meeting of the Association will be held at Denholme on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells ready from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock. Headquarters, The Gate hotel.

WRIGHT INGHAM, *Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at St. John's, Sidcup, on Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting in St. John's Hall, at which the Rev. E. B. Spurgin will preside. T. GROOMBRIDGE, "Oakleigh," Chislehurst. *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Banstead on Saturday, 23rd July. Tea at the Coffee Rooms, High Street, Banstead, at 6 o'clock. Business meeting after. Tea will be provided only for those advising me by Wednesday previous, to annual subscribers gratis, and to others (who

are cordially invited) at 1s. 3d. per head. The bells (6) at Kingswood (S.E. and C. Rly.) will be available from 3.0 to 5.0, and those at Banstead (8) after the tea, by kind permission of the respective incumbents.

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**The St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly and annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 26th, at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair to be taken at 8.30 p.m. The attendance of every member is earnestly requested for the transaction of important business.

W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

**The St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.**—On Saturday, July 30th, there will be unveiled in the ringing chamber of the parish church, St. Martin's, a tablet recording the only peal of Forward Maximus yet rung. The Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon of Birmingham, the Rev. J. W. Diggle, M.A. has promised to conduct the ceremony at 4.30 p.m. The attendance of members, with lady and other friends, is cordially invited. W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Treve-thin, Pontypool, on Saturday, July 30th, at 4 o'clock. Bells (8) available.

REV. CANNOP L. PRICE, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*

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**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 30th, at St. James's Church, Whitfield, Glossop. Bells ready at 4 o, business meeting at 7.0. All ringers invited.

CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

**The Essex Association.**—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with. C. H. HOWARD.

37, Bank Street, Braintree.

**THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.**

**HEAVITREE (Devon).**—On Sunday, June 19th, prior to evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples from Holt's Original was rung with the bells half muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. J. Searle, who was a member of the Heavitree Society. W. Hancock, W. Youlden, T. Laver, W. Burroughs, W. S. Lethbridge, W. Boundy, F. J. Shepherd conductor, W. Nethercott. On Sunday, May 1st, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. W. Hancock, W. Youlden, T. Laver, J. R. Sandover, C. Baker, W. Burroughs, F. J. Shepherd conductor, W. Lowton.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**MARKET DRAYTON (Salop).**—On Wednesday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. E. Weatherby, W. Weatherby, H. Hall, T. W. Peake, J. Clark, A. Crawley, R. T. Holding conductor, G. Hall.

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### Ringers' Outings.

THE HEAVITREE SOCIETY, DEVON, held their sixth annual outing on Saturday, July 2nd, going in brakes to Tiverton, Halberton and Cullompton. Lunch was partaken of at Bickleigh after a thunder shower, Tiverton being reached about 11 o'clock. Here ringing was indulged in on the fine toned bells of St. Peter's, a couple of hours being pleasantly occupied giving each a turn with touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Dinner was laid in the assembly room of The Angel hotel, where ample justice was done to a substantial repast under the presidency of the Vicar, supported by Mr. Nethercott. Starting again at 3.0, the next stage was Halberton, where the beautiful rectory grounds and charming little church evoked general admiration. A few 120s of Doubles were rung here, but the striking was somewhat irregular in consequence of new ropes having to be used.

On arrival at Cullompton a telegram bearing good wishes was received from Mr. Ferris Shepherd, the father and leader of the band at all previous outings. The church bells were raised and started in changes, when the order came to stop for a Sunday School Conference meeting; at

the same time the treble rope broke, which concluded the day's ringing. Tea was the next item, a feature of which were the strawberries, these being pronounced a fine sample. The homeward journey was commenced punctually at 7.30, a halt being called at Broad Clyst for supper. Another slight shower was experienced on the return journey, but this did not spoil the day's pleasure, all being agreed that a thoroughly enjoyable day had been spent.

THE ST. HILDA'S SOCIETY, MIDDLEBROUGH.—On Saturday, June 25th, taking advantage of an excursion up the dales, several members of the above band had a very enjoyable outing to Middleham, not with the intention of record breaking in the shape of peal ringing, but with a view to doing what we could towards assisting the local branch, of which Dr. Pauli is the head, to overcome the mysteries of the art. Arriving at Leyburn, a bus was in waiting to convey us the rest of the journey, where we were greeted by Dr. Pauli, who had everything in readiness for a start. The ringing done during our stay consisted of a 720 of Minor and various other touches in which Messrs. Pauli, Handley, Collinson and Jones took part; also a course of

Grandsire Triples on handbells, Dr. Pauli taking 7-8 and H. Jones 5-6. The visitors would here like to thank Dr. and Mrs. Pauli for their hospitality in providing for our wants, also Mr. Jones for taking us over the Castle ruins, which was greatly appreciated, and to the Rector for the use of the bells.

HARWELL (Berkshire).—At the parish church, on Sunday, April 25th, 240 Grandsire Doubles. G. Gardiner, W. Hitchman, V. Hitchman, L. Hitchman, I. Hitchman conductor, H. Clack. Tuesday, April 27th, 240 Grandsire Doubles. W. Hitchman, V. Hitchman, R. Caudwell, A. R. Bosley, I. Hitchman conductor, M. E. Caudwell. Also 240 Grandsire Minor. A. R. Bosley, V. Hitchman, R. Caudwell, M. E. Caudwell, I. Hitchman, W. Hitchman conductor.

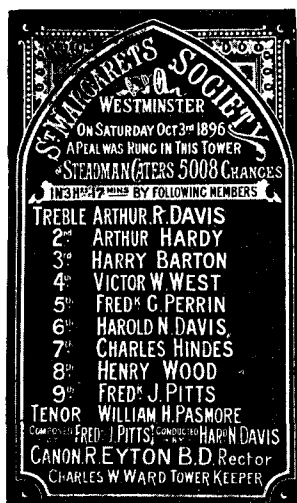
DORCHESTER.—At St. Peter's, on Sunday, June 19th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes, in 42 mins. T. Woolley, S. G. Hodges, F. Uphill, H. J. Coombs, J. E. Benger, C. B. Hurst, G. T. White conductor, M. P. Hiver.

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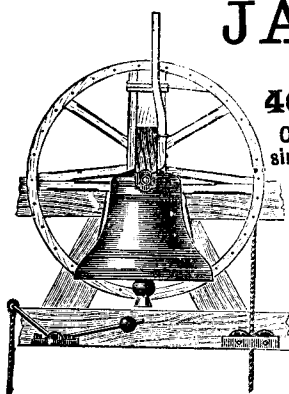
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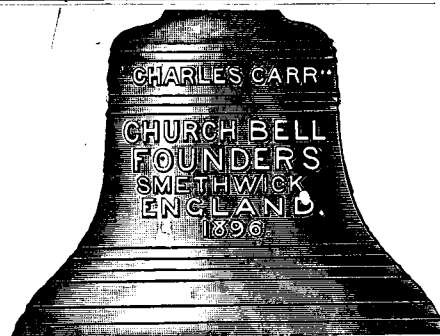
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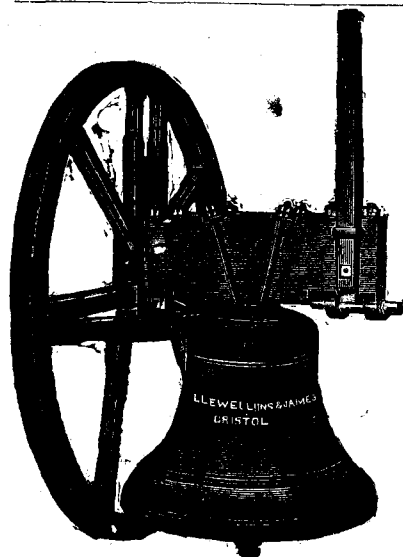
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SHEFFIELD (Yorks.)** All Saints. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Warner; 3rd, 5th and tenor, 1868, the rest 1880. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Warner 1903. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30; 1st in month also 2.15 to 3. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

**St. John the Evangelist.** Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Barwell 1878. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Shaw recently. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.

**Parish Church.** Yorkshire Association. Twelve bells. All by Mears. No date given. Tenor 41 cwt., diameter 5 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears 1893. Ropes good. Methods: "All the Standard." Sunday ringing: 9.30 and 5.30. No regular practice; arranged when required.

**SHENSTONE (Staffordshire).** St. John the Baptist. Eight bells. Treble and tenor by Warner 1864; 5th and 6th by Barwell, 1898; 7th by Taylor, 1864; the rest by Mears, 1813. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Barwell, 1898. Ropes new 1899, good. No half-pull or regular Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 7.

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NEWMARKET.

From time to time much money and care have been expended on St. Mary's church, and in 1887 the church was enlarged and great improvements effected which have tended to the better administration of the sacred offices and proved beneficial to the congregation. Nothing however was done then to the bells of the church, which for a considerable time have needed restoration, and it

has lately been found that the earliest possible attention should be given to them. For some years past Mr. F. C. Turner has taken great interest in the bells, and has endeavoured to get the authorities to move in the matter. The family of the late Mrs. Rogers (an old and constant worshipper at this church) having expressed a wish to give something to the church in memory of their mother, have handed the sum of £100 to be applied to whatever object the churchwardens thought best. Mr. Turner advised the Rector and wardens to utilize this as a start for the bell fund, which was done, and recently a committee consisting of the Rector, churchwardens and sidesmen was formed and Mr. Turner appointed hon. sec. and treasurer. Messrs. Taylor were invited to examine and report on the condition of the bells and to give an estimate for their thorough restoration. The result of this was that Messrs. Taylor found that the supporting beams upon which the whole of the frame and bells rest, were becoming quite dangerous, as their ends that go into the walls were decayed to dust, and it was quite possible a serious accident might occur at any time. The committee therefore decided to proceed at once with the work, and an appeal was sent out to the parishioners and subscriptions solicited. As the tower contained only a ring of five, and these in a minor key, Mr. Turner suggested that it would be a good opportunity to try and get another tenor added to make a major ring of 6. This the committee quite agreed to, providing the full amount required—£450—could be raised. In the meantime sufficient funds having come in to rehang the present ring of five, recast the 3rd and the frame constructed to carried six, the order was given to Messrs. Taylor, who have put up a splendid cast iron H frame on stout steel supporting girders. The bells have been retuned and refitted with cast iron headstocks, new clappers, and all the most modern improvements. On Sunday, July 3rd, during evensong, the re-dedication took place, the Rector, the Rev. H. B. Young, officiating. The collection was on behalf of the building fund. After the service some good touches of Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung as the congregation departed, and many were the remarks of praise on the striking improvement in the tone of the bells, whilst the ringers who took part, consisting of T. Taylor, P. Pindar, J. Keeler, T. H. Wiseman, W. Taylor, O. A. Moody and F. C. Turner were unanimous that bells could not possibly go better. The general wish expressed was that the new tenor might soon be obtained, which will make a melodious and handy ring of six. Mr. Turner was pleased to inform the ringers that about £30 was already in hand out of the £150 required to entirely complete the work.

Ringling was continued for about an hour, after which the company dispersed, thoroughly satisfied with what had been accomplished.

### BLACKPOOL.

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## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

Twenty-one years ago the third annual festival was held at Windsor. The Royal borough was re-visited by the Guild for the same purpose on Monday, July 11th. In glorious sunshine, tempered by a cooling breeze, the authorities accorded us a most hearty welcome. The Rev. J. H. Ellison, his organist and choir, the Dean of Windsor, Mr. A. G. Nutt, Mr. Miles and Mr. Kendrick, were especially active in our interest and we return them our best thanks. About 170 members attended, among whom were the Rector, the Rev. F. E. Robinson, Canon Blagden, Revs. G. F. Coleridge, C. W. O. Jenkyn, E. J. G. Forse and Morgan Rhys, Messrs. E. C. O'Brien, hon. A. Erskine, J. F. Barlow, W. Newell, J. C. Truss, J. E. Hern, W. H. Fussell, J. Swain, A. Osborne, T. H. Taffender, T. E. Glanville, S. Paice, J. J. Jones, J. J. Parker, A. Andrews, J. Hawkins, G. Martin, J. Pether, F. Hopgood, W. P. Routh, J. E. Hedges, W. Horne, A. E. Reeves, A. W. Truss and T. Pontin.

The following towns in union with the Guild were represented: Beenham, Burnham, Compton, Peasemore, Reading, Tilehurst, Wokingham, Newbury, Highmore, Ducklington, Princes Risborough, Gt. Haseley, Checkendon, Streatley, Chipping Norton, Lane End, Slough, Farnham Royal, Maidenhead, Sonning, Shiplake, Great Marlow, Winkfield, Stone, and outside the Guild, Guildford.

The day's proceedings began with a peal rung at Slough, which has already been recorded in this paper. At noon a service was held in the parish church, when a most encouraging address of welcome and counsel was delivered by the Vicar of Windsor, the Rev. J. H. Ellison, which was listened to, as it deserved, with great attention. The business meeting followed at 12.45 in the parish room in Church Street. After the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting at Witney, and of four committee meetings, and the election of officers, Bletchley was chosen as the venue for the annual meeting in 1905, and Stone for the autumn meeting in 1904. A resolution to the effect that the branches should in future devote two-thirds of their subscriptions, instead of half, as at present, to the purposes of the Guild, was carried unanimously, and the life composition by resident ringers was raised from 7s. 6d. to 15s. The Rev. G. F. Coleridge gave a full and interesting account of the last meeting of the Central Council. It was agreed that the salary of Mr. A. E. Reeves, the assistant secretary, should stand at £12 per annum. The dinner was attended by over 150 members in the Guild Hall, and was presided over by the very Rev. Dr. Eliot, Dean of Windsor. It was admirably catered for by Mr. W. Borlase, of The Ship inn, Church Sireet.

The toast of the King was proposed by the Dean, and loyally drunk.

The Vicar of Windsor having to leave early, the Rev. F. E. Robinson proposed the toast of "The Church," coupled with the Vicar, and expressed thanks to him for his helpful sermon. The Vicar, in acknowledging the toast, said they felt themselves honoured by such a body of men coming to Windsor and taking part in a service in the church. He hoped they would take away with them pleasant memories of their visit to Windsor which would remain with them for many a long year.

The Dean of Windsor proposed the toast of the day, that of "The Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers," to which they belonged as members. He saw by the Guild report that they were in a prosperous condition;

they had a master than whom none could be better; they had 1,300 members, though he had no doubt they wished that number increased, and they had a balance in hand of funds to their credit. These three things seemed to show that their institution is in a flourishing condition. He thought it an extremely good thing that there should be a guild of bellringers of this character. It made very much for the art to which they had devoted themselves, viz., church bell ringing. If they were merely associated with half-a-dozen bell-ringers each in their own parish, and knew no one outside, their art would stand still even if it did not go back; but when they were associated with other bell-ringers, as their Master would say, that was one way in which it could be encouraged and improved. So, for the sake of the art itself it was a very good thing that there should be a Guild of Bell-ringers, not simply a small number in each parish, but associated together in the Diocese of Oxford. Then he thought a Guild of that sort, churchmen as they were, tended to promote a sense of brotherhood one with another. It was a very great thing indeed that there should be a sense of brotherhood among church people. It was the idea of church people that they should all be brothers together, and anything of that sort that made them feel that they belonged to one another was of great advantage to themselves and the nation. Then he thought a Guild of this kind went a long way to promote a sense of responsibility with regard to their work. It was much more likely that a man would try to be the best bellringer possible if he was associated with a Guild like this than only in his own parish. The chances were that he would not take much pride in it if he only rang for services and occasionally for weddings. But when they met together on such a day as this, it increased the sense of responsibility, and he thought every man present was much more likely to do his best to become the best bellringer, for the reason that he belonged to a Guild of bellringers. It increased the sense of responsibility because it reminded those who were associated with the Guild that they were doing service for the Church. It was not a mere pastime; they were doing good work for the Church. And it was a very good thing that people should feel wherever they were placed, that they belonged, not only to the Church, but that they had the privileges of the Church, and the blessings of the Church, and also that they were bound to do something for the Church according to the opportunities and abilities God had given them. They were using their abilities in this direction in the service of the Church. They should remember that it increased their sense of responsibility that wherever they were they should be in conduct and character what good churchmen ought to be. Some years ago it was necessary to do some repairs to the weathercock of a church in Birmingham, of which a brother of his was Vicar. When it was brought to the ground it was very much larger indeed than it appeared to be on the top of the spire. When it was opened a little tin case was found in it, and in that a newspaper giving an account of the battle of Waterloo, and a sheet of paper giving the names of the ringers who rung on the day the weathercock was put up, and how much beer was drank on that occasion. He thought they had a greater sense of the fitness of things in these days, and that if they had their names inscribed in any weathercock in the diocese of Oxford, they would not care that the first thing posterity should read was that they drank so many gallons of beer. He had cited the story to show that there is a better state of things to-day, and when

people belonged to a Guild of this sort they felt they were called to do service for the Church, that they should do it in the right way, and that their conduct should become them and the Church to which they belonged. He trusted they would have as many opportunities of such service as their Master would desire they should have; he hoped that they would grow and flourish, and that many parishes and towns would join their Guild, so that their Master, pleased as he might be with the work of the institution during the last twenty years, might be all the more pleased when he could no longer ring a bell himself. He wished their Guild all prosperity and blessing, and coupled with the toast the name of the Master, the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson, in acknowledging the toast, referred to the growth of the Guild, and that a new branch had been started in North Bucks. He expressed his thanks to the Dean for his presence in the chair, and for his address.

The health of the Dean of Windsor, proposed by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge (Rector of Crowthorne), and acknowledged by Dr. Eliot, ended the toast list.

The members of the Guild afterwards visited the belfries of St. John (Old Windsor), and Slough, while a party of sixty were most kindly shewn the Albert Memorial Chapel, the Round Tower, the Castle and its beautiful gardens by the Clerk of the Works, Mr. A. Y. Nutt, and Mr. Kendrick. They subsequently returned to their various homes after one of the pleasantest anniversaries in the history of the Guild.

#### THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 9th, a quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Halesowen, a very good number of members representing twenty-two towers, from various parts of the diocese being present. Evensong was said in the fine old church at five o'clock by the curate, and a very pointed and practical address delivered by the Rector, Rev. J. C. Hill, from the words "And who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?" 1st Chronicles, xxix. 5. Following the service a free tea was provided in the school-room, the viands with the cup which refreshes, which had been placed upon the table, being much enjoyed. Tea being over, the members adjourned to the Church house, where the business meeting was held, presided over by the Rector. The minutes of the last quarterly meeting being read and confirmed, it was resolved that the next meeting be held at Clent in September. The election of members took place, amongst them being the Revs. J. C. Hill, Rector, and E. W. C. Horner, senior curate, Dr. T. Brett-Young, rector's-warden, as honorary, and the Rev. W. E. Davis Winstone, junior curate, as a performing member (Halesowen), the Rev. A. F. Daughlish, curate-in-charge (Rowley Regis), Dr. T. E. Mitchell and J. Billingham, Esq., churchwardens (Old Hill), as hon. members, and several other performing members from Badsey, Grimley and Upton-on-Severn.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rector, churchwardens, &c., for the bountiful tea which had been partaken of and appreciated, to the Rector for his able address at the service, for the use of the schoolroom, tower and bells, also to the organist and choir for their services. The bells, which are in a good ringing condition, were kept going during the afternoon and evening, touches of Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, Superlative, Double Norwich

&c., being rung. A very fine view is obtainable from the tower, of which many of the ringers availed themselves, places of historic interest being pointed out by some of the local ringers.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Hunts. Archdeaconry was held at Hemingford Abbots on Saturday, July 16th, and on the arrival of the members the bells were soon set in motion, a 720 of Bob Minor being rung. Tea was provided at The Axe and Compass, followed by the business meeting, at which the Rev. C. Brown presided. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and passed, the chairman very cordially welcomed the Association to Hemingford, and hoped that the members would spend an enjoyable afternoon.

The Rev. J. M. Clarkson in a few kind words expressed his pleasure at the progress the members were making, and he wished them success.

Four new members were proposed and elected. It was decided that the next quarterly meeting be held at Whittlesea on October 15th, and it was suggested that if possible it should be a combined meeting of the Hunts. Archdeaconry and the Isle of Ely Archdeaconry, the District Secretary being requested to make the necessary arrangements.

Votes of thanks to the chairman and to the clergy terminated the meeting. During the day six 720s of Minor were rung, being one of Kent Treble Bob, one of Oxford Bob, and four of Plain Bob. Courses of Bob Major were rung on the handbells.

#### LATE NOTICE.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

NORTH AND EAST DISTRICT.

A meeting of this Association will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, the 13th of August. The bells will be raised about 5 o'clock. Members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend.

ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

#### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### FALSE PEAL.

SIR,—It is my painful duty to inform the Exercise and my friends that the peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major rung at Shere on July 2nd of this year and duly reported in your columns, is false, it having been pointed out to me by Mr. Bennett, to whom I feel very grateful. Hoping my friends who were unfortunately in the peal will forgive me for my carelessness; also apologising to you for having troubled you in publishing it.

JAMES HUNT.

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## A WEEK'S HOLIDAY IN SCOTLAND.

To those readers of "THE BELL NEWS" who have never yet visited the Land o' Burns we would give the advice to seize the first opportunity of so doing. Its picturesque scenery with hills in the background extending sometimes for miles, and the locks lying in the valleys studded with pleasure steamers and yachts, has often been described in works of fiction and periodicals devoted to various pursuits, while from our own particular point of view, although a ringer's scope is limited, given sufficient time for necessary arrangements to be made, a good ringing and pleasure tour can be carried out. Since the year 1899 when a purely holiday trip was made, ringing has undoubtedly made great strides north of the Tweed, a most useful and handy ring of eight having been put in at St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh, and a fine ring of ten placed in the tower of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Glasgow, an entire local band at the former having already rung a 5040; while at the latter the St. Mary's Society are making good progress in the elementary stages. At the Metropolitan Cathedral of St. Mary there is established a good Society who appear to be on the high road to the accomplishment of great things, the services of a competent instructor having been engaged, enthusiasm and zeal being exhibited on all sides. The tourists had the good fortune to be able to score a peal of Grandsire Caters with this company, and which has duly been recorded. The bells are really a magnificent ring of ten, tenor 42 cwt. in C., by Taylor, while the internal arrangements and fittings for the general convenience of ringers are all that one could possibly wish for. On the following Tuesday the ardour of the Edinburgh men was put to a practical test when seven of their number (some having to obtain special leave from business engagements, and at short notice) journeyed to Glasgow, met the three holiday makers and attempted the first peal on the before-mentioned ring at St. Mary's Episcopal church; but this unfortunately came to grief after about 2 hrs. ringing. There appears to be some little objection by a few of the inhabitants to the ringing of the bells, but if enthusiasm and perseverance on the part of the St. Mary's Society can in any way overcome this objection, it will surely soon disappear. After the breakdown Mr. Sykes, the Secretary, invited the band to supper, and which, needless to say, was thankfully accepted. The failure was indeed a keen disappointment, as the first 5000 on these bells has yet to be accomplished. To the Rev. J. Methuen and Mr. Sykes (of Glasgow), Messrs. Ellis, Price, Barber, Heathcote, Fyfe and other members of the St. Mary's and St. Cuthbert's Societies, Edinburgh, we tender our sincere thanks for helping to make our tour a success and pleasure. When not in tower or handbell ringing we were by no means idle; apart from the various places of interest in Glasgow and Edinburgh, including climbing to the summit of the well known Arthur's Seat, the following places were visited: Rosslyn Chapel and Castle, Hawthornden Castle (the home of the Bruces), Polton, Portobello, Wemyss Bay, Greenock, Helmsburgh, Ballock, Loch Lomond, Bon Hill, Jamestown, Dumbarton, Stirling, Falkirk, Grahamstown and Grangemouth, where the London boat was joined. A good selection of photographs was taken of scenery, churches, etc., by Mr. Sinkins, and many pleasant incidents occurred which are altogether too numerous to mention. Let it suffice to say that we safely landed at the Carron Wharf, London, much better in health and spirits, and deficient only

financially, a visit to the Strand relief office, being absolutely necessary before our respective homes could be reached. S.

## SOME ACCOUNT OF THE CHURCH BELLS OF MARKET WEIGHTON, YORKSHIRE.

A committee for repairing the church was appointed at a parish meeting August 23rd, 1774, consisting of Messrs. Christopher Megson, Wm. Brighton, Edward Botterell, Benjamin Edwards, George Flint, Wm. Vawser, with the Vicar and churchwardens for the time being.

This committee was authorised to spend a sum not exceeding £250 "exclusive of the money that should arise from a church brief."

Probably the brick top was built to the tower at this time.

On the 28th January, 1783, a parish meeting resolved to exchange the three old bells, valued at £117, for six new ones to cost about £206, exclusive of hanging. The sum actually paid for the bells was £92 4s. 0½d., being only a little more than the estimated difference between the value of the old bells and the cost of the new.

William Clarkson and James Hopwood were paid £34 for making the bell frames and T. Gardoms £1 10s. 6d. for ropes.

The following is a copy of a memorandum of the weight of the new bells entered in one of the registers:—

New Wharf, York, Sept 10th, 1783.

Weighed from Mr. Geo. Dalton to the parishioners of Market Weighton, 6 bells as under (per Henry Mills.)

	cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
1 bell	9	2	13
1 do.	7	0	22
1 do.	5	2	3
1 do.	5	0	10
1 do.	4	0	22
1 do.	3	1	9
6 bells	34	3	23

The largest bell measures 69 inches across the mouth.

The inscriptions on the bells are as follows:—

- 1st. Te Deum laudamus,
- 2nd. Bonum est laudare Jehovah.
- 3rd. Vocamus Venite Vigilate Orate.
- 4th. In jucunditate soni sonabo.
- 5th. Laus, honor Deo et Gloria in Excelsis Halleluia.
- 6th. Soli Deo Gloria; Pax hominibus.

George Skelding, Vicar, W. Brighton, W. Vawser, churchwardens.

The first, third and fourth bells have also "Dalton York fecit 1783," and the second and fifth "Dalton fecit York, 1783."

The height of the tower from the ground to the base of the pinnacles is 64 feet.

## INSCRIPTIONS ON SHIPTON BELLS (NOW SHIPTON THORPE):—

- 1st. (smallest) Gloria in Altissimis Deo 1730.
- 2nd. (crack't.) + Sanc Ta Mari A ORa Prono Bis.

Before the cross is a sort of escutcheon bearing three bells.

The letters are in old church text and each capital is surmounted by a crown. The arrangement of the letters is exactly as given here.

KERESLY (Warwickshire).—On Sunday, May 29th, for morning service, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. W. H. Horwood, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, A. W. Flowers, J. H. White conductor. Also 240 Bob Doubles. S. Hope, J. H. White, W. Maund, A. W. Flowers, W. H. Horwood conductor.

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## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of the Western Division was held at Heene, Worthing, on Saturday, July 2nd, a fairly good muster of ringers being present. Ringing commenced soon after 4 o'clock and continued at intervals till 5.15, when the members adjourned to the Church Room for tea. The company present were the Rector, Rev. J. P. Fallowes, in the chair, Rev. G. R. Leefe, Vicar of Goring, H. C. Gibbs, Esq., churchwarden, Mr. A. B. Bennett, hon. sec., H. Evans, div. sec., and representatives from Arundel, Brighton St. Peter's and St. Nicholas, Goring, Heene, and Steyning, numbering twenty-three. Tea being over, the chairman rose and said he was sorry he must leave as he had to conduct a service, he, however, addressed a few words to those present, in which he remarked on the progress of the association, and alluded to the strong competition of the "Challenge Bell" during the past year. The chair was afterwards taken by the Vicar of Goring. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and two new members were elected to the Goring branch. Mr. Evans proposed that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Arundel, the last having failed. Mr. Bennett proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector of Heene and the Vicar of Goring for their attendance, and presiding, to which the Rev. G. R. Leefe responded. The cost of the teas were kindly defrayed by the Rector of Heene.

The tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob and Double Norwich Major were rung till 8.30.

West Tarring tower was also visited, and a well-struck 720 of Bob Minor was rung by the following: F. Hayler, J. Smart, H. Evans, G. Morris, R. J. Dawe, B. Bassett, conductor.

## VISIT OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN TO ST. GEORGE'S-IN-THE-EAST.

On Thursday, July 14th, the parish of St. George-in-the-East was honoured by a visit from Her Majesty the Queen, who, accompanied by Princess Victoria, attended the Flower Show and Bazaar held in the grounds adjoining the church. The bells were rung just before Her Majesty's arrival and again at the time of Her Majesty's departure, the proximity of the tower to the tent making it imperative that the bells should be silent while the ceremony of inspection lasted. Handbells were however brought into requisition, the ringing of which from the outside of the tower produced an effect which, if not novel, was certainly very delightful. Under the guidance of the Rector, the Rev. F. St. John Corbett, Her Majesty was pleased to inspect the stalls of the Bazaar, and the large marquee which held the flower show exhibits. From the latter Her Majesty bought a basket of exquisite flowers, and also made purchases at many of the stalls. The streets *en route* were gaily decorated, and it goes without saying that both on arrival and departure Her Majesty received a most enthusiastic welcome. It was a happy day for all who took part in the ceremony; it was a great and memorable day for all those who witnessed it. The bells were rung by members of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, the band being made up partly of local ringers and partly of friends of the local ringers, who readily responded to the invitation.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.

## A CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

On Saturday and Sunday, July 2 and 3, the members of the Leytonstone (Essex) Society decided to have their annual two days' outing, but from the first it seemed as if that fatal number—"13"—would mar this year's festivity. We met at Stratford station on Saturday, July 2nd, at 6.30, only to learn that our Secretary (Mr. W. Keeble) had met with an accident which prevented him from coming with us, but this however did not turn out so serious as was expected. Taking train for Sudbury (where we made our headquarters) the handbells were soon brought into use. Arriving at our first journey's end we were soon on the road for Monks Eleigh, and here occurred another misfortune, two attempts for London both failing. Time not allowing for another a short touch was rung. Adjourning to The Bull for dinner a capital repast awaited us, provided by host Farthing, who kindly gave us some amusing tales in rare Suffolk style of his bygone courting days. The next place on the programme was Hitcham, and here we found everything ready, a 720 of York being brought round, also touches of Treble Bob. Coming out of the belfry we were welcomed by the Rector (Rev. R. R. Cobbold) and Sir Cuthbert Quilter, M.P., who complimented us on our good ringing. Making tracks for Preston on our way thither we met Mr. A. Symonds, of Lavenham, who had got all ready for us. A start was made for Kent, which was lost in the last lead. Then London was attempted; this also was doomed to fail through the breaking of a rope. The time getting on we were compelled without further delay to resume our journey to Lavenham, this place being the chief attraction of the day. Arriving there, and tea having been partaken of, we made our way to the tower and rung a touch of Grandsire Triples; then Double Norwich was attempted, but it came to grief through a rope breaking. Then another start for Triples, and another rope breaking ended the day's ringing at Lavenham. Driving on to our headquarters at Sudbury for the night (The Christopher hotel) we were pleased to meet our Secretary, who had arrived some time before, and after attending to the inner man bed was enjoyed for a few hours. Sunday morning saw us up and doing: meeting at St. Gregory's to ring for early service a touch of Bob Major, and two out of three courses of Stedman, when out came the clapper of the 5th. Returning for breakfast we next visited All Saints, and the melodious music of the bells was soon heard to the tune of Double Norwich, 864 being rung in fine style. After dinner a visit was paid to St. Peter's and a touch each of Bob Major and Stedman was the result, this finishing the ringing. Then tea and tracks were made for the station, all safely reaching home in due time. Our best thanks are due to the clergy for the use of the bells, and also to Messrs. Sillitoe, of Sudbury, and Symonds, of Lavenham, for making arrangements. G. D.

## Obituary.

## HARRY SMITH.

It is with much sorrow and regret that we have to announce the death of the above-named ringer, which took place at his father's residence. The deceased who was only twenty-two years of age, succumbed to that terrible disease, rapid consumption, having only stopped work about two months. He was a very earnest and painstaking ringer, having begun to learn about four years ago, during which time he had rung nine peals in the Plain and Treble Bob methods. His loss will be keenly felt, as the local company can ill afford to lose a good ringer in the country district where they are situated. He was carried to his last resting-place by two of the ringers, who learnt at the same time as he did, and two of his fellow-workmen from the building works where he had been employed as a joiner, and interred in the churchyard at Saxmundham, followed by his many relatives and other ringers from the neighbourhood. Immediately after the funeral a well-struck 720 of Treble Bob was rung with the bells deeply muffled; and also in the evening other touches in various methods were rang by members of the Kelsale and Saxmundham companies. Among the mourners were Messrs. Fenton and Thompson (district secretary of the Norwich Association), W. Drew, J. Avis, G. Berry, W. Cooper, W. Fleming, W. Fisher, W. Rose, G. Thompson and A. Lincoln. May he rest in peace.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JULY 23, 1904.

THE Dean of Windsor is a courteous and accomplished gentleman. The occupant of such a position in the Church as he holds is bound to be so, and he is not one whit behind any of his predecessors in the office in courtesy, kindness, and good breeding. We read of him in this number as having taken part in the proceedings at an important meeting of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, where his presence was most welcome to the members. And the very rev. gentleman told to his audience an anecdote respecting a weathercock, which afforded them some hilarity.

Our readers will be able to read this funny story. Unfortunately it gives another instance of that now almost worn-out legend which characterised all ringers as being fond of alcohol, in a greater degree than any other class of the community. The belief in the legend has not

altogether died out yet; we get references made to it now and again. Of course ringers, like other people in these old times, drank beer when they wanted it. Perhaps they couldn't afford to drink wine, like many of the clergy used to do in the Georgian era, so they quenched their thirst with what they could get. But why should the habit be fixed upon ringers more than others?

We read last week about one of nature's noblemen—a change-ringer—by name SAMUEL LEE. Mr. DANIELL has, with his usual thoroughness of research, given us a biographical sketch of this worthy, and he stands out as one in whom the ringing Exercise of every age may well be proud of. If there are any people living who still believe in the legend of beery ringers, a perusal of this sketch will be sufficient to disabuse them of such belief. Well may Mr. DANIELL say that the writings of such a man as SAMUEL LEE is an overwhelming rebuke to the unworthy references to the Exercise of the past. "LEE must have known all that there was to know about change-ringers and their ways, and hence no higher tribute can be offered to the respectability of the Exercise in general than the tone of the allusions to it by this well-informed and high-minded writer."

Coming back to the principal feature of the Dean's story, it will be considered a great pity that the weather-cock with its interesting contents was not preserved for the benefit of posterity. Many ringing societies would have been glad to have added it to their collection of curios, and we believe Mr. A. T. KING, who is a most earnest antiquarian, would have spared no effort to have secured it for his museum.

Just as we are going to press we hear of the death of Mr. WILLIAM BARON, for many years a prominent member of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths. The funeral will take place at Nunhead Cemetery this day, Saturday, July 23rd. The cortege will leave 19, Seeker Street, Waterloo Road, at 2.30 p.m.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, PUTNEY,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE .. Treble.	HENRY S. ELLIS .. .. 5.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS .. 6.
HENRY R. NEWTON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 7.
JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 4.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

### The Provinces.

#### TUNSTALL, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

F. CUTTING .. .. Treble.	J. STARLING .. .. 4.
D. LEGGETT .. .. 2.	W. LEGGETT .. .. 5.
C. E. FISHER .. .. 3.	W. SAWYER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

#### YORKTOWN, SURREY.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

HENRY WM. BOYLES .. Treble.	HENRY L. GARFATH, SEN. 5.
HENRY L. GARFATH, JUN. 2.	BEN CHORLEY .. .. 6.
ALFRED SMITH .. .. 3.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. 7.
HENRY HUTTON .. .. 4.	CHARLES JEFFERY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES WILLSHIRE.

The above was rung by eight Oddfellows for the Friendly Societies Hospital Parade.

#### PULHAM, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 14, 1904, in Two Hours Forty-four and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES BORRETT .. Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 2.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 6.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 3.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. 7.
JOHN SOUTER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK BORRETT.

First peal in the method on the bells.

#### REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

WALTER BARRETT .. Treble.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 5.
JOHN JACKSON .. .. 2.	GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. 6.
JAMES BETTS .. .. 3.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. 7.
JAMES TANN .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. P. BRICE.

#### MELKSHAM, WILTS.

#### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. in E flat.

REV. W. E. POYNTON .. Treble.	ARTHUR WEST .. .. 5.
ALFRED LAWRENCE .. .. 2.	THOMAS RICKETTS .. .. 6.
WALTER S. BURBIDGE .. 3.	WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. 7.
ARTHUR W. ANGEL* .. 4.	SYDNEY HILLIER .. .. Tenor.

(No conductor mentioned.)

\*First peal with a bob bell. Rung to celebrate the marriage of the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, chief Secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, which took place on Tuesday, July 12th. The Rev. W. E. Poynton was elected before starting.

#### BOSHAM, SUSSEX.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Cambridge, Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

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ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5072 CHANGES. Tenor 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT .. .. Treble.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 5.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. 2.	HENRY DAINS .. .. 6.
ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 7.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT.

## KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.

WILLIAM FLEMING* .. .. Treble.	*GEORGE BERRY .. .. 5.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM FISHER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM DREW .. .. 3.	*JOHN W. AVIS .. .. 7.
F. GORDON THOMPSON* .. .. 4.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

\*First peal of Double Norwich. First peal in the method on the bells.

## BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 21 $\frac{3}{4}$  cwt.

FREDK. T. C. NEVETT .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 2.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and  
Conducted by HENRY R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells.

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DEFECTIVE REPORT.—A peal of London Surprise Major rung by members of the Middlesex County Association has been sent without the name of the place being mentioned.

## Date Touches.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BECCLES.—On Tuesday, July 5th, for practice at St. Michael's church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Caters, in 1 hr. 18 mins. G. E. Symonds, C. E. Parnell, E. Poppy, T. L. Wilson, H. Reynolds, G. Baxter, H. Hopson, W. Spalding, H. Ling, R. Freestone. Arranged and conducted by G. E. Symonds from one of A. Knight's peals.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GRENSTEAD GREEN.—On Wednesday, June 22nd, a date touch of 1904 changes, being 1184 of Bob Minor and 720 of Oxford, in 1 hr. A. Saunders, W. Root, W. Burst, G. Arnold, W. Wiffen, E. Ridgewell conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late Vicar, the Rev. R. Hart.

## Miscellaneous.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CIRENCESTER.—On Trinity Sunday, for Divine Service in the evening, a 1556 of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 49 mins. H. Lewis, C. Eden, F. J. Eden conductor, J. J. Jeffries, S. Moore, H. C. Bond, Sidney M. Loxton, H. Clutterbuck.

COLN ST. ALDWYNS.—On Thursday, June 2nd, at the parish church, for practice, a 720 Bob Minor. C. C. Mustow, H. Lewis, C. Bate, F. J. Lewis, S. M. Loxton, J. Kitchener conductor.

## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

RAINFORD (Lancashire).—On Sunday, May 15th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples. W. Bentham conductor, E. Bentham, J. Major, J. Hodson, H. Meadows, H. Fisher, W. Major, J. Watts. For evening service 518 Grandsire Triples. W. Bentham conductor, E. Bentham, J. Major, J. Hodson, H. Meadows, J. Watts, W. Major, P. Harvey.

HALSALL (Lancashire).—On Saturday April 30th, at St. Cuthbert's church, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 28 mins. T. Taylor, J. Sholicar, J. Pilkington, J. Taylor, W. Fairclough, W. Bentham conductor.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BOURNEMOUTH.—On Thursday, May 26th, at St. Peter's church, 360 Bob Minor. C. Forfeit, Miss Gilbanks, G. Smith, E. Waters, H. W. Stanley conductor, C. Goodenough. Also 252 Stedman Triples. G. Smith, T. Green, F. Phillips, T. Best, E. Waters, C. Goodenough, conductor, H. W. Stanley, C. Forfeit. On Sunday, May 29th, for Divine Service, 336 Stedman Triples. E. Waters, E. Green, F. Phillips, G. Smith, W. Kerley, C. Goodenough conductor, H. W. Stanley, C. Merrifield.

WEYBRIDGE.—On April 20th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major. W. Shepherd, F. Shepherd, A. Woodrow, Rev. E. Carpenter, C. Hamblin, W. Redman, G. Emery, G. Woodis conductor.

HERSHAM.—On Sunday, May 8th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. W. Freeland, G. Woodiss, A. Woodrow, W. Shepherd, F. J. Shepherd conductor, C. Hamblin, sen., G. Emery, C. Hamblin, jun.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HELMESHORE.—On Sunday, June 5th, for Divine Service at Holy Trinity church, 720 Bob Minor. R. Hill, T. Redman, H. Houseman, G. Rawcliffe, A. Atkinson conductor, R. Rawcliffe.

## THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

BOLSOVER.—On Sunday, June 5th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, 1312 changes, in 45 mins. W. Lambert conductor, G. W. Bemrose, F. R. Kettleboro, T. Bettison, F. Wagstaff, E. Richards, J. Goodwin, J. Flint. Arranged for E. Richards, who hails from Greenwich.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

MALVERN LINK.—On Trinity Sunday, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. J. Brown, E. E. Barber, F. Bryan, F. Hall, R. McCann, H. T. Knowles conductor.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SUNBURY-ON-THAMES.—On Sunday, May 29th, for Divine Service

at the parish church, 720 Grandsire Doubles, with 4-6-8 covering. Mary L. Todd, P. Abbott, F. Goddard conductor, F. Shepherd, F. G. Alford, F. Smith, H. E. Dare, C. Abbott. Miss Todd, who hails from Tiverton, Devonshire, was elected a member before starting.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

**BRAINTREE (Essex).**—On Monday, July 18th, for practice at the parish church, 1280 Double Norwich Major in 46 mins. W. Sadler, C. H. Howard, A. B. Wiffen, E. Newman, H. E. Hammond, G. H. Sentance, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor.

#### THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

**CAMBRIDGE.**—On handbells, double-handed during the May Term, 216 Stedman Caters, 305 and 395 Grandsire Caters. E. H. Lewis, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, F. S. Poole, B. H. T. Tyrwhitt-Drake. 336 and two 504s Stedman Triples, and 700 Grandsire Triples. E. H. Lewis, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake. 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, and 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. E. H. Lewis, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, B. H. Tyrwhitt-Drake. Three 720s of Bob Minor. A. O. C. Langridge, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, E. H. Lewis. On June 21st, at the church of St. Andrew the Great, 224 Double Norwich. Rev. H. B. Woolley, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, F. S. Poole, E. H. Lewis, Rev. W. W. C. Baker, H. S. T. Richardson, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Rev. H. Law James conductor.

**ALLESLEY (Warwickshire).**—On Saturday, June 4th, at the parish church, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. W. Maund, W. H. Rees, A. W. Flowers, T. Hope, J. H. White conductor. And 240 in the same method. J. H. White conductor, A. W. Flowers, W. H. Rees, W. Maund, S. Hope. Also 240 Bob Doubles. W. Maund, A. W. Flowers, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, J. H. White conductor.

**GREAT YARMOUTH.**—On Sunday, May 29th, for morning service, a short touch of Grandsire Caters. F. Pestell, W. Arnott, H. Wright, E. H. Lewis, R. Christian, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, J. Godfrey, D. Hayward, G. Oxford, C. Harding. Owing to a rope breaking only a short touch could be rung, which the local ringers much regretted, as Messrs. Lewis and Richardson could not attend in the evening, they having to get back to Cambridge.

**KIDDERMINSTER.**—On Sunday, March 20th, for evening service at the parish church, 480 Stedman Triples. T. J. Salter conductor, N. Davis, A. Jones, C. H. Woodberry, J. Reynolds, J. Crane, C. Beaman, J. Woodberry. On Sunday, March 27th, for Divine Service in the morning, 504 Stedman Triples. N. Davis, A. Jones, E. J. Brooks, T. Bennett, C. H. Woodberry, J. Crane, T. J. Salter conductor, H. Martin. On Sunday, May 1st, 480 Stedman Triples. T. J. Salter conductor, W. R. Small, N. Davis, E. J. Brooks, T. Bennett, J. Crane, C. H. Woodberry, J. Woodberry.

**SELLY OAK (Worcestershire).**—On Wednesday, June 29th, for the wedding of Miss Mary Cole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Cole, of Selly Oak, and Mr. Thomas Izon of King's Norton, a 420 of Grandsire Triples. A. E. Pegler, A. Chambers, H. Withers, W. Mumford, S. Grove, J. Dowler conductor, E. T. Allaway, O. Stanworth. And 288 Kent Treble Bob Major. O. Stanworth, A. Chambers, A. E. Pegler, E. T. Allaway, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, J. Dowler, H. Withers conductor. And 224 Bob Major. W. Mumford, A. Chambers, E. T. Allaway, A. E. Pegler, S. Grove, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, J. Dowler, H. Withers. Also four courses of Stedman Triples. H. Withers, A. E. Pegler, W. Mumford, A. Chambers, E. T. Allaway, J. Dowler, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn conductor, O. Stanworth.

**STOKE (near Coventry).**—On Monday, May 23rd, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. A. H. Flowers, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Horwood conductor. Also 360 standing as before. And 240 Grandsire Minor. W. Maund, J. H. White, W. H. Rees, S. Hope, A. W. Flowers, W. H. Horwood conductor. On handbells, 360 Grandsire Doubles. A. W. Flowers, 1-2. J. H. White conductor, 3-4, W. Maund, 5-6.

**YORKTOWN (Surrey).**—On Sunday morning, July 10th, at St. Michael's church, 742 Grandsire Triples (taken from Holt's Original). G. Miles, B. Chorley, A. Smith, H. L. Garfath, jun., W. J. A. Ives, H. L. Garfath, sen. conductor, C. Willshire, T. P. Kemp. And 120 and 224 changes Bob Major. A. Smith, W. J. A. Ives, G. Miles, H. L. Garfath, jun., H. L. Garfath, sen., C. H. Pearce, B. Chorley, C. Willshire conductor. And for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples E. Travers (longest touch), C. Willshire conductor, H. L. Garfath, sen., G. Miles, C. H. Pearce, A. Smith, W. J. A. Ives, G. Prime.

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**HITCHAM (Suffolk).**—720 York. H. Torble, S. Hayes, G. Hayden, J. Mardell, W. Miller conductor, J. Moule. 120 Plain Bob. W. Doran conductor, F. Gill, S. Bird, T. Cranfield, G. Dawson, J. Mardell.

**PRESTON (Suffolk).**—A 720 of Kent failed in the last lead.

**LAVENHAM (Suffolk).**—350 Grandsire Triples. W. Doran conductor, H. Torble, W. Miller, — Fitzjohn, J. Moule, J. Mardell, G. Hayden, G. Dawson. 240 Double Norwich. W. Doran conductor, T. King, W. Miller, S. Hayes, J. Moule, J. Mardell, G. Hayden, H. Torble. On handbells a course of Grandsire Caters. J. Mardell, J. Moule, C. Hopkins, C. Sillitoe, H. Torble. Also a course of Grandsire Triples. S. Bird, T. Cranfield, W. Doran, F. Gill.

**SUDBURY (Suffolk).**—At the church of St. Gregory 240 Bob Major. G. Dawson, C. Hopkins, S. Hayes, W. Doran, J. Moule, W. Miller, J. Mardell, W. Keeble conductor. At the church of All Saints 864 Double Norwich. W. Keeble conductor, W. Doran, W. Miller, J. Moule, S. Hayes, J. Mardell, G. Hayden, H. Torble. And 576 Kent Treble Bob. W. Keeble conductor, W. Doran, J. Mardell, S. Hayes, J. Moule, W. Miller, G. Hayden, H. Torble. At St. Peter's church 224 Bob Major. G. Dawson, F. Gill, S. Bird, T. Cranfield, S. Hayes, J. Mardell, J. Moule, H. Torble conductor. And 168 Stedman. F. Gill, W. Keeble conductor, S. Bird, T. Cranfield, S. Hayes, H. Torble, W. Miller, G. Dawson. 168 Grandsire Triples in a cart shed. W. Doran, J. Moule, W. Keeble conductor, W. Miller. At The Christopher hotel a course of Bob Major. J. Moule, F. Gill, W. Keeble, S. Bird.

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**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Sudbury District.—A branch meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, July 23rd, at Haverhill. The tea and meeting will be held at the Vicarage, when the Vicar of Haverhill will take the chair. The tower of Haverhill (6 bells) will be open to the ringers. It is hoped to arrange for ringing at some of the neighbouring towers.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, *Dist. Sec.*

**The Halifax and District Association.**—The next general meeting of the Association will be held at Denholme to-day, Saturday, July 23rd. Bells ready from dinner. Business meeting in schoolroom at 6 o'clock. Headquarters, The Gate hotel.

WRIGHT INGHAM, *Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at St. John's, Sidcup, to-day, Saturday, July 23rd. Bells available at 4 p.m. Meeting in St. John's Hall, at which the Rev. E. B. Spurgin will preside. T. GROOMBRIDGE, "Oakleigh," *Chislehurst. Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting will be held at Banstead to-day, Saturday, 23rd July. Tea at the Coffee Rooms, High Street, Banstead, at 6 o'clock. Business meeting after. The bells (6) at Kingswood (S.E. and C. Rly.) will be available from 3.0 to 5.0, and those at Banstead (8) after the tea, by kind permission of the respective incumbents.

CHAS. DEAN, JUN., } *Secs.*  
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**The St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly and annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 26th, at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair to be taken at 8.30 p.m. The attendance of every member is earnestly requested for the transaction of important business.

W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

**The St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.**—On Saturday, July 30th, there will be unveiled in the ringing chamber of the parish church, St. Martin's, a tablet recording the only peal of Forward Maximus yet rung. The Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon of Birmingham, the Rev. J. W. Diggle, M.A. has promised to conduct the ceremony at 4.30 p.m. The attendance of members, with lady and other friends, is cordially invited. W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*  
61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Trevechin, Pontypool, on Saturday, July 30th, at 4 o'clock. Bells (8) available.

REV. CANNOP L. PRICE, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their quarterly meeting on Saturday, July 30th, at St. James's Church, Whitfield, Glossop. Bells ready at 4.0, business meeting at 7.0. All ringers invited.

CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Portsmouth District.—A district meeting will be held at Shedfield, near Botley, on Saturday, July 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Sams Hotel, 5.30. Meeting after.

J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, on Saturday, July 30th. As the committee are having a meeting there the same day it is hoped there will be a good attendance of branch members.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, July 30th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. at The White Swan hotel. FREDK. BARRACLOUGH, 29, Elsworth Place, Armley. *Hon. Sec.*

**The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—Meeting at Tanfield on Saturday, Aug. 6th. The eight bells in St. Margaret's church are open for ringing after 2.30 p.m. Tea at The Peacock inn at 5 o'clock, 9d. each. Committee meets at 4 o'clock. Notification of attendance to reach secretary by August 2nd at the latest.

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**The Essex Association.**—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with. C. H. HOWARD.  
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### Ringers' Outings.

THE ST. STEPHEN'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.—Saturday, July 9th, and prospects of a beautiful day, which brought joy to the members of this Society, was the commencement of their annual two days' outing. Homersfield, Caversham, Loughborough, Irthlingborough, Lewes, and Saffron Walden having been visited in consecutive order, Bedford was decided upon this year. It was unfortunate that all the party were unable to go together in the morning, business preventing several getting away. However, 10 o'clock saw seven of the "independent" ones at St. Pancras, and thanks to a fast train Bedford was reached shortly after 11.0, and a move was immediately made to The King's Arms hotel, our headquarters. The 1.0 train brought two others to swell the number. Dinner was the next order, which, needless to say, was greatly appreciated by all. Boating was the afternoon programme. On reaching the river business appeared to be very brisk, only one boat being available, and after a little difficulty all were comfortably seated aboard, and a course steered up the river. On the return journey two other members were met, who

were also taken aboard. The boat now appeared rather full, the stern being about two inches above water. Fortunately all went well until the landing stage was reached, when, owing to a weighty one of fourteen stone or so suddenly getting out of the bow, the stern commenced to disappear under water, and several reached terra firma rather wet. This, however, did not damp their ardour. After tea St. Paul's tower was visited, the bells being a magnificent peal of ten, and touches of Double Norwich Royal, Stedman Caters and London Surprise were rung, after which a musical evening with local ringers concluded the day, 11 o'clock coming round all too soon. Six o'clock next morning saw the majority dressed and out, and several indulged in a dip in the river. After breakfast waggonettes were waiting, and a pleasant drive of about three miles brought us to Cardington, a beautiful church, containing one of the finest peals of eight bells we had ever heard. Here courses of London, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise were rung for morning service, also three courses of Stedman Triples, after which a circular drive brought us back to headquarters in time for dinner. Our departing time arrived

all too quickly, and with many cheers we steamed out of Bedford, St. Pancras being reached about 11 o'clock. All returned with recollections of a most enjoyable outing, and take this opportunity of thanking Mr. C. W. Clarke and other friends, also Messrs. Bailey and Drake, for adding to our enjoyment.

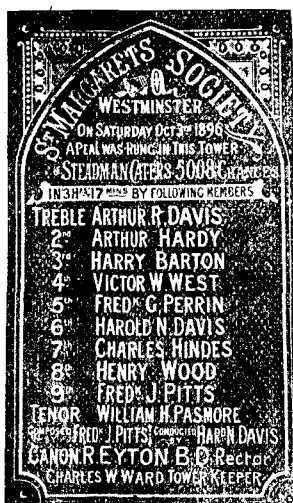
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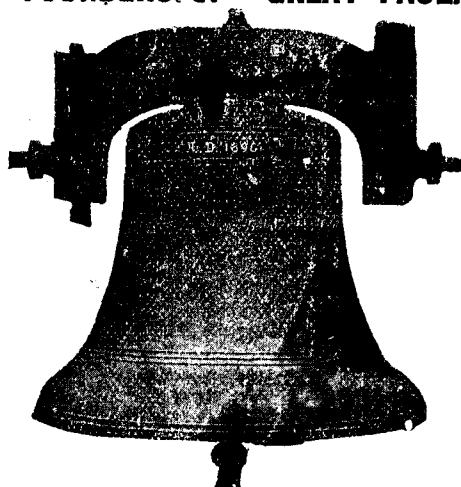
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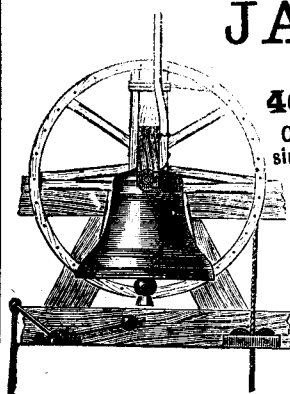
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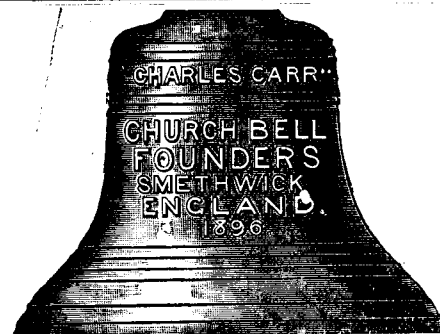
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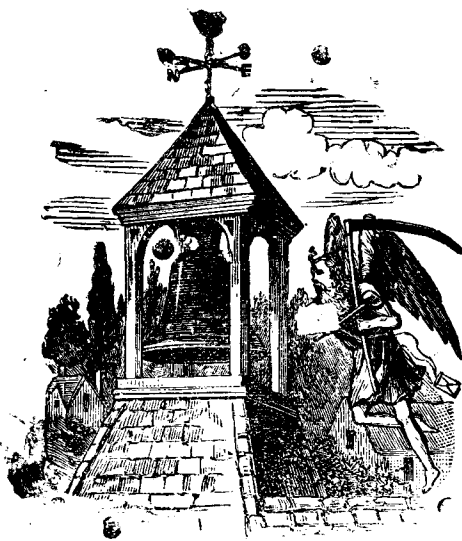
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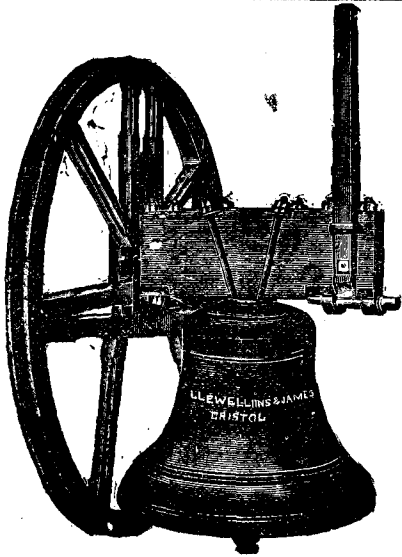
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SHEPshed** (Leicestershire). St. Botolph. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Taylor, 1895, the rest by Briant, 1805. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Taylor 1895. Ropes new 1895, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st and 3rd in month 10.30 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. No practice.

**SHEPTON MALLETT** (Somersetshire). SS. Peter and Paul. Eight bells; 3rd and tenor no name or date; 7th by Kingston, 1822; the rest by Rudhall, 1773. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. Repairs by York about 1875. Church authorities have taken no notice of ringers' demands for repair, probably owing to lack of funds. Ropes mostly bad. No half-pull or Sunday ringing or regular practice.

**SHERBORNE** (Dorset). St. Mary. Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Eight bells; treble, 2nd and 6th by Mears, 1858; 3rd and 7th by "R.A." 1653; 4th and 5th by Bilbie, 1803 and 1787 respectively. Tenor (by Warner, 1865) 48 cwt., diameter 5 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Warner about 1890. The soundbow of the 3rd is in a bad condition. Ropes good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30 in winter.

**SHIELDS, NORTH** (Northumberland). Christ Church. Durham and Newcastle Association. Ten bells; treble and 2nd, 1878 by Mears (?); 3rd and tenor by Mears 1874; the rest by the same 1788. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 5 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Canterbury Pleasure. Sunday ringing: 10.20 to 11, and 5.50 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

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## SOUTHILL, BUCKS.

The six bells in the above church have been rehung, and some of them quarter-turned by Messrs. Bowell and Son, Bell Founders, of Ipswich. On Friday evening members of the Bedfordshire Association from Bedford, Hitchin, Old Warden and Clifton assembled to try the bells, and rang 720 Kent Treble Bob, and touches in various other methods, all expressing their satisfaction with the "go" of them. The bells were cast by Briant in 1814, and are a musical peal in F sharp, the tenor weighing 13 cwt.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Chesterfield on the afternoon of Saturday, July 9th, when the various districts of the Association were fairly well represented, the bells at the church being well used by the visitors and local ringers until about 9.0 p.m., with the exception of the time devoted to tea and general meeting.

The Rev. Canon Hacking, Vicar of Chesterfield, had kindly arranged for the tea in his grounds, which kindness was much appreciated by all. Amongst those present at the subsequent meeting in addition to the Vicar were R. T. Dewe, esq., churchwarden, Rev. A. T. Beeston, J. W. Taylor, jun., etc. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed. One honorary member, the Vicar of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, and three ringing members were unanimously elected.

Replying to a vote of thanks the Vicar spoke of the great pleasure it gave him to welcome the Association to Chesterfield.

The Vice-president (Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun.), read a list of the peals rung by the Association during the past quarter, which were of an ordinary character, with the exception of the 11,008 of Double Norwich Court Bob Major rung at South Wigston, which up to the present is the longest peal rung by the Association in any method. In the course of his remarks Mr. Taylor said he was proud to be vice-president of the Association. He was present at considerable personal inconvenience, owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Taylor. He asked the members to give him their cordial assistance to carry on the good work of the Association.

Ashby-de-la-Zouch was chosen as the place of next quarterly meeting.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston proposed a vote of thanks to the vice-president for presiding, and a hearty welcome to him on this the occasion of his occupying the chair for the first time as vice-president of the Association.

The chairman having briefly replied, the meeting terminated.

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## THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 23rd, a special ringing meeting of this Association was held at South Wingfield, by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. F. Christian. Ringing members were present from Ashover, Alfreton, Swanwick, Ripley, Horsley, Tibshelf, South Normanton, Clay Cross, North Wingfield, Shirland, and South Wingfield. The Vicar kindly entertained the visitors to tea on the lawn, to which eighty sat down. Tea over, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the Vicar for kindly providing the tea and granting the use of the bells for the day.

Mr. Christian, in reply, said it gave him great pleasure to entertain the Association at South Wingfield. The bells had recently been rehung and a new treble added by Taylor, and they now had a good ring of bells. He liked to hear them rung, and said a good peal of bells well rung often meant a good congregation.

The bells were kept merrily going from 2 p.m. until nearly 9 p.m. with little intermission, both five and six-bell methods being rung by mixed bands. One and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and the first ringing meeting ever held at South Wingfield will be long remembered by all present, both in respect to numbers and the hearty welcome given to all visitors.

Five new members were enrolled from South Wingfield and four from other towers. The members wish to thank the tower-keeper (Mr. Hawksley) for having everything in readiness for the meeting, the "go" of the bells being all that could be desired.

## THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the above Society was held at Norton, on June 4th, and the weather being everything that was desired, quite a large number of ringers with their wives were tempted to this beauty spot, which is situated on the northern borders of Derbyshire, and the fine light ring of eight is one of the favorite peals in the district. After a most enjoyable walk through the country to the church, the bells were set going at 4 p.m. and continuously kept busy until 7.30 p.m. with Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob, Stedman, Double Norwich and London Surprise, representatives being present from Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Doncaster, North Wingfield, Ranmoor, Rotherham, Treeton, Walkley. All Saints, St. Marie's, and the parish church companies of Sheffield, and the local company.

Through the kindness of the Rev. G. W. Hall, the vicarage grounds were thrown open during the afternoon, and the members took the opportunity to inspect the splendid gardens, which was greatly appreciated. Owing to indisposition, the Vicar was unable to meet the ringers, but sent a most hearty welcome to all, and also invited to tea those who wished to partake of the same.

Later in the evening the business meeting was held at the "New Inn" kept by Mr. A. Slater, one of the Norton company, about forty members being present. One hon. member and three new ringing members were elected. Business over, the remainder of the evening was spent in harmony, during which a plentiful supply of sandwiches were placed on the table, most generously provided by the local company. Songs were given by Messrs. Evinson, Lewis, Ward, Palmer, Allan and Atkin, and the brothers Bugar gave a selection of tunes on the handbells. Also 162 Grandsire Triples were rung on hand by G. Lewis, A. Kettell, C. Glenn and M. Simmonite and 536 Bob Major,

by W. Allwood, S. Thomas, C. Glenn and L. F. Palmer.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. G. W. Hall and the Norton band, for the use of the bells, and for kindly providing refreshments, which was ably responded to by Mr. G. James and Mr. A. Slater. A break was made about 10.30 p.m. when the members dispersed in their various directions for home, all being unanimous in their declaration of having thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

## Obituary.

## JOHN HALEY.

Mr. Haley died after a short illness on Sunday morning, the 17th of July, at his residence in Holme Lane, Tong, Yorkshire, aged 71 years. The deceased had been connected with Tong parish church for more than half a century, first as an assistant in the choir, next for a long period as one of the change-ringers, and later he served for a term as parishioners' warden. Mr. Haley was well known amongst the ringing fraternity in this district as a careful and wherewithal unassuming exponent of the Art (one who was always anxious to make ringing worthy of its name) and especially a good six-bell ringer, as may be judged from the fact that he rang the tenor in a peal of 6000 changes in twenty-five different Treble Bob methods at Tong, on February 17th, 1883. The records of the Yorkshire Association, of which Society he had been a member since 1876, will shew thirty peals to his credit, many of them being on eight bells. Visitors to the belfry of Tong church, or members of other towers who have received a visit from the Tong company may probably best recall Mr. Haley from the fact that he invariably rang the tenor. The interment took place on Tuesday at the Tong Cemetery, the Vicar of Tong, the Rev. C. Farrow, B.A., conducting the service. In addition to the members of the family there were present many well known ringers, viz.: Messrs. J. Broadley (Bradford), J. W. T. Holgate (Yorkshire Association Secretary, Bramley), J. West (Birstal), C. Pratt, W. Hollings (Calverley), J. Ross, G. A. O. Nettleton and J. Lilly (Shipley), J. W. Moorhouse (Wakefield), P. Cordingley, T. Maude (Pudsey), and members of the Tong company—G. Bolland, W. Bolland, S. Oddy, E. Oddy, H. N. Towler, and Mr. George Pickard, a former member who commenced with Mr. Haley in 1850. In the evening muffled peals were rung as a tribute of esteem and respect for their departed friend.

## GEORGE PAGE.

The death of the above-named ringer took place on Tuesday, July 5th, at the Northern Hospital, Liverpool, in his 40th year, through the bursting of a blood vessel on the 4th. Deceased leaves a wife and four children. He had been connected with the tower of St. John's, Tue Brook, for the last 15 years. He was a member of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild, and an excellent striker. He had rung two peals of Grandsire Triples, his last touch being a 504 of Grandsire on the 3rd instant. His remains were interred on Saturday, July 9th, at West Derby Cemetery, the officiating clergyman being the Rev. R. T. Brockman, M.A., Vicar of St. John's. A number of beautiful wreaths were sent by relatives and friends, including one from the St. John's company. The bells were rung deeply muffled as the funeral passed the church en route to the cemetery. He was carried to his last resting place by four of his fellow ringers.

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## RINGER'S WEDDING.

On Tuesday, July 12th, at St. Michael's church, Winterbourne, Bristol, the marriage took place of the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, chief Secretary of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild, son of the late Rev. Francis Tilney-Bassett, Vicar of Dulverton and Prebendary of Wells, and Miss Alice Johnson, youngest daughter of the late Rev. James Thomas Johnson, Vicar of Bridwell, Oxon. The church was tastefully decorated, and the service, fully choral, was conducted by the Rev. A. T. S. Goodrich, Rector, brother-in-law of the bride, assisted by the Rev. H. H. Tilney-Bassett, brother of the bridegroom. The bells of Winterbourne and Devizes rang gaily during the day; and on the following Saturday Holt's ten-part peal was scored at Melksham in honour of the happy event. Among the handsome and useful presents which numbered considerably over 100, was a beautiful and well-toned peal of fifteen handbells by Shaw, twelve of which Mr. Bassett intends hanging in his hall, and the following inscription handsomely illuminated and framed: "Presented to the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett a set of fifteen handbells by the Salisbury Diocesan Guild of Ringers, on the occasion of his marriage, July 12th, 1904, as a small expression of the friendship he has won since he has been Secretary of the Guild."

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the eastern district of the above Association was held at Sawbridgeworth on Saturday, July 9th, when the bells were placed at the disposal of visitors by the Rev. H. Lipscomb, some well-struck touches of Stedman and Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Triples and Oxford Bob Triples being rung. Members were present from Hertford, Ware, Bishop Stortford and Little Munden, besides the local band. The Rev. H. W. Parker, curate of the above, was elected a member of the Association, and although a young ringer in change-ringing, took part in most of the ringing, and gives great promise of being a valuable acquisition to the Sawbridgeworth band.

A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells was proposed by Mr. G. H. Barker, and seconded by Mr. H. J. Tucker.

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## CROYDON PARISH CHURCH.

On Tuesday, June 28th, the Rev. L. H. Burrows, Vicar of Godalming, was inducted as Vicar of Croydon by the late Vicar, Canon Pereira, now Bishop of Croydon. A quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by A. Jones, F. Pates, E. Bray, W. States, A. Clark, W. Groves, W. Hill, F. Meads. On Sunday morning, July 3rd, on the occasion of the new Vicar reading himself in, 535 Stedman Triples. A. Jones, F. Pates, A. Clarke, E. Bray, W. Groves, W. States, W. Hill, J. Talbot. On Sunday, July 10th, for morning service, 571 Stedman by Messrs. Jones, Bray, Clark, Groves, Talbot, Pates, Hill, Dudley. For evening service 565 in the same method by Messrs. Jones, Pates, Clark, Groves, Bray, States, Hill, Meads.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

**THE PEAL AT ST. CLEMENT DANES.**—The above was originally arranged to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the formation of the above society; also as a birthday compliment to Mr. T. H. Taffender, but through the decease of an old and much respected member, Mr. W. Baron, also of a parishioner, Mr. Horrex, proprietor of Horrex's hotel, the bells were half-muffled.

**THE PEAL AT NORWICH.**—A peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Maximus was previously arranged, but failing to obtain the number this was rung instead as a welcome to Canon Pigot, he being elected as their President of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The second session of the Fifth Central Council has been held, and all have had the pleasure of reading the report of its proceedings. Some of us have been interested by its perusal, some have been amused; and some perhaps have not been either amused or interested. The discussion upon peals rung single-handed upon handbells was a pertinent one for consideration no doubt, but the attitude taken up by the President and Mr. White upon the question was a correct one. A single-handed peal can be obtained with one's eyes shut; the very idea of such a performance years gone by would have been scouted, and laughed to scorn. It is hoped that this subject will fail to appear next session, for in my opinion it is not worth the time spent on it. I feel almost certain that a record of such a performance would not appear among the peals.

It may be supposed that the discussion *re* conductors was *apropos*. Some think there are too many already; surely it is that there are too many who think they can conduct, and how often these people fail is well known. The old unwritten law was that the senior member (among the callers) called, if he was present; then the next leading caller, and so on. In the times of Haley and Cox, and their predecessors, no one would have had the temerity even to call the bells off, *i.e.* to say "go" if either of such celebrities were present. There is a story told concerning Mr. Haley in relation to this. On one occasion he was thought slower than usual in calling "go," and another member of the company did so. Mr. Haley immediately set his bell, and looking round the chamber asked who said "stop."

My experience of many years ago was this: We had one very good leader who always was expected to call whenever he was present; but this gentleman was fully aware that there were several ambitious "youths" among the company who were dying to extinguish themselves. To one or other of these he would turn round and say—"Would you like to call this evening?" The answer would of course be in the affirmative, and if the youth was found capable he was often so invited. Thus we had a good consulting conductor, as he might be termed, and several other younger hands who became capable in a short time. But the old leader was the man who governed, as it were, this part of the business, and not the slightest jealousy or friction emanated, the understanding suited all. And I would much prefer an unwritten law of this kind to any cast-iron arrangement such as who is to call one week and who the other.

Again by the word "conductor" in this discussion was really meant those who called the bobs. It seems a pity that the old word "called" has gone out of fashion. We know that between a mere bob-caller and a qualified conductor there is a great difference, though both qualities may be present in the same individual. There are those who can call, but cannot conduct, *i.e.* keep a weak ringer from going astray; there are others who cannot call, and yet "conduct," and these very often save the caller from a fiasco. It has happened before now, and perhaps will again, that a caller will select a company for a peal comprising more than one good conductor, who will be "down like bricks" upon any waverer. I have merely written this paragraph to favor the more frequent use of the word "caller."

The resolution on so-called illegitimate methods did not appear at all, but Mr. Trollope has explained the reason of this. We are to have it next year however; but it seems to me that some members of the opposition to the practice of such methods have changed ground. Did not a prominent member of the Committee lead us to suppose that all peals rung in such methods were not to be booked in future? Now it is said that only the practice of them is to be prevented. Very well. I need not refer to any other item of the C. C.'s agenda.

A great variety of events has happened since you last saw my signature—both foreign and domestic. As we open our morning papers nowadays we are at once attracted by some sensational headline or other. One evening paper the other week had a line—"Fall of Port Arthur," but not a word about such an occurrence anywhere. The political world is in some ferment just now and will remain so I suppose until another General Election takes place. Then there will be a change of masters, it is said. Further than this some men who have been prominent in the political world for years past will retire from it altogether. Sir William Harcourt for instance, the son of a clergyman and the nephew (or grandson) of an Archbishop. He is a barrister, and once was Solicitor-General, which office gave him his knighthood. I have been reading a volume of notes by the late Sir F. H. Doyle, who tells an anecdote of Sir William which may perhaps amuse you. "He bought a horse," says the narrator, "for one hundred guineas from a dealer in Oxfordshire. After the meeting of Parliament he got immersed in his briefs (he was then a Parliamentary lawyer, not an M.P.), and forgot all about the park hack waiting for his orders at Bicester. In the month of August, just before starting for Scotland, his memory came back to him, and he sent off in a hurry to his agent explaining, that perhaps, as he had no longer any use for it, the horse could be sold without coming to town. 'Certainly,' was the reply, 'but not now, in the autumn, for the sum you gave in the spring.' The hundred guinea horse only fetched seventy guineas, and yet Harcourt thought himself well out of the business. But, alas! when he applied for his money, he was met with this courteous rejoinder: 'Pardon me, but you have forgotten the keep of the horse, you have forgotten various other items, not to mention a farrier's bill or two. In point of fact, you owe me thirty shillings, but, under the circumstances, I will not insist upon that.' It has been often said that an active connection with that noble and useful animal, the horse, similar to that of the dealer above referred to, obliterates or blunts all ideas of honest trading.

The schedule of "Our Church Bells" occasionally contains some queer items. On individual in answer to the enquiry for information objected to such "inquisitiveness," as he called it. Perhaps he was one of those persons who have a fixed belief that the bells are their own property, and not only the bells, but the tower, church, parson and all. I think it a great pity, in fact a great shame, that more of the clergy do not take some little interest in the bells under their care. A little trouble on their part would in some cases prevent disaster. At the church of St. Mary, Pulham, Norfolk, we read that the lip of the 4th bell is chipped away! What Vandal did this? I am very much afraid that this is not a solitary instance of the sort. Such mutilations are done without the incumbent's or wardens' knowledge, with the view of making the bell

sharper or flatter, according to the whim or fancy of the operator. Such interference with the bells, generally by ignorant but conceited people, should be made a penal offence.

Ringers of course are campanalogists. So perhaps in a lesser degree—very much lesser—are town criers (sometimes called bellmen), pullers of the factory bell, and pikelet (or crumpet) vendors. But ringers will soon become archaeologists (this is a long word), and very practical ones too, if the much appreciated R. A. D. continues his studies, or I had better say “researches.” He has told us much more about the past than any one. With what interest must readers of the “B.N.” have perused his paper on the church of St. Bartholomew the Great in West Smithfield. (*En parenthesis*—what could he tell us of the Smithfield Martyrs). Then again his paper the other day—the two distinguished Samuels. The feeling prevails with all who reads Mr. Daniell’s writings that these old worthies are at hand, that they are still in the flesh, *i.e.* as neighbours, as brother-ringers; and wonders after reading whether they are dead or alive, the word-painting is so life-like and natural. Can he find no memoranda of those celebrated men—Holt, Annable, and Reeves, which may enlighten and interest us? Mr. Daniell’s teachings will make us all archaeologists, ecclesiologists, and antiquarians. And why shouldn’t we be.

I am told there was another celebrated ringer named Samuel Lawrence, who belonged to the Worcester company a long time ago. He used to be spoken of as a celebrated Treble Bob and Stedman ringer, a safe and sure man, highly respected, but not very much beloved by his compeers. He was a trifle eccentric, but to his credit, as some would say, he never lost a chance of bettering his condition when it came in his way. He was last heard of as a parish official in the village of Powick—pronounced locally without the “w.” Here he lived in a beautiful cottage surrounded by a capacious garden. He never met the village company—perhaps he spurned their society as being of the Churchyard Bob order, though many men in his position would have tried their hands at what is known as belfry reform. Peace be to his manes.

In my last contribution to this paper I referred to the records of Doubles and Minor in the peal columns. A correspondent followed the next week approving of what I said. Then other gentlemen had their say, but these latter missed the mark altogether, and wallowed in quite another track. I will try to make the matter plain to all concerned. This is what I wrote: “I consider the ringing of seven methods of Minor, especially Surprise or other Treble Bob methods, a splendid performance, and that they merit a distinction considerably above Doubles, or plain methods. What distinction can be given to such performances is for the learned to say. They deserve something more, certainly, than the forty-two 6-scores, even when they are called differently. Again, years ago no one ever thought of ringing seven 720s unless all the seven were unlike, *i.e.* in different methods; and a proposal to ring a method over again would be scouted.”

This seems to be plain enough. What was meant is that Doubles should not find a place among the peal-records, nor seven 700s of Minor unless rung in seven methods.

This is the old faith and belief. I doubt whether in the good old times any one thought of ringing seven 700s unless they were to be rung in different methods. But a laxity has sprung up of late years in this and other matters unfortunately. Forty-two 6-scores, even if called differently, seems to me a wretched performance as a pure ringing feat. Some people say that it is enough to drive an ordinary man out of his mind. The monotony must be awful, but that is no reason why it should be recorded as “a peal.”

We have just heard of the most surprising record within the memory of man. This record will be known as “the record of the weathercock,” and is one of the choicest anecdotes ever spoken or written. The name of the narrator will go down to posterity, *i.e.* to ringing posterity. The story will stand recapitulating. “Some years ago it was necessary to do some repairs to the weathercock of a church in Birmingham, of which a brother of his (the narrator’s) was Vicar. When it was brought down it was very much larger indeed than it appeared on the top of the spire. When it was opened a tin case was found in it, and in that a newspaper giving an account of the battle of Waterloo, and a sheet of paper giving the names of the ringers who rung on the day the weathercock was put up, and how much beer was drank on that occasion.”

At whatever church in Birmingham did this remarkable discovery transpire? Has the legend ever been heard of by the Birmingham men. I am afraid that the worthy Vicar in question was the victim of as complete a hoax as ever was perpetrated. Here my comments end for this week.

PLAIN SPEAKER.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents*  
To the Editor of “THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS’ RECORD.”

### A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION.

SIR,—It will be remembered by those of your readers interested, that some time since the draft of a protest (which was in due course adopted and signed by the Cumberland Youths and the London County Association and forwarded to the Archdeacon of Middlesex) appeared in your columns, on the subject of the assumption by the Middlesex Association, without reference to any other ringing body, of the title of a Diocesan Guild. The result of the correspondence which has taken place is that a special service of the London County Association is to be held at St. Clement Danes, on Saturday, October 29th next, at 6 p.m., at which the Lord Bishop of London has kindly consented to address the old London Companies. Details of the arrangements will be announced in due course, and it is hoped that the Bishop will be able to meet the Exercise for a short time after the service at some convenient place near the Church.

I am sure it will be felt that this is very kind of the Bishop, and that it entirely meets the situation, for by his offer he has quite wiped out the grievance of the old companies, which really comes to this, that they were as much entitled as any other body to Episcopal notice; and I am quite satisfied from the correspondence that the Rev. H. G. Bird, to whom the initiative of the additional title belongs, had no intention whatever of any discourtesy to anyone. He has written me a very frank and handsome letter, and expressed the pleasure it will give him to attend the service at St. Clement’s.

It therefore appears that a misunderstanding has been cleared up, and that there is plenty of room for us all to carry on our work in the future with mutual good will. I trust that ringers and their friends will rally round the Bishop and give him a hearty welcome on his introduction to the old companies.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JULY 30, 1904.

A letter from Mr. R. A. DANIELL, to be found in another column, agreeably informs us that a satisfactory solution has been found to those slight differences which an increase to the nomenclature of one of the metropolitan societies gave rise to. The conflict of opinion to which we allude is well known to those ringers who are concerned in the questions involved, therefore a repetition is unnecessary. Our position is to allude to the satisfactory settlement of the question, the existence of which at one time created a danger of the rupture of friendly relations between the principal parties concerned. Therefore all will rejoice, not only at this peaceable and satisfactory conclusion, but that the measures employed to do so have led to other favorable results for the Exercise.

The Bishop of London is a prelate who affects for the better whatever he sets his hand to. He is a member

of a family several of which have not only filled high positions in the Church, but have devoted themselves to measures having for their object the public good. One distinguished relative of his is still well-remembered and his memory honoured in that part of the country where his family has been located for so many years. We rejoice therefore that the Exercise has secured the countenance and co-operation of his lordship, and it is hoped he may become more and more identified with it. He will not be the first prelate who has done so, for we have a Welsh bishop who is a practical ringer.

It will lead to practical good if when the Bishop of London appears to address the London companies at St. Clement Danes, a good congregation of the members from all parts of London will assemble.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDERICK J. JEE* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM F. HARTSHORNE .. 5.
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Conducted by JAMES W. DRIVER.

\*First peal away from the tenor. †First peal of Grandsire Triples. ‡First peal.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Monday, July 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

FRANK TUBB .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
EDWARD CASSELL* .. 2.	ALBERT E. COLES .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 3.	GEORGE R. FARDON.. .. 8.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 4.	HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 9.
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER .. 5.	HENRY STUBBS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD, and

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\*First peal in the method; also on ten bells. Further reference elsewhere.

### Handbell Peals.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT FINSBURY PAVEMENT HOUSE, CITY,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 1-2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5-6.
WILLIAM PYE.. .. 3-4.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 7-8.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpires—J. W. Golding, H. R. Pasmore, A. W. Brighton, and A. T. King.

FARNHAM (Surrey).—On Whit-Sunday, for evening service, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. A. E. Smith, W. C. Cook (Tonbridge), T. Upshall, H. Garfath, jun., H. Garfath, sen., A. Smith, E. A. Bayley (Portsea), E. Bowditch. Composed by H. Garfath, jun. and conducted by H. Garfath, sen.

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### The Provinces.

#### PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. Treble.	ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	†JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. LAW JAMES, and Conducted by W. PYE.  
†First peal in the method.

#### DISS, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM IRELAND .. .. Treble.	GEORGE ARCHER .. .. 5.
FREDERICK ROOPE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. 6.
ALBERT WIER .. .. 3.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. 7.
JOHN SMITH .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT ..Tenor.

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

#### WASHINGBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

#### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, July 20, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

TOM PYLE .. .. Treble.	G. M. MORTON .. .. 5.
JOHN T. WELLS .. .. 2.	*FRED PYLE.. .. 6.
SIDNEY W. TINDALL* .. 3.	GEORGE CHESTER .. .. 7.
GEORGE FLINTHAM .. .. 4.	JOHN W. WATSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by GEORGE CHESTER.

\*First peal. Rung as a compliment to Mr. C. W. P. Clifton upon his recent marriage.

#### NORTH SHIELDS, NORTHUMBERLAND.

#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5004 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

THOMAS T. GOFTON ..Treble.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 6.
ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 2.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 7.
ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 3.	R. ALDER GOFTON .. .. 8.
EDMUND F. PRICE* .. .. 4.	JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. 9.
ALFRED F. HILLIER.. .. 5.	OSWALD SIMM .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

\*First peal of Stedman, and hails from Edinburgh.

#### WILLINGTON, BEDS.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

JOSEPH CHURCH .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. MYNARD .. 4.
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CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 3.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

\*First peal with a bob bell. Arranged for Mr. T. M. Wright, and is the quickest peal ever rung in any tower in the county.

## REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. Treble.	*OLIVER BROCK .. .. 5.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
WALTER BARRETT .. .. 3.	GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. 7.
JAMES BETTS .. .. 4.	JAMES SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\*First peal in the method.

## WOKINGHAM, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

CHARLES MOULDEN .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM HORNE .. .. 5.
W. E. PITMAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM NEWELL .. .. 6.
SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 4.	GEORGE BRION .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## EPSOM, SURREY.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. .. 2.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	FREDK. A. HOLDEN .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5040 CHANGES.  
Tenor 32 cwt.

STEPHEN BEST .. .. Treble.	GEORGE H. PLUMMER .. .. 6.
CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH .. .. 2.	ALBERT BEST .. .. 7.
A. F. MARTIN STEWART* .. .. 3.	TOM F. BEST .. .. 8.
EDWARD V. HINTON .. .. 4.	GEORGE PRESTON .. .. 9.
ARTHUR N. WOUFF .. .. 5.	BERT KERLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. WRIGHT, and Conducted by GEORGE PRESTON.

\*First peal of Grandsire Caters; also first peal of Caters in any method by the rest of the band. First peal of Caters on the bells.

## HARWICH, ESSEX.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. .. 2.	*GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. .. 3.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 7.
ARTHUR T. MORRIS* .. .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

\*First peal in the method.

## BROMHAM, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Monday, July 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OWEN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Merchants' Return, Woodbine, Oxford Bob  
Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 24½ cwt. in E flat.

JOHN HARE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. .. 4.
FREDERICK WELLS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. MAYES .. .. 5.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

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## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, July 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.  
Tenor 32 cwt.

ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. .. 7.
WILLIAM BILLENNESS .. 3.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 8.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 4.	WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. .. 9.
WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 5.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Reference elsewhere.

## Handbell Peals.

## WHITLEY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT 25, COUNTRESS STREET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

JAMES E. GOFTON† .. 1-2.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 5-6.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE* 3-4.	JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. 7-8.

Composed by JAMES MOTTS, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\*First peal on handbells. †First peal of Treble Bob Major. Umpire—Alfred F. Hillier.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Melksham on the 16th and reported this week was conducted by William J. Prescott.

## Date Touches.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GOLDHANGER (Essex).—On Saturday, April 30th, at St. Peter's church, a date touch of Doubles, in 1 hr. 10 mins., being 744 Plain Bob and 1160 of Grandsire. S. Hume, A. Appleton, B. Cottis, I. D. Buckingham conductor, C. Mann, H. Brazier.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HEADINGLEY.—On a recent Sunday evening, for Divine Service at St. Michael's church, a date touch of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 1 hr. and 13 mins. (Dr. A. B. Carpenter's). Rev. T. H. Dixon, P. Johnson, T. Hunt, H. Williams conductor, W. Wood, B. Shaw, H. Lindsay, A. Haste.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

GARSTON.—On Thursday, April 28th, at St. Michael's Church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. and 12 mins., from Holt's Original. J. Aspinwall, T. Hammond, jun., E. Caunce conductor, S. Stewart, J. W. Rawlinson, G. Newton, W. Hughes, S. Millership.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CREWKERNE.—On Friday, May 6th, at the parish church, a 720 of Grandsire Triples. C. Russ, B. Coombes (first score) G. Sibley, Fred. Baker, D. G. Taylor conductor, W. Coombes.

STREET.—At the parish church, for practice on Thursday, May 19th, 210 Grandsire Triples. J. H. Trimm, H. Parish, J. A. Barnes, F. Marsh, jun., C. J. Webb conductor, C. Taylor, A. W. Webb, H. Marsh. On May 24th, 238 Grandsire Triples. F. Marsh, sen., H. Parish conductor, J. A. Barnes, F. Marsh, jun., C. J. Webb, C. Taylor, A. Webb, G. Richards. 336 Grandsire Triples. F. Marsh, sen., H. Parish, J. A. Barnes, F. Marsh, jun., C. J. Webb, C. Taylor, A. W. Webb conductor, A. Hooper.

MIDSOMER NORTON.—Recently at the parish church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. I. B. Holmyard (first quarter-peal), J. R. Adams, F. Speed (first quarter-peal), F. Chivers, J. Hambleton, G. R. Davis, C. H. Shearn conductor, R. Jones.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BURNLEY.—On Saturday, March 6th, at Holy Trinity Church, 464 Bob Major. T. Howarth, W. Watson, T. Burrows, S. Cornish, N. Townend, R. Ashworth, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor. And 704 Kent. N. Townend, T. Burrows, W. Walton, R. Hartley, S. Cornish, R. Ashworth, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor. On Sunday, March 13th, a 376 Bob Major. T. Howarth, N. Townend, R. Hartley, S. Cornish, W. Walton, R. Ashworth, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor. Also 640 Kent standing as above. On Sunday, March 20th, 672 Canterbury Pleasure Major. T. Howarth, S. Cornish, R. Hartley, T. Burrows, W. Walton, R. Ashworth, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor. Also 376 Kent standing as above. On Sunday, May 8th, 566 Kent. N. Townend, T. Burrows, T. Redman, W. Walton, T. Howarth, R. Hartley, R. Ashworth, S. Cornish conductor. On Sunday, May 15th, 720 College Single. T. Howarth, R. Hartley, W. Walton, R. Ashworth, S. Cornish, T. Redman conductor. On Sunday, May 22nd, 726 Kent. T. Mouncey, T. Howarth, R. Hartley, T. Burrows, R. Ashworth, T. Redman conductor. On Tuesday, May 24th, 446 Oxford. N. Townend, S. Cornish, W. Walton, R. Foulds, R. Hartley, J. Foulds, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor. On Saturday, May 28th, 720 Kent. T. Howarth, N. Townend, W. Walton, T. Burrows, T. Redman, S. Cornish conductor. On Sunday, May 29th, 668 Bob Major. D. Howarth, T. Burrows, W. Walton, S. Cornish, F. Townend, R. Ashworth, T. Mouncey, T. Redman conductor.

MILES PLATTING (Lancashire).—On May 10th, at St. John the Evangelist, a 720 of Bob Minor. J. Hall, W. G. Hargreaves conductor, R. Morris, J. Eachus, H. Hall, H. Barlow.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

COLN ST. ALDWYNS.—On Sunday afternoon May 15th, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after 2400 changes in 1 hr. 20 mins. J. Thomas conductor, H. Lewis, W. Apperley, F. J. Lewis, H. C. Bond, G. Jayne, S. M. Loxton, J. J. Jefferies. Also a course of Treble Bob Major and of Plain Bob, J. Kitchener standing in. In the evening for Divine service, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 40 mins. W. Minchin, H. Lewis, F. J. Lewis, H. C. Bond, W. Bates, J. Kitchener, S. M. Loxton, C. Mustoe.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GOLDHANGER (Essex).—On Wednesday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. S. Hume, A. Appleton, B. Cottis, I. D. Buckingham conductor, H. Brazier, G. Abbott.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HASTINGS.—On Tuesday, July 5th, at All Saints' church, a 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins. by the Christ Church Blacklands Society. J. Livermore, jun., J. Livermore, sen., R. C. Ford, L. Stapley, S. C. Saker, F. Lock conductor. This is the first 720 on the bells which were recently augmented to six. On Wednesday, July 7th, at Christ Church, Blacklands, for practice, 252 Stedman Triples. J. Livermore, sen., S. Saker, R. C. Ford, J. Livermore, jun., F. Lock, A. B. Bennett, W. Franks conductor, S. C. Saker. And 252 Stedman Triples. S. Saker, conductor, L. Stapley, R. C. Ford, A. B. Bennett, G. Watson, S. C. Saker, W. Franks, W. Swain. Also a plain course of Kent Treble Bob Major. J. Livermore, jun., J. Livermore, sen., R. C. Ford, F. Lock, S. Saker, A. B. Bennett, S. C. Saker, W. Franks. And 224 Bob Major. J. Livermore, sen., F. Lock, R. C. Ford, L. Stapley, A. B. Bennett, G. Watson, S. C. Saker, W. Franks conductor. Also 161 of Grandsire Triples. E. Watford, J. Livermore, W. Stevenson, J. Livermore, R. C. Ford, W. Franks, F. Lock conductor, W. Swain.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On May 12th, Ascension Day, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1264 changes, in 46 mins. W. Freeland, G. Easer, G. Woodiss conductor, A. Woodrow, F. Shepherd, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, W. Shepherd. Composed by F. Bennett.

YORKTOWN (Surrey).—On Saturday, May 14th, after an unsuccessful attempt for peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. J. Read, W. A. J. Ives, A. Woodrow, Rev. E. W. Carpenter composer, W. J. Shepherd conductor, F. J. Shepherd, G. Woodiss. On Sunday, May 15th, for evening service, 630 Grandsire Triples. J. Read, W. Boyles, A. Smith, H. Garfath jun. conductor, G. Miles, C. H. Pearce, T. Upshall, G. Prime.

SWANMORE (Hants).—On Saturday, May 28th, a combined practice for Kent Treble Bob was held at the tower of St. Barnabas, and concluded with 720 Oxford Single Bob. F. Hale, G. Placott, W. Cooper, G. Chapple, E. A. Grounsell, A. Millard conductor.

BISHOP'S WALTHAM (Hants).—On Saturday, June 11th, 720 Plain Bob. H. Gamblin, W. Cooper, G. Chapple, J. Joliffe, E. A. Grounsell conductor, A. Millard. A 720 of Oxford Single Bob. H. Merritt, W. Cooper, E. A. Grounsell, J. Joliffe, G. Chapple, A. Millard conductor.

DENNINGTON (Suffolk).—On a recent Saturday evening, 720 of Bob Minor was rung on handbells, (18 bobs and 2 singles). H. Burgess, T. Reeve, A. Taylor, J. Crowe, N. Taylor, W. Burgess conductor. First 720 on handbells by all the band.

HEAVITREE (Devon).—On March 20th, at the parish church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire in 50 mins. W. Hancock, T. Laver, H. S. T. Richardson, W. Burrough, W. Mifflin, C. Baker, J. R. Sandover conductor, U. Braven. Arranged for Mr. Richardson, of Cambridge. On March 27th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire in 52 mins. T. Laver conductor, C. Bartlett (first quarter-peal), W. Youlden, W. Mifflin, W. Lethbridge, C. Baker, J. R. Sandover, J. W. Newton. On Easter Sunday, April 5th, for early service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire. T. Laver, W. Youlden, W. Burrough, W. Shepherd conductor, W. Mifflin, C. Baker, J. R. Sandover, W. Lowton. On Easter Sunday, April 3rd, for morning service, 504 Stedman Triples. C. F. Winney conductor, J. C. Jackson, T. Laver, W. E. Moss, W. Shepherd, J. R. Sandover, W. T. Cockerill, W. E. Pitfield, Chapple. On Easter Sunday, April 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire in 49 mins. W. Hancock, T. Laver, W. Burrough, W. Mifflin, W. Lethbridge, W. Boundy, J. Sandover conductor, W. Lowton. On Sunday, April 17th, for evening service, 462 Grandsire. W. Hancock, C. Bartlett, W. Youlden, W. Mifflin, W. Burrough, W. Boundy, T. Laver conductor, W. Lowton. On Wednesday, April 27th, (for Mr. Sampson's home coming), 518 Grandsire. T. Laver, W. Burrough, R. Hamilton, W. Youlden conductor, W. Mifflin, W. Boundy, J. Sandover, W. Lowton. On Sunday, May 1st, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire (from Holt's Original), in 49 mins. W. Hancock, W. Youlden, T. Laver, J. Sandover, C. Baker, W. Burrough, F. J. Shepherd conductor, W. Lowton. On Sunday, May 8th, for evening service, 1204 Grandsire (from Holt's Original), in 48 mins. R. Hamilton, T. Laver, W. Youlden, W. Burrough, W. Mifflin, W. Boundy, J. Sandover conductor, W. Nethercott.

LAVENHAM.—On Wednesday evening, April 13th, at the residence of A. Symonds, was rung on handbells, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. S. G. Tatum, 1, A. Symonds, 2-3, J. S. Symonds, 4; H. S. Symonds, conductor, 5. This is S. Tatum's first 720, and he is grandson of the late post master at Lavenham. On Wednesday evening, May 4th, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. H. S. Symonds conductor, 1-2, J. S. Symonds, 3, A. Symonds, 4-5, S. G. Tatum, 6.

WELLINGTON (Somerset).—On Thursday evening June 16th, the Milverton band drove to Wellington to have a pull on the bells, and arriving there about 7 p.m. and meeting Mr. Coram, the steeplekeeper very kindly soon had the bells in readiness for them. The bells were soon raised in peal, and after two or three plain courses of Grandsire Triples, "go" was called for a quarter-peal which was brought round in 43 mins., the striking on the whole being very good. The bells, which have been recently done up, go well, the only objection being that there is too much noise in the belfry. The ringers stood as follows: W. Winter, H. Norman, R. Scott conductor, F. Norman, J. Richards, A. J. Andrews, W. Chapman, R. Chapman. Songs and handbell ringing were indulged in, both to and from Wellington, reaching home about 11 p.m. the little outing being very much enjoyed. The ringers were accompanied by Mr. J. S. Allen, W. Andrews and F. Collins.

WICKEN (Northants).—On Tuesday, June 21st, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Doubles 900 Grandsire and 360 of Antelope, each called differently. G. Green, C. Tyrrell, J. Read, jun., H. Warner, J. Read conductor, F. Cashmore. This is the first quarter-peal on the bells by all the Wicken men, and first by the Towcester and District Society, also the first by 1st, 2nd and tenor men.

### Notices.

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The St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.—To-day, Saturday, July 30th, will be unveiled in the ringing chamber of the parish church, St. Martin's, a tablet recording the only peal of Forward Maximus yet rung. The Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon of Birmingham, the Rev. J. W. Diggle, M.A. has promised to conduct the ceremony at 4.30 p.m. The attendance of members, with lady and other friends, is cordially invited. W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*  
61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Treve-thin, Pontypool, to-day, Saturday, July 30th, at 4 o'clock. Bells (8) available.

REV. CANNOP L. PRICE, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

The Ashton-under-Lyne Society will hold their quarterly meeting to-day, Saturday, July 30th, at St. James's Church, Whitfield, Glossop. Bells ready at 4.0, business meeting at 7.0. All ringers invited.

CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A district meeting will be held at Shedfield, nr. Botley, to-day, Saturday, July 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at Sams Hotel, 5.30. Meeting after.

J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Burnley, to-day, Saturday, July 30th. As the committee are having a meeting there the same day it is hoped there will be a good attendance of Branch members.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Rothwell to-day, Saturday, July 30th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at 7.30 p.m. at The White Swan hotel.

FREDK. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—Meeting at Tanfield on Saturday, Aug. 6th. The eight bells in St. Margaret's church are open for ringing after 2.30 p.m. Tea at The Peacock inn at 5 o'clock, 9d. each. Committee meets at 4 o'clock. Notification of attendance to reach secretary by August 2nd at the latest.

C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, August 6th. Bells ready at 4.0, meeting at 6.30. Business: nomination of branch secretary and committeeman for the next term.

W. ASHWORTH, *Branch Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting of this Association will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, the 13th of August. The bells will be raised about 5 o'clock. Members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Herts Association.—A district meeting will be held at Aldenham on Saturday August 13th. Bells available at 4.0. Tea at

6 o'clock. Shall be glad to hear from those who are coming. H. EDEN, *Dis. Sec.*  
Chalk Hill House, Watford.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.30, meeting at 7 o'clock.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Warrington on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.0, tea at 5.30 o'clock. WALTER HUGHES.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—East Dorset Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Blandford, Dorset, on Saturday, August 13th, instead of the 30th July. Details in next issue.

A. F. MARTIN STEWART, *Branch Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with. C. H. HOWARD.  
37, Bank Street, Braintree.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. W. Spice removes on August 12th to Coed Bel, Chislehurst, Kent.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

SONNING (Berks).—On Whit-Sunday, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. S. Frankliu, H. Hammans, G. Wright, A. W. Reeves, W. Hands, T. Russell, A. W. Pike, C. Brown. Composed and conducted by A. W. Pike.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WEST HAM.—On Trinity Sunday, after evening service at Holy Trinity, Barking road. a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. F. Gill, S. Hayes conductor, T. Cranfield, S. Bird, W. Doran, J. Jones.

### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

HECKINGTON (Lincolnshire).—On Sunday, April 3rd, a 672 of Bob Major. W. Houlden, E. Houlden, J. Hilton, H. P. Nash, J. W. Wood, C. J. T. Holmes, T. B. Wood, J. H. Clarke conductor. On Sunday, April 17th, a 640 Kent Treble Bob. W. Houlden, E. Houlden, J. Hilton, W. Wilkinson (first in the method), H. P. Nash, J. T. Holmes, T. B. Wood, J. H. Clarke conductor. On Thursday, May 5th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mns. with the bells half-muffled. J. R. Green, T. B. Wood, J. Hilton, J. H. Clarke conductor, H. P. Nash, C. J. T. Holmes, J. W. Wood, J. Fletcher. On Sunday, May 15th, a 504 of Stedman Triples. J. W. Wood, E. Houlden, J. Hilton, T. B. Wood, W. Houlden, J. H. Clarke, J. T. Holmes conductor, J. Fletcher. Also 800 Bob Major. E. Houlden, H. P. Nash, J. T. Holmes, J. W. Wood, J. R. Green, W. Houlden, T. B. Wood, J. H. Clarke conductor. On Sunday, May 22nd, for evening service, 608 of Double Norwich Court Bob Major. W. Houlden, E. Houlden, J. Hilton, H. P. Nash, J. W. Wood, conductor, J. T. Holmes, T. B. Wood, J. H. Clarke.

### THE ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

ROLVENDEN (Kent).—On Saturday, April 30th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. E. G. Johnson

conductor, C. W. Player, S. W. Hills, F. G. Burden, W. K. Lambert, C. Tribe, G. Johnson, W. Sharp.

APPLEDORE (Kent).—On Sunday morning, May 14th, for Divine Service, a 360 of Grandsire Triples in 32 mins. C. W. Player, E. G. Johnson conductor, C. Noakes, S. W. Hills, A. Johnson, A. C. Kay, G. Johnneon, W. Sharp.

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## Ringers' Outings.

**THE CROYDON SOCIETY.**—The ringers of the parish church held their annual outing on Saturday, July 9th, Hastings being the place selected. Unfortunately, four of the best members found it impossible to get away at the last moment—Messrs. States, Talbot, Meads and Dunk, so that ringing would have been of a limited quality, as only six of the nine members were inside ringers, but thanks to the kindness and assistance of Mr. S. Saker and Mr. Saker, jun., and Mr. Stapley, the ringers were able to indulge in Grandsire and Stedman, finishing with a course of Bob Major on St. Clement's bells. In the afternoon the ringers, with the Messrs. Sakers, Mr. Lock of Blacklands and Mr. Dart of Greenwich, were able to have some good Stedman and Grandsire at Christ Church. The ringers think too much praise cannot be extended to the Messrs. Sakers and the two steeple-keepers for their assistance in making the outing so pleasant.

**THE ST. MARY'S, WOOLWICH, SOCIETY.**—The annual outing of the above ringers took place on Saturday, 9th July, the place

chosen being Great Yarmouth. Preliminary arrangements had been made in reference to the use of the bells at St. Nicholas' church, Canon Willink, the Vicar, having acceded to the wish of the Woolwich band that they should try them. It was necessary to be early astir, as the train left North Woolwich at 6 a.m., and we had to cross by the Ferry in time. Fifteen comprised the party, and having reserved accommodation we were in the best of spirits. The journey was delightful; the weather was grand, and the country looked charming in the brilliant sunshine. Yarmouth was reached at 9.30, and after some refreshment we made our way to the church, making a tour of inspection, for, owing to its historical associations and surroundings, it is well worth a visit. Mr. Hayward, the tower warden, then conducted us to the spacious ringing chamber, where there is a fine ring of twelve, the tenor weighing 30 cwt. The first was a touch of Grandsire, conducted by Mr. Hill, on the front eight. Then followed a touch of Stedman on the back eight, conducted by Mr. R. G. Carter, and all was going merrily when the tenth rope broke. In the afternoon the Bungay ringers arrived, and some of the Woolwich band joined them

and rang a touch of Grandsire. On Sunday morning those of the Woolwich band who stayed overnight met the Yarmouth band and rang with them on the back eight two touches of Grandsire, 500 conducted by Mr. Humphreys of Woolwich, the other touch conducted by Mr. Hayward. Afterwards the twelve were set going to call changes until service time. We dined at the Garibaldi hotel, and our best thanks are due to Canon Willink, the Vicar, to Mr. Hayward for his assiduous attention, and to the Yarmouth ringers for their friendship and services in making the outing a success. Mr. Churchwarden Woodford of Woolwich kindly supplied cigars for the occasion.

**BARSHAM (Suffolk).**—On Sunday, May 29th, at Holy Trinity for Divine service in the morning, 720 Bob Doubles. C. Saunders, G. E. Symonds conductor, C. E. Parnell, G. Baxter, C. West.

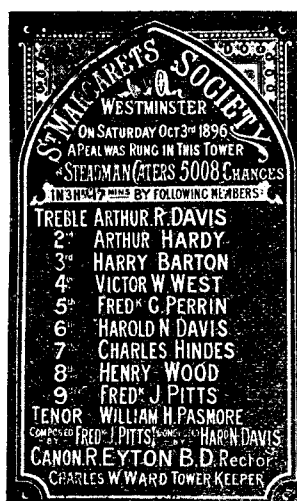
**HARBORNE (Staffs).**—Sunday, May 29th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. G. Farmer, I. W. Gilley, H. Pratt, A. Beecham, H. Grovesnor conductor, G. Gibbs, G. Hitchman, G. Smallwood.

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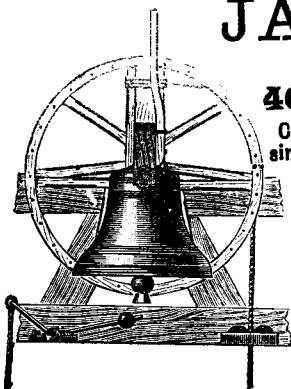
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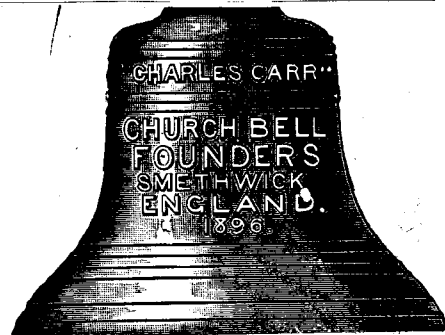
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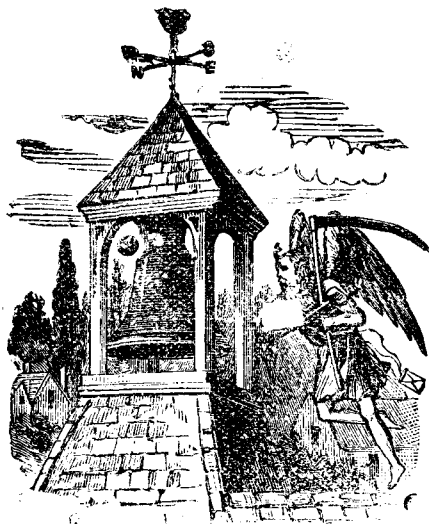
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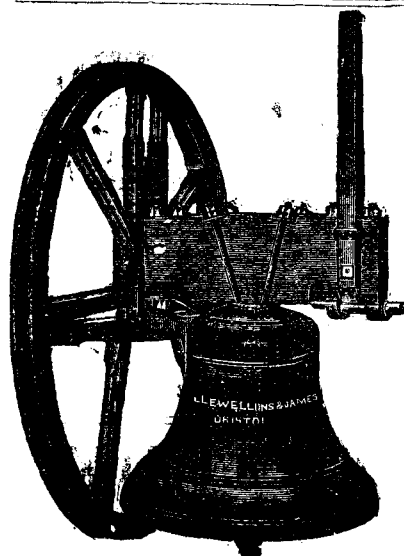
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SHIELDS, SOUTH (Durham).** St. Hilda. Durham and Newcastle Association. Eight bells. All by Mears 1887. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Ropes new 1893, good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.35, and 6 to 6.20. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

**SHIPLEY (Yorks.)** St. Paul. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears; treble and tenor 1867; the rest 1826. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Partial rehanging recently by Shaw. Ropes new 1893, good. Method: Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. No practice.

**SHIPTON-UNDER-WYCHWOOD (Oxon.)** Oxford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells; 5th by Keene, 1628; 7th, 1726: founder unknown. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. by Bagley, 1634; the rest by Mears, 1893. Iron frame. Bells go well except tenor. Rehung by Bond, 1893. Ropes new 1899. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.55, and 5.30 to 6.25. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

**SHOREHAM (Sussex).** St. Mary. Sussex County Association. Eight bells. All by Mears, 1896. Tenor 15 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Method: Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.25 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.30.

**SIBSEY (Lincolnshire).** St. Margaret. East Lincolnshire Association. Eight bells: treble and tenor by Harrison, 1815; 6th by the same 1822; 4th and 5th by Bryant, 1801; the rest 1770, founder unknown. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Rodgers, 1886. Ropes good. No half-pull ringing or practice. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30.

**SIDMOUTH (Devon.)** Eight bells. No return.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual festival was held at Godalming, on July 9th. The Guild's special form of service was used at the Festival Service in the parish church, at 12.35, when an admirable address was given by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, Vicar of Crowthorne, who took for his text, Ecclesiastics iv. 12. "A three-fold cord is not quickly broken." The service was as usual well-attended, and the beautiful singing of the choir under the direction of Mr. Mackintosh, the organist, was much appreciated. The annual dinner took place at the Borough Hall, over 100 sitting down. The Rev. L. H. Burrows, Vicar of Croydon, took the chair, and was supported by the President, Mr. J. P. Stilwell, and Mrs. Stilwell; the Master, the Rev. E. C. Matthews; the Rev. G. F. Coleridge; Mr. F. Girdlestone, (Charterhouse); Messrs. C. C. Harvey and W. Enticknap, churchwardens; Rev. F. W. Evans and Rev. H. B. Chubb, assistant-curates; Rev. F. G. Hume, Rev. E. C. Kirwan, Mr. W. Scott-Evans (Bournemouth), Mr. A. A. Mackintosh, Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Hon. Sec., and others.

After dinner the chairman gave the loyal toast, which was enthusiastically drunk. He then proposed "Success to the Winchester Diocesan Guild." He welcomed them to the old borough of Godalming, which although it had not quite the same historic interest as the cathedral city of Winchester, where they assembled last year, had its own objects and its own glories. He supposed they specially noticed the cobbles in the High-street, very destructive to motors and one of the very best things they had got. Though they had not got a cathedral or some of those great and grand things, they had got for them a true brotherly welcome, and that they gave them from the bottom of their hearts. He was sure every loyal member of that Guild would rejoice with him that they had their Bishop back with them, he hoped in restored health; he had every reason to think so. It had been very hard upon him that being in the diocese only a short time, he should have had so serious an attack of illness, but every loyal clergyman would hope that he had come back with renewed health and would be able to face the great strain which that diocese must bring on any man, however strong. With regard to the guild itself—he only paid his subscription last week—the reason why he had always felt a great sympathy with the guild was because the bell-ringers from the necessity and the fact of being up in the belfry away from the rest of the congregation, were to a certain extent isolated. That was a very bad thing. They were a most important body of church-workers and had their place in the work of the Church as clearly as any; as the choir or any church organisation. It was because that guild recognised that great fact, because it brought them together at those delightful annual festivals, that all who took an interest in the Church, and the bells of the Church, were glad to welcome them there that day. One of the great points which he thought such a guild as that emphasised was the importance of unity and fellowship. What a lot they could do in pulling together—he did not mean in a peal of bells, as he found one day in trying the bells. Here were about 120 men all engaged in the same work,



all as keen as mustard, come together, determined to ring the bells more vigorously, more loudly and with greater skill. That was a grand thing. He would couple that toast with their honoured president and their master. Their president had been over twenty years president of their society, and he was not like some presidents, he always turned up at those gatherings. He had also three sons, who had all been made honorary members of the guild. It was also very delightful to think that Mrs. Stilwell was able to honour them with her presence on that occasion, and she kept in countenance the one lady bellringer who had the pluck to come that morning. He would like to mention the name of Mr. Matthews. Vicar Burlesdon, their master, who was engaged in every possible way in fulfilling their interest.

Mr. J. P. Stilwell, in replying, said the guild was a great power in the diocese, and he hoped to see its influence exercised in every direction; where there was a tower and at least six bells there should be organised in that parish a guild of ringers. He maintained that to ring rounds was a very small thing, but to ring changes was a very skilful thing, which took a long time to learn, but when learnt it gave the greatest pleasure to those engaged in it. It was always a pleasure to him to be with them on those occasions, and he hoped that they would find men in every tower to form guilds, and instead of 100 or 120 they might double their numbers before many years. He should be glad to know that the guild extended throughout the diocese. Last year they were in the County of Hants, this year they came to the other county, and were in one of the most pleasant spots in the diocese of Winchester.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews (Master) also responded. He said that the changes made recently, although they might not suit every member of the guild, had been in every way admirable, and it remained for every member to loyally co-operate with Mr. Carpenter, the worthy and hard-working secretary, and the other officials of the society, to carry out the rules.

Mr. Scott-Evans (Bournemouth) proposed "The clergy and churchwardens of Godalming, the organist and the choir," and heartily thanked them for their co-operation and assistance that day; also Mr. Coleridge for his excellent and practical sermon.

Mr. C. C. Harvey (senior churchwarden), acknowledged the toast, and offered a hearty welcome to the Guild whenever they wished to come down that way.

Mr. J. J. Jones submitted "The preacher of the day," and the Rev. G. F. Coleridge briefly responded.

Mr. J. P. Stilwell proposed "The Chairman." He had had the pleasure of knowing the Vicar for many years, and the first time he was brought into contact with that society was when he was asked to preside at one of their dinners in the parish of Dorking, where Mr. Burrows was one of the curates. He (the speaker) had been connected with Dorking more or less all his life, and it gave him the greatest pleasure now, after many years, to meet Mr. Burrows again and to ask them all to drink his health. They might congratulate him on what was, he trusted, a step on the upward road, but the possibilities of his future career he would not expatiate upon. The toast was drunk with the utmost warmth.

The chairman said he hardly knew himself at present as Vicar of Croydon. A great many people congratulated him, and when they proposed him in those terms he began to clap. He noticed in the wonderful titles of peals in the report that one was the Canterbury Pleasure Major. He did not know whether that had been specially put

down, because he was going to leave the diocese of Winchester for the diocese of Canterbury, and he did not know whether that was a Major Pleasure or not. The Winchester Diocesan Guild would always have his support, and he only hoped when he went to Canterbury he would find the same organisation. They had a good peal of bells at Croydon, so good that when the ringers rang the bells no one could stay in the houses for miles round.

The Secretary explained that there was no Canterbury Guild of Bellringers, but Croydon belonged to the Surrey Association; and he was sure the Secretary of the Association would speedily come down on the Vicar of Croydon and collar him.

The Annual General Meeting took place at 3 p.m., the President, J. P. Stilwell, Esq., in the chair. The Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Hon. Secretary, presented his Report and Balance-Sheet, which were adopted. All the officers of the Guild were unanimously re-elected. The Hon. Secretary then proposed certain alterations in the rules, of which notice had been given, and they were agreed to. The object of the alterations is to make each district a miniature copy of the Guild, and to provide for an Annual Meeting in each at which the district officers will be elected. The question of the place and day of the next Annual Festival was discussed, with the result that Christchurch, where the bells have recently been augmented to ten, was selected; the meeting will be held on a Monday. The rival claims of Saturday and Monday gave rise to some discussion, but an admirable spirit was shown by the members present, for most of whom Saturday is a more convenient day. It was agreed that other members for whom Saturday was inconvenient, ought to be considered, and that it would be fairer to all to alternate the days. Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. L. H. Burrows (till lately Vicar of Godalming, who attended at some personal inconvenience), the preacher (Rev. G. F. Coleridge), the churchwardens, organist and choir, and the chairman.

#### PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held on Saturday, July 30th, at Shedfield, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. A. B. Alexander, who gave the use of the bells, when the following towers were represented: Fareham, Portsea, Havant, Wickham, Swanmore, Shedfield. Altogether the members numbered about twenty-five, which, considering the unsettled state of the weather, was considered very satisfactory. After tea the business meeting was held, and Mr. W. Cooper was duly voted to the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting was read and passed, and Mr. G. Chequer, churchwarden, was elected a member of the Guild. The usual vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. A. B. Alexander for the use of the bells. Touches of Bob Minor, Oxford Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, and 720 Kent Treble Bob were brought round by H. Privett, G. Plashet, W. Cooper, A. Millard, G. E. Chappell, J. W. Whiting conductor. Also 720 Bob Minor. At 8.30 the bells were lowered, and the visitors were of opinion that they had enjoyed the meeting.

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

My closing paragraphs last week were about "the weathercock legend," as it was called. But we find it is no legend at all, but the absolute and literal fact. The editor has received the following letter, which clears up the principal (not all) doubt we must have had. Here is the letter:—

DUNSDEN VICARAGE,  
READING, AUGUST 4, 1904.

DEAR SIR,—“Plain Speaker” in your last issue throws some doubt on the story told by the Dean of Windsor at the Annual Festival of this Guild. I have communicated with him since, and I have his permission to reply. The church in question is the parish church of Aston in Birmingham. The Dean has written to his brother who was Vicar of Aston at the time. He replies as follows: “The story is absolutely and literally true; I can testify to its truth from my own personal knowledge, and if the writer of the paragraph thinks that I am the victim of a hoax, let him ask the architect, Mr. J. A. Chatwin, of Birmingham, who is still living, or let him pay a visit to the Art Gallery at Birmingham, where he will find the papers at which he laughs, and he can read them for himself.”

Yours faithfully,

R. H. HART-DAVIS,

Hon. Sec. and Treasurer Oxford Diocesan Guild.

It is comforting to find that the statement is cleared up, and that the Vicar of Aston was not the victim of a practical joke. After all we may have made too much of the matter. Calm reflection of the subject has led me to think that possibly we have very easily been mistaken all along. The words which attracted our notice were these, you will recollect. Omitting formal parts (as the lawyers say) they were “that in opening a weathercock taken down from the steeple at Aston Church, a sheet of paper was found therein, given the names of the ringers who rung on the day the weathercock was put up, and how much beer was drank on that occasion.”

The words printed in italics only need concern us. The document found inside the weathercock does not state, or affirm, or make oath and say, *who* drank this beer! Then why should we for one moment imagine that it was drank by the ringers? There is no vestige of evidence to support such a supposition; nor ought we to allow our imagination to run riot in such case. The real fact no doubt is that this consumption of home-brewed the ringers had nothing to do with, nothing at all! I had better commence a new paragraph, now.

When this weathercock was about to be re-hoisted to its place, some petty official in charge of the job—a clerk, perhaps, but most likely a sexton—both possessing the usual extraordinary rubicund features—evidently suggested that the occurrence should be “wetted”—a word very well-known in Birmingham. No sooner said than done; and the organ-blower, with the grave-digger and his assistants, would be dispatched to the nearest inn for materials sufficient for the “wetting.” Then after the process it is easy to believe that the clerk would say to his fellow-official—“We’ll book this, Harry; and write on the paper how many quarts we have put away among us.” Agreed to *nem. con.*—and so the document became embellished in this way by the clerk, who would in those days be the only man among the company capable of putting a pen to paper.

I think this, or something like it, must be regarded as fact or approaching very near to it. As I have pointed out there is not a scintilla of reason why the consumption of the liquor should be attributed to ringers, who we know would not so indulge themselves so close to the church. And when it is known that these inferior officers of the church and churchyard such as I have named, were at the time in question—and are now in a measure—very prone to such indulgences, we shall come to the conclusion that they were the people who were responsible for the addition to the record of the weathercock. This subject is now at an end, so far as I am concerned.

And so William Baron has gone to join the great majority. To this must we all come. For some years he was a prominent member of the Cumberlands, with somewhat of an authoritative manner, but whatever his merits and failings were, and he had a share of each like the rest of us, he was a most useful and active member in any ringing society to which he belonged. A section of the older ringers did not at all concur in his founding, with others, of the Waterloo Society, though they eventually came to agree that such society was doing much good in bringing recruits to the Exercise. Bill had a somewhat boisterous way with him in these early days, but it was only a mannerism; he was sociable to the last degree. He had a lot of friends, among whom is the writer of this paragraph, who mourn his decease.

The Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett, who has proved himself a very energetic Honorary Secretary of the Salisbury Guild, has just entered married life, and the members of the Guild have given him a suitable present. Mr. Tilney-Bassett is not a mere ornamental Secretary; he works hard in its behalf, and is quite alive to the varied and numerous questions which are frequently agitating the ringing field. Readers will join with me in wishing the rev. gentleman and his lady every blessing.

Another new method, Mr. Dench? Very clever, no doubt, and coming from such a composer, sure to be legitimate. But new methods are getting to be treacherous indulgences. Look at the quantity of good methods we have now got; and remember how some of their authors have fought to gain them recognition as pure and unsullied, free from piracy and so forth. And brother Dench, Worth (your native place) may be very worthy, but it is hardly a good striking title, and does not give your latest production “bold advertisement.” Don’t be angry, brother Dench.

Weather this week has been torrid. The tropics of Capricorn and Cancer with the Torrid Zone and Equator, appear to be taking their annual outing, and enjoying their beano in the southern portion of our island. Hope when they have done they will be able to say they have enjoyed themselves. The heat has upset many calculations, and deranged many arrangements for holiday-making. Among the latter is the brief interval in which the country lanes and hills and dales of a lovely county is about this time of the year enjoyed by

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## THE BELLS OF ST. MARY REDCLIFF, BRISTOL.

(Specially contributed to a Bristol paper.)

Those of us who have been dependent upon the clock of Redcliff Church for the accuracy of our time have been sadly put about by the silence of the chimes during the last few days. The removal of the bells from the church tower has been necessitated by the insecurity of the old wooden framework upon which the bells were hung.

The other day we climbed up the narrow circular staircase and found ourselves amongst the bells. What an ideal old belfry it was—the two massive oak beams stretching from side to side of the tower and resting on the window ledges, seemed strong enough to bear any weight; but when we looked about and saw how that from time to time blocks of wood had been wedged in here and there to support the bells and to raise the level, we began to realise that, though it might be very picturesque, it was hardly safe when you considered the mass of metal that swings backwards and forwards when the bells are ringing.

How the bells seemed to take us back to the past. Here is the great big tenor bell. She—note the pronoun; the ringer always speaks thus of a bell; it is a symbol of that affection which a true ringer has for his bell—was cast in 1622. At the end of that year she must have tolled for the death of the Vicar, Samuel Davies. Three years later she probably made one of a merry peal at the Coronation of Charles I.; and then, Bristol being always a loyal city, one can but suppose that she tolled when that unfortunate King was beheaded. About this time the great philanthropist, Edward Colston, must often have listened to her with great pleasure. In 1660 she must have joined in a merry peal when again a king sat on the throne of England, and a Vicar was once more instituted at Redcliff.

But sad times were coming. The great plague which broke out in London in 1665, found its way to Bristol, as the Redcliff registers too plainly testify. Day after day this tenor bell must have tolled the sad news of fresh victims to the dread scourge; day after day the plague cart carried away the dead bodies and buried them in the great pit, which was dug at what we now call the Horse Fair. There is a tradition that if this ground were to be dug up the plague would start again.

And so year by year the bells have marked each great event in the lives of the people of Redcliff and the nation at large. In fact, no great event has happened since 1622 but what the great tenor bell has proclaimed the fact; she was the first bell in Bristol to proclaim the sad news of the death of Queen Victoria.

We conclude with a quotation from Mr. Passmore's song, "Olde Redcliff."—

Old Redcliff bells! our joys and griefs,  
Your sympathies record;  
In every phase of chequered life  
Your friendly voice is heard.  
Thy chimes remind me night and morn,  
How swift is Time's career—  
As with a solemn, warning voice  
Ye chant (sic) your praiseful pray'r!

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## ST. MODWEN'S PARISH CHURCH, BURTON- ON-TRENT.

This church has recently undergone thorough restoration, and in addition has been added two new vestries for clergy and choir at a cost of about £14,000. The bells have also been re-tuned and rehung in a new iron frame with all the latest improvements, and great credit is due to Messrs. Taylor for the way they have carried out their work, the tone and "go" of the bells being excellent. The ringers are also indebted to Mr. R. A. Auty (their present ringing-master), for covering the belfry floor with linoleum and supplying carpets for the ropes to fall upon when ringing. On Wednesday, July 27th on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. T. Dicken (a member of the band), was rung the first quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples by the members of the parish church society.

The following is a copy of the tablet placed in the church to record this most generous gift of the donors: "To the Glory of God, in memory of many members of their respective families buried in the adjoining churchyard, this church was restored and enlarged 1900-1903 by Lord Burton, Robert Ratcliffe, John Gretton, Frederick Gretton, and the late Miss Fanny Gretton."

### Obituary.

#### LEWIS SNOWDEN.

We regret to announce the very sudden end of a member of the Drighlington branch of the Yorkshire Association, which took place in the belfry on Sunday, July 17th, whilst ringing for evening service. Mr. Snowden had been connected with the local company ever since the opening of the bells in 1880, and in the following year, being then fully qualified, he joined the county Association, of which he has for many years been a life member. The annual report of last year shows him to have rung eight peals, but we believe that he quite recently increased this number. Possessed of a quiet and endearing disposition he will be greatly missed, added to which he was a conductor of more than twenty years' standing. At the recent May meeting of the Association, held in his native village, he played an active part, and none of the many visitors to Drighlington on that occasion could have anticipated so tragic an end to his career. With others of the company he appears to have stood up and chatted at the foot of the tower, and then quickly ascended the forty steps or so that lead to the ringing chamber. The bells having been raised—in which he took the 7th—a short stand was made, during which he adjusted his rope, and when all was ready, on the very point of pulling off, Mr. Snowden fell forward insensible. Every attention was shown him, and medical assistance was soon at hand, but only to pronounce life extinct. Having enjoyed such good health that no doctor knew of any weakness that might cause a sudden collapse, an inquest was necessary, heart failure being given as the cause of death, ascertained after a *post mortem* examination. The funeral took place on the following Wednesday, the service being choral, with the Vicar, the Rev. Jno. Trew, officiating. Amidst a large congregation he was carried to his last resting-place by his brother-ringers, and service over, courses of Grandsire were contributed on handbells at the grave side, after which the muffled tower bells joined in the requiem. Deceased, who was forty-seven years of age, leaves a widow and four children, the eldest son being able to carry on his father's business. The suddenness of the whole gathers force when it is stated that the marriage of the only daughter was to have taken place during the week. Both the family and the local branch have the sympathy of the Yorkshire Association, and we feel sure that of the Exercise generally, in their sad and sudden loss. The whole affair cast quite a gloom over the village, where the deceased was well known and respected.

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## THE LATE WILLIAM BARON.

As announced by a short notice in "THE BELL NEWS" of the 23rd ult., the funeral of the above-named took place at Nunhead Cemetery on Saturday, July 23rd. The cortege left Secker Street about 2.30 as arranged, the coffin being profusely decorated with floral and other sympathetic testimonies. There was a good attendance at the graveside, considering the short notice, and the oppressive condition of the weather; all the London Societies being represented, foremost amongst them being Mr. R. A. Daniell (Master of the Cumberlands), A. Jacob, A. Hardy and T. Langdon, hon. sec. and stewards respectively; the brothers H. A. and C. T. Hopkins, J. W. Cattle, G. Wild, H. Ellis, J. Davies, Dains, and others; also representatives from the firm where the deceased had been employed for nearly forty years. These, with the family circle, made probably nearly a hundred persons who attended the ceremony.

The service in church over, the remains were carried to the grave by six old ringing friends, and after the performance of the usual rites a course upon the handbells should have taken place, but as previous arrangements with the authorities had not been made this could not be done. But the Master's bells were there in charge of the Hon. Sec. and Stewards. Filing round the grave old friends cast a last and lingering glance upon the coffin containing the mortal remains of Bill Baron, who at one time was a prominent member of the London Exercise, among whom his name was associated for nearly forty years. During the last few years he was not so prominent, but as he was Treasurer to the Cumberlands to the day of his death, he was thus in touch with his favourite pastime to the end. Of course it is well known by London ringers, but not perhaps so well amongst our country friends, that poor Baron has been suffering since the latter part of last October from a kind of paralytic stroke, which rendered him for the time speechless and almost senseless, and from which he never fully recovered. But he did recover a little so as to be able to converse upon various subjects with his friends, though his speech was still defective. When the writer saw him last, just before Whitsuntide, he had an idea of getting better, based upon the return of sensitiveness to the affected arm and hand. But this hope was not realised.

We are told the end was peaceful. Dropsy was the immediate immediate cause of death, which took place at 19, Secker Street, Waterloo Road, on Tuesday, July 19th. He was in his sixty-first year. We have said our late old friend was not so busy of late years as he was at one part of his ringing career, and that statement will be found correct by anyone who will look back to the latter part of the sixties and early part of the seventies of the last century. In the sixties Bill Baron, with another departed worthy, Bill Coppage, and others formed and floated the Waterloo Society, a Society which flourishes at the present day, and which Baron (rightly or otherwise) prided himself upon.

The ostensible object of this Society's formation was to give more opportunities for ringing practices for the young bloods of the day, who burning with a desire for progress could scarcely get a pull, it was said, "for love or money." It was considered that there was such a high standard of studied indifference amongst the older members of the Exercise, that nothing short of a revolution was necessary, and this feeling found a vent in the establishment of this society. For many years therefore the tower of St. John's, Waterloo, was filled to overflowing upon practice nights by ringers from all parts of London. So great was the attendance that there was scarcely time to give all a touch. Consequently other church towers were requisitioned, and meetings appointed at St. Mary's, Lambeth, St. Andrew's,

Holborn, St. James's, Clerkenwell, and others. So popular were these meetings that later on some of the older London members would come round and join in the throng. Perhaps there are but few of the Exercise who remember the date and period who did not pay a visit and have a pull at Waterloo.

This movement led to William Baron becoming Instructor to various companies at various places in and around London. He is remembered in this capacity at All Saints, Fulham, St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, and St. Mary's Old Battersea, Acton, Ealing, Isleworth, etc. But at all these places and practices there was only Grandsire and Stedman (the latter rarely) and a course of Treble Bob now and again. What the young gentlemen of the present day would say to such a state of affairs is easier to imagine than describe, but such it was. In time there was a Court Bob band meeting at Clerkenwell, and they would tap off four and five courses capitally well, but poor old Cox never attempted a peal, and so it fell through.

But to continue. Bill Baron never condescended to call anything but Grandsire, only once, and that was a peal of Treble Bob at St. Mary's, Lambeth, in 1893. His instructorship caused several presentations to be made to him at various times; one about the year 1874 was a timepiece presented by Mr. J. M. Routh, on behalf of the Waterloo Society; another by the Rev. H. Fisher, then Vicar of All Saints, Fulham, took the shape of a gold watch and chain with pendant, and others came on subsequently.

Baron was a good and safe ringer, and what is known in the Art as a good striker, and in his younger days would be found at the heavy end of the ring. He would not court a hard job (a bad going bell) but once there he would do his best to stay and finish. For instance, in 1868 a peal was attempted at St. Sepulchre's to commemorate the opening of the Viaduct, William Baron and William Hoverd were selected to ring the 9th and tenor, these bells not going well. It seemed when near the end of the peal that neither would be able to stand to a finish; probably they would not; but they did. One would not give way before the other, and so real pluck saved the peal.

Through the kindness of the authorities of St. Sepulchre's a half-muffled peal was rung on the evening of the funeral upon St. Sepulchre's bells, and again at the meeting of the Cumberlands the following Monday, in each case the usual whole pull and stand being performed.

The spot chosen for the last resting-place of William Baron is close to the gravestone erected by the ringers of England in memory of the late John Cox in January, 1885. This monument looks fairly well, but is gone slightly out of the perpendicular.

H. D.

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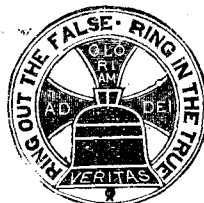
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## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of this Association was held at Trevechin, Pontypool, Monmouthshire, on Saturday, July 30th, and which was fairly attended by representatives of the various towers of the Association.

In the absence of the Vicar of the parish, who had that day gone into camp with the local Volunteers, the Rev. W. C. MacLaren was voted to the chair. The Hon. Sec. commenced by reading the minutes of the previous meeting, which upon being put to the meeting, were duly carried and signed.

The question of the next Monmouthshire quarterly meeting place was next discussed, and it was eventually decided that it should be at Monmouth, on Easter Monday. The next quarterly meeting of the Association takes place at St. Fagans, Glamorganshire, as previously arranged in September, and the annual meeting is to be held at Newport, Monmouthshire, on Boxing-day.

New members were next proposed and elected from Trevechin and Newport.

A member next put before the meeting the case of one of its old members, namely, Mr. James Morley, of Chepstow, who unfortunately has been seriously ill for some time, owing to a severe attack of paralysis. The member asked if a sum could be voted him from the funds of the Association, but after a good deal of discussion, it was decided not to do so, as the case would be forming a precedent. A subscription was then started in the room, to which the members suitably responded.

There was no more business, and after the usual vote of thanks to the chairman, members were very kindly entertained to tea in the vicarage by the Vicar's wife, Mrs. Morgan. Tea over, the tower was again visited, where Triples was the order of the day, thus concluding a very pleasant gathering.

J. W. P.

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Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

SIDNEY J. JESSOP .. .. Treble.	JOHN WITHERS .. .. 5.
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ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 3.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. 7.
FRANK WITHERS* .. .. 4.	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES DOWLER.

\*First peal.

## NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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ARTHUR KNIGHTS* .. .. 6.	†JOHN SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\*First peal on twelve bells. †First peal of Maximus on tower bells.

## GOOLE, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

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Conducted by G. B. BOLLAND.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the memory of John Haley, whose obituary notice appeared in our last issue.

## MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

MATTHEW'S TWELVE-PART (No. 60).

Tenor 21 cwt.

F. MASON .. .. Treble.	REV. W. M. K. WARREN .. 5.
A. OSWALD MAJOR .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
A. E. COLES .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. ATKINS .. .. 4.	†F. W. EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY MOORE.

†First peal.



## HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

ERNEST MARRIOTT* .. .. Treble.	*SIDNEY F. PALMER .. .. 6.
ALFRED NAYLOR .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 3.	GEORGE T. MILLER .. .. 8.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. .. 4.	*CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 9.
WILLIAM PEARSON* .. .. 5.	JAMES GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by GABRIEL LINDOFF.

\*First peal of Treble Ten.

## STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES N. FROSSELL .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. .. 5.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 2.	HARRY T. LAST .. .. 6.
JOHN HOWES .. .. 3.	JAMES W. DRIVER .. .. 7.
ALFRED J. REDMAN .. .. 4.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by JOHN HOWES.

## SWANSEA.—THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 20 cwt.

C. HOARE .. .. Treble.	W. WALAND .. .. 5.
C. MORSE .. .. 2.	J. HOARE .. .. 6.
P. KNEATH .. .. 3.	W. GREEN .. .. 7.
E. SERLE .. .. 4.	E. DAVIES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. HOARE.

Messrs. Waland and Green were elected members before starting.

## MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

F. MASON .. .. Treble.	W. G. BOWDEN .. .. 5.
G. W. CHALLICE* .. .. 2.	G. W. STOKES .. .. 6.
C. SUMMERS .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. ATKINS .. .. 4.	C. DAWSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. ATKINS.

\*First peal of Triples.

The following are the result of three peals specially arranged for the  
Rev. F. E. Robinson:—

## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. Treble.	HAROLD S. T. RICHARDSON .. .. 5.
HENRY GEORGE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM FOX .. .. 6.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
JAMES PAGETT .. .. 4.	ROBERT M. BLACKWALL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

1st peal in the method on the bells.

## LENTON, NOTTS.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. HEXTER .. .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. .. 2.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. 6.
HAROLD S. T. RICHARDSON .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
EDWIN H. LEWIS .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM WAGSTAFFE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal.

## DAYBROOK, NOTTS.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

EDWIN H. LEWIS .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM HEXTER .. .. 5.
HAROLD S. T. RICHARDSON .. .. 2.	SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 6.
HENRY GEORGE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 4.	ROBERT M. BLACKWALL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

## Handbell Peals.

## EDINBURGH.—THE ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, July 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

EDMUND F. PRICE .. .. 1-2.	WALTER WALLACE .. .. 5-6.
WILLIAM H. BARBER .. .. 3-4.	WM. C. S. HEATHCOTE .. .. 7-8.
C. CLEVELAND ELLIS .. .. 9-10.	

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WM. H. BARBER.

First peal of Caters on handbells by all except the conductor. Referee—Mr. N. C. Wilson.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. EDWARD'S CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM PYE .. .. 1-2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5-6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3-4.	HARRY W. CATTERWELL .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire—W. Watson. Rung on the first anniversary of the wedding of H. W. Catterwell.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, July 28, 1904, in One Hour and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, and five 720s of Plain Bob, each called differently.

LEWIS L. WATSON .. .. 1-2.	SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 3-4.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. .. 5-6.	

Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Umpire—O. Wiles, who ticked off the peal as rung.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal of Grandsire Caters recently rung at St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, contained 5003 changes, not 5039 as reported.

## Date Touches.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

TIVERTON (Devon).—On Wednesday, May 25th, at St. Peter's church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. and 12 mins. J. Elsworth conductor, E. Munday, W. Grater, B. Grater, J. Grater, J. Hart, R. Grater, H. Ware.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

GARSTON (Lancashire).—Recently a date touch of 1904 Grand sire Triples in 1 hr. and 10 mins. J. Aspinwall, T. Hammond, jun., E. Counce conductor, G. Stewart, J. W. Rawlinson, G. R. Newton, W. Hughes, S. Millership.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.

GRANTHAM (Lincolnshire).—On Monday, May 16th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins. R. Harrison, H. Singleton, G. Singleton, J. Shelton, W. White conductor.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND ADJOINING DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

BRIERLEY HILL.—On Monday, May 16th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 44 mins. A. J. Skelding, W. Potter, J. Smith, R. James, J. Bass, F. Plant, R. Matthews conductor, E. Perkins. This is the first quarter-peal in the method by all except A. J. Skelding.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

FAREHAM (Hants).—On Monday, May 16th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. S. Churcher, (first quarter-peal), C. Privett, G. Privett, Rev. W. H. Gordon, H. Privett, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting conductor, G. Grant.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWPORT (Mon).—On Whit-Sunday, May 22nd, for morning service at All Saints' church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. A. Williams (Llangibby), F. Charles, J. Buller, J. Butler, A. Thomas, G. Robinson, J. W. Jones conductor, S. Baiss. First quarter-peal by treble, 3rd and 6th men.

## THE ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

APPLEDORE (Kent).—On Sunday, May 14th, for evening service, a 504 of Grandsire Triples. W. Law, E. G. Johnson conductor, C. Noakes, S. W. Hills, A. Johnson, F. S. Brown, G. Johnson, W. Sharp.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

WEST MALLING (Kent).—On Saturday, May 21st, at the parish church, a 504 of Plain Bob Triples. E. Bellingham, E. Kelvie, A. Tawney, G. Pound (first touch of Bob Triples), J. Shorter, R. Goodburn, J. W. Leonard, P. Masters. 504 in the same method. W. Terry, E. Kelvie, J. Shorter, G. Pound, B. Goodburn, A. Tawney, J. W. Leonard, R. Noakes And 336 Grandsire Triples. E. Bellingham, A. Tawney, R. Goodburn, G. Pound, J. Shorter, E. Kelvie, J. W. Leonard, P. Masters. And 180 Canterbury Pleasure Minor, 6-8 covering. E. Kelvie, A. Tawney, J. Shorter, G. Pound, R. Goodburn, P. Masters, J. W. Leonard, E. Bellingham.

BEARSTEAD (Kent).—On June 7th, for practice, a 720 Plain Bob Minor. F. Pound, G. Burbridge, G. Forster, G. Wratten (first 720 with a bob bell), G. Draikes, sen., J. Shorter conductor. On June 21st, for practice, a 720 Bob Minor. W. Cheeseman, G. Draikes, sen. G. Foster, G. Wratten, G. Burbridge conductor, (first 720), J. Shorter. And 120 Bob Minor. G. Draikes, jun. (first in the method), W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, G. Burbridge, J. J. Shorter. Also 120 Grandsire Doubles. F. Pound, W. Cheeseman, J. Draikes, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter, G. Foster.

## THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Sunday, July 24th, at the parish church, a 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. E. Newman conductor, W. Sadler, F. Webb, H. E. Hammond, P. Holmes, G. Sentance, C. H. Howard, A. B. Wiffen.

BOOKING (Essex).—On Sunday, July 24th, at the parish church, a 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. N. Smith, E. Newman, G. H. Sentance, A. Saunders, H. J. Collins, F. Rudkin, W. Steel conductor, A. Avis.

HALSTEAD (Essex).—On Sunday, July 24th, at the parish church, a 1024 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. Wiffen, W. Root, A. Saunders, W. Ward, G. Arnold, G. H. Sentance, W. Steele conductor, A. Avis.

ALLESLEY (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, April 30th, the Coventry band rang at the above place a 120 Grandsire Doubles. J. H. White, conductor, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, A. W. Flowers, W. Maunds, W. H. Horwood. Also 120 and 180 Bob Minor. S. Hope, J. H. White, W. H. Rees, A. W. Flowers, W. Maunds, W. Horwood conductor. And 660 and 682 Bob Minor. A. W. Flowers, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Harwood conductor. And on Saturday, May 14th, a 360 Bob Minor. A. W. Flowers, S. Hope, W. H. Rees, J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Horwood conductor. Also 240 and 660 standing as before. And 240 Bob Minor. J. H. White, W. Maund, W. H. Rees, A. W. Flowers, S. Hope, W. Horwood conductor.

BEARSTED.—On Sunday, June 26th, at the parish church, for morning service, a 360 Bob Minor. G. Burbridge, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, F. Pollard, G. Draikes, sen., J. Shorter. On Tuesday, June 28th, for practice, a 720 Plain Bob Minor. A. Goodhew (first 720), W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, G. Draikes, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter, conductor.

BROOMFIELD (Essex).—On May 8th, for evening service, a 720 of Bob Minor. G. Clarke, T. Crozier, G. Parsons, J. Tonbridge, A. Bradley conductor, C. Matthews. On May 12th, a 720 Kent Treble Bob. G. Clarke, G. Waterman, G. Parsons, C. Crozier, A. Bradley conductor, G. Matthews. And 360 Kent Treble Bob. G. Clarke, P. Holmes, G. Waterman, J. Tonbridge, A. Bradley conductor, C. Matthews.

DUNMOW (Essex).—On May 14th, at the parish church, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob. W. Gouldston, F. Suckling, H. Emery, E. Hynds, H. Bowers, E. Claydon conductor. Tenor 22½ cwt.

GOLDHANGER (Essex).—On Wednesday, April 20th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. S. Hume, A. Appleton, B. Cottis, I. D. Buckingham conductor, H. Brazier, G. Abbott.

KIRDFORD (Sussex).—On Sunday, May 22nd, at the parish church, a 240 Grandsire Doubles. W. Stemp, F. Hoad, sen., F. Hoad, jun., conductor, A. Collins, G. Kilner, H. Hoad. And 360 Grandsire Doubles. W. Stemp, G. Kilner, G. Durrant conductor, A. Collins, F. Sopp, M. Stenning.

PRESTON (Suffolk).—On Thursday evening, May 5th, at St. Mary's church, a 720 of Superlative Surprise. H. Crick, T. Hollocks, A. Symonds, J. Fayers, W. Hollocks, H. Gladwell conductor.

SPRINGFIELD (Essex).—Recently at the parish church, a 320 Kent Treble Bob. J. Savill, G. Waterman, C. Matthews, W. Sharphington, A. Bradley conductor, H. Sharphington. And 120 Plain Bob. F. Ward, G. Waterman, C. Mathews, W. Sharphington, A. Bradley conductor, M. Wendley.

STEBBING (Essex).—On May 13th, for practice at the parish church, a 720 of Cambridge Surprise. H. Young, E. Hynds, H. C. Ruffel, H. Emery, J. T. Barker, E. Claydon conductor. Tenor 10 cwt. On Sunday, May 29th, for morning service, a 720 Plain Bob, and for evening service a 720 Plain Bob (Penning's One-Part), conducted by E. Claydon. On Sunday, June 4th, for morning service, a 720 Plain Bob and for evening service, a 720 Oxford Treble Bob. W. Claydon, first 720 in the method. On Sunday, June 12th, for evening service, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. On June 17th, for practice, a 720 of Plain Bob. A. Barker, E. Hynds, Rev. E. Clapton (Vicar), H. Emery, 7. T. Baker, E. Claydon conductor. First 720 by the Rev. E. Clapton.

WALBERTON (Sussex).—On Saturday, May 7th, at the parish church, a 720 Grandsire Doubles, being six 120s each called differently. G. Wellen, F. Luxford, C. Blackman, J. Netley, G. H. Lee conductor. This was the first on the bells, which have recently been recast and rehung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, the go of them being excellent, and the ringers take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Luxford.

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The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association. Meeting at Tanfield to-day Saturday, Aug. 6th. The eight bells in St. Margaret's church are open for ringing after 2.30 p.m. Tea at The Peacock inn at 5 o'clock, 9d. each. Committee meets at 4 o'clock.

C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*  
62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at St. Paal's, Ramsbottom, to-day, Saturday, August 6. Bells ready at 4.0, meeting at 6.30. Business: nomination of branch secretary and committeeman for the next term.

W. ASHWORTH, *Branch Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting of this Association will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on Saturday, the 13th of August. The bells will be raised about 5 o'clock. Members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Herts Association.—A district meeting will be held at Aldenham on Saturday August 13th. Bells available at 4.0. Tea at 6 o'clock. Shall be glad to hear from those who are coming.

H. EDEN, *Dis. Sec.*  
Chalk Hill House, Watford.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.30, meeting at 7 o'clock.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Warrington on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.0, tea at 5.30 o'clock.

WALTER HUGHES.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—East Dorset Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Blandford, Dorset, on Saturday, August 13th, instead of the 30th July. Details in next issue.

A. F. MARTIN STEWART, *Branch Hon. Sec.*

Exeter Cathedral.—Caters practice at 7 o'clock sharp on Wednesday, August 10th.

EDWIN SHEPHERD.

160, Sidwell Street, Exeter.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—York Town District.—Quarterly meeting at Walton-on-Thames on Saturday, August 13th. Bells open from one o'clock. Tea in Church Room at 5 o'clock for those who inform me by Thursday, August 11th.

CHAS. H. PEARCE, *Dist. Sec.*

Vale Road, Yorktown.

The Midland Counties Association.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Daybrook, on Saturday, August 13th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.

R. CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*  
Brancote Road, Beeston, Notts.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James's, Milnrow, on Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m., meeting at 7. All ringers welcome. Business important.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great

Waltham on Saturday, August 20th. Bells ready at 4.0. Business meeting at 6.30.

H. T. WILSON, *Dist. Sec.*

36, St. Mary's Road, Prittlewell.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at SS Peter and Paul, Borden, on Saturday, August 20th. Tower open for ringing at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at The Maypole inn at 6 p.m. Members intending to be present at tea must let me know on or before Wednesday, the 17th instant. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid.

A. OSBORNE, *Dist. Sec.*  
65, Clive Road, Rochester.

The Essex Association.—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with.

C. H. HOWARD.

37, Bank Street, Braintree.

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25463	2	1	2
53462	1	2	2
32465	1	2	2
34625	1	2	2
43526	2	2	2
25346	2	2	2
34256	1	1	2
52436	2	2	2
23456	2		

5000.

23456	M	W	H
36452	1	2	
62453	1	2	
42563	2	1	
43265	2	1	
34562	2	2	
63425	2	2	
35426	1	2	
24536	2	2	
25346	1	2	
23456	1	2	

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#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GREAT BADDOW.—On Tuesday, May 10th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, in 46 mins. H. Bush, H. Dawson, H. W. Kirton, W. Newman, A. Head, A. Richell, H. F. Cooper conductor, W. Rice.

#### THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EPSOM.—On Sunday May 1st, at St. Martin's church, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, in 42 mins. F. Uphill, A. Brown, D. Snelling, F. Challen, W. Gearing, T. Shrubbs, A. Bassett, A. Coleman.

ELLINGHAM (Norfolk).—On Wednesday, May 4th, 1080 Doubles, in 30 mins., being 360 each of Stedman, Grand-sire and Plain Bob. E. Saunders, C. E. Parnell, E. Poppy, G. Baxter, G. E. Symonds conductor.

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**THE KIRKHEATON SOCIETY.**—On Sunday, July 24th, through the generosity of Mr. J. A. Rhodes, the above company were enabled to pay a visit to the parish church of Friezeland, where a start was made to ring 600 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. Owing to it being service time we had to stop twenty-four changes from home. On leaving the church we wended our way to the Royal George Club, where touches of Grandsire Major and Oxford Treble Bob Minor were rung on the handbells. Following this we adjourned to The Railway hotel, where ample justice was done to a good dinner prepared by the landlord. After dinner we returned to the church, where, through the kind permission of the Vicar we were allowed to ring until 3.30. "Go" was called for home, on which we remounted the waggonette, and drove home via "Bill's-o-Jack's" and the Isle of Skye, arriving at The Waterloo hotel at 9.45 p.m. A vote of thanks was proposed to Mr. Rhodes for his kindness by Mr. J. E. Carter, seconded by Mr. J. Bottom, and unanimously carried by all, who had thoroughly enjoyed the excursion.

**THE ST. ALBANS CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.**—The members of this Society went for their annual outing on Saturday, July 16th. Great Yarmouth was the place selected, and on arrival there quarters were taken at Goode's hotel. After partaking of lunch a ramble was made along the lively sands of the sea shore, returning to dinner. Afterwards they adjourned to the Britannia Pier, and listened to the strains of the military band, and attended a capital entertainment in the concert room on the pier. Sunday morning was devoted to a visit to the parish church of St. Nicholas, where they were 'courteously received by the local band, and were invited to stand in a touch of 504 Grandsire Triples and a touch of Grandsire Caters. In the afternoon a trip by boat was made to the village of Gorleston. Making for the church, and "hunting up and down," they had good "luck" in finding the conductor (Mr. Luck) who kindly gave up the ropes to the visitors. A 360 Bob Minor was brought round and another touch in the same method. The visitors desire to thank Mr. Luck and the local band for their kindness. On Monday the party was joined by the Rev. A. Chaplin, of St. Albans Cathedral. In the afternoon a

most enjoyable sail was made round the light ship called Saint Nicholas. On Tuesday the pleasant outing came to a finish, the members having thoroughly enjoyed it, returning home in the evening no doubt deriving much benefit from their visit to the sea-side.

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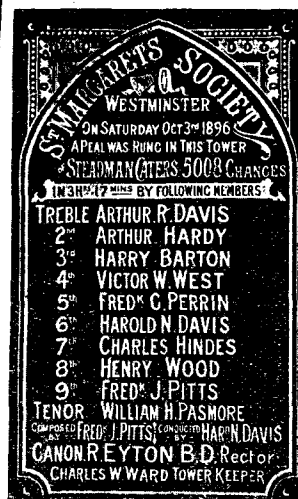
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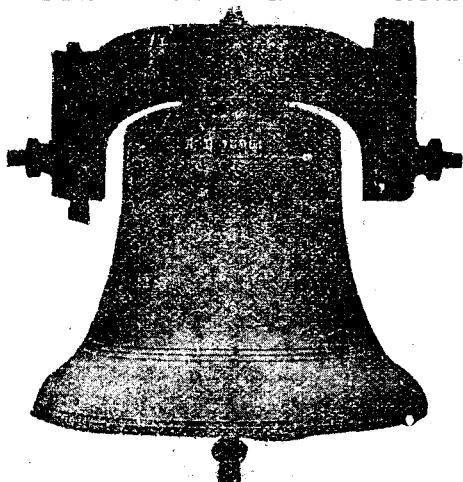
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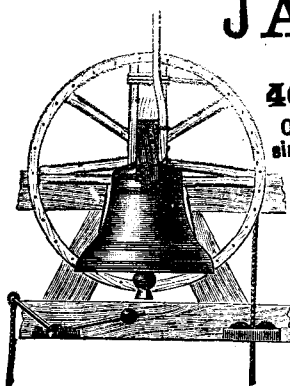
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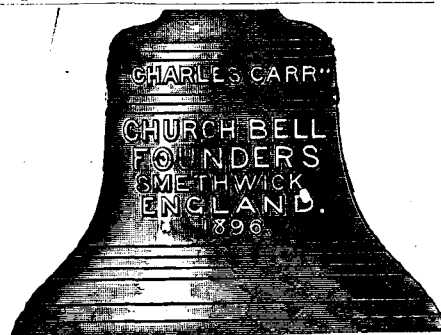
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

SILLOTH (Cumberland). Christ Church. Eight bells. All by Taylor, 1883. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Ropes good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing or practice.

SITTINGBOURNE (Kent). St. Michael. Kent County Association. Eight bells; the two trebles and 6th by Mears, 1884; the rest by Bartlett, 1687. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. A chiming apparatus is fitted. Rehung by Mears 1897. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 11, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

SKIPTON (Yorks.) Holy Trinity. Yorkshire Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Shaw, 1887; the rest by Lester 1760. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Shaw 1887. The churchwardens have been requested to improve the ringing-chamber, but they appear to be indifferent. Ropes new 1893, fair. Methods: Treble Bob, also various Minor methods. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice only occasionally, but the Rector is always glad to welcome a band of visitors.

SLEAFORD (Lincolnshire). St. Denis. North Lincolnshire Association. Eight bells; all by Osborn 1796. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Iron frame. Bells go splendidly. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Taylor 1886. Recommendations are promptly attended to. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing; 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30, October to April inclusive.

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## WITHYPOOL, DEVON.

The picturesque village of Withypool was gay with arches and flags on Friday, July 22nd, on the occasion of the visit of the Bishop of Bath and Wells. The village is very ancient. In the Domesday book of William the Conqueror, 1086, it belonged to the King, and formed part of the Royal Forest of Exmoor. Royal Foresters occupied a farm, probably still known as "Kings," and paid their rent to the bailiff of King's farm at Winsford. A church existed at a very early date, but the only part remaining is the grand old Norman font, wherein the inhabitants have been baptised for at least 800 years. The present church of St. Andrew is an ancient edifice in the Early English style, with lancet windows, consisting of a nave of three bays and chancel, north aisle, south porch, and western tower, the older parts being about 500 years old, while at the eastern end of the north wall of the aisle there is evidence of a piscina. Of the Communion plate, the chalice is of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, and bears the date 1572. The paten has inscribed on it "Eccles de Withypoole, 1726." The registers commence with 1653. There is a very handsome carved-oak lectern, the work and gift of Giles Yarde, Esq., who contributed handsomely to the former restoration. Built in the wall of the tower is an old stone, on which is cut, "This tower was rebuilt by this parish. Anno Dom., 1699. John Court, John Frogwell, David Gold, John Ley, churchwardens. Thomas and John Bridle, master workmen." The inside of the church was restored in 1887, and re-seated at a cost of £150.

The tower was considered unsafe and partly pulled down, the bells being deposited in the churchyard. A committee was formed and an effort was made to rebuild the tower to commemorate the coronation of King Edward VII., 1902. The foundation stone was laid by the Rev. W. J. Batchelor, rural dean. The completed tower is 32-ft. 6 in. in height, the cost being nearly £300. When the tower was finished, it was felt that the bells must be put up, and the committee set about rehanging them, Mr. Harry Stokes, of Woodbury, Devon, being employed to carry out the work, which he has done to the entire satisfaction of the committee. New oak framework has been erected for five bells, the treble recast, and additional metal added, the other three bells tuned and rehung with all new fittings, the cost being nearly £90. The oak for the framework was most generously given by Sir C. T. D. Acland, Bart. The treble bell was recast by Mears and Staiubank, and bears its original date, 1669. "Recast 1904. Rowland Newman, rector. John Williams, John Bawden, churchwardens." The second and tenor bells bear the inscription, "Mr. John Quartly, churchwarden; Thomas Bilbie, Cullompton, Devon, fecit 1793." While the third bell has many initials upon it, one of the names being "Ann Frogwell, warden, 1624." On the printed form of service it was stated that over £60 was still required.

Friday, July 22nd, was the day fixed by the Bishop for the re-opening service. There was a very crowded congregation. The procession was headed by the church-

wardens carrying their staves of office; then came the clergy, and, lastly, the Bishop. A special shortened form of service was used, with special psalms, lessons and hymns, and was fully choral. The lessons were read by the rural dean and the Rev. A. Newman, Vicar of Axminster, brother of the Rector. The Bishop and clergy proceeded to the belfry for the dedication, the first touch being rung by H. Stokes E. How, A. Reed, and H. Leach. The Bishop preached a most impressive sermon on the words, "My Father's house," John ii. 16. The collection was in aid of the tower and bell fund, and realised the satisfactory sum of £23 1s. 8d. Great credit is due to Mrs. Newman, who presided at the harmonium, and to the choir for the hearty rendering of the service.

Following the service was a public luncheon in the schoolroom, the ladies forming the committee being Mrs. Newman, Mrs. J. Williams, Mrs. R. Williams, and Mrs. Tudball. A most excellent luncheon was provided, everything being given by the committee and some of the inhabitants. About 140 sat down. The Bishop presided, with the Rector on his left, and the rural dean on his right. At the close the Bishop proposed the toast of "The King."

The Rector proposed "The Health of the Bishop," thanking him for so kindly coming amongst them, and said that they had had a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether, but everybody had worked with a will, and the prevailing spirit was that the Church was a heritage handed down to them by their forefathers, and they wished so to hand it down to their children.

The Bishop, in returning thanks, said he was delighted to come to Withypool, and he had been particularly struck with the very hearty good feeling which prevailed that day. They had had a hard struggle, as Withypool was by no means a rich parish, but their perseverance had triumphed over all difficulties.

The Rural Dean next proposed "The Health of the Rector and Churchwardens and the Committee," remarking that they took their name from the withy, which was flexible, but very tough. So the Withypool people were very tough and had put their shoulder to the wheel, with a result of which they must all feel proud. The toast was drunk with the greatest enthusiasm.

Messrs. John Williams and John Bawden (churchwardens) and the Rector responded.

It only remains to add that the takings at the luncheon amounted to nearly £13, making the total proceeds for the day about £36—truly a satisfactory performance. Merry peals were rung during the afternoon, and many of the inhabitants expressed their great pleasure in once more hearing their bells after a silence of twenty years.

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#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The August meeting was held at Tanfield on the 6th inst., where the pretty ring of eight, tenor 13½ cwt., was placed at the disposal of the members by the Vicar, the Rev. T. H. Archdall. Touches of Treble Bob Major and Stedman Triples were rung, in which J. Waghorn, sen., of Tottenham, took part. Also two 720s of Bob Minor, several of the local men ringing their first touch of Minor. A substantial tea was partaken of at The Peacock inn, the President, R. S. Story, esq., in the chair, and there were present members from Sunderland, Tanfield, Winton, North Shields, Newcastle, Gosforth and Blaydon. Mr. A. M. C. Field, of Stockton, was also present.

The President proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and mentioned that the vicarage gardens were thrown open to the members, a privilege which was enjoyed by everyone, as the Vicar's roses are a sight worth seeing. The election of the Rev. Maitland Kelly, President of the Devonshire Guild, and of Mr. J. Waghorn, who had been made members prior to starting for peals, was ratified by the members present.

Mr. Waghorn briefly thanked his friends in the North for their kindly reception, and for their efforts in arranging peals. He had enjoyed his visit exceedingly.

#### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, 25th of June, the annual meeting of the Society was held in the Pool Walk Schools, Lichfield. In the afternoon there was a special service in the Lady Chapel at the Cathedral, when an address was delivered by the Rev. Canon Lonsdale. During the afternoon and evening the bells at the Cathedral, and St. Mary's and St. Michael's churches were kindly placed at the disposal of the visitors, by whom a number of changes were rung. Tea was provided in the schools. Afterwards the Rev. Donald Jones, of Durham, presided. Until his removal from Lichfield a few months ago, Mr. Jones was the clerical secretary of the Association.

The report and balance sheet were presented by the Rev. T. W. Wilkes (clerical secretary), and showed a balance in hand of £15 3s. 11d. The association was the outcome of a meeting of Lichfield ringers in 1883, and its objects included the recognition of ringers as Church workers and the promotion of the art of change-ringing. There were then about fifty members, now there were over 250. The report and balance sheet were adopted.

The Rev. T. W. Wilkes was re-elected treasurer and clerical secretary, and Mr. S. Reeves (West Bromwich) was re-appointed lay secretary.

It was decided that the quarterly meetings should be held at Wolverhampton, Tipton, and Cannock, and that the Committee should consider whether the annual meeting should be held at Lichfield next year or at Walsall.

At the conclusion of the business of the meeting an interesting presentation was made to the Rev. Donald Jones by the members of the association as a mark of their respect and esteem, and as some slight token of appreciation for the valuable work he has carried out as clerical secretary for a period of fourteen years. The presentation took the form of a handsome writing cabinet, and was made by Mr. S. Reeves, one of the oldest members.

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## A YORKSHIRE HANDBELL CONTEST.

(From the *Yorkshire Post*.)

It has been said that the whole of civilised life is set to bell music in one shape or another, that the whole of our complex modern life depends very largely upon the tinkling of bells at the proper time and in the proper manner. For the sternly utilitarian bell sound thus indicated few people have any very deep affection, and those who listened on Saturday for five solid hours to the ornamental form of bell swinging indulged in by the members of the Yorkshire Handbell Ringers' Association must also have come to the conclusion that to the bell as a musical instrument certain very definite limits are set.

The occasion of this carnival of campanology was the first annual time-ringing contest promoted by the newly-formed Yorkshire Handbell Ringers' Association, and it was held in the Armoury at Huddersfield, because that town is in the centre of the district where bell-ringing most flourishes. The young men who pass away the dull evenings in bell-ringing, have the satisfaction of knowing that they are the heirs of unknown ages of ringers. Anti-quarians have worried themselves very much on the subject of the antiquity of bells, but never seem to get far enough back into the dead past to be able to tell us when the first bell was rung. And though it may appear to the un-initiated person that to lay out about a hundred bells on a table, and then set a dozen men to ring each particular bell in its own particular place, is a somewhat roundabout way of getting a tune, yet it is possible that, by means of the very difficulties which the process involves, the ringers may learn lessons of self-control and co-operation that will perchance be more valuable to them and their fellows than any mere musical achievements.

If the general public did not exhibit any great enthusiasm on the subject of bell-ringing on Saturday, the ringers themselves and their own particular following set a commendable example of zeal. Each band seemed to have its own "claque," which frantically applauded its performance, and these sectional cheers coming first from one side or corner of the hall, and then from the other, were at times rather startling. And at the close when the results were announced, the shouting and cheering were reminiscent of the football field. There were two competitions, the first being much more difficult than the second. For the first nine bands entered, and for the second eleven. For both classes the adjudicator was Mr. A. Jowett, Mus. Bac., of Leeds. Though Mr. Jowett might be supposed to have no favourites among handbell bands in the smaller manufacturing towns of the West Riding, yet it seemed to be essential that he should be beyond any suspicion, and therefore he was shut up in a heavily curtained sort of cage, unseen and unseeing, uncorrupted and incorruptible, with nothing whatever to distract his attention from the business of appraising the merits of the bell tunes that came to him through the heavy curtains of his prison. The seclusion seemed to have had a depressing effect upon Mr. Jowett's nerves, for when emerging from the cage at the close to announce the winners the fierce football cheers obviously disconcerted him, and he involuntarily glanced to see if the exit from the platform was unobstructed. He knew, he apologetically said, that each band had its following. He knew none of them, and all that he had done had been to judge each rendering as a musicianly performance. There was no referee baiting.

The second competition was settled during the afternoon. The test piece was "Recollections of Merrie

England,"—a collection of snatches of old ballads, including "The British Grenadiers," "Cherry Ripe," "The Girl I left behind me," "Rule Britannia," and "Home, Sweet Home." The bands varied in strength between eight and twelve performers, and in their ideas of the way in which the music should be read they varied very much. There was, for instance, a quite interesting diversity of tempo. Whilst some bands gave "The British Grenadiers" with dirge-like solemnity, others embraced it as an opportunity of how quickly they could rattle a tune off. The bands, too, had their favourite bits. While some shone brightest in the pathetic passages of "Tom Bowling," others would linger in loving sentimentally over "Home, sweet home," or put a sturdy patriotism into "Rule Britannia." With some part of the selection all the bands go into difficulties. Then owing to the rhythm being lost, chaos would reign, until the coming of a fresh song made a new start possible. The winners were Woodroyd, with 76 marks out of 90, the second being Birstal St. Saviour's with 74 marks.

## Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

THE LATE WILLIAM BARON.

SIR,—In the interesting obituary notice of the above appearing in your issue of the 6th inst. reference is made to his former connection with St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, and I shall be glad if you will grant me space to state that in recognition of that connection members of the St. Mary Abbots Guild rang the whole pull and stand at their meeting on the Tuesday evening following the funeral ceremony, as a mark of respect to his memory.

The reminiscences of the Waterloo Society recall to mind many interesting personalities who have passed away.

R. A. DANIELL.

INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—I recently purchased a set of old handbells bearing the following initials and trade mark: "W. G." and a swan. Any information would be thankfully received as to founder's name and age.

A. J. CHAMBERLAIN.

THANKS.

SIR,—May I through the medium of your paper express my gratitude and thanks to the members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild for the handsome present of handbells on the occasion of my recent marriage. I prize the gift most highly, and at regular intervals throughout the day their melodious notes remind me of the kind givers, and the need of refreshing the inner man. I hope those members who read this will accept my cordial thanks just as though I thanked them personally with a hearty shake of the hand.

H. E. TILNEY-BASSETT.

DOVER (Kent).—On Sunday evening, July 3rd, for Divine Service at St. Mary's church, 1344 Bob Major in 49 mins. J. B. Saunders, H. Saunders, S. Carter, E. Potter, C. Turner, H. C. Saywell, C. Millway, H. Wood conductor. S. Carter hails from Hounslow; the rest belong to the St. Mary's society, Dover.

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The hot weather still continues, and it is having an effect, apparently, on many correspondents whose inclination, or duty, or something, is to send reports of meetings and so forth to this paper. This is the reason why I, being a sort of "B.N." hack, am called upon to have a say on any matters which may be likely to interest my fellow-ringers all over the world. The last four words you may think a stretch of the imagination, but they are no such thing. This paper is read in Australia, New Zealand, and other of our Colonies; the United States of America; and be it also observed, in many localities or places where the presence of a British paper, whether daily or weekly, is very rare indeed. Therefore all writers on, for, and to the "B.N." ought to consider it a great privilege to have a connection with a literary organ by whose means their lucubrations are read by their ringing brethren in far-off lands: in backwoods somewhat distant from civilization; the South African veldt; the steppes of Russia; the snows of Canada; the mines of Peru; and many other foreign climes, too numerous to particularize. The ringing island is not the only spot where our doings are read of; while o'er "Scottish strath and Erin's isle" the science has made much progress indeed during the past few years. Therefore we of the "B.N.," whether as writers or correspondents, do, and ought to, consider it a privilege and a pleasure to enjoy the connection we have with such a newspaper.

I have received the following letter: "Mr. 'PLAIN SPEAKER'—I was much amused by the extract you gave about Sir William Harcourt and the horse he bought and sold—and got sold himself at the same time. I beg to draw your attention to the fact that formerly you used to publish other amusing sketches—wherever you got them from is a mystery—and I among many of your readers would be glad to read more of these amusing bits. Yours, &c. P.S.—Please don't mention my name, if you make use of this, which I daresay you will." Is this writer ashamed of his name? Why on earth does he want to hide his identity? Let me tell him that, generally speaking, anonymous writing is a process the opposite of courageous; also I would like him and all concerned to know that the object of these "notes and comments" is not merely to create laughter, but to instruct and edify all who may read them; also that in their preparation I have found that amount of entertainment which makes the duty a pleasure, though frequently much time is spent upon their collation, collaboration, and editorizing (this last word may be illegitimate like G.M.). My readers should know by now that these paragraphs, written by different persons, take sometimes a lot of study to interpret and bring into some sort of (I don't say perfect) shape. It is a well-known fact that there have been many celebrated men who could never read their own writing after they had penned it. And there are a lot of celebrated (and un-celebrated) of our ringing brethren who are labouring under a similar disadvantage.

The other day I read in a review of some book of the idiosyncracies of our ancestors with regard to their spelling when using a pen. These old boys spelt phonetically, and that is one of the reasons, I suppose, why surnames having similar pronunciations, are spelt phonetically nowadays. Many of our old friends in the Exercise, too, write phonetically, very much so. I think it has been

mentioned before how one old worthy wrote: "Please insert this in your next *ishew*;" and another: "after ringing 2½ hrs. the treble *roap* broke." These are examples of phonetics; and in spite of 6th and 7th board school standards, the phonetic idiosyncrasy with regard to writing and spelling still exists.

But I must not forget my would-be anonymous friend, who wants to be amused. Perhaps the following story, which I have just read, will serve his turn:—

"The year 1825 was remarkable for a severe commercial crisis. The Bank of England itself trembled on the edge of bankruptcy, and the directors gloomily murmured that they might be driven to suspend cash payments. If that event had come to pass, it is difficult to estimate the amount of evil which must have followed. An incident happening at the time shows to what a height the feverish alarm then prevailing throughout the country had risen. It was freezing hard, and an old woman slipped down outside Lubbock's Bank, and broke her leg. Four or five people gathered round her, to give what assistance they could. And in consequence a rumour immediately began to flit about the Exchange that a run upon Lubbock's Bank had started. In half an hour this imaginary run became a real one, and though the firm stood as solidly as Snowdon, still the having to realise their resources without delay, at any cost, is supposed to have landed the partners in a loss of £80,000. There was another story of the sharpness shown by a head clerk of a provincial bank at Wakefield. All its customers, on a certain market day, were crowding round the counter, clamorous for their money. The bullion was running low, and things looked as black as possible, when this expedient suggested itself to a cashier. He put a shovelful of sovereigns into the fire, and after a readjustment, poured them out into the hands of a farmer, who had eagerly presented his cheque. The man started back, considerably burnt about the fingers. 'Good God, my dear Sir,' was the explanation, 'I beg you ten thousand pardons! In my hurry I forgot to warn you, but we have to go on making these things so fast, that there is no time to let them cool.' The rustics, according to the legend, were perfectly satisfied as to the solvency of the firm, and the run stopped itself for good and all."

Does this please the man? Next week he shall be treated to a little bit of history, not very ancient.

A quarterly meeting of the Llandaff Association was held on the 30th ult., at which so the account informs us, "a member put before the meeting the case of one of its old members, namely, Mr. James Morley, of Chepstow, who unfortunately had been seriously ill for some time, owing to a severe attack of paralysis. The member asked if a sum could be voted him from the funds of the Association, but after a good deal of discussion, it was decided not to do so, as the case would be forming a precedent. A subscription was then started in the room, to which the members suitably responded." The foregoing quotation is not a very happy one. "The members suitably responded" sounds like responding to a toast or something of that sort. What are we to understand by the word "suitably"? Was the response of the members amply suited to the subject before them, or their own pockets? Again, it was decided not to vote any money from the Association's funds as it would be forming a precedent. Bosh! A very good precedent too, I should think, to help a worthy brother

who is suffering from such a dreadful thing as paralysis. I am rather curious to know what the amount was from the suitable response of the members.

The funds of the Llandaff Association may really be so low that it would be impolitic to tap them for any object of charity. But to talk of precedent seems to be the merest claptrap. It puts me in mind of that individual who always sheltered his vagaries by the wretched plea that he committed them "on principle." Some of the county and diocesan ringing associations have plenty of money in hand which they hardly know what to do with; I can't tell if Llandaff is in this enviable condition. If they are such a trivial sum as, say £5, would have been wisely spent upon such a good fellow as James Morley in his trouble, precedent or not precedent. Associations with £100 lying useless at the bank please take the hint.

Just a word with reference to some of the advertisements in our journal. I have more than once referred to the lovely silk wares of Wilfred Matthews, of Macclesfield; the picture-frame manufactory of old Joe Powers, of Hatfield (a neighbour of the Marquis of Salisbury); the ringers' chairs of Mr. Janes, of High Wycombe; and also the music (handbell and otherwise), sent out by our old and trusty comrade, William Gordon, of Stockport. I trust all these are doing a good business among their brother-ringers. Then there is James Hunt of Guildford—his peal-tablets are very popular just now. All these well deserve patronage and support, especially in these hard times, when trade is so slack and money so awfully scarce. Not only don't forget, but make it a special feature of your memories to give your orders to these brethren. "Help the brotherhood." I have been very much edified by hearing that in certain quarters the church clergy are following out this injunction, by taking care that church wants shall be only provided by churchmen—by the brotherhood, in fact. A friend of mine, a local tradesman, an active member of a C. of E. congregation, once complained that he thought it very hard when any church supplies were wanted his establishment was ignored, while those outside any church or chapel should be employed. There was no reason for this but apathy on the part of the authorities to "help the brotherhood." But things are improving, muchly, in this respect, it is comforting to know. I have not exhausted this topic, and may refer to it again next week. PLAIN SPEAKER.

### Miscellaneous.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LITTLE MUNDEN.—On Thursday, May 19th, 720 Kent. H. Carter, A. Wright, H. Bottril, C. Gale, A. Phillips, W. H. Lawrence conductor. On Sunday, May 29th, for morning service, 360 Bob Minor. For evening service 360 in the same method. F. Elliot, E. Overall, C. Searing, C. Gale, A. Phillips conductor, W. H. Lawrence. On Sunday, June 11th, for morning service, 360 Bob Minor. E. Overall, C. Searing, F. Elliot, C. Gale, A. Phillips conductor, W. H. Lawrence. For evening service 360 Kent Treble Bob. H. Carter, C. Gale, G. T. Spicer, R. Craft, A. Phillips conductor, W. H. Lawrence. After service, 360 Bob Minor. F. Elliot, 2; the rest as before.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WHITBY.—On Saturday, July 30th, at St. Mary's church, 360 and 720 Bob Minor, 672 Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 420 Stedman Triples, and 96 Kent Treble Bob Major, by Messrs. Birkett, Blakiston, Jones, Kidd, McFarlane, Rudd, Passman, Titchener, Pollard and Wedgewood.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

KELSALE.—On Sunday evening, June 18th, eight members of the above attempted a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, but it collapsed after ringing 2 hrs. 15 mins. F. Watling, C. Thompson, G. Berry, G. Thompson, W. Drew conductor, H. Thompson, A. W. Lee, W. Fisher.

WENHASTON.—On May 31st, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. C. List, A. Lee, J. O'Neill, G. Eastleigh, A. Took, F. Watling conductor. Also 360 Plain Bob. G. Eastaugh, F. Watling conductor, J. O'Neill, S. Ellis, A. Took, A. Lee. On June 13th, two 720s of Oxford Treble Bob Minor. F. Watling conductor, A. Miles, J. Youngs, G. Eastaugh, F. Cullum, A. Lee.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHATTERIS (Cams).—On July 3rd, at the parish church, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles, each called differently. J. McGill, P. Smith, I. Moxon, G. Basham, H. Moxon. For evening service six 6-scores and a plain course of Bob Doubles, in 25 mins. P. Smith, A. Abrams, I. Moxon, G. Basham, H. Moxon. On July 10th, for morning service, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles, I. Moxon, G. Basham, P. Smith, D. Crashlay conductor, H. Moxon. For evening service seven 6-scores of Bob Doubles, in 28 mins. I. Moxon, G. Basham, H. Moxon, A. Abrams, P. Smith. On Monday, July 12th, for practice, three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, each called differently. D. Crashlay conductor, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, G. Basham. On July 24th, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles. I. Moxon, P. Smith, H. Moxon, G. Basham, S. Parsons. On July 30th, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles, each called differently. J. McGill, P. Smith, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, G. Basham. In the evening four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. I. Moxon, H. Moxon, A. Abrams, D. Crashlay conductor, G. Basham.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

SOUTHGATE.—On Sunday, May 15th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. G. Bester, A. Glasscock, J. Miller, W. Pickworth, H. Miller, M. Fensom, S. Wade conductor, A. Dodson.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE.—On Sunday, August 7th, for Divine Service at St. Michael's church, 1280 Double Norwich, in 43 mins. F. Webb, C. H. Howard conductor, W. Steele, E. Newman, H. E. Hammon, B. Thompson, W. Grimwade, H. J. Collins.

GALLEYWOOD (Essex).—On Saturday, July 9th, at the church of SS. Michael and All Angels, 720 Bob Minor. A. Whight, H. Richel, R. Edwards, H. Kirton, H. Head conductor, H. Cooper. And 720 Kent Treble Bob. H. Richel, R. Edwards, H. Kirton, A. Head, A. Whight, H. Head conductor.

WIDFORD.—On Sunday, July 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 47 mins. H. Dawson, H. Cooper, W. Newman, H. Richel, A. Head, A. Whight, H. Kirton conductor, H. Head.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

HIGHGATE.—On Sunday evening, May 1st, for Divine Service at St. Anne's church, 1092 Stedman Triples. E. Chapman, M. Woodcock, E. Wightman, G. Smith, T. Titchener, W. J. Nudds, F. Smith conductor, E. Young.

#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1904.

FROM various quarters—to parody a phrase of our popular  
contributor who is at the present moment to the front—  
we hear of the difficulties which militate against bell-  
restoration. Such difficulties are mainly financial. Many  
of the clergy tell us from time to time how desirous they  
are that their bells should be restored, and the belfry set  
in order in every respect. They read occasionally in our  
columns what is being done in this way, and they see  
in such movements a kind of revolution, or reformation,  
which affects for the best their parishioners. The for-  
mation of a ringing company on a firm basis with wise  
regulations is calculated, some of them believe, to effect  
much parochial good. The interest shown in what may  
be termed the "establishment of ringing" in a neigh-

bourhood where it has been hitherto unknown by the locals is a good augury of social improvement. Therefore efforts to restore and augment rings of bells should meet with prompt encouragement always. Such a regeneration under good arrangements will act upon the neighbourhood with happy effect. The difficulties which harass those clergy who are anxious to carry out such reform we will make a point of referring to in our next number.

### The Provinces.

#### BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

##### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 30, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE WATBELLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

KEITH HART .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 5.
HENRY T. WILSON .. .. 2.	ARTHUR H. SAXBY .. 6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. 3.	GEORGE E. WILSON .. 7.
CHARLES F. TURNER .. 4.	JAMES LARKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

#### SANDY, BEDS.

##### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, July 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN.

##### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Merchants' Return Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.

THOMAS R. SCOTT .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. 4.
CHARLES R. LILLEY .. .. 2.	JOHN HARE .. .. 5.
GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 3.	FREDERICK WELLS .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Arranged for W. Goss, of Ramsey.

#### MITCHELDEAN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

##### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Sunday, July 31, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL.

##### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

JESSE GILLET .. .. Treble.	ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 5.
THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 2.	WALTER T. BENNETT .. 6.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	ERNEST E. DAVIS .. 7.
HORACE F. STREET .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

First peal of Major on the bells.

#### ASHTEAD, SURREY.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. Treble.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 2.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
GEORGE THOMPSON .. 4.	JAMES HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

#### DORKING, SURREY.

##### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. Treble.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by B. PREWETT.

First peal of Surprise on the bells; also the conductor's 250th peal.

#### HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

##### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

CHAS. A. CATCHPOLE† .. Treble.	JOHN MOULE .. .. 5.
REV. WM. C. PEARSON† .. 2.	†ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
WALTER BROWN† .. .. 3.	†CHARLES MEE .. .. 7.
DANIEL PRENTICE† .. .. 4.	†FREDERICK MEE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and Conducted by CHARLES MEE.

†Members of the All Saints Society, Sproughton.

#### HORSHAM, SUSSEX.

##### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S No. 3. Tenor 24 cwt. in E flat.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Treble.	GEORGE H. LEE .. .. 5.
JOHN NETLEY .. .. 2.	JAMES H. BLAKE .. .. 6.
CHARLES BLACKMAN .. 3.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 7.
ALBERT FEIST .. .. 4.	WALTER J. RICE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

#### BEKESBOURNE, KENT.

##### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

##### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

SIDNEY WALTER .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. 4.
WILLIAM T. HYLAND .. 2.	FREDERICK A. FAIRBEARD .. 5.
JOSEPH E. GREYSTED .. 3.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

#### IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. Treble.	†EDWARD EVANS .. .. 5.
REV. WM. C. PEARSON† .. 2.	†EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 6.
WILLIAM MOTTS† .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
EDGAR PEMBERTON† .. 4.	†JAMES MOTTS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

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## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

HENRY COLLINS.. .. Treble.	HARRY CATTERMOLLE .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	FRANK CULLUM .. .. 5.
ALPHAUS J. BERRY.. .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

This peal was arranged for F. Cullum.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

REV. WM. C. PEARSON .. Treble.	ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY .. 2.	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN .. 6.
GEORGE HOUGHIN, SEN. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
CHARLES MEE .. .. 4.	HARRY J. MEE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. Treble.	*F. GORDON THOMPSON .. 5.
WILLIAM FOREMAN .. .. 2.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 6.
HARRY W. CATTERWELL .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN COUSINS .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method.

## STRATFORD-ON-AVON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, August 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ROLAND BRAGG* .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 5.
STANLEY BRAGG* .. .. 2.	SAMUEL BRAGG .. .. 6.
JAMES DOWLER .. .. 3.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. 7.
JOHN BRAGG .. .. 4.	SIDNEY J. JESSOP .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for granting the use of the bells.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.\*

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Friday, August 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 32 cwt.

EDWARD EVANS .. .. Treble.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. .. 6.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 7.
HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 4.	HENRY WELHAM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rung as a compliment ° H. Gillingham who celebrated his 34th birthday on Friday, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

## WIDFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

ERNEST E. PARMENTER .. Treble.	THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 5.
WILLIAM ROWLAND, JUN. .. 2.	WILLIAM WELLINGTON .. 6.
ALFRED WRIGHT .. .. 3.	HENRY F. COOPER .. .. 7.
F. GORDON THOMPSON* .. 4.	R. HENRY ROLFE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WM. ROWLAND, JUN.

\*First peal of Grandsire. Arranged and rang to oblige F. Gordon Thompson.

## HERSHAM, SURREY.

## THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
GEORGE WOODISS .. .. 2.	HUBERT EDEN .. .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. Treble.	ALBERT CALVER .. .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWITT .. .. 2.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWITT .. 3.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 4.	THOMAS STEERS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH A. LAMBERT.

## SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr.

W. BUTLER .. .. Treble.	†J. THOMPSON .. .. 4.
W. G. CHRISTIAN* .. .. 2.	F. H. KAY .. .. 5.
B. FLETCHER .. .. 3.	J. T. BUTLER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. T. BUTLER.

## WOBURN, BEDS.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT ST. MARY'S OLD TOWER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

CYRIL HERBERT .. .. Treble.	DOUGLAS HARRIS .. .. 5.
MORTIMER MATTHEWS .. 2.	WALTER SMITH .. .. 6.
CHARLES HERBERT .. .. 3.	ERNEST HERBERT .. .. 7.
WALTER CHIBNALL .. .. 4.	MARK LANE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by CYRIL HERBERT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Charles Herbert on attaining his 60th year. At the conclusion of the peal the Rev — Rust presented him on behalf of the Woburn company with a meerscham and amber pipe in case together with a silver match box.

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## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

HENRY J. SELBY .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM LATTER .. .. 5.
EDWARD MANKELOW .. .. 2.	*ALFRED A. JARRETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM COLLISON .. .. 3.	DAVID WRIGHT .. .. 7.
ALFRED W. TAWNEY .. .. 4.	CHARLES CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by DAVID WRIGHT.

\*First attempt and first peal of Triples in any method.

## RAINFORD, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

(WIGAN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

SAMUEL C. C. TURNER .. Treble.	ALEXANDER SHAW .. .. 5.
ALFRED GARSIDE .. .. 2.	SAMUEL MARSDEN .. .. 6.
JOHN E. GUMMERSON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM MAJOR .. .. 7.
THOMAS WORTHINGTON .. 4.	JOHN BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN E. GUMMERSON.

First peal on the bells.

## POTTON, BEDS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(HUNTS. ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, August 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Merchants' Return, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs. in A.

CHARLES R. LILLEY .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. 4.
SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. .. 2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5.
SIDNEY J. PECK .. .. 3.	JOHN HARE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Arranged for W. Goss, of Ramsey.

## CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, August 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11½ cwt.

HERBERT A. HOLDEN .. Treble.	THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 5.
GEORGE LUFF .. .. 2.	THOMAS W. BURDOCK .. 6.
HENRY MULLARD .. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. LIGHTFOOT .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 4.	THOMAS LUFF .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

## TUNSTALL, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Oxford Bob, Kent, College Single and Plain Bob.

WILLIAM J. FAIRBEARD .. Treble.	CHARLES E. SMITH .. .. 4.
ALBERT J. DAY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SPICE, SEN. .. 5.
FREDK. A. FAIRBEARD .. 3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

## SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. Treble.	†ALFRED J. REDMAN .. .. 5.
FREDERICK G. GODDARD .. 2.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 6.
JAMES STRUTT .. .. 3.	JOHN HOWES .. .. 7.
JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM WARNE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FERRIS J. SHEPHERD.

†First peal of Grandsire. \*First peal, and elected a member of the Association.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

ALFRED F. HILLIER .. Treble.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 5.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 2.	JOSEPH WAGHORN, SEN. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. BRUNSDON† .. 3.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. 7.
EDWARD A. HERN* .. .. 4.	†MATTHEW ANDERSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. E. R. KEEN.

†First peal. \*First peal of Stedman Triples. †Late of St. Michael's Junior Society, Gloucester.

## WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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FREDERICK JOHNSON .. Treble.	ARNOLD GELL .. .. 5.
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WILLIAM FOX .. .. 4.	*BRIAN HILDITCH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATORIX.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

## The Colonies.

## MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.

(THE ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, July 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 31½ cwt.

WILLIAM MOORE* .. Treble.	ARTHUR E. BAMES .. .. 5.
CHARLES STOCKS* .. .. 2.	JAMES L. MURRAY .. .. 6.
JOSEPH FREEMAN .. .. 3.	PERCY HOWARD .. .. 7.
ARTHUR FITZGERALD* .. 4.	*EDGAR KNOTT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR E. BAMES.

\*First peal in any method.

## Handbell Peals.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

LEWIS L. WATSON .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. 7-8.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by W. J. Goss.

Umpire—O. Wiles. Rang as an opening peal on the handbells presented to the conductor by the Ramsey Society.



### Notices.

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The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting of this Association will be held at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, to-day, Saturday, the 13th of August. The bells will be raised about 5 o'clock. Members and friends of the Association are cordially invited to attend. **ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.**  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Herts Association.—A district meeting will be held at Aldenham to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Bells available at 4.0. Tea at 6 o'clock. Shall be glad to hear from those who are coming. **H. EDEN, Dis. Sec.**  
Chalk Hill House, Watford.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.30, meeting at 7 o'clock.

**JOHN SMITH, Branch Sec.**

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Warrington to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Bells ready at 4.0, tea at 5.30 o'clock. **WALTER HUGHES.**

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—East Dorset Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Blandford, Dorset, to-day, Saturday, August 13th, instead of the 30th July.

**A. F. MARTIN STEWART, Branch Hon. Sec.**

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—York Town District.—Quarterly meeting at Walton-on-Thames to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Bells open from one o'clock.

**CHAS. H. PEARCE, Dist. Sec.**

Vale Road, Yorktown.

The Midland Counties Association.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Daybrook, to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m. **R. CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.**  
Brancote Road, Beeston, Notts.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James's, Milnrow, to-day, Saturday, Aug. 13th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m., meeting at 7. All ringers welcome. Business important.

**J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.**

The Heavy Woollen District Association.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Tong to-day, Saturday, August 13th. Meeting to commence at 5.30. **WALTER IDLE, Sec.**  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

The Essex Association.—South Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Waltham on Saturday, August 20th. Bells ready at 4.0. Business meeting at 6.30.

**H. T. WILSON, Dist. Sec.**

36, St. Mary's Road, Priittlewell.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul, Borden, on Saturday, August 20th. Tower open for ringing at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at The Maypole inn at 6 p.m. Members intending to be present at tea must let me know on or before Wednesday, the 17th instant. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid. **A. OSBORNE, Dist. Sec.**  
65, Clive Road, Rochester.

The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at

Lawton on Saturday, August 20th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. J. Wildblood, 106, Old Butt Lane, Stoke-on-Trent, by Thursday, August 18th.

**D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.**

High Street, Bucknall.

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Calverley on Saturday, August 27th. Bells (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Thornhill Arms at 7.30 p.m.

**FRED R. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.**

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Essex Association.—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with. **C. H. HOWARD.**  
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### Compositions.

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#### KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

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## Ringers' Outings.

**THE BALDOCK SOCIETY (Herts).—**On Thursday, July 16th, the members of this Society had their annual outing, the places visited being Braughing and Aspenden. The party had a delightful day, and taking the handbells with them rang several touches of Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples. Braughing was reached about 12.15, and the party at once proceeded to the church, and the bells having been kindly placed at their disposal, a touch of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major was rung before dinner. Afterwards a capital dinner was prepared at The Rose and Crown, to which justice was done. The tower was again visited and touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were rung until 4 o'clock, when a move was made to Aspenden. Ringing was indulged in before and after tea. On the homeward journey a short stay was made at Cottered, and several touches and tunes were rung on the handbells. Home was reached about 11 o'clock, all being agreed that a thoroughly enjoyable day had been spent. The company take

this opportunity of thanking the Vicar of Braughing and the Rector of Aspenden for the use of the bells.

**THE ALL SAINTS (FULHAM) SOCIETY.—**The annual outing of the above Society took place on a recent Saturday, when a thoroughly enjoyable day was spent in the University City of Cambridge. The towers of St. Andrew's, Great St. Mary's and the Roman Catholic church were in turn visited and touches in various methods (from Grandsire Triples to Stedman Cinques) were successfully brought round. In addition to the pleasure afforded at the respective towers, the party particularly enjoyed the inspection of the different Colleges—King's, Trinity, and Queen's being much admired. The arrangements of the outing were in the hands of the Hon. Secretary (Mr. W. T. Elson), and it need hardly be said that it entailed a deal of forethought to ensure the success which attained, consequently a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Hon. Sec. for his untiring efforts. The Society wish to thank Mr. Taylor, of Great St. Mary's, and Mr. Poole, of the University Guild, for their efforts towards making the outing a great success.

## Obituary.

## ERNEST DOWELL.

We regret to announce the tragic death of the above, in his 20th year, a member of the Rowley Regis parish church company and the Worcestershire Association. Deceased, while following his employment on July 26th in one of the stone quarries in the district, was struck by a falling stone, completely smashing the back of his head in, and although he lived until July 30th he never fully regained consciousness. The following members of the Association rang some touches, including 360 Plain Bob, on the day he was buried. F. Hackett, W. Beddows, A. Homer, E. White, E. Homer, F. Homer, M. Hackett.

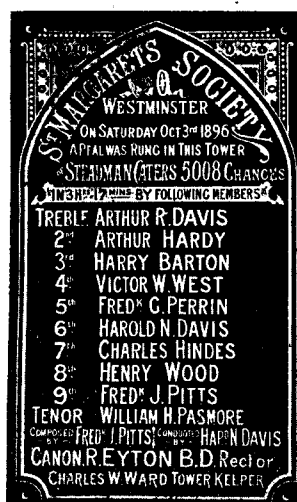
## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

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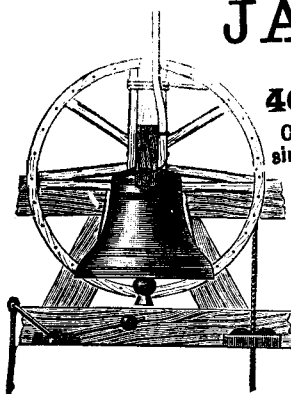
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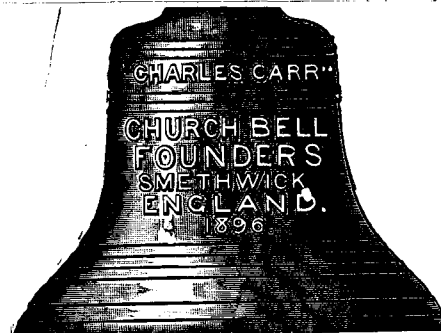
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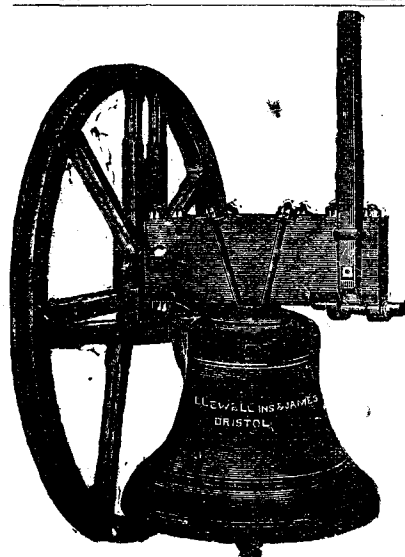
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

SMETHWICK (Staffordshire). St. Mary. Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Eight new bells. All by Carr. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.30.

SOBERTON (Hants.) St. Peter. Winchester Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. No date or founder mentioned, but apparently old. Tenor 15 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mallaby 1881. Slight repairs are required, but there are no funds. Methods: Grandsire and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.

SOHAM (Cambridgeshire). St. Andrew. Ely Diocesan Association. Ten bells; the two trebles by Briant, no date given; the rest by Osborn, 1788. Tenor 21 cwt. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes bad. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Thursday, 8.

SOLIHULL (Warwickshire). St. Alphege. Ten bells. Treble, 2nd, 5th and 7th by Barwell 1894; the rest by Bagley 1685. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Barwell 1894. Ropes new 1894 good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Saturday, 7.30.

SONNING (Berks.) St. Andrew. Oxford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells. Treble by Mears 1853; 2nd and 4th by Pack 1778 and 1759 respectively; 3rd by Phelps 1711; the rest believed to be by Knight 1640. Tenor 22 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs recently by Blackburn, and previously by Mears. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

SOUTHAMPTON (Hants.) Holy Rood. Eight bells. No return.

St. Michael. Eight bells. No return.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting in connection with the Rossendale branch was held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, August 6th. There was a much larger attendance than had been expected. Proceedings commenced with touches of Grandsire Triples, followed by Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob, after which the members adjourned to the schoolroom for the usual business meeting. A chairman was duly elected, but that gentleman retired when Secretary Ashworth remarked that the first item would be the chairman's address, so Mr. Ramsbottom, of Bury, was elected to the vacant chair. The minutes of the last meeting having been passed as read, some discussion arose on nominations for a Branch Secretary. Several members were proposed, but all declined to stand, giving various reasons, one stating that having taken unto himself a wife he could not spare the time, and eventually after some pressure Secretary Ashworth consented to continue in office for another term. Three members were nominated for the post of committeeman, the voting to take place at the next meeting which will be held at Rawtenstall. Mr. G. Staff, as representing St. Alban's tower, Rochdale, offered a hearty welcome to any ringers to their tower that intended visiting Rochdale on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Lancashire Association to be held at the parish church in September.

A vote of thanks was sent to the St. Alban's ringers for their kind invitation, and the usual vote of thanks to the Vicar and ringers of Ramsbottom for the use of the bells concluded the business, the rest of the evening being devoted chiefly to touches of Stedman, and thus ended a very pleasant meeting.

## THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly ringing meeting of this society was held at Rothwell on Saturday, July 30th. Arrangements were made for an attempt for a peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major, but owing to the non-arrival of one of the band, a start could not be made. Touches in various methods were rung on the bells during the afternoon and evening. The business meeting was held at The White Lion hotel at 7.30 p.m. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, Mr. G. Barraclough was elected to the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting (Hull), was proposed and passed as read by Mr. T. Nichols, seconded by Mr. G. Steel, and carried. Other business having been brought before the meeting, a vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for kind arrangements, was proposed by Mr. J. Whitaker, seconded by Mr. J. Cann, and carried. Mr. W. Abbishaw suitably responded. Various methods were also rung on the handbells. The following towers were represented: Headingley, Wakefield, Pudsey, Woodlesford, and the local company.

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

When I wrote last week the weather was uncomfortably hot, now we have a most pleasant change. The atmosphere has got cooler; and refreshing and grateful showers have descended, making all verdure rejoice, as it were. Some of you will be looking after your garden produce, and taking especial note of those fruits, flowers, and vegetables, which will have to do duty in the church at the coming harvest festival. Of such you will send your best; as a kind of thank-offering, and also a recognition of the great bounty and beneficence of the Creator. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof." I think in the majority of cases all these beautiful fruits of the earth which are sent to grace such festivals, find their way eventually to hospitals of various kinds, and thus the poor inmates are made glad not only by the sight of lovely flowers, but they are able to enjoy the luscious fruits which accompany them. Success to all harvest festivals having such a good end in view.

A correspondent would like the following letter inserted I dare say:—

"Dear Sir,—The amusing narrative relating to the selling of Sir William Harcourt and his horse, brings to my mind an incident that occurred at a village in North Nottinghamshire. It was about the end of November in the year 1897 that a band of young and enthusiastic bell-pulling maniacs (as the locals termed them), were wending their way to practice. I myself was in charge of the belfry keys, but owing to an appointment I had to fulfil on this particular night, was obliged to delay the practice for half-an-hour. In the meantime the others had met at the same time and place as usual, and were walking leisurely up the churchyard path, when suddenly a peculiar clatter was heard in the direction of the church porch. All turned and fled; knives were drawn, and fearful threats were uttered, but not until all had safely reached the street. A minute later, a friend (who was looking for his donkey that had strayed away), and myself appeared upon the scene, and learned what had transpired. Once more we started for the belfry, and again we heard the clatter; but determined to know the cause of the noise, we went forward. Another moment's search, and our efforts were rewarded. Judge our surprise to find that the would-be-ghost was nothing more than my friend's missing donkey that had got into the churchyard earlier in the day unobserved, and was clattering on the pavement in the porch with his feet. No doubt that noble beast had strayed there with the intention of listening to the melodious music of the bells.—R. F."

I cannot see that this occurrence compares at all with the anecdote of Sir William Harcourt, but it doesn't matter. The writer has signed himself "R. F." This is an unfortunate concatenation of initials, for together they often are supposed to illustrate two words the reverse of complimentary. Our friend must be more careful. If he had signed his name in full the words which are suggestive of hereditary *talents* would not have been supposed.

Now to the friend of last week to whom was promised some history. Some of my readers may recollect a few weeks ago that a distinguished Admiral of the Fleet—Sir Henry Keppel—died, full of years and honours. The papers of the time had a lot to say about him. He was a

great favorite of Queen Alexandra—who called him "her own Admiral"—and with royalty generally. The following extract concerning him is from a Life of the late Viscount Palmerston:—

"We may refer to an amusing instance of the way in which Lord Palmerston was determined to let his views be known in the proper quarter, no matter what others of his Government at home might think of the action which excited either his approval or his condemnation. The incident occurred at Macao. The sun was high and the weather beautiful at that port on one summer day. The town was crowded with natives and 'foreign devils,' for a *festa* was to be honoured by a religious procession through the streets, and a High Mass and impressive music and ceremonies were to be seen and heard in the cathedral. The bells were jingling and intoning their confused calls from every steeple, and below the belfries the buildings of the town which covered the slope of the land down to the water's edge, shadowed streets filled with holiday crowds. At anchor in the port lay one of her Britannic Majesty's frigates, commanded by Captain Keppel, the same gallant officer who is now Sir Harry, Admiral of the Fleet. Soon word was brought to Captain Keppel in his ship that during the progress of the procession, which had been slowly making its way over the steep roadways to the church above, accompanied by the priests with the holy wafer and the officials of the place, including the Governor, there had happened an unfortunate occurrence.

"A young English clergyman from Shanghai or Canton, or a mere passenger in some passing steamer, had happened to be in the street when the array of priests, acolytes, prelates, and officials, all decked out in sumptuous canonicals or in uniforms, had walked past, and had failed to remove his hat and bow bareheaded as the sacred emblems went by. He had been arrested, and it was feared he had been put into the common gaol. Keppel had the same liking that Palmerston had of expressing his opinion when any act derogatory to the dignity of a 'Britisher' had been perpetrated by a foreigner. So, after stamping once or twice up and down his deck, he ordered one of his officers to go forth and demand of the Governor an explanation of their proceeding of the arrest of the English clergyman, and to insinuate that he must be at once released. The lieutenant went and returned with one of the Governor's staff, who with much gesticulation assured Keppel that what had been done could not be undone. The gallant captain said that he could not parley with one of the Governor's officers, for he, the gallant captain, was her Majesty's representative while in command of her Majesty's war vessel at that port, and that he must ask that the Governor himself should say anything there was to be said.

"So the subordinate returned, and his Excellency the Governor himself was soon seen coming off from shore, and was rowed alongside, looking very sulky, very pompous, but in very fine uniform, his flag floating at a little flagstaff in the stern of his boat, his men in tolerably good-looking white dresses, and the whole party heated and embarrassed. As soon as the deck of the British frigate was reached and bows had been exchanged, the captain, who possessed, as all the service knows, a pluck in a quantity contrary to the number of his own inches, looked up at the tall and slim foreign functionary, and asked, was it true he had imprisoned one of her Majesty's subjects? The olive countenance, with its dark moustache, much agitated, looked down on the robust countenance and bushy eyebrows of the British commander, and explained with much energy that it was most unfortunate that disrespect had been shown not only to the Host but to himself, the Governor, by the young Englishman who had contravened the law, and that what had been done could not be helped, and much more to the same purpose. Keppel's brows did not relax, as the Governor may have expected they would, after such an exercise of his eloquence. On the contrary, they made the expression of the blue eyes much more trenchant, and the words came forth as an order, 'That doesn't make the matter a bit better—the man must be at once set at liberty.' Then did every one of the foreign party shrug his shoulders, as their chief gave the example, and voluminous vociferations declared the liberation impossible. Keppel was quite quiet, and when a pause came

in the ejaculations he took out his watch and said, 'Now, sir, you will go ashore, and if in twenty minutes after you land the man is not liberated, I land and I liberate him myself.' There was no disobeying the first order, but the second the Governor again repeated to be impossible of fulfilment. The official's boat reached the town. Twenty minutes passed. There was no sign. Keppel's Marines and blue-jackets were ready on his deck. They filled the boats, which rowed ashore bristling with bayonets.

"There was no opposition to their landing. The local forces were evidently quite unprepared to offer any. The men were formed on the quays, a guard left with the boats' and with Keppel at the head of the little column, an advance was instantly made through the streets to the gaol. There was the greatest excitement among the people; cries and crowding at every corner and along the narrow thoroughfares. Presently the prison came into sight across a piazza. Here all was consternation and fear. The gaoler's daughter was hurried down the stairs with the keys, and handed them out of a window to the nearest blue-jacket, and her hurry and fright were so great that as she leant out to hand the keys she overbalanced herself, and fell into his arms, keys and all. Then the door was unlocked and the young English aspirant for martyrdom released, none the worse, and marched down to the shore, and placed for safety on board. Again there was no incident, but noise and excitement among the outraged Governor's subjects. But the affair of course got wind at home, and it was equally of course that some of our friends in the House of Commons, who cannot see a good joke, made the cause of the Governor their own, and the Admiralty of that day being not all composed of men like Keppel, and perhaps being rather glad—some of them—to have a fling at him as being of a different stamp to themselves, sent to him a formal letter of reprimand for the action he had taken. Lord Palmerston knew perfectly well of this letter to the Admiralty, and he was himself at the time the Foreign Minister of Britain. He took care that by the same mail that took the Admiral's reprimand, Keppel should receive a formal letter from himself thanking Keppel for the manner in which he had acted and supported the consideration due to one of Her Majesty's subjects in a foreign town. Lord Palmerston had the pleasure years afterwards of recommending the gallant officer for a good post on shore."

The would-be anonymous gentleman will it is hoped, consider that he has been dealt with in a liberal manner. Perhaps he will try his best in future to promote the science everywhere he goes, and feel grateful for the notice which has been taken of him and his representations in these pages.

While compiling these notes I received a letter from a very old and sincere friend—John Carter. He with his family has been staying at Tenby for a fortnight. At this place John made a discovery. He found that Tenby church had eight bells, and a young company just starting to learn change-ringing. This suited John down to the ground, and so he went up and called a touch for these "young-uns," which happened to be the longest touch on the bells. He agreed to call a quarter-peat for them on the following Thursday, but they were found hardly up to it, so it came to "stand." Our friend made another find, which was that the young gentlemen of Tenby had never heard of this paper! Of course he took the usual means of making them acquainted with it. Fine weather was enjoyed at Tenby the whole time the Carter family sojourned there, and it is hoped that John's health will be advanced a stage by the brief holiday.

My friend William Gordon sends me the following: "On Bank Holiday, August 1st, the annual meeting of the Chester Diocesan Guild was held at Chester, and a sermon to the assembled ringers preached in the

Cathedral by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who took as his text the words "Prove all things"—1 Thess. v. 21. These words, he said, were a very fitting and suitable preface to Hubbard's "Art of Ringing," but of course you will have had an account of all the proceedings from some other source. I had the pleasure of a pull in a touch of Stedman Triples, conducted by the rev. gentleman, in which figured also my friend Wilfrid Matthews, of Macclesfield, the silk handkerchief manufacturer."

I have found out upon enquiry that this information about the Chester Guild meeting has not been received at the office, and that therefore some one is at fault.

The remarks made concerning the meeting of the Llandaff Association have not met with any disapproval. But in consequence the following has been handed to me for publication:--

"Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me through 'THE BELL NEWS' to appeal for assistance for Mr. James Morley, of Chepstow, who is suffering from acute paralysis since July 25th, 1903, and is now unable to move without assistance. For over forty years Mr. Morley has been connected with the parish church as ringer and tower-keeper, and visitors to Chepstow were always made welcome and prepared for by him. It was never too much trouble to do anything connected with ringing, and many is the young hand he has taught to handle a bell and to ring her in changes so far as his knowledge permitted. Now he is perfectly helpless, and I think it is our duty to help him all we can. Any donation, however small, will be gratefully received and duly acknowledged by yours truly, John Prickett."

I hope all readers will try to send a trifle to a good old ringer who is afflicted.

"The churchwardens have been requested to improve the ringing-chamber, but they appear to be indifferent." "Practice only occasionally, but the Rector is always glad to welcome a band of visitors." These two quotations are taken from the paragraph relating to the bells of Skipton (Yorks.) in the schedule of "Our Church Bells" in last week's paper. The churchwardens appear to be "indifferent," do they? Then such indifference ought to bring some castigation upon them. Where is the Archdeacon; and why does he not "call over the coals" these indolent and indifferent wardens? Perhaps those who desire to see the ringing-chamber improved will give the Archdeacon a call, and put him on to these apathetic officials.

What a change in the following paragraph, which deals with Sleaford, in Lincolnshire. "Bells go splendidly. Recommendations are promptly attended to." No indifferent wardens here; but men who have an idea of the fitness of things, and a desire evidently that the principal instruments of God's house should be kept in a high state of efficiency and order.

The opening of bells at a place called "Withypool" was a rather impressive affair. But the results hardly seem to be in character. We read that a new tower has been built, but it is only just under 33-ft. in height! Perhaps there were sufficient reasons for this, but why build a bellframe to hold only five? Very little more expense, and a frame to hold six, or even eight, could have been made. Some enthusiastic ringer should have been on the

spot to advise in such a matter. Five bells are better than four, of course, but an odd number seems, not exactly absurd, perhaps, but as if something more was wanted. An old ringer remarked when he heard but five bells—"Another one-eyed peal."

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford did a very nice compliment the other day to their late clerical secretary—the Rev. Donald Jones—who has removed into another diocese. Mr. Jones is a very practical ringer, and therefore was a most efficient Secretary to a ringing association. The members made Mr. Jones a very useful present, to wit, a handsome writing cabinet. Such a blending of the useful and ornamental, as this writing cabinet was, ought to be imitated when similar ceremonies are to take place.

Allusion was made last week to the business announcements of our brother-ringers. Let me once more beg of my readers not to be, like the churchwardens of Skipton-in-Yorkshire, "indifferent" to the claims of the brotherhood. I see there are a lot of cycle advertisements. Well I know these instruments are well patronised by ringers all over the country. I should not be at all surprised to hear that old Joe Waghorn (of Tottenham) cycled down to Newcastle the other day. For a veteran he's not bad on the wheel. I notice that one advertiser insures all his patrons for £100 should they meet with an accident while riding his machines. This is an enterprising man, and his name is "Huddleston." There was once a great man of that name who was a very eminent Queen's Counsel, and afterwards a judge. But I don't know if the bicycle-maker is a relative, I rather think not.

I have been very loth this week to bring my notes to an end because so many of my readers, like poor Oliver, often ask for more. Well "copy" appears to be very short just now, because writers are yachting, or grouching, or doing something else to wile away their holiday. But here I must end, else some of you will be grumbling; and you know much writing, collating, and so forth, is like too much study—a weariness of the flesh. I hope to hear next week that many of you have returned like giants refreshed, and prepared to do more for the Exercise than ever during the next year.

PLAIN SPEAKER.

#### THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S, WELSHPOOL.

The bells of this church are one of the most interesting rings in Wales, for the reason if for no other that each one has a couplet engraved upon it. The following are the lines engraved on each bell:—

In sweetest sound let each its note reveal  
Mine shall be first to lead the dulcet peal.

In many changes cheer the landscape wide,  
Court echo from the park or Gofa's side.

And as sportive fancy counts them o'er  
Shall waft them far on Severn's fertile shore.

When female virtue weds with manly worth,  
We catch the rapture and we spread it forth.

Does battle rage, or sanguine foes contend?  
We hail the victor—if he's Britain's friend.

Hail, patriot George, for whom a nation prays,  
That health and peace may crown thy latter days.

May England's coast the pride of commerce be,  
And Cambria's maxim always to be free.

May all whom I shall summon to the grave,  
The blessings of a well-spent life receive.

Unfortunately when the seventh bell was recast some years ago the couplet was omitted; the more regrettable as it is the only one containing a direct allusion to Wales.

#### THE ST. JAMES'S BOLTON (BRADFORD) SOCIETY.

On Bank Holiday, the above Society had their annual excursion. Ripon was the place selected, and the party, numbering eighteen in all, journeyed by Midland Railway, arriving at their destination about nine o'clock, and tracks were at once made along the very pretty walk which leads to this rural old-time village of Sharow. On reaching the church, the bells were quickly set in motion and touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung in a creditable style. After ringing, an adjournment was made to The Old Half-Moon, the only hostelry in the village, where the visitors had a substantial "feed," and rested a short time. On returning to Ripon, a stroll round the city and especially the market place, where the annual feast of St. Wilfrid was being celebrated in lively fashion with swing-boats, roundabouts, stalls laden with every conceivable kind of attractive toys and other nic-nacs, which appeared to be speedily changing hands, and all the paraphernalia of a country fair. The annual Ripon races being held as usual on that day, the commotion in the market place was still further accentuated by crowds of the "horsey" fraternity, and vehicles of every imaginable description were doing a roaring business. However, after patient waiting, seats were secured on a char-a-bac which was quickly filled, and as quickly on its way to the celebrated Studley Royal, the seat of the Marquis of Ripon. The city was soon left behind, and the occupants of the char-a-banc riding through the great deer park, on the long straight avenue skirted on each side by trees of massive proportions and tremendous height, till the entrance lodge to the park and Abbey grounds were reached. Then commenced a peregrination through that marvellous and beautiful park with its great trees, high banks of laurel, and innumerable other natural attractions, with the river flowing leisurely down the middle, as unwilling to leave so lovely a place. This walk terminated at Fountains Abbey, where a considerable time was spent wandering among the extensive ruins. Fain would the visitors have lingered longer amid these interesting, ancient and beautiful surroundings, but time was inexorable, so steps were reluctantly wended Ripon-wards, across the fields till the village of Studley was reached, where a capital tea was thoroughly enjoyed. Thus refreshed, the journey was resumed across more fields and plantations, reaching Ripon about eight o'clock, which of course was too late for a touch on the Minster bells, as had been intended. A short stay was made at The Black Bull hotel, for a rest after the long walk, which was enlivened by touches on the hand-bells. A move was then made to the station, where, owing to Bank holiday traffic, was considerably dislocated. However, all were eventually comfortably seated in the homeward-bound train, the party reaching Bradford shortly after midnight, exceedingly well pleased with the day's outing. It should not be omitted that during the day, the only absent brother was frequently remembered, regrets expressed that business prevented him being present, and that at the luncheon and tea tables the toast of his health was honoured in a good and hearty manner.

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## THE NORTON COMPANY, DERBYSHIRE.

On Wednesday, August 10th, the above company, together with the adult members of the choir and friends, had a pleasant day's outing in the Peak of Derbyshire. The party journeyed by train to Hathersage, on the Derwent, which is noted as the traditional burial-place of Little John, the tall henchman or lieutenant of Robin Hood, and in the grave pointed out as his some bones of unusual size were found a few years ago. Here conveyances were waiting to take the party a circular trip to Buxton via Tideswell. The first place of interest to note was Castleton, a small village, taking its name from the ancient castle of the Peverils, of which there are remains, and is situated in the centre of the romantic scenery of the High Peak. Man Tor, or the shivering mountain, one of the highest points in the country, lies immediately to the north. The first stopping place was Tideswell, a small agricultural centre on the high land north of Millers Dale. It has a curious intermittent spring which flows and ebbs every few minutes. A visit was made to the fine old church (the Cathedral of the Peak), which contains a peal of six, time only being allowed for a 360, which was brought round; the bells are in fair ringing order, but it is a bad circle, the ropes falling in two parallel lines, the four men having to stand under the unprotected clock weights, this wants attending to with some kind of fence. Perhaps it would not be out of place to say the church is worthy of a peal of eight, the tower being well suited for the same; hoping these lines may find their way to the proper quarter and have the desired effect. On arrival at Buxton the party, numbering 54, sat down to dinner at The Railway hotel. Buxton is a fashionable Spa, with a bracing climate, it stands 1,000 feet above the sea amidst some of the most romantic scenery in the country; it has various warm springs, which was used by the Romans. The town has various baths, a pump room, hospital, assembly rooms, broad streets, fine buildings, and extensive public gardens. The crescent, built in 1780 by the late Duke of Devonshire cost £120,000. There is also a fine park of 100 acres. The time having now arrived for the return journey, through Ashford Dale, Waterloo and Taddington, passing Chatsworth, the seat of the Duke of Devonshire. The mansion, in the Italian style, dates partly from the last and partly from the present century. It can be visited in the absence of the family. The park is always accessible. The return journey through beautiful valleys and groves of trees was a pleasing contrast to the outward route through rocks, stone walls, and mountain tops. Passing through Grindleford, we arrived at Hathersage again, where another good feed was awaiting us, all being in form after forty-five miles ride. Tea being over, Mr. E. Hunstone, churchwarden, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and congregation for their kindness in providing this annual outing. Mr. J. Atkin, choir master, in a fitting speech seconded. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Beverley, churchwarden, Norton Lees, for his kindness in looking so well after the party's comfort during the day. Other votes of thanks having been disposed of, we were on our way to Hathersage station, and soon run down the Derwent Valley to Heeley station where we all arrived safe, well pleased with our 1904 annual trip.

E. J.

## THE ROYSTON (HERTS.) SOCIETY.

Ten members of the above society went out on a ringing excursion in a brake and pair for the day. The route chosen was within the northern district of the county, the towers visited being Graveley, Great Wymondley, St. Ippolyts and Baldock. The journey commenced at 9.40 by way of Baldock, where a short stay was made to enable the members to have a look at the fine peal of eight, tenor 28 cwt., in St. Mary's tower. In the absence of the Rector permission was obtained of the Rev. A. F. G. Wardell to have a pull on the way back in the evening, permission having previously been obtained to ring at the other churches. Graveley was reached about 12 o'clock, and the bells having been raised, a 720 of Bob Minor was very soon brought round. An adjournment was then made to The Waggon and Horses, where host Thompson had prepared a capital luncheon, after which the church was again visited, and touches of Grandsire Minor, Plain Bob and Stedman Doubles were brought round, the latter with the assistance of Messrs.

Craft, Spicer and Webb, of the Baldock company (the latter, by the way, being upwards of 70 years of age). A move was then made to Great Wymondley, which was reached about 4 o'clock, and here, in the unavoidable absence of the churchwarden (Mr. A. H. Browning), the party was welcomed by Mrs. Browning, who takes a great interest in the bells, and cherishes the idea ere long of starting a band of lady ringers. Refreshments were also provided by this lady in the schoolroom at the conclusion of the ringing. The ringing here comprised touches of Plain and Oxford Bob, and 720 Oxford Bob Minor, this being the first 720 in the method on the bells. A start was now made for St. Ippolyts, which was reached about 6 o'clock. The ringing here comprised a 720 of Bob Minor, and touches of Plain and Oxford Bob and Bob Doubles. The Vicar (Rev. E. T. Carey), visiting the church during the ringing to welcome the party. The journey to Baldock was made, via Hitchin, and ringing commenced about 8.30. The falling of the bells in peal brought the ringing to a close, but some little time was spent in company with the Baldock ringers, Royston being reached just before midnight, the route taken being about thirty-five miles. It is doubtful if there are three other towers in the country so close and convenient for six-bell ringing as those of Graveley, Great Wymondley and St. Ippolyts; the "go" of all leaving nothing to be desired. Mr. A. Lawrence conducted the ringing. The weather was delightfully fine, and the outing was enjoyed by all the ringers, who hope it may become an annual affair. The thanks of the ringers are due to the incumbents and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to several other gentlemen who helped to make the outing a success.

## ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY, BURY ST, EDMUNDS.

On Monday, August 1st, the members of this Society, who are all members of the Ely Diocesan Association, paid a visit to some of the Norfolk towers and ringers. The party, twelve in number, started by brake from The Rose and Crown, about 7.30 a.m., and reached Ixworth by 8.30 a.m. where a 720 of Oxford was tapped off. Bidding our friend Mr. Lambert farewell who welcomed us there, a start was made for Hopton, being met there by Mr. Shickle, who escorted us to the tower. After having two unsuccessful attempts for Kent it had to be abandoned. Next place of ringing was Garboldisham, being met there by some of the local ringers. A 720 of Kent was rung on this fine ring of six. A start was then made for Quidenham, being met there by Mr. Wood of the local company, Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major being rung. A start was then made for Thetford, being met there by the local ringers, and through the kindness of Mr. Fitzjohn, a capital meat tea was provided to which full justice was done, after which we adjourned to the church tower, Grandsire, Stedman Triples and Bob Major being rung. During the day touches of Grandsire Caters and Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung double-handed on the handbells. A course of Grandsire Caters was rung on Mr. Fitzjohn's fine toned handbells in the yard as a farewell to the Thetford ringers. A start was then made for Bury, which was reached about 11 o'clock, after a long and fine day's enjoyment.

M.

## THE HORLEY (SUSSEX) SOCIETY.

The members of the above society had their annual outing on Monday, August 1st, Chiddingstone being the place selected. Starting from Horley about 8.30 a.m. in a pair-horse brake through Lingfield where a stop was made, and the bells were set going to some 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles which was not a very creditable performance, the bells going very bad, and ringing the left way about. They were soon on the way to Edenbridge, and then to Chiddingstone, arriving there about 12.30. Before visiting the tower and bells the inner man was first thought of, and after a splendid cold lunch the tower was visited and the bells set going to touches of Grandsire Triples, of which several 504s were rung. Then a stroll through the village, and a look at the old Chiding Stone (from which the village takes its name), and another of Grandsire was rung, after which a start was made for home, the ringers having spent a very enjoyable day. They wish to thank Mr. Edwards and the steeplekeeper for their kindness in making things so pleasant; also the Rector for the use of the bells.



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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 1904.

THAT there are many of the clergy and churchwardens who are desirous of having their church bells restored is thoroughly believed. We alluded to this fact last week, and suggested that the difficulties in the way of any improvements of the kind were chiefly financial. There are of course church authorities in existence who, while knowing that bell-restoration is urgently needed, regard any effort as futile and valueless, in short, they have no interest in such a movement. But our remarks are not intended for these gentlemen. We are thinking of those clergy and others who being very anxious indeed for bell-restoration, are cognisant and afraid of the financial difficulties before them. Yet there have been many happy instances where unflinching perseverance has led to every obstacle being overcome, though at first success appeared far off.

There has been such a thing known before now as liquidating the cost for bells not in one lump sum, but spread over a term. It is not denied that there is a drawback to the process, but when we read of a church or chapel having a lien upon it, by a builder for instance, surely if this is allowable, a protracted liquidation for bell-restoration is permissible. Bell-founders are worthy to be dealt with in confidence equal with any other part

of the community, and there seems to us no reason why they should not be invited to co-operate in the manner we have endeavoured to point out, whenever bells are wanted, or bell-restoration is needed.

### WELLINGTON, SOMERSET.

The ring of eight bells at this place were rehung a short time ago in an iron frame, with all new fittings, by Mr. Harry Stokes, Church bellhanger, of Woodbury, Devon. The company from Milverton recently rang upon them a quarter-peal or two of Triples, and the "go" was pronounced excellent.

Mr. W. Page, of Hallow, Worcester, writes:

I shall be in Warwick on Sunday, August 28th, about 5 p.m. Should there be any ringing I should be glad of a pull. If this should meet the eye of a Warwick friend, I should be glad to know.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5069 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM B. MANNING .. Treble.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. . 6.
ERNEST PYE .. .. . 2.	*ERNEST F. POLL .. .. . 7.
WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. . 3.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. . 8.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. . 4.	FREDERICK A. NUNN .. .. . 9.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. . 5.	THOMAS WATSON .. .. . Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal in the method.

### Handbell Peals.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, August 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. MOULE, 192, CHOBHAM ROAD, STRATFORD,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. . 1-2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. . 5-6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. . 3-4.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. . 7-8.

Composed by the REV. H. LAW JAMES, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire—H. F. Dawkins. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

### The Provinces.

#### HASKETON, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 31, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Bob Minor, two of Kent, and three of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

HENRY BURCH .. .. . Treble.	GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. . 4.
GEORGE ABLITT .. .. . 2.	JOSEPH LAST .. .. . 5.
WILLIAM KING .. .. . 3.	CHARLES KING .. .. . Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES KING.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late R. L. Collier, M.A., who died on July 29th, 1903.

#### DISS, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. . 5.
EDWARD EVANS .. .. . 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. . 6.
GEORGE ARCHER .. .. . 3.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. . 7.
WILLIAM CHENERY .. .. . 4.	CLEMENT MORE .. .. . Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN C. JACKSON.

#### ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WASHBROOK'S FOUR-PART (No. 1). Tenor 22½ cwt.

J. W. WASHBROOK, JUN. .. Treble.	WILLIAM C. THOMPSON .. .. . 5.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. . 2.	ISAAC MYERS .. .. . 6.
FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. . 3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. .. . 7.
GEORGE A. SMITH .. .. . 4.	R. PRESTAGE .. .. . Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

Messrs. Smith and Thompson, for whom this peal was arranged, hail from Tunstall, and were elected members of the Association before starting. It was also their first peal of Stedman.

#### CLAPTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ALBERT W. CLACK .. .. Treble.	ERNEST W. KNIGHT .. .. . 4.
WALTER E. APPERLEY .. .. . 2.	LEWIS MOORE .. .. . 5.
THOMAS WYATT .. .. . 3.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. . Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

First peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the second anniversary of the Coronation.

#### BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. Treble.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. . 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. . 2.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. . 6.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. . 3.	*GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. . 7.
ALBERT WARNES .. .. . 4.	ERNEST LINCOLN .. .. . Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN C. JACKSON.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples.

#### REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

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## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

GEORGE NEWMAN* .. .. Treble.	JOHN ELLIS .. .. 5.
GEORGE BELL .. .. 2.	MORRIS J. MORRIS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM GUNNER* .. .. 3.	FRED WALLIS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM BELL* .. .. 4.	*DAVID LEWIS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by MORRIS J. MORRIS.

\*First peal. First peal by a local band.

## BRIDLINGTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, August 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26½ cwt.

CHARLES ARMITAGE .. Treble.	JAMES DIXEY .. .. 5.
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GEORGE HALKSWORTH .. 3.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. 7.
JAMES BROADLEY .. .. 4.	JOHN W. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, August 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS WARD .. .. Treble.	HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 5.
FRANK FAY .. .. 2.	HARRY DICKENS .. .. 6.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 7.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 4.	PATRICK FINITY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

Rung to celebrate the 17th anniversary of the wedding of B. Witchell.

## STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 13, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

HERBERT LITTLE .. Treble.	JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 5.
NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. 2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 6.
HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. 7.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FRED PLANT .. .. Treble.	ALBERT J. SKELDING .. 5.
JOHN BASS .. .. 2.	FRED BRACE .. .. 6.
JOSEPH SMITH .. .. 3.	*FRED WHITE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM POTTER* .. .. 4.	†ROBERT MATTHEWS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. †First peal in the method as conductor.

## BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

MAURICE F. HIBBERT* .. Treble.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. .. 6.
FRANK A. SMITH .. .. 3.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	JOSEPH J. ALLEN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

\*First peal of Stedman with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Ernest E. Huntley.

## QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Monday, August 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 9½ cwt.

JESSE GILLET .. .. Treble.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 5.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 2.	JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 6.
ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. 3.	GEORGE CONDLICK .. .. 7.
ALFRED T. BRUNSDON .. 4.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALFRED T. BRUNSDON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## HAWLEY, HANTS.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE MILES .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM A. J. IVES .. 5.
GEORGE HAWKINS .. .. 2.	BARZILLAI HAWKINS .. 6.
MAURICE STEER .. .. 3.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. 7.
ALFRED SMITH .. .. 4.	HENRY W. BOYLES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES WILLSHIRE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. A. J. Ives. Reference elsewhere.

## Handbell Peals.

## CAMBRIDGE.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, August 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

IN THE QUEEN'S TOWER, TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

E. H. LEWIS .. .. 1-2.	H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 5-6.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 3-4.	*G. F. WOODHOUSE .. 7-8.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

Umpire—K. H. Wilson. \*First in the method in hand.

## CAMBRIDGE.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, August 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

IN THE QUEEN'S TOWER, TRINITY COLLEGE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5004 CHANGES.

E. H. LEWIS .. .. 1-2.	*H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 5-6.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 3-4.	G. F. WOODHOUSE .. 7-8.
*B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE .. .. 9-10.	

Composed by G. HAYWARD, and Conducted by G. F. WOODHOUSE.

Umpire—E. J. DILSTON RADCLYFE. \*First peal in the method.

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On Friday, August 12, 1904, in Three Hours,

IN THE QUEEN'S TOWER, TRINITY COLLEGE,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION.

E. H. LEWIS .. .. 1-2. | H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 5-6  
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 3-4. | G. F. WOODHOUSE .. 7-8.  
B. H. TYRWHITT-DRAKE .. .. 9-10.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.  
Umpire—E. J. Dilston Radclyffe. First peal of Treble Ten by all.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal at Tunstall should read Double Oxford and Oxford Treble Bob, not Double Oxford Treble Bob as reported last week.

### Date Touches.

OLD HILL (Staffordshire).—On Thursday, August 4th, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 15 mins. J. Price, H. Johnson, W. Adams, J. P. Mason, H. Cartwright, W. Priest, W. Green, A. Woodall. Composed by G. E. Symonds and Conducted by W. Green.

GARBOLDISHAM (Suffolk).—On Saturday evening, August 6th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a date touch of Bob Minor, in 1 hr. 10 mins. J. Bason, W. Bloomfield, H. Hawes, T. Fitzjohn, W. Bason, jun. conductor, W. Bason, sen.

### Miscellaneous.

#### THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

CAMBRIDGE.—On Wednesday, August 10th, on handbells, Thursdays' quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. E. H. Lewis, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, G. F. Woodhouse.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—On Monday, August 1st, an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal came to grief after ringing 3020 changes, in 2 hours. F. Borrett, C. Baker, J. Tann, R. Whiting, J. Jackson, F. Roope, W. Duffield, W. Roope, E. Borrett, E. Poppy.

NORWICH.—At Westland House, recently, on handbells, 180 and 270 Grandsire Caters, 280 Bob Royal, and courses of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob Royal and Forward Royal. Miss Gertrude Trollope, Miss Hilda Trollope, J. Armiger Trollope, George Trollope.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

KINGS LANGLEY.—On Thursday, July 28th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor, in 27 mins. A. G. Cook, J. W. Lane, R. S. Cook, L. A. Walker, A. E. Weeden, G. N. Price conductor.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

STOURBRIDGE.—Recently, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor. W. Hand (first 720), A. W. Dodd (first with a bob bell), W. M. Harford, A. W. Bevan, W. A. Pugh, G. H. Pagett conductor, H. Bullock.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

DARLEY DALE.—On Wednesday, May 25th, at St. Helen's church, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. F. Travis, J. Siddall, H. Gregory, A. C. Wight, J. W. Derbyshire, W. Taylor conductor, H. Gregory, A. W. Smith.

LOUGHBOROUGH.—On Sunday, August 7th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 49 mins. L. F. Taylor, R. F. Lane, W. H. Inglesant, W. Pervin, T. H. Colburn, F. G. Burleigh, F. Pervin, H. W. Kirton conductor, H. W. Abbott, W. Cumberland.

#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MORTIMER.—Recently, for practice at St. Mary's church, 504 Grandsire Triples. F. Punter first 500, W. Long first 500, W. Ballard conductor, H. Austin, A. Osborne, W. Ford, T. Neville, G. Eatwell.

### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON.—On Saturday, June 11th, at All Hallows, Barking, after meeting one short for a peal of Treble Bob, 504 Stedman Triples. H. Springall conductor, J. E. Jones, J. Scholes, E. J. Webb, E. Hall, W. Truss, H. Torble, J. Joyce. Rung as a farewell to the Rev W. P. Dott, who sailed that day to take up the post of Rector of Woodstock, South Africa.

### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOLVERHAMPTON.—On Wednesday, June 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Brant, 1; W. Taylor, 2; J. E. Groves conductor, 3-4; W. Bayliss, 5; F. Fallon, 6; A. J. Seabrook, 7; A. Seabrook, 8. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to the Mayor and Mayoress of Wolverhampton. On Saturday, June 18th, meeting one short for a peal, 120 Stedman Doubles. J. E. Groves, 1-2; J. Perry, 3; W. Fisher, 4; A. J. Seabrook, 5; A. Seabrook, 6.

### THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

RHYL.—On Thursday, August 4th, after meeting one short for a peal, Mr. Edwards, of Llangollen, turned up and very kindly offered to take the vacant rope. A start was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples, but owing to continued knocking at the tower door "stand" was called after ringing 1 hr. 26 mins., and less than 200 changes from mid-way. The cause of the interruption was a case of illness near the church. G. Newman, F. Edwards, W. Gunner, W. Bell, J. Ellis, M. J. Morris conductor, F. Wallis, D. Lewis.

CLAPTON (Near Bristol).—On Saturday, August 6th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. G. Gale, W. Apperley, T. Wyatt, E. Knight, L. Moore, J. Thomas conductor.

HARBORNE (Staffordshire).—On Sunday morning, August 7th, for Divine Service at St. Peter's chnreh, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. J. Such, J. W. Tilley, A. Beacham, T. Gibbs, H. Grosvenor conductor, G. Hitchman, W. R. Heaton, T. Smallwood.

KETTERING (Northants).—On Tuesday, June 7th, for practice, 240 Bob Major. F. Tingle, A. E. Payne, F. Bridgman, W. Horden, R. Turner, M. A. Turner, J. C. Stratford, D. J. Nichols conductor. And 288 Treble Bob Major. M. A. Turner, E. Chapman, A. E. Payne, W. Horden, F. Tingle, R. F. Turner, D. J. Nichols conductor, H. J. Julian. Also 210 Stedman Triples. A. E. Payne, E. Chapman, F. Tingle, R. F. Turner, M. A. Turner, H. J. Julian, D. J. Nichols conductor, J. C. Stratford. This is the first touch of Stedman Triples rang by the local band. On Thursday, June 9th, on handbells, 360 Bob Minor. R. F. Turner, M. A. Turner, D. J. Nichols conductor. On Sunday evening, June 12th, for Divine Service, 1056 Bob Major. A. E. Payne, R. F. Turner, F. Bridgman, M. A. Turner, W. Horden, F. Tingle, J. C. Stratford, D. J. Nichols conductor.

POPLAR (Middlesex).—On Sunday evening, July 31st, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. F. W. Thornton conductor, A. J. Neale, S. J. Bird, T. Cranfield, W. Berry, H. Flanders, W. Shimmans, F. H. Gooch.

TENBY (North Wales).—On Sunday, August 7th, for morning service, 433 Grandsire Triples, being the longest touch on the bells. T. John, C. Horton, J. Evans, W. Jenkins, L. Jenkins, J. Carter conductor, R. Jenkins, J. Williams. For evening service 336 Grandsire Triples. T. John, L. Jenkins, F. Windsor, W. Jenkins, A. Griffiths, J. Carter, R. Jenkins, J. Williams.

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## Notices.

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**The Essex Association.**—South Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Waltham to-day, Saturday, August 20th. Bells ready at 4 o. Business meeting at 6.30.

H. T. WILSON, *Dist. Sec.*  
36, St. Mary's Road, Priittlewell.

**The Kent County Association.**—Rochester District.—The annual district meeting will be held at SS. Peter and Paul, Borden, to-day, Saturday, August 20th. Tower open for ringing at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided at The Maypole inn at 6 p.m. Half railway fares up to 2s. will be paid.

A. OSBORNE, *Dist. Sec.*  
65, Clive Road, Rochester.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Lawton to-day, Saturday, August 20th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Calverley on Saturday, August 27th. Bells (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Thornhill Arms at 7.30 p.m.

FRED R. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Bolney on Saturday, August 27th. Tower open from 3 p.m. Tea at The Eight Bells inn at 5.30 p.m. A conveyance will leave Hayward's Heath after the arrival of 3.47 train from Brighton, and 3.32 from East Grinstead and Three Bridges, to convey members who let me know by Wednesday, 24th.

GEO. WILLIAMS, *Hon. Sec.*  
2, Grove St., Brighton.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity church, Blackburn, on Saturday, August 27th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Meeting and election of officials, 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Lawrence's church, Chorley, on Saturday, August 27th. Bells ready at 3 o. meeting at 5.30 o'clock.

R. SANDERSON, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Nominations for president, general secretary and treasurer, also any proposed alterations of rules, etc., must be sent in to the general secretary not later than September 3rd. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } *Hon. Secs.*  
J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

**The Essex Association.**—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with.

C. H. HOWARD,  
37, Bank Street, Braintree.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

**GODMANCHESTER (Hunts).**—On Saturday, June 11th, 360 Bob Minor. W. Nicolson, Rev. G. J. Clarkson, J. Smart, L. I. Flint, G. D. Coleman, C. R. Lilley conductor. Also 1200 Bob Major, which was an attempt for a peal, but came to grief owing to the heavy go of the bells. J. Smart, H. Fields, W. Nicolson, Rev. G. J. Clarkson, G. D. Coleman, J. Hare, S. J. Coleman, C. R. Lilley conductor. 168 Grand-sire Triples. H. Fields, S. J. Coleman, L. I. Flint, Rev. J. G. Clarkson, C. R. Lilley conductor, J. Hare, G. D. Coleman, W. Nicolson.

**HUNTINGDON.**—On June 11th, at the church of St. Mary, 560 Bob Major. L. I. Flint, Rev. J. G. Clarkson, W. Nicolson, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman, H. Fields, J. Hare, C. R. Lilley conductor. 288 Kent Treble Bob Major. Rev. J. G. Clarkson, C. R. Lilley conductor, W. G. Goss, G. D. Coleman, H. Fields, I. Hare, S. J. Coleman, L. J. Flint. 224 Bob Major. C. R. Lilley, L. I. Flint, J. Smart, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman conductor, H. Fields, J. Hare, W. G. Goss.

## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

**ORMSKIRK (Lancs).**—On Monday, June 6th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, 1260 changes, in 45 mins. Jas. Taylor, T. Taylor, Jno. Taylor, J. Sholicar conductor J. Pilkington, W. Fairclough, W. Bentham, J. Draper.

**SEFTON.**—On Saturday, June 11th, on the occasion of the meeting, 720 Bob Minor in 28 mins. J. Hale, Jos. Rimmer, W. Sutcliffe, J. Brandreth, L. Tyldesley, J. W. Rimmer conductor. Also 720 Grand-sire Minor. R. Seddon, G. Voas, J. Owen, S. Hopgood, B. Hale, J. Watts conductor. Also 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor. R. Seddon, G. Voas, J. Sephton, S. Hopgood, J. Hale, B. Hale conductor.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

**GREENWICH.**—On Sunday, June 26th, for evening service at St. Alfege, Thurstan's quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, 1260 changes, in 38 mins. H. Flanders, F. W. Thornton conductor, H. Hoskins, E. N. Price, I. G. Shade, W. Berry, W. Shimmans, P. Folkes.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

**LEEDS.**—On Monday, March 21st, at the church of St. Francis (R.C.), Holbeck, an attempt for a peal of London Surprise Major unfortunately came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 56 mins. T. Flint, P. Johnson, R. Thomas, W. Wood, A. W. Brighton conductor, B. Shaw, H. Williams, A. Haste.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

**BOURNEMOUTH.**—At St. Peter's church on Wednesday, July 20th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. W. Kerley, E. T. Green, F. Phillips, E. Waters, H. W. Stanley, C. Goodenough conductor, G. Bristow, C. Merrifield.

## THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

**DARLINGTON.**—At Holy Trinity church on Sunday, July 17th, two 720s of Cambridge Surprise Minor. W. Mountford, R. B. Wilson, G. W. Park, G. Lungley, G. J. Lungley, C. Todd conductor. On Sunday, July 24th, 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. W. Mountford, G. Lungley, R. B. Wilson, G. J. Lungley, R. Moncaster, G. W. Park conductor. On Monday, July 25th, 240 Cambridge Surprise Minor and 720 London Surprise Minor. W. Mountford, G. Park, E. C. Hunt, W. Porter, G. J. Lungley, G. W. Park conductor.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

**THE PEAL AT HAWLEY, HANTS.**—This is the first peal that has been rung since the belfry floor was raised. It was rung as a birthday peal to W. A. J. Ives, his brother ringers wishing him many happy returns of the day.

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## Obituary.

## THOMAS BOWN.

It is with regret we announce the death of the above-named ringer, which took place at Blyton, near Gainsborough, on Friday, August 5th, in his 83rd year. He commenced to learn ringing at the age of 13, and was for fifty years a ringer at Gainsborough parish church. Like several more of the old school he thought it impossible to master the Art, yet at the latter part of his career he was able to ring the treble in Grandsire Triples. Although he ceased to be a member of the Gainsborough company about twenty years ago, he still remained a lover of ringing, and always took the opportunity of having a pull when the bells were being rung for the late Queen Victoria's birthday, and on any other special occasion. He was one of the company who rang for the Coronation of the late Queen, also at her death, and likewise at the Proclamation of King Edward VII., this being the last time he rang with the Gainsborough company. On Monday, the day of the funeral, the local company, along with two past

members, met to pay a last tribute of respect to their old comrade by ringing the bells half-muffled. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted, which came to grief after ringing just over 1000 changes. The following were present and took part in the last sad rite: W. D. Tinker, J. C. Tinker, T. Pattison, W. Pattison, G. Wilson, A. H. Wheeler, E. Credland, A. Betts, F. S. W. Butler. The first four were members of the company the same time as deceased.

## GEORGE WRIGHT.

It is with deep regret we record the death of the above, which took place on Saturday, July 30th, at the age of 35 years, after a painful illness of some twelve months duration. He was interred at St. Mark's, Winshill, on Friday, August 5th, being carried to the grave by six of his fellow-workmen, amidst every expression of grief from a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives, Mr. J. H. Gallimore, as a mourner, representing the Lichfield ringers. The deceased, who leaves a widow and one child, was a native of Lichfield, and belonged to the local company there, but on obtaining employment

at Messrs. Bass and Co.'s, he removed to Burton-on-Trent some ten years ago and joined the Winshill band of ringers. He had rung several peals in the Plain Bob and Grandsire methods, including two of Grandsire Caters. After the interment the bells of St. Mark's, Winshill, and St. Mary's, Lichfield, were rung half-muffled as a mark of respect to their departed brother.

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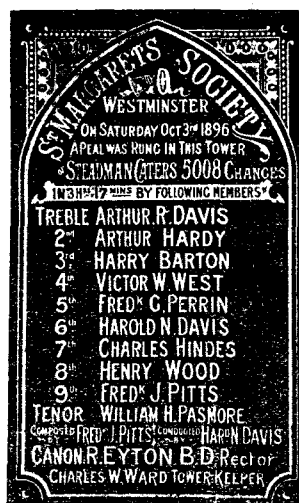
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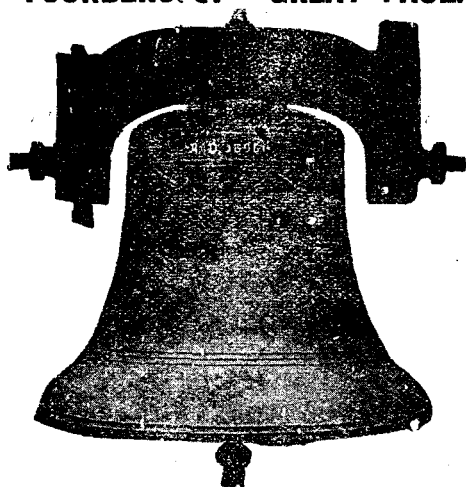
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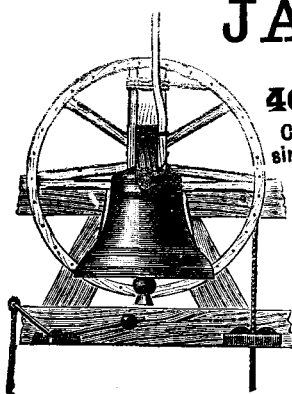
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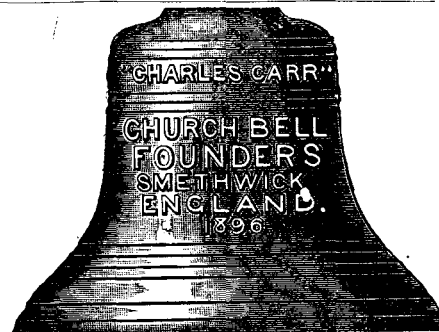
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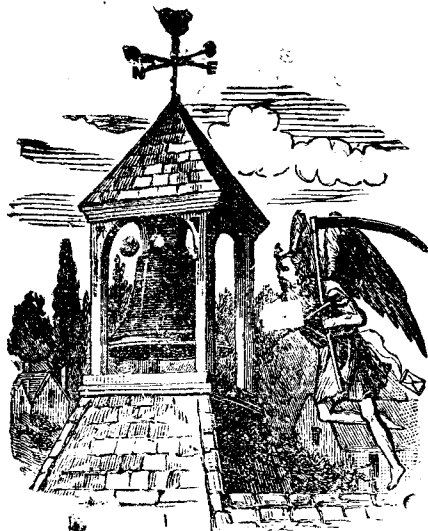
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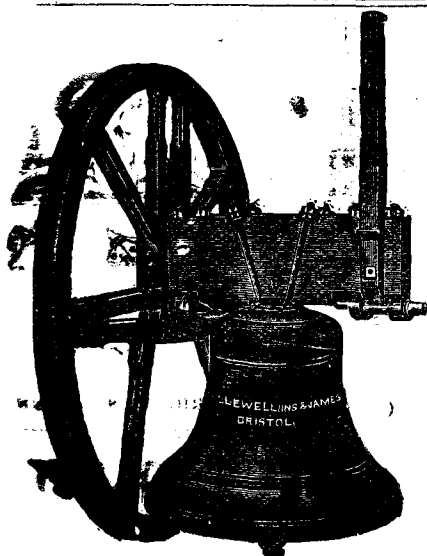
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).** Christ Church. Middlesex County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears 1874. Tenor 25 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Slight repairs by Mears 1887. Ropes new 1895, fair. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st in month 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

**SOUTH MOLTON (Devon.)** St. Mary. Eight bells: all by Mears 1807. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Stokes; date not stated. Ropes new 1894. No half-pull or regular Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

**SOUTHOVER (Sussex).** St. John the Baptist. Sussex County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears 1837. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 10 in. Bells go fairly. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Mears 1886. Ropes bad. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

**SOUTHPORT (Lancashire).** Christ Church. Lancashire Association. Eight bells. All by Mears; the two trebles 1882; the rest 1864. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. A chiming apparatus is fitted. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: half-an-hour before morning and evening service. Practice: Thursday, 8, except during June, July and August.

### BLACKPOOL.

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## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Guildford district was held at Puttenham and Seale on Saturday. Between 40 and 50 ringers were present, the towers represented being Guildford, Godalming, Bramley, Clandon, Haslemere, Shalford, Ewhurst, and Farnham. Tea was served at The Good Intent, Puttenham, and the Rector (the Rev. D. G. Clarke), in welcoming the members to their first meeting at Puttenham, said he trusted it would not be long before they came again, as he had the highest regard for ringers, and thought their work was the most interesting of all the varied branches of Church work. As one who had lived for 20 years in India away from the sound of the beautiful music of church bells, he could thoroughly appreciate the changeful harmony of the bells in all the varied scenes of human life. He understood his ringers were old members of the Guild, and he should be pleased to become a hon. member, and do whatever he could to further the interests of their district. The Rev. A. R. Wiseman, Rector of Seale, said he was pleased to testify to the interest he felt in bells and ringers, although hitherto he had not been able to show it in a practical manner. At one parish he was at, the tower was unsafe for ringing, at another the bells were unringable and cracked, and his last parish had neither tower nor bells. At Seale he was pleased to say they had a beautiful peal of six, a good band of ringers, who decided to join the Guild and learn change-ringing, and he should be pleased to become a hon. member. In conclusion, the rev. gentleman said that with all respect to his friend the Rector of Puttenham, he trusted the district would decide on Seale for their next tea in that neighbourhood, as they had a nice large room there, and he could promise them a very hearty welcome. The churchwardens of Puttenham, Mr. Bruce Gosling and Mr. W. Alden (who was unable to be present owing to the harvest) had also expressed their intention to become hon. members.

At the business meeting afterwards, Mr. F. S. Poole was voted to the chair. Messrs Bertram Prewett, J. J. Lamb, E. H. Lewis, H. S. T. Richardson, had their election confirmed as compounding members, Miss D. G. Poole as an ordinary member, Mr. H. Poole and the Seale band, comprising Messrs. A. Gardener, W. Oliver, G. Bird, John Gill, James Merridew, H. Humphries, and A. Poulter, were elected as probationers. The Secretary (Mr. John J. Jones) said the Guild now had the proud position of holding the record for a double-handed peal on hand-bells for the whole of the kingdom, the sister of their chairman having rung 7-8 in a peal of Bob Major on the Thursday previous. It was decided that the question of an annual dinner should be postponed to the October meeting at Guildford. The business concluded by the Chairman moving a hearty vote of thanks to the Rectors of Puttenham and Seale for the use of the bells, and for the kindness shewn them that afternoon.

The bells at both churches were kept going in various methods during the afternoon and evening.

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## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the South-Eastern division of the above Association was held at Great Waltham on Saturday, August 20th, where there is a fine ring of eight, tenor 25 cwt., in a tower beautifully restored by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Hulton; but little change-ringing is done, and peals are not allowed. Canon Hulton, however, welcomed the Association most kindly, providing tea at his own expense for all the members present, and allowing the use of a splendid club-room for the business meeting. About thirty members of the Association were present (besides the local ringers) from Chelmsford, Writtle, Prittlewell, Springfield, Great Totham and elsewhere, including the Master and Secretary of the Association (Revs. T. L. Papillon and H. T. W. Eyre), and the District Master and Secretary (Messrs. W. H. Judd and H. Wilson). At the business meeting presided over by the District Master (Mr. Judd), it was resolved that the annual meeting, at which the district officers are elected, should be held at Chelmsford in December, on a day to be hereafter fixed, subject to the consent of the authorities; and on the motion of the Rev. T. L. Papillon, seconded by the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to Canon Hulton for his kind and hospitable reception.

The ringing-chamber at Great Waltham is an inconvenient place, insufficiently lighted, and one or two of the bells are difficult to handle; but some fairly good ringing in different methods (Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, and Double Norwich), was done during the afternoon. The bells are certainly very noisy in the immediate neighbourhood of the tower. It is a pity that something cannot be done to remedy this, so that peals might be rung occasionally upon these fine bells without annoyance to the inhabitants.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District of the above Association was held at the church of St. John the Evangelist, Sidcup, on Saturday, July 23rd, but was very poorly attended, which is much to be regretted. Ringing commenced soon after 4 p.m., but only Doubles could be rung before the meeting, which was held in St. John's Hall at 5 p.m. The Rev. E. Basil Spurgin, Vicar, very kindly took the chair, and was supported by the churchwarden, Captain Blanks. The minutes of the previous meeting were then read and confirmed. Mr. F. Maxted, of Eltham, was elected a member of the Association. Dartford was chosen as the place for the Annual District Meeting on October 22nd or 29th, which the District Secretary could best arrange for. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for so kindly presiding; also for the use of the bells and the hall. The Vicar in replying, said it had given him very great pleasure to meet them and to preside. He could say the people of Sidcup were very proud of their bells, and that the Association had been a great help to their ringers. He was sorry to have to curtail the ringing, as owing to a bazaar in the grounds of the vicarage it would have to stop till 7 p.m. The members then wended their way to Foots Cray and rang several 120s of Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles on the very light peal of five which this church contains. The ringing finished with a 360 of Plain Bob Minor at Sidcup.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting was held at Aldenham on Saturday, August 13th, and was attended by thirty members. The bells were raised at 4 o'clock, and some touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob and Double Norwich were rung. At 6 o'clock tea was partaken of at The Chequers, and was much appreciated by all. We are blessed with many kind friends round this way, who do not mind putting their hand in their pockets in the interests of the Association. The thanks of those who were present are due to Messrs. Huntley and J. Prewett for providing a splendid spread, and this is not the first time we have had to thank these gentlemen for their kindness. After tea a short business meeting took place, and then to the tower once more, when the programme of the afternoon was repeated with the addition of three courses of Superlative. I regret to say that the meeting was, with one exception, attended only by ringers from the immediate neighbourhood and it would be gratifying to see more from other parts of the western district.

H. E.

## THE ST. MICHAEL'S COMPANY, BECCLES.

AUGUST 13TH.—"Halloa, George! what, late again, at our outing and all! S'help me Bob, you're alust late." George began to ejaculate an excuse, which was lost in the clatter of the horses' hoofs as twelve of us started by brake with full steam ahead for Halesworth. Arriving here safe and sound, we met Mr. James Howard and soon knocked off the handle of a quart—where am I wandering! I mean, 336 changes of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major. But oh! how they hang—17264538—rather confusing to strangers. Now the inner man was commanding attention, and we were proceeding towards host Lambert's Temperance Hotel, when behind us was a cyclist coming from the direction of the Brewery (sic). He looked as if he were at sea, for now and again he had a heavy list to the starboard. We opened out, but he failed to negotiate the gangway made for him and suddenly gave a lurch to the port, coming over on his beam ends and violently colliding with one of our good men and true, both being levelled to the ground. The bike, well—

Wounds dressed and meat tea called round, away again for Southwold, where Mr. William Taylor awaited us, and with him we embarked on a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. This was unsuccessful, but short touches of Bob Major were brought round. Next to Wangford, mine host Newberry's, where the handbells came into evidence with both tunes and changes, also good cheer and songs. Then for home, reached at 11 p.m. A most convivial and enjoyable outing had been undertaken.

## Obituary.

## ALFRED JOHN ALLFREY.

It is with deep regret we record the death of Alfred John Allfrey, which took place on Wednesday, August 17th, at the age of 29 years, while he was on his holiday at Stonehouse, Lanarkshire, Scotland. He was interred in Scotland on Saturday, 20th inst., amidst every expression of grief from a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives. The deceased, who leaves a widow and one child, was a native of Brighton, Sussex, and belonged to the St. Paul's Guild of change-ringers. The bells of St. Paul's were rung half-muffled during the funeral, and in the evening short touches and a 672 of Grandsire Triples were rung by the following members:—P. Allfrey, H. Eves, H. Statham, J. Freeman, F. Hill, H. Hill, S. Jordan, W. Ellis, J. Farmer, J. Salmon, T. Merret, W. Palmer.

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## THE EXETER RINGERS' CYCLING CLUB.

A combined cycling and ringing tour is something novel, but the success attending the one which formed the annual excursion this year of the Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club was so marked that many repetitions are probable. The tour was from Exeter to Thelbridge, West Worlington, Rackenford, Rose Ash, Bishopsnympton, Romansleigh, and Kingsnympton, and from thence to the "Ever Faithful" City again, a distance of 60 miles, with ringing at the seven country churches in the order enumerated, crammed into Saturday afternoon and Sunday. Those taking part in the trip were Messrs. F. Davey, J. Richards, and W. Richardson (St. Sidwell's, Exeter) A. W. Searle (St. David's, Exeter), A. Monkley, (St. Thomas, Exeter), T. Laver (Heavitree), H. Burch and A. Snow (Withycomb Raleigh). The weather was somewhat threatening when a start was made, but it eventually cleared and was then very pleasant for the remainder of the tour. A few miles out of Exeter there was a spill which involved three members, but, happily, resulted in nothing more serious than a few abrasions, bruises, and broken spokes. Later on another member had a puncture. The result a delay of one hour and a half in arriving at Thelbridge. The ringing there was consequently curtailed, and at West Worlington a further saving of time was effected, but the visitors were not allowed to depart without partaking of the substantial hospitality of the Rector and Mrs. Hill.

On the way to Rackenford some of the party were pixed and got out of their bearings to such an extent that there was no interval for ringing on the Saturday night as had been intended. The headquarters were at The Bell hotel, and there, between a late supper and an early breakfast, the visitors succeeded in sandwiching some sleep.

By 6.45 on Sunday morning the bells of Rackenford were being merrily rung, and an hour and a half later the cyclists were having breakfast as the guests of the Rev. H. G. Southcombe, at Rose Ash. This was the only five-bell tower on the route—all the other churches possess six—but the visitors soon had them well in hand, and then rode on to Bishopsnympton in time to ring for the morning service, which they also attended at Romansleigh, whose ringers have long been associated with the Devonshire Guild. The Rector and Mrs. Thompson and members of the family welcomed the cyclists and provided refreshments in the pleasant grounds of the Rectory.

At Kingsnympton the visitors, after finishing ringing for the day, adjourned to the New Inn for luncheon, supplied in good style by Mr. E. J. Chapple. And there, before setting out upon the homeward journey, which all safely accomplished, the party drank the health of the "captain" (Mr. J. Richards), and expressed high appreciation of the zeal and care which the Hon. Secretary (Mr. F. Davey) had shown in making the arrangements for the tour.

In each parish where a stay was made the visitors experienced courtesy on the part of the incumbent, and the heartiest of welcomes from the local campanologists. At some places scouts were posted to herald the arrival of the cyclists, and at Rose Ash, Bishopsnympton, Romansleigh, and Kingsnympton large numbers of ringers assembled to watch the performances of the visitors. The method adhered to throughout was Grandsire Doubles, and, so far as could be ascertained, no similar scientific work had been previously accomplished on any of the peals of bells which, with one exception, were found to be in a generally satisfactory condition. Especially

was this the case where the hanging of the bells had been carried out by Mr. H. Stokes, of Woodbury. The ringing, as a whole, was good, and reflected credit on the visitors, all of whom, at different times, acted as conductors. Some of the parish roads were found to be very trying, but the main roads were in excellent condition. The scenery was much admired.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Rochester district of the above Association was held at Borden on Saturday, August 20th, when fifty members attended. A cricket match was played between the Rochester and District ringers and the Borden and Tunstall ringers during the afternoon, and ended in a draw. The Rochester men batted first, making 84 runs for 6 wickets, when they declared. Borden then made 77 for 5 wickets. Messrs. Rayner, Baker and Osborne batted well for Rochester, and Mr. Tassell and son for Borden. Cricket ended, all made for The Maypole inn, where a capital tea had been provided by host Castle. Tea over, the business meeting was held, Lewis Levy, esq. in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, four new members were elected, and Lewis Levy, esq. was elected an hon. member. Mr. A. Osborne was then re-elected District Secretary, and Mr. W. H. Wilkins District Representative on the Central Committee. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at St. Margaret's church, Rochester, in December. During the evening some very good touches of Treble Bob and Stedman Triples were brought round.

## THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, August 26th, sixteen members of the above Society had a pleasant day's outing in the Waveney Valley District. The party journeyed by train through the kindly consideration of the Superintendent of the G. E. Railway granting permission to travel at pleasure party fares to Pulham St. Mary. Here the party were welcomed by the genial proprietor of The King's Head hotel, Mr. Charles T. B. Brice, who had provided at 9 a.m. sharp, a good breakfast. Afterwards by the arrangement of Mr. Brice, the party were conveyed in a well-equipped brake by way of Pulham Market. Here a short touch of London Surprise Major was rung and some Kent Treble Bob Major. They were soon on their way to Alburgh where two single courses were rung. Then on to St. Mary's church, Redenhall, with its magnificent tower and melodious ring of eight bells, tenor 24 cwt., where various touches of London Surprise Major, Cambridge Surprise Major, and Treble Bob Major were rang; and a course of Grandsire Cinques upon the well-toned handbells of the late beloved and revered Captain Arthur Penistone Moore, of Weybread, Suffolk. A move was then made to Harleston, returning to Pulham St. Mary at 4 p.m. and ringing upon the eight bells at the parish church. An adjournment was made to The King's Head, where host Brice had prepared a substantial hot dinner in Old English style, roast beef and salt beef, &c., presided over by Mr. William P. Garrett, after which a convivial evening was spent. The return journey to Ipswich was made by train.

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Very pleased to hear that the hopes expressed in my last paragraph last week have been realised to a considerable extent, and that so many of you have returned from your holidays like giants refreshed. The period of recreation has been short with some of you, I hear, but never mind, you may have too much of a good thing, and with more than a week at any seaside place I should be satiated. The fact is that summer holidays with some people are beginning to assume very large proportions; and there is as much fuss made in preparation for them by some people as if they were going for a voyage round the world. Would it not be much better if a month's holiday, say, could be divided? A fortnight in the summer perhaps (at the seaside for those who like it), and another shorter turn in the spring and autumn. The autumn season is a delightful period if good weather is about, an assertion which those who have been into woods and forests—Burnham Beeches, for instance—at such time of the year will agree with: while the lovely period of spring, with the sight of nature budding forth after its hybernation, is enjoyable indeed. But there, we must take what we can get, and be thankful.

One who has been enjoying his holiday (not at the seaside) writes: "I read in our last particulars of a visit which a company of ringers had paid to the Peak district, in Derbyshire. I speak in great praise of such an historical neighbourhood. I made Matlock my headquarters, and strolls and rides about were most enjoyable, so much so, that if possible, I shall do the neighbourhood more extensively next year. No ringing arrangements were made; ringing could rest for the time. But while walking through Matlock one day I heard at intervals one of the most beautiful peals of eight I have ever heard, with a tenor I should say of about 15 or 16 cwt. At any other time I should have got into the ringing-chamber without delay, but the circumstances in which I was placed rendered this impossible. I heard afterwards that the bells were new ones, and that on the day I speak of the opening of them was taking place. I was not in a position to gather any more particulars, who were the founders, or where the company opening the bells came from. The ringing was very good, and the bells told a wonderful tale. No doubt you will have full particulars. I find on reference to my notes, that this opening ceremony took place on Thursday, the 11th inst." Like the responsible authority of the Chester Guild, alluded to last week, the person or persons concerned in the ceremony have, I find on inquiry, made no report to this paper.

The few lines of inscriptions on the bells of St. Mary, Welshpool, are a little out of the common. But what an abominable discrepancy is there. The couplet on the 7th bell—perhaps the most original among these inscriptions—"was omitted when the 7th bell was recast some years ago!" Did ever any one hear the like? Surely the founder, whoever he was, drew the attention of the Welshpool authorities to these lines. Perhaps the cost of placing them in the mould of the bell amounted to a few more shillings on the bill, and the practical, but very unpoetical, and I must add, ignorant authorities, thought their omission did not matter. It would be a satisfaction to know who it was that decided upon omitting this inscription. The incumbent would of course be a man of culture, and therefore would not be likely to give his con-

sent. The probability is that he knew nothing whatever about bell inscriptions at all. It must have been our old friends the clerk or sexton—like those of weathercock fame, with rubicund visages—who took upon themselves to determine. But to think that only a few years ago, such ignoramuses were allowed to have their way in such things, rouses one's bile.

I have just dropped upon an anecdote concerning the late Rev. Rowland Hill. Most of my readers have heard of the rev. gentleman, who was a great wit, and a charmingly eccentric character. He was minister of Surrey Chapel, London, and once offended some of the aristocratic or autocratic members of his congregation by his selection of tunes for the hymns, some of which were well-known song tunes of the day. His reply to remonstrance upon this point was: "I don't see that it is right that the devil should have all the best tunes to himself." But the following is considered the subtlest and most exquisite of Rowland Hill's repartees. He used to go about to various dissenting chapels, without troubling himself much as to minute differences of creed, and on one particular Sunday he found himself among strangers. The ordinary worship came to an end, and the Sacrament was about to be administered. Rowland Hill presented himself as a communicant, but was interrupted by one of the elders of the church, who asked him if he belonged to their special persuasion. "Well," was the answer, "I am a sincere Christian, and accept all the great Christian doctrines with absolute faith, but as to being exactly one of you, I do not suppose that I am." "In that case," was the reply, "I am afraid we cannot admit you to *our table*." "Oh, indeed," retorted Rowland Hill, "I beg you ten thousand pardons, I would not intrude for the world; but then you see, I thought it was the *Lord's Table*."

The letter from John Prickett (which appeared last week) has brought a donation from one who must be a very good man, and who signs himself "A Sympathiser." I hope John Prickett will send me his address immediately after he has read these lines, so that this donation may be forwarded to him instantaneously. And it is necessary also that such address should be published in order that all donations for the benefit of James Morley should reach him.

The members of the Lancashire Association, assembled at a place called "Ramsbottom," must have been startled a little by the excuse made by a member present why he could not accept the office of branch secretary. The excuse was "that having taken unto himself a wife he could not spare the time." Many people under similar circumstances would have kept such a reason for non-acceptance of office to themselves, but then we are not all alike. It is a palpable but unpleasant fact that many ringers, after entering into the bonds of matrimony, give ringing the cold shoulder. This shows, I think, a great weakness on their part. True it is that after a twelve-month or so has passed they come back again (some of them) and join their old companions in the belfry. But this is only by degrees, after they have again felt their feet. There have been many cases of this sort, not confined to Lancashire or Yorkshire.

The following lines have been handed to me for insertion. It is rather an ancient printed document, and has

at the top a steel engraving of "The South West Prospect of St. Leonard, Shoreditch." There is a printer's name at the bottom, thus: "W. C. Mantz, Printer, 159, Brick Lane, Spitalfields."

## A COPY OF VERSES,

*Humbly presented to all my worthy Masters and Mistresses, by Joseph Dane, Steeple-keeper and Ringer of the Five and Eight o'clock bell of St. Leonard, Shoreditch; St. John, Hoxton; and St. Mary, Haggerstone.*

Most worthy Sirs, accept of this Address  
In artless lines, my duty to express;  
To greet my worthy Masters, one and all,  
Inform them how my bell doth rise and fall,  
Both morn and eve, their servants do remind  
Of their just duty due to masters kind.  
At five at morn my bell is put on end,  
Which warns them all their business to attend;  
Tradesmen of all sorts, labourers and all,  
Jump out of bed, as soon as my bell doth call,  
The pretty Milk Maids, dress'd so neat and clean,  
With yoke and pails, quite cheerful they are seen;  
The jolly Dyers, Carpenters also,  
Bricklayers and Smiths, all to their business go;  
With Porters too—and likewise Market Folks  
In groups assemble crack their harmless jokes:  
Wherefore you find, I serve both high and low;  
Gentlemen, Tradesmen, Mechanics also.  
None but the *Lazy*, think I call too soon;  
Should I neglect, perhaps they'd lie till noon.  
I'd please them all, if WILL would serve for DEED,  
But that's a task in which I can't succeed.  
I ring the bell at eight o'clock at night,  
Which gives the weary Labourer delight;  
They home to supper go—their rest they prize,  
And sleep until my bell calls them to rise.  
Thus through the year I constantly attend,  
Hoping to be remembered at the end  
By all my worthy Masters, ever kind,  
Whose approbation may I always find.  
Should it prove so, my spirits it will cheer,  
Give me great pleasure to begin NEXT YEAR;  
A year, I hope, that will be crown'd with Peace,  
That Trade and Commerce greatly may increase;  
That we may our families maintain,  
And have no reason to complain.  
Now to conclude my lowly humble rhyme,  
I wish you all a joyful Christmas time;  
And many happy seasons may you see,  
Blest with content, and with prosperity.

The type in which this is printed is, I am told, of the kind used in the earlier part of the last century. It must have cost something to print, being on a sheet of very good paper, 8 x 13, and the copper-plate view of the church wasn't a flea-bite in those days when money was more valuable than it is now. This paper ought to be preserved in that Ringers' Museum of which I gave a hint, or made a suggestion, the other week.

One other word. I have noticed in the last two numbers the advertisements of our brother-ringers. There is one I have not yet alluded to at all. That is the announcement of "A short service for Ringers" compiled, or shall I say "composed," by the Rev. Herbert Drake, who is, as is well-known, a change-ringer. There are other forms of service compiled for the same purpose, but the one I am noticing is the production of a ringer who knows what

is required much better than an outsider. We ought, I think, to take this compilation of Mr. Drake's as the standard one for our use whenever such a publication is wanted, and have no other. Mr. Drake, I dare say, won't thank me for this, but the receipt of his approval is not my object. I merely contend that a form of service for ringers designed and compiled by one of themselves is the right one to be established by usage.

PLAIN SPEAKER.

## MUSIC OF THE BELFRY.

[From *The Daily Mail*.]

Bellringing in England is for the most part a matter of Grandsires, Triple Bob Majors, Norwich Court Bobs, and such-like tintinnabulations, cheerful, noisy—and more clangour than music.

Across the water in the quaint old Flemish cities of the Low Countries the ancient belfries hold carillons of rare harmony.

In the Church of SS. Peter and Paul down at Cattistock, Dorset, in the West Country, hangs a carillon of five-and-thirty bells from the foundry of Van Aerschodt, in Louvain, whence for four and a half centuries have come many of the best bells—witness the peals at Aberdeen, at Eaton Hall, and in many a Continental town.

To Cattistock, as is his custom, went on the last Thursday of July M. Joseph Denyn, the famous carrillonneur of Mechlin, and rang a peal of many numbers to the vast delight of half the countryside, who came in carriages and afoot to hear the bells make music, organ-like, till the welkin trembled in responsive sympathy.

Between Devonshire and Mechlin M. Denyn paused yesterday at the "Daily Mail" office and talked of his art.

"Every Monday," he said, "in June, August, and September I give concerts on the Mechlin carrillon. My bells are as responsive to feeling as the strings of a violin. Although I strike with my fists full force on the wooden keys, I can control absolutely the finest nuance of tone.

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"After dark, when the traffic of the streets is quiet, the bells commence to ring. In the gardens of the city, in the roads, on the river, leaning against the old walls of the 'Ruelle sans fin' under the belfry's shadow, rich and poor can hear the music as it floats over their heads and away beyond the city into the country miles away.

"On August 7, a choir of voices sing interludes in the belfry. This, too, by night—then one is not disturbed. Darkness heightens the effect. Nothing is there to hinder the full volume of the sound.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 1904.

ON another page we print a short article taken from a London daily paper, entitled, "Music of the Belfry." In the first paragraph or two the writer draws very much on his own imagination, as is the wont of such writers who attempt to deal with a subject they know nothing whatever of. It would be quite useless to interview this particular writer for the purpose of informing him there was no such thing known as Triple Bob Majors; or to endeavour to make it clear that the bells at Cattistock, Eaton Hall, and Aberdeen will not bear comparison with many of our English bells. We have heard of disappointment being rife where visionary enthusiasts have had their way in the erection of Dutch bells instead of English ones. To attempt a comparison between them is useless. English bells are set up for ringing, not for tune playing; foreign bells would be practically useless for such a purpose.

These vapourings of writers about bells are merest rubbish. What is meant by the phrase that "the welkin trembled in responsive sympathy?" and again "half the country-side came in carriages (not motor-cars) to hear." All twaddle. We should advise the writer to go up into St. Paul's ringing-chamber and hear the bells pulled off. That would make his welkin (whatever that may mean) tremble, and give him a lesson.

## LATE NOTICE.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at Rothwell on Saturday, September 3rd, 1904. Usual arrangements.

T. R. HENSHER, Hon. Sec.

Midland Road, Wellingborough.

ADDRESS WANTED.—We have a letter for Mr. A. J. Chamberlain, who put a question the other week about handbells. We will forward the letter if he will send us his address.

## The Metropolis.

## THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. Treble.	GEORGE E. WILSON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. DORAN .. .. 2.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. .. 3.	RICHARD BEVAN .. .. 8.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 9.
WILLIAM WARD* .. .. 5.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal of Royal.

## The Provinces.

## ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

(THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, August 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

CHARLES BOWER .. .. Treble.	WALTER WOLSTENCROFT .. .. 5.
JAMES BOOTH .. .. 2.	WILLIAM BOOTH .. .. 6.
ARTHUR KERSHAW* .. .. 3.	BENJAMIN THORPE .. .. 7.
GEORGE GARNETT* .. .. 4.	ALBERT ADAMS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORPE.

\*First peal. Rung on the front eight.

## NEWNHAM-ON-SEVERN, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

FRANCIS E. HART .. .. Treble.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. .. 5.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 2.	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES .. .. 6.
ALFRED T. BRUNSDON .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE CONDLICK, SEN. .. .. 4.	JOHN W. DAVIS .. .. Tenor.

\*Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

This is the 400th peal of Stedman Triples conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

## BERKELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,

On Wednesday, August 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	FRANK K. HOWELL .. .. 5.
CHARLES H. GORDON .. .. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. .. 6.
HENRY T. HOWELL .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES .. .. 4.	REV. H. A. COCKEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## BIDDENHAM, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. MILLS .. .. Treble.	CHARLES W. CLARKE .. .. 4.
CHARLES MORTIMER* .. .. 2.	JOHN MAXEY .. .. 5.
FREDERICK WEBB .. .. 3.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

\*First peal in seven methods with a bob bell.

## ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 720 of Grandsire, and two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

FRED COATES .. .. Treble.	JOHN THORPE .. .. 4.
TOM LEE .. .. 2.	GEORGE LEWIS .. .. 5.
CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 3.	WALTER ALLWOOD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Rung on the light six. The above are all members of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.

## CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

F. W. WADE .. .. Treble.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 6.
REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. .. 2.	REV. C. D. P. DAVIES .. .. 7.
W. DYER .. .. 3.	W. T. PATES .. .. 8.
W. BRINKWORTH .. .. 4.	J. BALLINGER .. .. 9.
G. PEARCE .. .. 5.	G. H. PHILLOTT .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by the REV. C. D. P. DAVIES.

## WRITTLE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

ROBERT WOOD .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR EDWARDS .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM STEELE .. .. 6.
THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. RADLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON, and Conducted by WM. LINCOLN.

\*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Lincoln and A. Edwards.

## TONG, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, Duke of York, Violet and Oxford.

Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES HOLGATE .. .. Treble.	PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. 4.
TOM LATIMER .. .. 2.	GEORGE BOLLAND .. .. 5.
REV. R. P. FARROW .. .. 3.	SAMUEL ODDY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BOLLAND.

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**WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.**  
**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM FISHER .. .. Treble.	THOMAS H. REEVES .. 5.
ISAAC PURSER .. .. 2.	ARTHUR J. SEABROOK .. 6.
JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 3.	HERBERT KNIGHT .. 7.
JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 4.	THOMAS E. GRIFFITHS .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

**HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

FREDERICK MERRISON .. Treble.	HARRY GIBSON .. .. 5.
CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 2.	CHARLES ARMITAGE .. 6.
GEORGE HALKSWORTH .. 3.	JAMES DIXEY .. .. 7.
GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 4.	JOHN W. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

**CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5280 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. Tryble.	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH .. 6.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 2.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 7.
GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. 3.	*WALTER ALLWOOD .. 8.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 4.	SIDNEY F. PALMER .. 9.
BRAILSFORD C. HANDBY .. 5.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by GEORGE HOLLIS.

\*First peal of Royal.

**REDENHALL, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours and two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

ERNEST POPPY .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK R. BORRETT .. 5.
JAMES BETTS* .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. 6.
ALBERT G. WARNES .. 3.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. 7.
CHARLES E. BORRETT .. 4.	JAMES SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

\*First peal of Triples. This is the conductor's 50th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

**BOVINGER, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GERMAN,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of London, Wells, York, Durham, Worcester, Chichester and Cambridge. Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY TORBLE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM MILLER .. .. 4.
GEORGE HAYDEN .. .. 2.	JOHN MOYLE .. .. 5.
SAMUEL HAYES .. .. 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

First peal on the bells

**ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	*THOMAS BEADLE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT .. 2.	ALFRED H. WINCH .. 6.
JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 3.	FREDK. A. HOLDEN .. 7.
JOHN WYATT .. .. 4.	HARRY LAST .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

\*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

**EYNSFORD, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDERICK J. FRENCH .. Treble.	EDWIN BARNETT .. .. 5.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. 2.	THOMAS HARTFORD .. 6.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 3.	ROBERT BARRETT .. 7.
ISAAC EMERY .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM WEST .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE.

\*First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method on the bells.

**SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL .. .. Treble.	*DAVID TAYLOR .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN. 2.	JOSEPH S. NEEDHAM .. 6.
ALFRED MILLIS .. .. 3.	ALFRED MARTIN .. 7.
FREDERICK H. DEXTER .. 4.	THOMAS TAYLOR .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDERICK HY. DEXTER.

\*First peal. It was intended to ring Stedman, but meeting one short, D. Taylor, one of the local ringers, obliged. This was the fortieth anniversary of A. Millis's first peal, having rung his first at St. Mary's, Leicester, on August 20th, 1864.

**CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.**

JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. Treble.	ALFRED TRAPPITT .. .. 5.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. 2.	FRANK HOLDER .. .. 6.
DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. 3.	LEWIS C. FERRIGE .. 7.
CHARLES DEAN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and  
 Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

**FORDINGBRIDGE, HANTS.**

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

*On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt. in E.

REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. Treble.	HERBERT W. STANLEY .. 5.
SIDNEY MACBY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 6.
JOHN S. RUMMING* .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 7.
ROBERT P. KNIGHT .. 4.	CHARLES GOODENOUGH .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM E. GARRARD.

\*First peal. Messrs. Knight, Garrard and Rumming were elected members of the above Guild previous to starting for the peal.

## KELSEALE, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM FLEMING .. .. Treble.	GEORGE BERRY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM DREW† .. .. 2.	*HARRY THOMPSON .. .. 6.
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON .. 3.	JOHN W. AVIS .. .. 7.
F. GORDON THOMPSON .. 4.	*FREDERICK WATLING .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM DREW.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor. Rang as a welcome home to the Rector, the Rev. G. H. Davis, who returned on Thursday last from a nine months' visit to Australia for the benefit of his health.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

REV. G. F. COLERIDGE .. Treble.	DENISON HAYWARD .. .. 5.
F. S. POOLE .. .. 2.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 6.
JOHN J. JONES .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 4.	*ERNEST MARSH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal.

## BISHOPS STORTFORD, HERTS.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. Treble.	WALTER PRIOR .. .. 5.
JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 6.
THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 3.	NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. 7.
THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 4.	HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and  
Conducted by HENRY JAMES TUCKER.

This is the first peal of Surprise on the bells, and first peal of Surprise as conductor. Rang as a birthday compliment to J. Luckey, and the conductor.

## Handbell Peals.

## GODALMING, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, August 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT "SOUTH LAWN," FRITH HILL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

E. H. LEWIS .. .. 1-2.	H. S. T. RICHARDSON .. 5-6.
F. S. POOLE .. .. 3-4.	*MISS D. G. POOLE .. 7-8.

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

Umpire—H. Poole. \*First peal and first touch in the method. This is the first double-handed peal by the Guild.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—The peal rung at Sandy, Beds., on July 30th, should have been credited to the Ely Diocesan Association—Bedfordshire Archdeaconry.—The name of the ringer of the 4th in the peal at Bridlington Priory church is Joseph, not James Broadley.—The two peals at Diss and Bungay were transpositions of Thurstans's one-part with the treble the observation.

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## Date Touches.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

LLANDUDNO.—On Thursday, May 4th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 1 hr. 9 mins. F. Hobbs, W. T. Pegler, B. Carter, A. W. Brighton conductor, S. A. Cullington, J. H. Midwinter, A. Hughes, S. Swann.

BLOXWICH (Staffordshire).—On June 24th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 Bob Major, in 1 hr. 8 mins. L. Bentley, J. Birch, A. Painter, F. J. Steele, A. Turley, F. Edwards, J. C. Adams, conductor, J. Elton.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

DUNSFOLD (Surrey).—On April 28th, three 180s of Bob Minor. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, J. W. Harrison conductor, W. T. Cox, T. Squelch, A. Smithers. Another 120, standing as before. On May 12th, 360 Bob Minor. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, J. W. Harrison conductor, W. T. Cox, A. J. Bartlett, A. Smithers. On July 21st, 108 Bob Minor. P. Stenning, E. Smithers, M. Pullen, W. T. Cox, J. W. Harrison, A. Smithers. On July 28th, two 120s of Bob Minor. P. Stenning, J. W. Harrison conductor, M. Pullen, W. T. Cox, T. Squelch, A. Smithers.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HALEWOOD (Lancashire).—On Monday, August 1st, at St Nicholas church, 1072 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. G. Lunt, E. Caunce, J. Aspinwall, T. Hammond, sen., G. R. Newton, W. Davies, W. Hughes, J. Martin conductor.

GRASSENDAL.—On Sunday, August 7th, for morning service, 720 Violet Treble Bob. F. C. Newton, J. T. Lowe, R. H. Green, G. R. Newton, J. Turner conductor, J. Allen. On Sunday, August 14th, for evening service, 720 Superlative Surprise Minor. T. J. Morris, R. H. Green, J. T. Lowe, J. Turner, G. R. Newton conductor, J. Allan.

LLANGOLLEN (North Wales).—On Thursday, August 11th, 720 Grandsire Minor and 120 Stedman Doubles on the back six. H. Jones, F. Davies, T. Hammond, jun., G. R. Newton, J. W. Bailey, J. W. Davies.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

RYEL.—On Sunday, April 24th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 47 mins. A. W. Brighton conductor, G. Bell, J. Gunner, J. Lewis, W. Bell, C. Egerton, F. Wallis, G. Newman.

PORTMADOC.—On Wednesday, May 11th, at the parish church, 504 Grandsire Triples. A. Neville, W. Williams, J. Owen, A. W. Brighton conductor, E. Thomas, D. T. Hughes, W. H. Evans, R. Roberts.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STANSTED.—On Wednesday, May 4th, for practice at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, 1024 New Cumberland Surprise Major. G. Gray, W. T. Prior, G. Jordan, H. J. Tucker, J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor. And 360 Stedman Triples. W. Watts, T. Jordan, G. Jordan, T. J. Watts conductor, H. J. Tucker, J. Luckey, W. T. Prior, G. Greenhill. On Wednesday, May 11th, for practice, 504 Canterbury Pleasure Triples. F. Tharby, J. Luckey, G. Jordan, H. J. Tucker, G. Gray, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, J. Cavill. On Sunday, May 15th, for morning service, 420 and 252 Stedman Triples. G. Jordan, W. Prior, G. Gray, J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill.

APPLETON (Berks).—On Sunday, August 1st, for evening service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. C. White, F. White, sen., H. Woodward, H. Tubbs, F. Tubbs conductor, A. Clayton, R. White, F. White, jun. On handbells two courses of Grandsire Triples. F. Tubbs, 1-2-3-4; R. White, 5-6-7-8.

BOLSOVER.—On Sunday, July 31st, a quarter-peal of Bob Major. C. Coupe, S. Coupe, F. R. Kettleboro, E. Baker, F. Wagstaff, W. Lambert, G. W. Bemrose, J. Flint conductor. Rang with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. W. Gregory, of Bolsover, who was interred at Old Brampton that day.

**Notices.**

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The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Calverley to-day, Saturday, August 27th. Bells (8) will be available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Thornhill Arms at 7.30 p.m.

FRED R. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The Sussex County Association.—Central Division.—Quarterly meeting at Bolney to-day, Saturday, August 27th. Tower open from 3 p.m. Tea at The Eight Bells inn, 5.30 p.m.

GEO. WILLIAMS, *Hon. Sec.*  
2, Grove St., Brighton.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity church, Blackburn, to-day, Saturday, August 27th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Meeting and election of officials, 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Lawrence's church, Chorley, to-day, Sat., August 27th. Bells ready at 3.0, meeting at 5.30 o'clock.

R. SANDERSON, *Hon. Sec.*

The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Fenton on Saturday, September 3rd. Members intending to be present please give notice to Mr. E. Sherratt, 11, Blurton Road, Fenton, by Thursday, September 1st.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

High Street, Bucknall.

The East Derbyshire Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blackwell on Saturday, September 3rd. Meeting at 5.30 p.m.

T. ALLIBONE, *Sec.*

The London County Association, late St. James's Society.—Pursuant to notice, a periodical meeting of this Association for united practice will be held at St. Paul's, Hammer-smith, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells available from 5.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready at 4.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths. Established 1637.—Business of an important character will be discussed at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on Wednesday, August 31st, after ringing at St. Michael's, Cornhill. A meeting for practice will be held at the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on Saturday, September 17th. Bells available from 4 to 8 o'clock, after which a meeting for the transaction of any business that may arise and for social intercourse will be held. All members and friends of the Society will be heartily welcomed.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The Lancashire Association.—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries.

Nominations for president, general secretary and treasurer, also any proposed alterations of rules, etc., must be sent in to the general secretary not later than September 3rd. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } *Hon. Secs.*  
J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

The Essex Association.—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting, Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with.

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**NOTE TO PEAL.**

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On Saturday, the 20th instant, a cricketing team from Newcastle and district visited Cramlington to play the local ringers. The afternoon turned out gloriously fine, and a very pleasant game was the result, though it turned out to be a very one-sided affair for the local men, thanks to the efforts of their six-foot-four curate. It was unanimously resolved (by the Newcastle men) that on their next visit the Rev. H. White should be asked to umpire! Tea was provided at The Blagdon Arms, the Vicar, Rev. C. Gallop in Hall, taking the chair. Mr. Story proposed a vote of thanks to the Cramlington team, especially to Mr. O. Simm, for providing so pleasant an entertainment. Mr. Simm responded and trusted it would develop into an annual affair in future. For the comfort of the visitors, Mr. White said he had bowled straight and fair, but it was evident to all the visitors that he had not been able to check a bad habit of putting vicious twists and breaks into his bowling. The rest of the evening was spent in the tower.

The scores were as follows:—

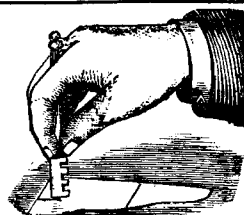
CRAMLINGTON.			
S. Miller ...	...	...	3
O. Simm ...	...	...	0
W. Hardy ...	...	...	4
M. Endean ...	...	...	0
Rev. H. White ...	...	...	43
J. Riseborough ...	...	...	3
H. Batten ...	...	...	7
E. Diery ...	...	...	3
R. Dixon ...	...	...	0
M. Thompson ...	...	...	4
R. Simmons ...	...	...	1
Extras ...	...	...	2
Total ...	...	...	70
NEWCASTLE.			
A. F. Hillier ...	...	...	1
E. E. Ferry ...	...	...	13
J. Rowell ...	...	...	0
E. Pearson ...	...	...	1
J. Hulme ...	...	...	0
W. H. Brunson ...	...	...	0
C. L. Routledge ...	...	...	0
R. S. Story ...	...	...	1
E. Hern ...	...	...	3
J. E. Keen ...	...	...	4
A. Hern ...	...	...	2
Total ...	...	...	25

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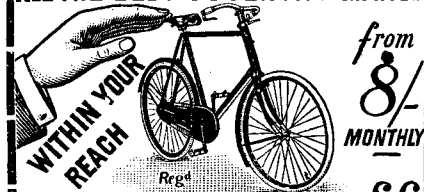
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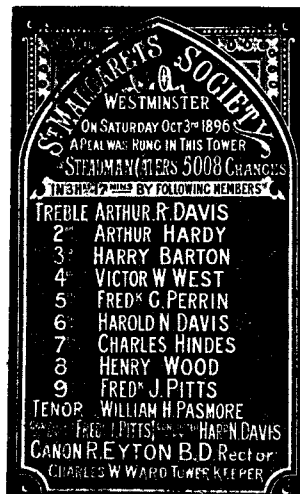
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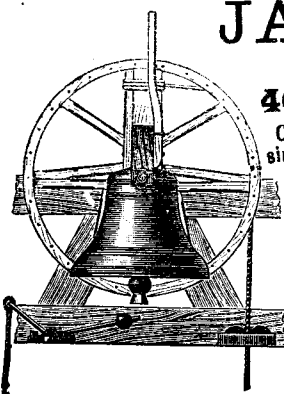
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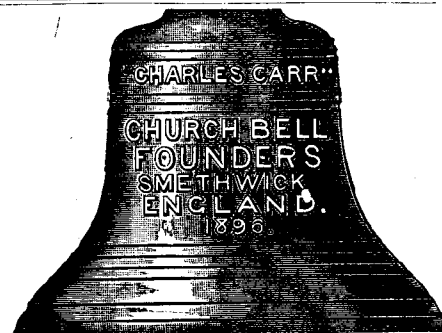
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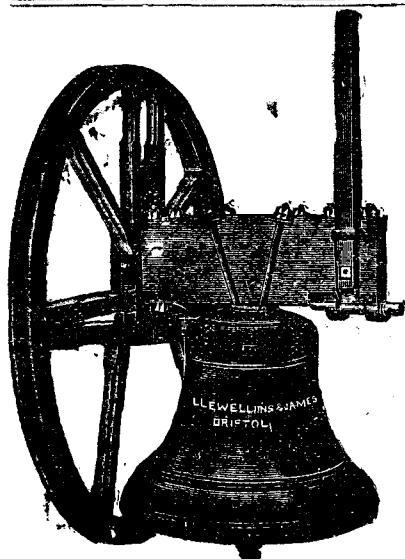
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SOUTHWELL (Notts.)** St. Mary the Virgin. Eight bells; 4th and 5th by Mears 1819; 2nd by the same 1849; the rest by Rudhall 1721. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Taylor 1894. Ropes good, renewed as required. No half-pull or regular Sunday ringing. Practice on royal birthdays and special events.

**SOUTHWOLD (Suffolk.)** St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

**SOWERBY (Yorks.)** St. Peter. Eight bells; all by Chapman, 1781. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. They have been mostly repaired by the ringers. Ropes good. Method: Grand-sire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

**SOWERBY BRIDGE (Yorks.)** Christ Church. Eight bells. No return.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the above Guild was held in the Refectory, Chester, on Monday, August 1st, after service in the Cathedral at 10.45, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Rector of Fretherne, Gloucester, and Hon. Secretary to the Central Council, who took his text from 1 Thess. v. 21: "Prove all things." The preacher in an able and attractive discourse shewed how necessary it was in peal-ringing, that each ringer should not lose sight of his own work, but should watch it carefully, so as to distinguish between the true and the false method, otherwise he might be a hinderer to his brethren, and by bringing the proposed peal to an untimely end, draw down discredit upon the band. No wavering, no want of care can be permitted until the leader's glad cry should proclaim "That is all." So the object of life should be to make

the end; false methods can only prove themselves false in the end; and all that is true, and honest, and good, will alone proclaim that the methods of the life have been right and true.

There were present the Ven. the Archdeacon of Chester and Master of the Guild in the chair; Revs. Canon Holme, G. B. Thurston, A. T. Beeston, H. A. Heywood, esq., Rev. R. Greenall (Hon. Secretary and Treasurer), and Mr. F. T. Spence (Assistant-Secretary), and about 180 members.

The minutes of the last general meeting were then read and passed. The Treasurer's statement of accounts, as submitted to the General Committee meeting shewing a balance in the bank of £63 8s. 10d., was declared.

Mr. R. T. Holding then proposed, and Mr. James Mainwaring seconded, that the Ven. the Archdeacon of Chester be re-elected Master of the Guild. This was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The Ven. the Archdeacon of Chester then proposed that the Rev. Richard Greenall be re-elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, with Mr. F. T. Spence Assistant-Secretary. This was seconded by Mr. W. Gordon and carried.

The following were then elected to serve on the general committee. Seven Honorary Members: Revs. G. B. Thurston, Canon Holme, J. H. Thorpe, Lucius Smith, H. A. Heywood, esq., H. Hatt Cook, esq., and C. B. Bowen Cook, esq. Seven change-ringing members: Messrs. R. T. Holding, F. T. Spence, J. Dillon, J. Ashmole, W. Gordon, H. Dew, W. Matthews. After some discussion and shewing of hands it was decided that the next annual meeting be held at Neston on August Bank Holiday, 1905.

The peals rung during the past twelve months were then gone over by the Assistant-Secretary, as was the case last year. The Stockport branch take pride of place in having scored the most peals, chief among these being a 7616 of Kent Treble Bob Major conducted by the Rev. A. T. Beeston at New Mills, and a 7040 Bob Major conducted by E. Reader at the same place. The former is now the longest length that has been rung by the Guild, the previous record being held by the Grappenhall ringers since March 26th, 1898, with a peal of 7200 changes made up of ten 720s of Treble Bob Minor. It is satisfactory to note that although the numbers rung were slightly less in the previous year, yet, owing to the more advanced methods being practised, the points allowed bear favorable comparison with previous years. It is to be hoped that as our Guild goes on increasing in membership and available funds, so the peals will increase in proportion, for we are still a long way from the top.

The report of the Central Council representatives (Messrs. J. Ashmole and H. Dew), was then read.

Votes of thanks to the various officials brought the meeting to a close, and all adjourned to The Holborn Restaurant, where a substantial dinner was provided, and needless to say, full justice was done to it. This over, the members adjourned to the various towers thrown open for the purpose, and the bells were kept going in different

methods until late in the day. Some of our members took the opportunity of inspecting this old city, but the time at their disposal was quite inadequate to view all the historical and picturesque places with which Chester abounds, nevertheless it was a very happy and contented lot that met on the station to say good-bye, and it was universally agreed that one of our pleasantest and most harmonious meetings was brought to a close which made you feel that—

These men were all as brothers,  
And may they never fall;  
Till God, the Great Instructor,  
Shall cry to them—"That's all."

F.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Yorktown district of the above Guild was held at Walton-on-Thames on Saturday, August 13th, in delightful weather. Ringers were present from Walton-on-Thames, Hersham, Ashted, Ottershaw, Thorpe, Hawley and Yorktown, who kept the bells going until 5.15, when they sat down to an excellent tea provided by Mr. B. Wickens, of the local band. After tea the usual business meeting was held in the Church Hall, presided over by the Vicar of Walton (Rev. Kemp Russell), supported by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (General Secretary), and Mr. King, churchwarden of Walton. The next quarterly peal attempt was arranged to take place at Weybridge on September 7th, and Mr. W. Shepherd kindly consented to arrange the band for the same.

Bagshot was chosen as the place for the annual district meeting on October 29th, after the District Secretary (Mr. C. Pearce) had told those present that a meeting had never been held at Bagshot since they had had a peal there, and that the ringers had asked him to put it before the meeting that day.

During the day those members present had the privilege of seeing the quaint old "Scolds" or "Gossip Bridle" which was used many years ago, and which is placed in an oak case made out of wood taken from the bell-frame when they were rehung in 1884.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division of the above Association was held at Bolney on Saturday, August 27th, when owing no doubt to the beautiful weather, a fairly good muster turned up on cycles, others by brake from Haywards Heath station, five-and-a-half miles. Between thirty and forty members sat down to tea at The Eight Bells at 5.30 p.m. The towers represented were Brighton (St. Peter's, and St. Nicolas), Cuckfield, Lindfield, Henfield, Pevensey, Steyning, South-over and Bolney. Mr. J. Hole, churchwarden of Bolney, occupied the chair. There were also present Messrs. F. Hounsell, sen., —. Ebbrall, J. S. Goldsmith, the veteran E. Butler, of St. Nicolas, Brighton, G. Williams (Hon. Secretary), etc.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and passed, and two new members were elected to the Association. It was proposed by Mr. Hounsell, seconded by Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Cuckfield. Carried.

Mr. G. Walder, Secretary of the Bolney Branch, explained the reason of the Vicar's absence, and hoped they would have a pleasant meeting.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells,

and to Mr. Churchwarden Hole for presiding, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

Mr. Hole having replied, the tower was again visited, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Double Norwich Major were brought round. The performers in one touch of Grandsire contained three generations of the Walder family, local ringers of Bolney. The bells were lowered in peal at 8.30, the remaining time for disposal being spent in harmony at The Eight Bells, when the 5½ miles by brake had to be negotiated again, the Brighton cyclists being the last to leave for the 13½ miles into Brighton at 10.15. Every one seemed on pretty good terms with himself that this was another added to the many merry meetings that are held from time in the country for the benefit of the younger members of our craft. W.

#### THE SAFFRON WALDEN SOCIETY

Met by arrangement at Ipswich by Mr. William Motts, introduced by several of our company who had previously had the pleasure of his acquaintance; continued our journey to Harwich by boat down the delightful Orwell; lunched at the Great Eastern hotel; rang Stedman Triples at the parish church; dined with the Master of our company at the head; a boat on the ocean wave; inspected the guardship lying at anchor there; most courteously and interestingly piloted by the officer in command; photoed by our own special artist (and which is a pronounced success); return to Ipswich on the swelling tide, a walk through Ipswich with our willing guide; on to the ringer's house where tea awaits, with everything so nice and well-filled plates; and at this place allow a slight digress, for one and all we really must confess, that waitresses and viands could not be surpassed, and we most earnestly do hope that this is not the last time we may have such fare, for all to make us welcome did not spare; again we wend our ready steps along, past antique buildings praised in verse and song; and soon St. Mary-le-Tower appears in sight, and ringers of renown in ringing height, right heartily they welcome us and try their best, to put their well-known pleasure to the test, of paying compliments to visitors who give them call, and we most heartily must thank them one and all; and although personally before the bells I had heard not, the reports of those who heard them erred not; for they are good in circle as in sound, in Stedman Cinques their music soon we found; and Treble Bob in Maximus is Maximus, and do not scold, if of these bells I make a fuss. It was a pleasant outing, pleasant there, pleasant homecoming, pleasant everywhere, and in the name of all our company, allow me to express to Harwich and to Ipswich men the pleasure we should feel to visit them again. P.

#### NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT SHIPLEY.—This peal was rung as a birthday compliment to vice-President W. H. Howard on his 82nd birthday. The band wish to thank J. Lilley for making arrangements, etc. This is Joseph Broadley's 100th peal, made up as follows: Kent Treble Bob Royal 17; Major, 53 (including a 10,400, and one non-conducted); Oxford Treble Bob Major 6 (including a 8128); Grandsire Caters 5; Triples 9; Stedman Triples 5; Bob Major 5; total 100.

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Though I am away on a brief holiday (just a breather, you know) I have been the recipient of one or two letters, forwarded for me to deal with, if I should feel disposed to contribute anything to the paper this week. We literary men are never supposed to entirely cast off our connection with journalism under any conceivable circumstances, holiday or no holiday, sleeping or waking, and thus for three consecutive mornings I have found at the farmhouse where I am staying some letters from the office, which I am told come within my department, whatever that department may be. Considering my late tremendous efforts to afford edification and instruction (combined) to the cottage as well as the palace, I was of opinion that for a few days the pursuit of agriculture, which I delight in, would have been uninterrupted. But when duty calls you know what follows. Let's begin another paragraph now.

You will have noticed ere this, that at the end of each of these paragraphs, a line is drawn. This fact ought to lead some of you to think. Most of us would be better if we "drew the line" much oftener than we do. Those who are in the habit of committing that operation termed "drawing the long bow" would find it more agreeable to themselves and their listeners if they were to "draw a line" sometimes; a line of demarcation between fact and its opposite. Perhaps I had better not enlarge upon this on the last day of the month, but leave a further elucidation till a more convenient season. But don't forget, as a very good maxim, to "draw the line" sometimes. And I'll draw it again now.

Here follows another anecdote. It is best to give the letter entire:—

"'Plain Speaker' may like to know, if he does not already know it, another good story of Rowland Hill. At one time he used to drive to his church in the carriage of a wealthy member of the congregation; and one Sunday he found in the vestry an anonymous letter to this effect: 'You come to church with a carriage and pair of horses; The Master, whom you profess to serve, was content to ride into Jerusalem on a much humbler animal. I advise you to follow his example.' R. H. said nothing, but put the letter in his pocket and went into church. Before the sermon he took it out and read it to the congregation, adding—'I am always ready to take good advice; and if the writer of this letter is in church, and will come afterwards to the vestry bridled and saddled, I will ride *him* home.' He had no more anonymous letters."

This is a good story, and just what would have been expected from R. H.

The next letter also speaks for itself:—

"MATRIMONY AND RINGERS.—Sir,—In reference to Plain Speaker's comment in last week's paper, *re* matrimony and ringers, I should like to ask that gentleman if ever he has been placed in the same position; possibly not. I for one have been, and so can answer for myself, but I have never given ringing the cold shoulder, as the following facts will show. Having taken unto myself a wife some fourteen months ago, during which time I have rung eighteen peals, which I think is a fair number, averaging just over one a month, just about enough to keep anyone in form, I should say (possibly you, Mr. 'Plain Speaker,' may think otherwise), and besides this I have attended as many practices as my work will allow me, about three in

every five, and also Sunday ringing twice a month. Possibly the gentleman referred to last week may be in a somewhat difficult position, but I should have thought that now his courting days are over he would have had more time to spare, possibly it is otherwise. For my part I consider I have the same time now as previously, as I always made it a rule during my five years' courtship never to disappoint brother strings, and I can honestly say I never did.—ONE WHO HAS NEVER LEFT OFF RINGING."

The only objection to this communication is that the writer wishes to conceal his identity.

The following letter will satisfy the correspondent who wrote about the Matlock bells last week:—

"34, Whitechapel Road, E. Dear Sir,—With reference to the paragraph on page 292 of your last issue alluding to the new bells at Matlock parish church, in case you may not have received any account of the opening, I beg to inform you that the bells (a peal of eight with a tenor of 14 cwt.) were cast at this Foundry, and erected in a double tier iron frame. They were dedicated on the 11th ult. by the Bishop of Nottingham, and opened by a band of ringers from Derby. The following extract from a letter since received from the churchwarden confirms the opinion expressed by your correspondent: 'I must congratulate you on the excellent quality and tone of the bells, and also upon the way and method in which they are hung; there is less vibration to the structure of the tower than there was with the old six bells of lighter weights. We had a very good ring at the services yesterday, and nothing but praise *re* the tone of the bells could be heard on all sides.' I merely send you these particulars in case you are still without any official account.—I am, dear sir, yours faithfully, Arthur Hughes. (Manager to Mears and Stainbank)."

Now Mr. *Daily Mail*, or any one else who praises foreign bells as being superior to English ones, can you say anything to this? If not, for ever after hold your peace. I'll be bound to say there is no town on the continent of Europe that could send forth such music as these bells of Matlock.

There is a body of men down west who rejoice in the title of the "The Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club." The other day these gentlemen had a "combined cycling and ringing tour," so the readers of this paper are informed, which was certified as a great success—success so marked, we are also told, that many repetitions of it are probable. All will hope so, for the route the members took appeared to open up districts unknown to ringers almost. Thus the movement of ringing extension is assisted, and recruits to the Exercise gained. It is very pleasant reading, this report of the tour. We find that the cycle-campanalogists were well received by the denizens of the neighbourhoods through which they journeyed—hospitable courtesy on the part of the clergy, and the heartiest of welcomes from the various local ringers. Let us wish this club all success.

Talking about cycling brings to mind the cricket matches among ringers which were mentioned last week—one at Borden in Kent, the other at Cramlington in Northumberland, between the Cramlington and Newcastle ringers. This last encounter was almost similar to a famous election at the town of Bridgnorth, which was "all on one side," so it is said. "All on one side, like Bridgnorth election," is in consequence a well-known



saying in many parts of the country. Thus when anything out of the level, or out of square, is seen, this saying is sure to be used, and very often a stranger is tempted to ask what is meant by it, and he goes away wiser.

But the one-sided Bridgnorth election is not the thing before us. It is the famous cricket match at Cramlington. The Newcastle men must read up their cricket before they again hold the willow, for on this occasion the Cramlingtonians smote them hip and thigh. Mr. Ferry certainly prevented their total demolition by a grand score of 13; while my two old friends—C. L. Routledge, got what is known as a duck's egg, and Robert just saved the credit of officialdom by a score of one! But they both can score in many other ways when required. By-the-way is there any truth in the statement that one of the Newcastle men caught the ball from the bowler in the high silk hat he was wearing?

I expect that before I return home again a letter will be awaiting me from John Prickett, and if so, he shall be communicated with at once. Readers of this page, in fact ringers of any page, ringers all, let me ask you to put by some contribution towards relieving the necessities of a good old ringer, James Morley, of Chepstow. Perhaps in the next number, or at latest the one following, we shall be able to publish all the amounts received for so good a purpose.

The Essex Association has just held a district meeting at a place called Great Waltham, somewhere in the county. We read that at this village (for I may suppose it is a village) there is a fine ring of eight, tenor 25 cwt., in a tower beautifully restored by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Hulton; but little change-ringing is done, and peals are not allowed. What a pity; after this beautiful restoration, too. Then this statement follows: "The ringing-chamber at Great Waltham is an inconvenient place, insufficiently lighted, and one or two of the bells are difficult to handle; but some fairly good ringing in different methods (Grandsire, Stedman, Treble Bob, and Double Norwich), was done during the afternoon. The bells are certainly very noisy in the immediate neighbourhood of the tower. It is a pity that something cannot be done to remedy this, so that peals might be rung occasionally upon these fine bells without annoyance to the inhabitants." The writer of this quotation may find some satisfaction in the fact that many will agree with him in his regrets. "'Tis true 'tis pity; pity 'tis 'tis true."

What may we think of this? The idea at once will occur to most of us that the rev. Canon, while piously restoring the tower, did not think of its occupants—the bells. Don't let me be thought disrespectful to the rev. gentleman and his good efforts. But is it not a reasonable belief that if the Canon had had communication with some ringer—the Vicar of Writtle, for instance—previous to the restoration of the tower, the bells and bell-chamber, and ringing-chamber also would have had attention? Of course it is.

We sometimes hear of complaints and regrets about the want of knowledge which the public has of change-ringing. This want of knowledge leads people to talk about the subject who are practically ignorant upon it. But this does very little harm, and makes ringers laugh. It would not be a good thing for ringing to become popu-

larised like cricket and football. We must keep ringing select, and if I may so, out of the control, and free from, the patronage of the mob. The regret most felt is that when anything is required to be done to a tower a ringer is not called in to give his advice relative to the bells. How many ringing-chambers would be more convenient for ringers, possessing light and sanitation, and other necessary features, if a ringer had been consulted beforehand. One has in mind the new tower of Truro Cathedral, which cannot have any bells unless enormous expense is incurred. If a ringer had been called into Council along with the architect this omission would never have arisen. This kind of recognition of the power and ability of ringers is more important to fight for than anything else.

PLAIN SPEAKER.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

WELL DONE ESSEX.

SIR,—I am quite pleased to see the notice given by Mr. C. H. Howard, of the Essex Association, in your last issue, and to further mark my appreciation of this step I shall be glad to receive particulars of rules, etc., for becoming a Life Member. A peal-ringing record without the figures or a reference to their previous publication, is, I consider next to being worthless, in more ways than one. Societies, all of them I suppose, spend lots of money upon peal-books and grand entries of performances, and when so done if there are no figures or some reference thereto, who knows if such a peal was a good or bad one. The composition may or may not be a true one, in fact Sir, it is these figures that legalise the performance, and recommend it to posterity. Let one take a glance into the records of the London Societies and see how many records there are that can be vouched for absolutely. I don't want this to be taken, but it is true, and if one wishes to prove it let him ask the officers of any society for the particulars, and prove the fact for himself. I look upon the move as one in the right direction, and should like to see other bodies of ringers start upon the same lines.

H. DAINS.

### "MUSIC OF THE BELFRY."

SIR,—Deducting the highflown nonsense of the *Daily Mail* writer, and making due allowance for the enthusiasm of a great *carillonneur* for his art, the extract quoted in your last issue under the above heading gives a friendly, but not unfair, impression of the Belgium carillon music. I have never been at Mechlin or Bruges, but I have heard the bells at Antwerp, and very pleasant is their sound high up above the city—much more pleasant than the monotony of hymn tunes played every three hours by machinery, which is our nearest English approach to carillon music. To compare it with English change-ringing is futile; the two systems are utterly different, have different objects, and use what are really different instruments, as any one can see for himself who climbs up into the steeple (say) at Antwerp. There he will find over ninety bells, varying in size from one 5 inches in diameter to one of 8 tons, hanging in tiers far up the dim recesses of the tower; the hammers which strike them being connected by a perfect maze of wires with the keyboard down below, at which the *carillonneur* sits, striking (as Mr. Denyn told the *Daily Mail*) with his fists full force on the wooden keys, but producing delicate varieties of tone. The carillon and the art of playing it belong to Belgium, the peal of bells and change-ringing to England; and neither country is likely to be converted to the ways of the other. The Belgian carillon, such as that at Cattistock, is an exotic in England; nor, so far as I know, have bells cast by the great Belgian founders proved superior, or even equal to, English bells for English ringing. We may, however, give the Belgium carillon its due without thereby depreciating, as the late Mr. Haweis did, our English bell music.

T. L. PAPILLON,

Writtle Vicarage, Chelmsford.

## Notices.

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**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Fenton to-day, Saturday, September 3rd.  
D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.  
High Street, Bucknall.

**The Central Northamptonshire Association.**—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at Rothwell to-day, September 3rd, 1904. Usual arrangements.  
T. R. HENSHER, Hon. Sec.

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blackwell to-day, Saturday, September 3rd. Meeting at 5.30 p.m.  
T. ALLIBONE, Sec.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—Pursuant to notice, a periodical meeting of this Association for united practice will be held at St. Paul's, Hammer-smith, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells available from 5.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible.  
T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.  
91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Lancashire Association—Liverpool Branch.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rainford on Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready at 4.  
WALTER HUGHES.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.** Established 1637.—Meetings will be held at St. Magnus, on Sept 8th, and at St. Paul's Cathedral, Sept. 13th. A meeting for practice will be held at the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on Saturday, September 17th. Bells available from 4 to 8 o'clock, after which a meeting for the transaction of any business that may arise and for social intercourse will be held at The Red Lion Hotel, North Street. All members and friends of the Society will be heartily welcomed.  
W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Nominations for president, general secretary and treasurer, also any proposed alterations of rules, etc., must be sent in to the general secretary not later than September 3rd. Further particulars by circular.  
A. E. WREAKS, } Hon. Secs.  
J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Glastonbury, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells St. John's 8, St. Benedict 6, and Street 8, available from 12 o'clock. Service at St. John's church at 4.30. Tea at The George hotel, at 5.30, 9d. each to members. All members intending to be present please inform me not later than Tuesday, September 6th.  
Bridgwater. A. E. COLES, Hon. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association of Six Bell Ringers.**—The quarterly meeting will be held

at Blackrod, on Saturday, September 10th.  
J. HIGSON, Hon. Sec.  
60, Church Street, Blackrod.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—(Nottingham District).—The next monthly meeting will be held at Heanor, on Saturday, September 10th, 1904. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.  
E. CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District).**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Ruislip, on Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready 4.30 p.m. Frequent trains from Baker Street, or tram to Uxbridge and District Railway to Ruislip. Members and friends cordially invited. Will members kindly note that subscriptions should now be paid.  
J. J. PRATT, Dis. Hon. Sec.  
Hillingdon.

**Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, on Saturday, September 10th. Meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting house The Beaumont Arms.  
WALTER IDLE, Sec.  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Yorkshire Association.**—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 17th, at Scarborough. Local Hon. Sec. Mr. H. Ferguson, 6, Langdale Road, Scarborough. Day and half day excursion will be run from Leeds, N.E.R. Further particulars later.  
J. W. HOLGATE, Hon. Sec.  
21, Westover Road, Bramley, Leeds.

**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The Bridgwater branch meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday 17th inst. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at The George hotel, 5d. each. Members intending to be present please inform Secretary by 14th.  
A. J. SWEET.  
Blak Street, Bridgwater.

**The Archdeaconry of Salop.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Alkmunds, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, September 24th, 1904. Ringing at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Alkmund's church, at 5 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. Sinclair Moore, Vicar of Wellington. Tea at 6 p.m.  
J. MACKAY, Hon. Sec.  
Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**St. Margaret's Society Westminster.**—The meetings of the above Society will be resumed on September 9th and every alternate Friday.  
JAMES E. DAVIS, Sec.

**The Essex Association.**—Notice.—New rule made at annual meeting. Whit-Monday, 1904. All peals sent to me for booking must be accompanied by figures of composition or reference to their publication be given. No peal will be inserted in peal-book unless this rule is complied with.  
C. H. HOWARD.  
37, Bank Street, Braintree.

**LOUGHTON (Essex).**—Practice at St. John's, Loughton, will be on the first and third Tuesdays in each month, at 7.30 p.m. all ringers are welcome.  
E. A. BACON.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—James E. Davis has removed to 2, Adelaide Place, Sumner Road, Peckham, S.E.

**SHALFORD (Surrey).**—On Tuesday, August 10th, for practice, at the parish church, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Smithers (first 720), E. Worsfold, T. Streeter, E. Lucas (first 720), R. Crowhurst, W. G. Trewing conductor.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1904.

THE letter which we publish from Mr. HENRY DAINS this week deals with a very important subject. Every one knows the processes in vogue for recording peals, but in many instances these records are very incomplete. What is needed is that in conjunction with the names of the performers, the figures of the peal rung should also appear. Such addition to the record is not advisable when some well-known and recognised composition has been rung; but only when the production is presumed to be original and fresh. The neglect of such a sensible precaution has been the means of false compositions being recorded, whereas had the figures appeared along with the insertion of the peal, such falseness would have been discovered.

We think that one of the London Societies old peal-

books show a few instances of figure-records. At any rate Mr. DAINS has done good service in bringing this question forward, and we doubt not that his suggestions will be favorably received.

### Obituary.

MRS. JOHN W. TAYLOR, JUN.

We greatly regret that it is our duty to chronicle the decease, after an illness of several months' duration borne with exemplary fortitude and resignation, of Mrs. J. W. Taylor, the beloved wife of Mr. John William Taylor, jun., of the Bell Foundry, Loughborough. The deceased lady passed to her long rest on Friday evening, the 26th ult., to the great grief of her husband and family, and many friends. The nature of her illness was such that no hope had for some time been entertained of her recovery, but this absence of hope has not made the loss sustained the less heavy. We are sure that the bereaved husband will gain the most complete and cordial sympathy of every member of the Exercise from all parts of the world. Mr. Taylor has come to be so well known and respected among ringers that they will receive this painful intelligence with profound feelings of regret and sorrow; with wishes that consolation from a higher source may attend on those bereaved. Many ringers from all parts have visited the Loughborough foundry at various times, and have received from the deceased lady most kind and hospitable treatment, and to such as these her death will be greatly felt. No doubt some action will be taken by the various bodies with which Mr. Taylor is connected to show to him and the members of his family their genuine condolences and sympathies in his great loss.

At the funeral which took place on Tuesday afternoon, the service was impressively conducted by the Rev. Canon Pitts and the Rev. Sydney Jones. The whole of the workmen, six of whom were bearers, attended the service.

### THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, August 27th, owing to the sad loss Mr. William Wood (one of the members of the above society) has sustained by the death of his beloved wife, Martha Wood, at the comparatively early age of thirty-nine years, eight members of this society, as a mark of respect, assembled at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower and rang, with the bells half-muffled, about 500 Stedman Triples. E. Sherwood, W. Motts, E. Evans, J. Motts, conductor, W. P. Garrett, L. W. Wiffen, R. H. Brundle, H. Welham. The members of the above society offer their deepest sympathy to Mr. W. Wood. He is left with six children to mourn the loss of a devoted mother.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, August 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,  
AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

JOHN E. MILLER .. .. Treble.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	SIDNEY WADE .. .. 6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LEWISHAM,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 22½ cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 5.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	HARRY WARNETT .. .. 7.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This is J. Lamb's tooth peal, a list of which will appear next week.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	FREDERICK RICHARDSON .. 6.
EDWARD CASSELL .. .. 2.	THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER .. 3.	ERNEST BRETT .. .. 8.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 4.	ALBERT E. COLES .. .. 9.
GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. .. 5.	THOMAS LANGDON .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

### The Provinces.

ST. ALBAN'S, HERTS.

#### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CATHEERAL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

JOHN MALYAN* .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK NEVETT .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 6.
JOSEPH EARWICKER .. .. 3.	HARRY HORREX .. .. 7.
RICHARD CHALKLEY* .. 4.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. Tenor

Composed by W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM, and  
Conducted by EDWARD WHITBREAD.

\*First peal in the method.

#### BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES. Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

ALBERT WALKER† .. Treble.	*JOHN S. GOLDSMITH .. 7.
HAROLD WITCHELL* .. 2.	BERNARD WITCHELL .. 8.
THOMAS RUSSAM .. .. 3.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 9.
FRANK FAY* .. .. 4.	ALF. PADDON SMITH .. 10.
THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. 5.	ARTHUR E. PEGLAR .. 11.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 6.	WILLIAM PAINTER .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

†First peal of Stedman Cinques as conductor. \*First peal. Rung on the third anniversary of the wedding of Mr. V. Walker, brother of the conductor. The ringer of the 2nd is just turned 16 years of age, and it is believed he is the youngest ringer to rung a peal of Stedman Cinques.

#### ASHTREAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY PRICE .. .. Treble.	JOHN HOYLE .. .. 5.
HON. ALEXANDER ERSKINE 2.	EDGAR HUMFREY .. .. 6.
JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 3.	FRED HOLDEN .. .. 7.
HARRY LAST .. .. 4.	DAVID ANSCOMBE .. Tenor.

Conducted by the HON. A. ERSKINE.

This is the quickest peal on the bells.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  
On Wednesday, August 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
HOLT'S SIX-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BUCK .. .. Treble.	† JAMES W. CHAPMAN .. 5.
FREDERICK RAINBIRD* .. 2.	JOHN WEBB .. .. 6.
JAMES RUMBLE .. .. 3.	FRANK HOLDER .. .. 7.
ALFRED BOXALL .. .. 4.	* WILLIAM MILES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK HOLDER.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method.

**PULHAM, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, August 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDGAR BORRETT .. .. Treble.	* CHARLES ROOPE .. .. 5.
CHARLES E. BORRETT .. 2.	FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. 6.
CHARLES BAKER .. .. 3.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 6.
FREDERICK BORRETT .. 4.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and  
Conducted by EGBERT BORRETT.

\*First peal in the method.

**RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

On Wednesday, August 24, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE HARDWICK* .. Treble.	JOSEPH BOURNE .. .. 5.
FRED WATKINSON† .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. .. 6.
FRANK HILL .. .. 3.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. 4.	GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRED WATKINSON.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method.

**BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.**

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Friday, August 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,**  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE* .. .. 2.	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH .. 6.
ARTHUR A. FULLER .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 7.
ROBERT J. DAW .. .. 4.	KEITH HART .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FRANK BENNETT and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of London. All the above are members of the Royal Cumberlands.

**SHIPLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.  
Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES COTTERELL .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 5.
GOERGE BARRACLOUGH .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 6.
THOMAS B. KENDALL .. 3.	BEN F. LAMB .. .. 7.
JOHN W. CUNDALL* .. .. 4.	*SAM PALFRAMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

Reference elsewhere.

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**HODDESDON, HERTS.**

**THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,**  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

JESSE PUPLETT .. .. Treble.	GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 5.
FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 2.	WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. 6.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. BARKER* .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. NEWSON, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method. G. Radley was elected a member of the society before starting for the peal.

**NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(STOCKPORT AND BOWDON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRED HOLT .. .. Treble.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON .. 5.
WILLIAM WILDE .. .. 2.	THOMAS ASHTON .. .. 6.
ALFRED BARNES .. .. 3.	WILLIAM MARSHALL .. 7.
WILLIAM LOWERY .. .. 4.	EDWARD READER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by E. READER.

**WOKINGHAM, BERKS.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

W. E. PITMAN .. .. Treble.	JAMES W. WILKINS .. .. 5.
BARZILLAI HAWKINS .. 2.	WILLIAM NEWELL .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HOBNE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
A. BUCKLAND .. .. 4.	MAURICE STEER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung to celebrate the induction of the Rev. B. Long to the benefice.

**PETERBOROUGH.**

**THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8½ cwt.

ROBERT ROWELL .. .. Treble.	WM. THOS. JOHNSON .. 4.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5.
REV. H. DRAKE* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Rung to celebrate the marriage of the sister of the Rev. H. Drake on August 24th, at St. Peter's, Mountsorrel. Mr. Drake was elected a member previous to starting.

\*First attempt at ringing a bob bell in a Minor method.

**NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.**

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.**

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**  
Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lbs. in E.

WILLIAM BUTLER .. .. Treble.	ROBERT HALL .. .. 5.
JOSHUA MILLNER .. .. 2.	THOMAS CLOUGH .. .. 6.
JAMES THOMPSON .. .. 3.	JOHN THOS. BUTLER .. 7.
ERNEST BUTLER .. .. 4.	JOHN PHILIP TARTLTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. T. BUTLER.

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## LANGPORT, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-scores.

CHARLES EVANS*	.. .. Treble.	H. G. MOUNTER†	.. .. 4.
E. FARTHING	.. .. 2.	A. E. COLES	.. .. 5.
G. W. CHALLISE	.. .. 3.	ARTHUR WHEADON	.. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. E. COLES.

\*First peal away from the tenor. †First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells.

## SANDHURST, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER,

On Sunday, August 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST E. DAVIES	.. .. Treble.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN.	.. .. 5.
THOMAS BALDWIN	.. .. 2.	JOHN AUSTIN	.. .. 6.
JESSE GILLET	.. .. 3.	*SYDNEY M. LOXTON	.. .. 7.
THOMAS NEWMAN	.. .. 4.	†THOMAS WHITING	.. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

\*First peal of Stedman. †First peal.

## ERITH, KENT.

## THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON.

On Sunday, August 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR.

5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt

HARRY R. PASMORE	.. .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE	.. .. 5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	.. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. PASMORE	.. .. 6.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN	.. .. 3.	ALFRED B. PECK	.. .. 7.
HERBERT P. HARMAN	.. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING	.. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

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## TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN	.. .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT	.. .. 5.
GEORGE TEMPLE	.. .. 2.	*CHARLES BELL	.. .. 6.
CHARLES GOODENOUGH	.. .. 3.	THOMAS KING	.. .. 7.
ALFRED C. MELHUISE*	.. .. 4.	FREDERICK A. SKUSE	.. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by F. A. SKUSE.

\*First peal of Major. Rang in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Prescott.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SLINFOLD.—On Sunday, July 31st, 720 Oxford Bob, 360 Plain Bob, W. J. Rice, G. Jenkins, A. Feist, W. Short, J. Pullen, G. F. Williams conductor.

WORTH.—On Sunday, August 8th, 720 Kent Treble Bob. W. Short, F. W. Rice, A. D. Mills, A. B. Wiffen, G. H. Sentance, G. F. Williams conductor. And 360 Oxford Treble Bob. W. Short, G. F. Williams conductor, A. D. Mills, F. W. Rice, G. H. Sentance, A. B. Wiffen.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

FARNHAM.—On Sunday, June 5th, for Divine Service, 504 Grand-sire Triples. G. Crandam, A. E. Smith, H. Garfath, sen., E. Clapshaw, T. Upshall, A. Baigent, H. Garfath, jun. conductor, H. Kimber. On Wednesday, June 16th, on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Bevan to Mr. Mason, 742 Grandsire Triples. G. Cranham, A. E. Smith, H. Garfath, sen. conductor, H. Garfath, jun., A. Baigent, F. Upshall, E. Clapshaw, H. Kimber. Afterwards, when the bride and bridegroom were departing for the honeymoon, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. G. Cranham, H. Garfath, sen., A. E. Smith, H. Garfath, jun. conductor, F. Upshall, A. Baigent, E. Clapshaw, H. Kimber.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday, July 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Penny, J. Willson, J. Clarke, E. Merryweather, D. Taylor, A. Bell, F. H. Dexter conductor, W. Thompson. On Tuesday, July 26th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Penny, H. Rusbby conductor, J. Clarke, J. Willson, W. Willson, D. Taylor, F. H. Dexter, J. F. Wilford.

OADEY.—On Tuesday, July 5th, 720 Bob Minor. J. Brown, H. Rusbby, W. Willson, L. Allen, F. Dexter conductor, F. W. Herbert.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CAERLEON (Monmouthshire).—On Monday, July 18th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. F. Atwell, E. Davies, F. Charles, B. Millard, F. Thomas, J. Butler, J. W. Jones conductor, S. Baiss.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

APPLEDORE.—On Friday, July 1st, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. C. Tribe, E. G. Johnson, A. Johnson, G. Johnson, S. Hills, F. Brown, C. W. Player conductor, W. Sharp.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PETERBOROUGH.—On Saturday, August 27th, in St. Mary's Schools, on handbells double-handed, 336 Grandsire Triples. S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman, Rev. H. Drake, W. T. Johnson. A course of Grandsire Caters. W. J. Goss, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman, Rev. H. Drake, W. T. Jackson. And 336 Bob Major. W. Goss, Rev. H. Drake, G. D. Coleman, W. J. Johnson. A course of Bob Royal. W. J. Goss, S. J. Coleman, G. D. Coleman, Rev. H. Drake, W. J. Johnson.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

HALE MAGNA.—On Tuesday, June 28th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Minor, in 43 mins, being 180 of Bob Minor, 360 Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 Kent Treble Bob. T. Hessel, W. Wilkinson, J. W. Woods, T. Humberstone, T. B. Woods, C. Ward conductor.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

BRIERLEY HILL.—On August 22nd, after meeting one short for Stedman Triples, 120 Stedman Doubles. W. Potter, R. James, R. Matthews, J. Smith, J. Bass, A. J. Skelding. Also 720 Stedman Minor, with the tenor covering. A. J. Skelding, W. Potter, R. James, J. Bass, J. Smith, R. Matthews conductor, E. Perkins.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BOLTON (Bradford).—On Tuesday evening, June 28th, for practice at St. James's church, 252 Stedman Triples. H. C. Buckley, B. E. Howe, J. Boddy, A. Benson, H. Good, A. Gill, T. B. Kendall conductor, J. Broadley. And a course of Grandsire Cinques on handbells. A. Benson, J. Boddy, A. Gill, J. Broadley, T. B. Kendall, B. E. Howe.

HULL.—On Thursday, August 18th, at Holy Trinity Church, 1252 Stedman Caters, in 52 mins., in honour of the wedding of Mr. Harry Tebb, M.P.S., to Isabella, daughter of Mr. W. Southwick, one of the ringers at this church. E. Marriott, T. Stockdale, J. Highfield, A. Naylor, F. Morrison, G. T. Marshall, C. Jackson composer and conductor, G. T. Miller, D. W. Brown, J. W. Dale. On Tuesday, August 23rd, for rehearsal, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 30 mins. T. Morton first 720 in the method, T. Stockdale, C. Jackson conductor, E. Marriott, G. T. Marshall, T. Southwick first 720 in the method.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

LAWTON (Cheshire).—On Sunday, May 29th, 504 Stedman Triples. G. Smith conductor, F. Smith, W. Thompson, H. Smith, A. Clay, F. Darlington, J. Johnson, J. Godber. And 576 Kent Treble Bob Major.



A. Clay, W. Thompson, F. Smith, H. Smith, F. Darlington, G. Smith, W. Rigby, J. Johnson conductor.

WOLSTANTON.—On Saturday, May 28th, 840 Kent Treble Bob Major. J. Darlington, G. Woods, H. Smith, H. Carnwell, F. Goldstraw, A. Latham, W. Fitchford, J. Johnson conductor. And 504 Stedman Triples. G. Smith, L. Miller, A. Latham, W. Fitchford, J. Johnson, G. Woods, W. Thompson conductor, J. Godber.

TUNSTALL (Staffordshire).—On May 15th, at the parish church, 336 Stedman Triples. G. A. Smith, A. Clay, A. Latham, H. Smith, F. Darlington, W. Thompson, J. Johnson conductor, T. Latham. On June 19th, 420 Stedman Triples. G. Smith conductor, J. Darlington, F. Smith, H. Smith, W. Thompson, F. Darlington, J. Johnson, J. Godber. And 588 Grandsire. J. Darlington, W. Thompson, G. Smith, H. Smith, J. Johnson conductor, C. Mee, A. Clay, J. Godber. On June 26th, 504 Stedman Triples. W. Thompson, G. Smith, F. Smith, A. Clay, H. Smith, J. Johnson, F. Darlington, E. Shone. On Sunday, July 3rd, 1120 Kent Treble Bob Major. G. Smith conductor, J. Darlington, F. Smith, H. Smith, W. Thompson, J. Darlington, A. Clay, J. Johnson. On July 17th, 480 Stedman Triples. W. Thompson, J. Darlington, A. Clay, F. Smith, G. A. Smith conductor, H. Smith, J. Johnson, J. Godber. On July 22nd, 192 Double Norwich. J. Godber, F. Smith, A. Clay, J. Darlington, W. Thompson, F. Darlington, J. Johnson, G. Smith conductor. On Sunday, July 24th, 504 Stedman Triples. W. Thompson conductor, G. Smith, A. Clay, F. Smith, J. Darlington, F. Darlington, J. Johnson, J. Godber.

#### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STOCKPORT.—On Monday evening, June 14th, at St. George's church, 501 Stedman Caters. J. Booth, G. Astbury, T. Jackson, A. Barnes, H. Meakin, J. Mottershead, G. D. Warburton, A. Sidebottom, J. W. Bayley conductor, G. Marshall. Also 336 Stedman Triples, with H. Jackson and M. Smithson standing in. A 288 Grandsire Caters, conducted by A. Sidebottom, V. Peak, a young ringer, taking the treble. And three leads of Treble Bob Royal.

HARTFORD.—On Monday, June 20th, at St. John's church, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob. S. Moore, T. Moore, A. Booth, T. Forster, H. Yarwood, J. Ashmore conductor, rung in honour of the seventh anniversary of the bells. On Monday, June 27th, a 720 of Grandsire Minor. T. Gregory, G. Moore, R. Rigby, H. Yarwood conductor, P. Gittings, T. Moore, tenor. First 720 by the three first ringers at the above church.

#### THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT GUILD.

BOLSOVER.—On Sunday, July 24th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples. C. Coupe, W. Lambert, F. R. Kettleboro, F. S. W. Butler conductor, E. G. Baker, T. Bettison, G. Bemrose, J. Flint. For evening service a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, 1280 changes, in 45 mins. W. Lambert conductor, S. Coupe, F. R. Kettleborough, E. G. Baker, T. Bettison, J. Flint, G. W. Bemrose, F. S. W. Butler.

#### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

##### (BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

OSWALDTWISTLE.—On Sunday, May 15th, at the parish church, 720 City Delight. J. Houldsworth, I. Whalley, A. Houldsworth, T. Haworth, J. Bentley, C. Sharples conductor. On Tuesday, May 17, 720 Oxford Single. T. Haworth, W. Riley aged 13, J. Houldsworth, A. Houldsworth, W. Britcliffe, I. Whalley conductor. On Tuesday, May 24th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. A. Houldsworth, W. Riley, J. Houldsworth, W. Britcliffe, T. Haworth, C. Sharples conductor. On Tuesday, June 7th, 720 Woodbine. W. Britcliffe, T. Haworth, A. Houldsworth, J. Watson, I. Whalley, C. Sharples conductor. On Sunday, June 12th, for the annual school sermons, 720 Kent. The collections for the day amounted to 136s. On Sunday, June 26th, 720 College Pleasure. On Tuesday, July 5th, 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob and New London Pleasure.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS.—On Sunday, July 31st, at St. Mary's church, 224 Bob Major. C. H. Packer, P. Roper, C. Lomax, S. Roper, F. W. Froude, A. Hammond, R. S. Long, F. Hunt conductor. For afternoon service, 350 Grandsire Triples. C. H. Packer, P. Roper, C. Lomax, S. Roper, F. W. Froude conductor, A. Hammond, R. S. Long, H. Lomax, jun. For evening service 784 Bob Major. C. H. Packer, P. Roper, C. Lomax, S. Roper, F. W. Froude, A. Hammond, R. S. Long, F. Hunt conductor. On Monday, August 1st, 336 Bob Major.

BULWELL (Notts).—On Saturday, July 16th, on handbells, in the belfry of St. Mary's church, 360 Bob Minor. G. Clark, E. Foster, W. Wadsley conductor. On Sunday, July 17th, for evening service, 360 Bob Minor. T. Mellors, A. Barrett, W. Spencer, E. Foster, T. H. Hind, W. Wadsley conductor.

CARDIFF.—On June 19th, 504 Grandsire Triples. T. Cox, L. Brooks, H. Day, W. Millan, W. Biss, G. Hardage, A. Rowley conductor, C. Oram. On Sunday, July 10th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, composed by G. Watson and conducted by A. Rowley. W. Williams, L. Brooks, H. Day, W. Millan, W. Heath, W. Biss, A. Rowley, C. Oram.

GREAT BARDFIELD (Essex).—On Sunday, August 28th, at the parish church, 360 Bob Minor. G. Hills, F. Suckling, H. Bowers, E. Townsend, W. Gould, W. Smith conductor, And 360 Oxford Bob. H. Bowers, G. Piper, W. Smith, E. Townsend, W. Gould, F. Suckling conductor. On Tuesday, August 30th, 720 Kect Treble Bob. W. Richardson, H. Bowers, F. Suckling, E. Townsend, W. Gould, W. Smith conductor.

GREAT COMBERTON.—On Sunday, June 19th, 720 Bob Minor. C. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, H. Godfrey, P. Gibbs, C. Annis, H. Salisbury conductor. Also several 6-scores of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, J. Godfrey, C. Young and T. Dolphin taking part.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—On Sunday, August 21st, at St. Nicholas church, 504 Grandsire Triples. C. Hardy, A. Jacob conductor, E. Todd, H. Wright, J. Godfrey, R. Christian, J. Matthews, W. Harwood. A touch of Grandsire Caters and three courses of Plain Bob, in which Messrs. Taffender, H. Pasmore and J. Peck took part.

HODDSDEN, NEAR DARWEN (Lancashire).—On Sunday afternoon, June 26th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 720 College Pleasure. J. Houldsworth, T. Haworth, A. Houldsworth, J. Bentley, I. Whalley, C. Sharples conductor. Tenor 18 cwt. First in the method on the bells.

MORTIMER (Berks.).—On Saturday, July 16th, for combined practice at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Eatwell, Miss Alice White, W. Ford, C. Giles, H. Austin, W. Newell conductor, H. White, F. Punter. And 504 in the same method. F. Punter, Miss Alice White, W. Long, H. White, W. Ford, W. Newell, C. Giles conductor, A. Pye. Also 209 in the same method. T. Spokes, Miss Alice White, W. Long, C. Giles conductor, W. Ford, W. Newell, H. White, F. Punter.

PRIVETT (Hants).—On Sunday, August 21st, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. C. Trimmer, A. Garrett, F. Ayling, A. Budd, A. Baker, W. J. Read, H. Sutton conductor, W. Butler.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Monday, August 29th, at the parish church, 504 Stedman Triples. H. O. White, A. Dubber, A. J. Hessian, A. Newman, J. B. Fenton, J. George, F. Sear conductor, A. Coleman. This is the conductor's first attempt to call the method, which was very successful.

WESTERHAM (Kent).—On Sunday, June 19th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. Stone, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, J. Harris, A. J. Lewis, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor, H. J. Selby. On Monday, June 20th, 720 Double Norwich. R. Stone, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, H. J. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor. And 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. J. Lewis, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, J. Heath, A. Jarrett, H. J. Selby, D. Wright conductor. On Sunday, July 3rd, 960 Double Norwich. R. Stone, H. J. Selby, G. B. Selby, M. Watley, G. Smith, N. Alderman, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor. On Sunday, July 17th, 720 Bob Major. W. G. Granger, R. Stone, G. B. Selby, A. J. Lewis, H. J. Selby, A. J. Lewis, H. J. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor. On Sunday, August 7th, 720 Double Norwich. R. Stone, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, A. V. Selby, H. J. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor.

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## Ringers' Outings.

**THE LEISTON SOCIETY.**—The annual outing of this Society took place on Monday, August 22nd, the places visited being Halesworth and Redenhall. Starting at 6 o'clock in one of Mr. F. Garrod's well-appointed brakes, Halesworth was reached in due course, where they were joined by Mr. Wm. Taylor, of Southwold, who still retains his membership of this Society, and the church bells were soon set going to touches in the Bob Major and Treble Bob Major methods. The Rector, the Rev. A. R. Upcher, kindly invited them to call upon him, and personally conducted them over his pretty grounds. Having taken leave of the Rector, the brake was again mounted, and Redenhall was reached at 11.30. Here the landlady of The Yew Tree, although advised, had nothing to set before them, not even the humble bread and cheese. However, nothing daunted, tracks were made for Harleston, where a good dinner was much enjoyed. Then a return to Redenhall, where they were met by Mr. Fredk. R. Borrett and other of the

local ringers, who took part with them in several well-struck touches of Bob Major, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Double Norwich upon this grand ring of bells. A social hour was spent at The Yew Tree, where they thought themselves fortunate in being able to get something to drink, and where a fine peal of handbells were brought into requisition. The parting came all too soon, and after a hearty shake hands the brake was again mounted, and they were on the road for home, breaking the journey at Halesworth, where tea was served, arriving home at 11 o'clock, thus ending one of the most successful and enjoyable outings in the history of the Leiston Society, the weather being all that could be desired.

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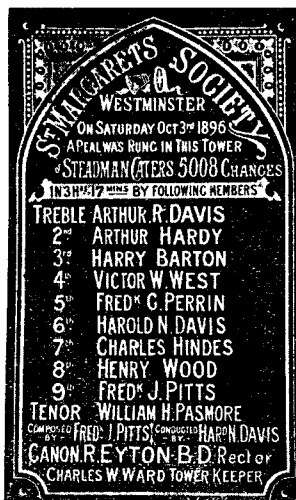
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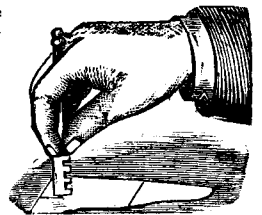
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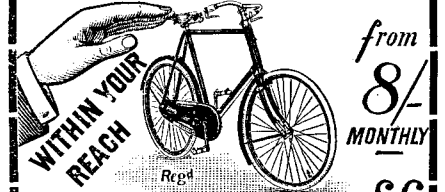
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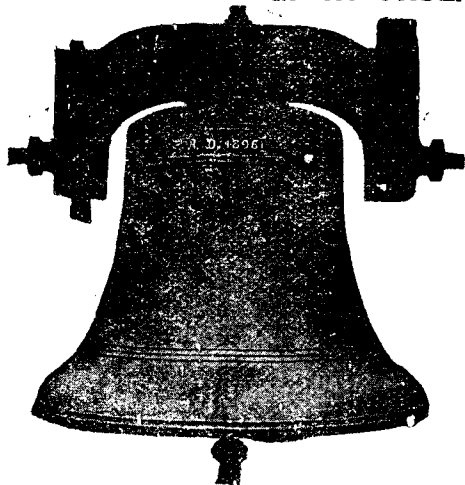
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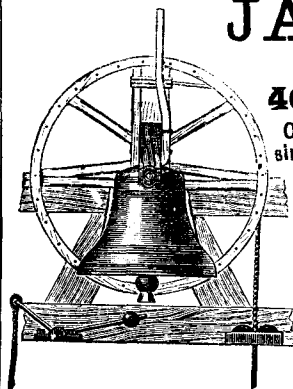
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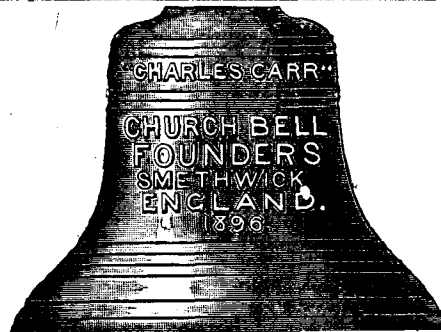
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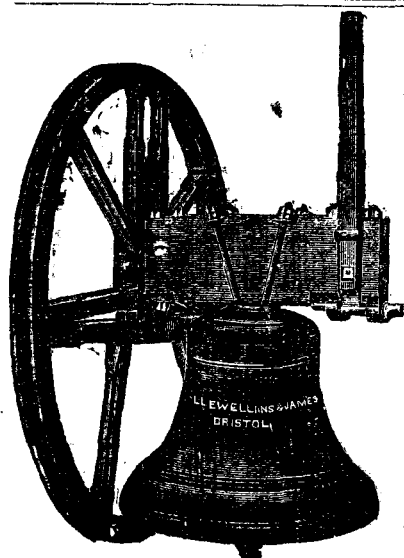
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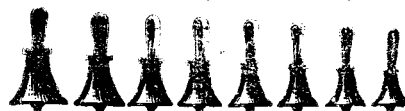
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SOWTON (Devon.)** St. Michael. Devonshire Guild. Eight bells; all by Mears 1845. Tenor 9 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs recently by Stokes. Ropes good. Method: Stedman. Occasional Sunday ringing. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

**SPALDING (Lincolnshire).** SS. Mary and Nicholas. South Lincolnshire Association. Eight bells: the two trebles by Warner 1885; 3rd and tenor by Osborn 1801; 4th by Morris 1629; 5th, 1732; 6th, 1744; 7th, 1648. Founders of last 3 not known. Tenor—diameter 3 ft. 8 in., weight not stated. Repairs by Wright 1885. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30, except in Lent.

**SPELDHURST (Kent).** St. Mary the Virgin. Kent County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears, the two trebles 1887; the rest 1849, except tenor 13 cwt., diameter 5 ft. 4 in., 1812. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs since 1887; all in good order. Ropes new, good. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 3 to 3.30, or 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30; also in winter, Friday.

**STAFFORD.** St. Mary. Ten bells. No return.

**STAINES (Middlesex).** Middlesex County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears, the two trebles and tenor 1828, the rest 1734. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 10 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears 1894. Ropes new, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

**St. Peter.** Middlesex County Association. Eight bells; all by Warner 1902-4. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1902. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 8.

**STAMFORD (Lincolnshire).** St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

## DEDICATION OF A NEW PEAL OF BELLS AT MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.

The parish church of St. Giles, Matlock Bridge, may now be said to possess one of the finest peals of eight in Derbyshire. Situated as this church is, on the rocks and amongst the trees, the bells must sound very lovely to the inhabitants and passers by in the valley below.

Formerly the tower contained a peal of six, hung in an old oak frame, which had got into a very dilapidated and unsafe condition. All the old bells have been recast (with the exception of one, an old pre-Reformation bell, which has been left untouched and hung above the new ones), and three new trebles added, the whole being hung in a new and up-to-date iron frame with new fittings, etc. The work has been carried out by the well-known firm of Mears and Stainbank, who cannot be too highly commended on the way in which the work has been carried out, the "go" and tone of the bells leaving nothing to be desired. The interior of the tower has also undergone a complete restoration, including new roof, doors, etc. The clock is being entirely overhauled, and will chime the Cambridge chimes every quarter. The dedication took place on Thursday, August 11th, the service being very well attended. The sermon was preached by Bishop Hamilton-Baynes, Vicar of St. Mary's, Nottingham.

Directly after the service opening touches were rung by a specially engaged band from Derby; ringers from Wirksworth, Darley Dale, Ripley and Nottingham also attended. In the evening all the ringers were invited to partake of a substantial tea by the churchwardens, who have taken much trouble over arranging the renewal of the bells.

On the following Sunday there were some excellent touches rung for morning and evening services by the following: B. Greatorex (Wirksworth), J. H. Paulson (Matlock), J. Bourne (Ripley), S. Lawrence (London), J. Siddall (Darley Dale), F. Johnson (Wirksworth), H. George (Ripley), and R. M. Blackwall (Wirksworth). The day's ringing concluded with a 504 of Grandsire Triples after the evening service, the above taking part.

## WORSTHORNE CHURCH.

A large clock has just been erected in the new tower of this church. The clock is fitted with all the latest improvements, and generally to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe, and has been made by John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, who recently made the clock and chimes at Nelson Town Hall in the same neighbourhood.

**HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.**—Splendid Quality.—Purest Silk.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MATTHEWS, Change Ringer, Macclesfield.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Saffron Walden Society—established somewhere in the Middle ages—has had, not exactly an outing, but a sort of outing, as the Lord Chancellor would have called it. This has been chronicled partly in prose and partly in rhyme, but the account is not the happiest effect from the pen of the writer. Perhaps our friend "P." was a little low at the time. Walden, as it is called in short by the natives, though a nice, quiet, and clean town, is not very invigorating when one is low-spirited, and it may be that the good people of this corner of Essex have felt the slackness of trade and scarcity of bullion like others. But our friend "J.F.P.," to give him his full initials, will cheer up, for everything will be brisk again shortly, and bright. He used at one time to scatter his poetical effusions over this page, and it was said of him that—"To fill the measure of his verse; He'd put 'Plain Speaker' in a hearse." For an elucidation of this see back numbers (a long way back).

We have often heard of ringers who are said to make ringing a heavy labour. What is meant by this is that they are not merely enthusiastic, but mad on ringing. Some of you recollect an individual—"now lost to sight," who could never rest in his bed when he had the calling of a peal on hand, for he would get up four or five times in a night to have a look again at the figures of the composition. Very enthusiastic this. I have just heard that the wife of a certain well-known ringer in the North of England has become so tired of his nightly attempts for 5000's that she has dubbed him "her (w)ringing machine." Ringing is an excellent pursuit, a fine hobby (some people say), but to override it is a pity and a shame.

Paragraphs are going the round of the papers referring to Lord Brampton, once known as Mr. Hawkins, Q.C., and afterwards Mr. Justice Hawkins. The following is one of the stories told: "Once a callous money-lender, rolling in riches, secured by cunningly devised usury, was in the court prosecuting a poor wretch of a clerk, whom he had deprived of all except a few sticks of furniture. The judge was powerless to combat the law by which the clerk had to be sold up; but, looking with disgust at the fur-coated usurer, said, 'What's the use of all this money to you? You can't take it with you when you die. And if you could it would soon melt.'"

Some years ago a reference was made in this page to Mr. Hawkins. Another generation of ringers has arisen since then, and they may like to know what it was; it will bear repeating, I think. Once upon a time (as the story-books say) there was a celebrated ringer in London, named George Stockham, well-known to many ringers now in the flesh. Stockham used to make handbells—I suppose he got the castings from some foundry and then turned them up—and he wasn't above taking an order for supplying church bells. He got into communication with a Mr. Friend, who was churchwarden of the parish church of Hythe, in Kent, a change-ringer also, and from him Stockham received an order for supplying two trebles to the then existing ring of eight at Hythe. Where these bells were cast I know not. There is a tradition that they were cast under a railway arch in the dead of night; also that the trebles of St. Clement Danes were run on a similar spot.

At any rate the bells were sent down to Hythe, and the "opening" was performed by members of the College Youths, some of whom are now living.

Whether the diversity of opinion with regard to the quality and tone of these trebles had anything to do with non-payment for them I am unable to say. Certain it is that Stockham brought an action against Friend for the money, and Mr. Hawkins (now Lord Brampton) was counsel for the defendant. To hear Stockham relate some of the incidents of this trial was better than any comedy. The following questions in his cross-examination were told by himself in a manner which accentuated the humour of the relation:

Mr. Hawkins: You are a well-known change-ringer, Mr. Stockham, I believe?—I am.

You have rung many peals of changes, and are usually regarded as a first-class ringer?—Yes, I suppose so.

You are a member, Mr. Stockham, I find, of the Ancient Society of College Youths?—I am.

And that Society was established I believe, in the year 1637?—It was.

You have been a member ever since that period?—I have. Much laughter followed this answer; and Stockham used to add, "That's where the villain had me." He however secured a verdict, but not his money, I think.

Various ringing tours are in progress, I hear. A number of ringers visit Ireland this week, and before this number is in the hands of provincial readers possibly a peal or two will have been rung in the Emerald Isle. My informant says this tour is by the Pye party. The term is very objectionable, because there ought to be no parties, or cliques, among ringers; more co-operation and sociability is wanted. People of course must be allowed to do as they please, even if their modes of procedure are open to criticism. It would look more open and above-board if the managers of these tours made their intentions public beforehand. Others might then be induced, in the capacities of lookers-on, to accompany the parties, of course keeping a respectful distance from their highnesses all the time. The Irish visitors comprise the brothers Pye, Ike Shade, my old pal Charley Jackson (of Hull), and the ubiquitous James George of Rugby. They will be met by Mr. Lindoff, and many parts of Ireland are to be visited.

There is arranged another peregrination through Oxfordshire and neighbourhood under the ægis of George Williams, of Brighton, it is said. There was a time when our excellent Brighton friend caused notice to appear of an intended tour in which he was the guiding spirit. Perhaps in these days of intellectual progress it is held to be bad form to let your travelling intentions be known. The old ringers of years ago did the same when they were engaged for an opening, but this did not save them from much unfavourable, and sometimes very uncomplimentary criticism.

Two great men in the Church have just been called to their rest. The Bishop of Southwell—Dr. Ridding—was formerly Head Master of Winchester School, and when the diocese of Southwell was formed, he was made the first Bishop. A great churchman was alive at that period, Earl Selborne. He was one of the greatest lawyers, and had been in turn Solicitor and Attorney-General, and Lord Chancellor. Roundell Palmer was

his name, and many of his family have also been great Churchmen, taking part in the principal Church controversies. The Bishop of Southwell married Lady Louisa Palmer, one of Lord Selborne's daughters.

The other great man alluded to is Samuel Reynolds Hole, who at a fine old age has succumbed to the onslaught of the King of Terrors. Dr. Hole has frequently been spoken of in this page, and it has been my fortune to quote more than one of his witty sayings. Some readers will recollect that in one of his books he states that the congregation of a certain village church always knew when they were to be favored (or otherwise) with an anthem, because the choir left the church just before "to whet their whistles at The Six Bells over the way." There is one regrettable feature in the life of the late Dean, and that is that he never became a ringer. How he would have amused and instructed us, could I have had him as a collaborateur on this page.

One well-known ringer thinks I ought to give a little poetry occasionally, so he sends the following:—

ADVICE TO THOSE WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

When you join in a ring,  
Let your bell freely swing,  
Try to make it strike true in its place;  
That the changeable chime  
May correctly mark time,  
With a regular compass and pace.

Should your memory slip,  
And you make a slight trip,  
Don't be foolish, and say you're all right;  
Such-like conduct offends  
All your very best friends,  
And you're voted as impudent quite.

Ring your own metal well  
Before others you tell,  
Its presumptive for learners to teach;  
And you'll find in the end,  
You'll gain many a friend,  
If you practise far more than you preach.

And here endeth my notes for this week.

PLAIN SPEAKER.

THE CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of this Association was held at Aspatria on Saturday. The Rev. F. L. H. Millard, who presided, was supported by the Rev. R. D. D. Love. Members were present from Aspatria, Cleator Moor, Keswick and Workington.

The Chairman gave the members a hearty welcome to Aspatria, and the Secretary read the annual report and statement of accounts, the former of which dealt at length with the present position of the Association and the means to be adopted to cause greater interest to be taken by the members of the Cumberland bellfries in the art of change-ringing. The report went on to suggest that it might be advisable under present circumstances to suspend the holding of the Shield Competition for, say twelve months, at the end of which time it would be seen whether or not the progress made in the art by those bands of ringers which were now either absolutely unacquainted

with or had only a very rudimentary knowledge of it, rendered it probable that they would take part in future competitions. A long discussion then took place, the Chairman stating that he was pleased the Secretary had called the attention of the members to the unsatisfactory position of the Association, and suggesting that, as the various bellfries were so widely scattered, if some central place could be chosen and fixed for the holding of the annual or such other meeting as might be thought desirable, it was very probable that much more representative meetings would be secured than was the case that day. He also agreed with the suggestion that the competition should be divided into two sections—one for advanced bands—the winners to take the shield and medals—and the other for bands not in a position to undertake the more difficult methods, where the winners would receive medals only. Mr. Hogarth, of Keswick; Mr. McAvoy, of Workington, and others, also spoke in favour of the Chairman's recommendation. Ultimately it was resolved that the next competition be divided into two sections, as above, the touch for the advanced bands being 720 Superlative Surprise Minor, and for the others 720 Plain Bob Minor, and that the competition take place at the next annual meeting, the date of which should be fixed at the next meeting, which it was arranged should be held at Cockermouth early in June, on a date to be chosen by the Secretary, and when the final competition arrangements might be made. It was also resolved that the report be copied and circulated amongst the various bellfries, along with a letter from the Secretary informing the ringers of the decision come to and asking them to endeavour to send representatives to the June meeting to discuss the position.

The chairman was unanimously elected president, and in returning thanks, stated that he would do his utmost to further the objects of the Association. Mr. J. D. Baxter was re-elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, and received an enthusiastic vote of thanks for his services. The vice-presidents also were re-elected, with the exception of the Rev. H. R. Longmore, who has left the district, and the addition of the Rev. Canon Rawnsley (ex-president), the Rev. R. D. D. Love, of Aspatria, and Mr. James Smith, of Workington. The Chairman was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for presiding.

THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Blackwell, on Saturday, September 3rd, 1904. Members were present from Blackwell, Horsley, Tibshelf, Swanwick, South Normanton, Ripley and North Wingfield. Mr. R. Lloyd, the president, presided. A splendid tea was provided by the Vicar (Rev. F. C. Furmstone), to which twenty-three sat down. On the motion of the president, a hearty vote of thanks was given to the vicar for providing the tea, also for use of the bells and school-room. The meeting also regretted the loss to the diocese and association by the death of the Bishop of Southwell, one of its patrons. The president was duly thanked for attending and presiding. The bells, a musical ring of five in A, were kept merrily going in Grandsire, Stedman and Old Doubles till nearly nine p.m. The small attendance was accounted for by the funeral of the Bishop of Southwell, most ringers ringing their own bells muffled during the time of the funeral at Southwell.

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## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents*

*To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."*

## SPECIFICATION AND DETAIL WANTED.

SIR,—I am glad my letter in your last issue met your approval, and let me hope the officers of those Societies or Associations, if any, who do not, or only in part conform, will not take my humble suggestion in hostility, as certainly I have no intention to attempt to dominate the Exercise or even a part of it. Pardon the term, as it is rather suggestive. But Mr. Trollope has returned from his holidays, all right, I am told, but Mr. Daniell is still away, and we hope thoroughly enjoying the change, and we must be very careful about dominating anything, anywhere and any way. And this, Sir, brings me to the end of the first part of my letter of two unequal divisions.

## PART TWO.

In the first part of this letter I have tried to square myself with societies, officers, etc., and now I want to get round conductors and reporters to your valuable paper. Mr. Editor, I feel sure all composers and ringing performers will agree in what I am about to say, and so also will the Editor himself and his peculiarly and humorously-interesting contributor "Plain Speaker," I feel confident. Of course Holt's ten-part, Holt's Original one-part, Penning's one-part, Parker's No.—etc. clear and sufficiently specify Grandsire Triples; also Thurstan's four-part or one-part, etc., does do for Stedman Triples. Lates's peal of Treble Bob Major, Annable's peal of Bob Major, Middleton's Cambridge Surprise, Shipway's London and Reeves's Superlative are all sufficiently clear and distinct enough for the class of composition embraced therein. And there certainly are others which could be enumerated that tell at once the qualities contained in a composition. But, Sir, in these days their description does not convey to your large circle of readers one half the qualities of which fashionable composition is made up. Why Sir, in Double Norwich we have compositions from one to twenty-four parts or divisions inclusive, and others wherein the 2nd is never below 3rd in the scale of course-ends, and others with the 2nd never in 5-6. In compositions obtained by means of single calls there are plenty. In London Surprise both with tenors together and apart the improvement is wonderful, and the same may be said of Superlative, as is well known to some readers. And, Sir, composition in Stedman Caters and Cinques has also received considerable attention, and scarcely a peal that has the tenors in one position throughout is now fashionable. Of course there are old peals with turning courses. (I term them transition courses). But, Sir, now-a-day we have in common use compositions having the first half, large bells or tenors in the tittums, but in the last half these are in the homing position, with or without the duplicating course-ends, the fixed bells being as shown by following examples:—

FIRST PART.	LAST PART.	
351462 7 9 8	361452 9 7 8	or perhaps
FIRST HALF.	LAST HALF.	
214365 9 7 8	214365 8 7 9	but the latest plan

is:—

FIRST HALF.	LAST HALF.
361452 9 7 8	214365 8 7 9

Certainly a very desirable plan, as there are but two courses wherein the large bells are disturbed by going off, and transition courses. Now, Sir, I think you will see what we readers want. If not let me tell you it is a good foot-note to peal reports, and I am sure you will agree. I don't know, but I hope you will kindly assist by asking correspondents, reporters or conductors to note this, and the job is as good as done. This footnote I refer to is what in other words I mean by specification and detail. H. DAINS.

SIR,—I quite agree with Mr. Dains that the figures of compositions should be inserted in the records of peals that are rung. But on the other hand I must point out to him that false peals have not at the present day such a good chance of passing off as true ones as they did in former years. For why the reason is not far to seek. In former years peal after peal was rung when only the conductor himself would know if the peal were

true or not; or probably there would only be one conductor in the band, and if by chance he should find out afterwards that the peal was false he might or might not say so. At the present time it is hardly possible, as bob calling is not quite so one-sided as formerly. Now-a-day I presume hardly a peal is attempted without another of the band being a bob caller. I have myself, after ringing in several peals without having previously seen the composition, put down the figures, and proved the peal, so that there was then no chance of its passing off as true if it was otherwise. Mr. Dains must also remember that although old London ringers used to take off course-ends outside the tower in the methods they could ring, could they do so in say a peal of Surprise Major? I am inclined to doubt it. I refer chiefly to Cox and Haley, who I have heard were very fond of taking off course-ends. That there are men at the present time who can take off course-ends in any method we can hardly have any doubt, as witness the taking off of 14,112 of London Surprise Major by Harry Withers. Therefore I come to the conclusion that false peals do not get the chance now of being passed off as true, as they did formerly.

BOB CALLER.

## Obituary.

## WILLIAM VERRY.

On Tuesday, the 30th ult., passed away at the ripe age of 76, another veteran ringer of the Birmingham district. To have seen his active form moving about the district a few years ago, one could have imagined him good for another ten years, but two attacks of influenza, and a gathered thumb which required a slight operation, had sapped even his splendid vitality, and after taking to his bed a week or two ago he gradually succumbed and passed peacefully away. Coming to Handsworth from Burghill in Herefordshire as a very young man, he still retained to the very last the strong burr and accent of his native county. He soon found his way to the ring of six at Handsworth parish church and as an early recognition of the frank and outspoken integrity of his manly character was appointed tower-keeper and foreman of the ringers—offices he retained until the very last, having filled them for over fifty years with a rare honesty and integrity. Mr. Verry was not a great peal-ringer, starting with his first in 1867 at Aston parish church, and not ringing another until after the bells had been augmented from 6 to 8 at Handsworth in 1889. As shewing the virility of his character after passing the allotted age of man, it may be mentioned that he commenced to learn the Stedman method at the age of 72, and was sufficient master of it to ring the 7th at Handsworth through one 5040. At his funeral on the 3rd inst., although the hour was inconveniently early for many ringers there was a good show from the surrounding districts. Besides the whole pull and stand on the tower bells, a plain course of Grandsire Triples in hand was rung at the grave-side by J. Buffery, 1-2; T. Miller, 3-4; T. Russam, 5-6; A. P. Smith, 7-8, while during the afternoon and evening there were several muffled touches in the tower by men who had been his colleagues for very many years.

It is good to think that the influence of such a long and faithful life as the late William Verry passed never dies, but is felt always through succeeding ages.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—Mr. J. J. Lamb's list of 100 peals is not clear. Will he forward a revised list.—We have a letter for A. W. Brighton; will he forward his address?—Mr. W. H. Howard wishes to thank the company who rang his birthday peal for their kindness.

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## Notices.

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The London County Association, late St. James's Society.—Pursuant to notice, a periodical meeting of this Association for united practice will be held at St. Paul's, Hammer-smith, to-day, Saturday, September 10th. Bells available from 5.30 p.m. till 9 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible. T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.  
91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Rainford to-day, Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES.

The Ancient Society of College Youths. Established 1637.—Meeting will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral, on Tuesday, September 13th. A meeting for practice will be held at the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on Saturday, September 17th. Bells available from 4 to 8 o'clock, after which a meeting for the transaction of any business that may arise and for social intercourse will be held at The Red Lion hotel, North Street. All members and friends of the Society will be heartily welcomed.

W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The Bath and Wells Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Glastonbury, to-day, Saturday, September 10th. Bells St. John's 8, St. Benedict 6, and Street 8, available from 12 o'clock. Service at St. John's church at 4.30. Tea at The George hotel, at 5.30, 9d. each to members.  
Bridgwater. A. E. COLES, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association of Six Bell Ringers.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Blackrod, to-day, Saturday, September 10th. J. HIGSON, Hon. Sec.  
60, Church Street, Blackrod.

The Midland Counties Association.—(Nottingham District).—The next monthly meeting will be held at Heanor to-day Saturday September 10th, 1904. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m. E. CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (South and West District).—The next meeting of the above will be held at Ruislip, to-day, Saturday, September 10th. Bells ready 4.30 p.m. Frequent trains from Baker Street, or tram to Uxbridge and District Railway to Ruislip. Members and friends cordially invited. Will members kindly note that subscriptions should now be paid. J. J. PRATT, Dis. Hon. Sec.  
Hillingdon.

Heavy Woollen District Association.—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, to-day, Saturday, September 10th. Meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting house The Beaumont Arms. WALTER IDLE, Sec.  
47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

The Yorkshire Association.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 17th, at Scarborough. Local Hon. Sec. Mr. H. Ferguson, 6, Langdale Road, Scarborough.

Day and half-day excursions will be run from Leeds, N.E.R. at 6.40 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

J. W. HOLGATE, Hon. Sec.  
21, Westover Road, Bramley, Leeds.

The Bath and Wells Association.—The Bridgwater branch meeting will be held at Wedmore, on Saturday 17th inst. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at The George hotel, 5d. each. Members intending to be present please inform Secretary by 14th. A. J. SWEET.  
Blake Street, Bridgwater.

The Archleaconry of Salop.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Alkmunds, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, September 24th, 1904. Ringing at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Alkmund's church, at 5 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. Sinclair Moore, Vicar of Wellington. Tea at 6 p.m.  
J. MACKAY, Hon. Sec.

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—Next monthly meeting at Fittleton, on Saturday, September 17th, at 3 p.m. REV. C. W. B. COBBE.  
Ferndale, Devizes.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Radcliffe parish church, on Saturday, September 24th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.  
JOHN SMITH, Branch Sec.

Worcestershire and Districts Association.—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at Clent, near Stourbridge, on Saturday, September 24th. The Rev. F. R. Lawson, Vicar, has kindly promised (if possible) to give an address at the service in church, at 5 p.m. prompt and preside over the business meeting afterwards. The tower and bells will be available.  
JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

The East Derbyshire Association.—A Special ringing meeting will be held at Swan-wich, on Saturday, September 24th. All ringing friends invited. T. ALLIBONE, Sec.

The Essex Association.—The Annual District Meeting of the North Western Division will be held at Bishops Stortford, on Saturday, September 24th, for the election of officers for the year 1905, and other business. The bells of St. Michael will be open to members and friends from 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting at The Boar's Head at 5.45. Tea to members 6d. each, who notify the same to me not later than Wednesday, September 21st, others 9d. each. Members whose subscriptions are not paid for the current year are earnestly requested to do so at this meeting. HENRY J. TUCKER, Dist. Sec.  
Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

The Lancashire Association.—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } Hon. Secs.  
J. SHEPHERD, }  
41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT BOLSOVER.—G. W. Moss, late of Harwich, was proposed a member of the Midland Counties Association previous to starting. This is the first peal of Major by an entirely local band, and was rung as a last tribute of respect to the late Bishop of Southwell; also as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. J. W. Taylor, jun., wife of Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., of the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, vice-president of the Midland Counties Association.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1904.

In these days it is surprising to hear, even from the most remote sources, that any great difficulty exists in acquiring the rudiments of the Art of ringing. Firstly, the Exercise has within its reach a vast amount of literature of almost every kind, and though some of it may be of too technical a character to be understood by the young beginner, there is by the instrumentality of the various associations, generally some one at hand by whom most of these technicalities can be explained, and thus the aspirant for campanological honours may be set upon his feet. It is also thought that the ringing associations, generally speaking, have some system or regulation by which any local society requiring the services of a teacher can easily be suited, but it must be said that from various causes such system of advertised instructors has not pro-

duced those signal effects which were expected. One large Association gives a long list of names of men who are supposed to be competent for the purpose of teaching, but a cursory glance at such list is apt to engender a feeling of contempt for their supposed abilities; one would think in fact that they required instruction themselves in more ways than one. An "instructor" of real use should have the talents of a teacher in no small degree. It is doubted whether some of the most eminent ringers of any age have ever been good teachers of ringing. A good competent teacher has peculiar abilities, and adepts in such work are not so common as is supposed.

These remarks are suggested by the receipt of the following letter from a clergyman who does not require its publication. It is published nevertheless (though his name is not disclosed). It shows there still exists the want of friendly help in mastering the elementary technicalities at least:—

SIR,—Would it not be possible to include in your paper some matter which would aid the probationers and novices in the art of bell-ringing. I am one of them myself and it is because I feel that such a column would be very useful, that I am writing to suggest it.

One or two of the following reasons for the inclusion of such matter might appeal to you.

- 1.—The expense and the trouble of obtaining the well-known handbooks on ringing which young ringers experience.
- 2.—The need for some new and systematic teaching on which a novice might begin his work.
- 3.—There are many methods of learning Plain Bob and the Grandsire methods and perhaps the other more intricate ones too, which have never been published at all.
- 4.—The 'typical' ringer with the whole thing at his fingers' ends is usually quite incapable of imparting his knowledge, because he cannot enter into the difficulties of a beginner and also because his particular method of learning does not lend itself to the brain of his pupil.
- 5.—The additional circulation which "THE BELL NEWS" is certain to obtain when it is found to contain matter of interest to the young as well as to the old in the art.

In short I feel certain that a series of lessons in the popular methods, written by some well qualified ringer, would not only be of the greatest interest to all ringers, and especially young ones, but would also extend the circulation and the usefulness of your paper.

If you could see your way to effecting this, you would be doing the cause of bell-ringing a great assistance."

Our correspondent puts his views in a very clear manner. A number of serial chapters on the subject he has at heart would be bound to have a termination, and perhaps in a shorter period than he wots of. A few years ago, what was thought some very clear chapters of instruction appeared in this paper, under the signature of "ALEPH," and we have no doubt the same writer would be willing to give us a *rechauffe* of what then appeared. At any rate, we will see what can be done in the matter. If such information be popularly received, it may then become a consideration whether it should not be issued separately at a purely nominal charge.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs. in D flat.

ISAAC HILLS .. .. .	Treble.	WILLIAM R. HENSHER ..	5.
JOHN W. BARKER .. ..	2.	CHARLES CHASTY .. ..	6.
JOHN S. GOLDSMITH ..	3.	A. NUNNELEY-WOOD ..	7.
HARRY TYSOE .. .. .	4.	CHARLES W. CLARKE ..	Tenor.

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and  
Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

This peal was arranged for Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, of Woking. It was intended to have rung Stedman Caters, but met one short.

##### SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

##### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, August 31, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

GEORGE E. HAYWARD ..	Treble.	THOMAS H. REEVES ..	5.
SAMUEL REEVES .. ..	2.	JAMES HARES .. ..	6.
JESSE SCREEN .. .. .	3.	ERNEST BROWN .. ..	7.
JOSEPH WALKER .. ..	4.	WILLIAM MURRAY ..	Tenor.

Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

##### TUNSTALL, KENT.

##### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 31, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury, Kent, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford and College Single.

GEORGE GILBERT, JUN. ..	Treble.	THOMAS JULL .. .. .	4.
ALBERT J. DAY .. .. .	2.	JOSEPH E. GRENSTED ..	5.
CHARLES E. SMITH .. ..	3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. Cruso, wife of the Rev. H. E. T. Cruso, Rector of the parish, who was interred that day at the above church.

##### WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. ..	Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT .. ..	5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. ..	2.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. .	6.
WALTER BARRETT .. ..	3.	FREDERICK BORRETT ..	7.
CHARLES E. BORRETT ..	4.	FREDERICK KNIGHTS ..	Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

First peal in the method on the bells.

##### BRAINTREE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs. in F sharp.

CHARLES H. HOWARD ..	Treble	HENRY W. KIRTON .. ..	5.
GEORGE H. SENTANCE* ..	2.	*SIDNEY R. ROPER .. ..	6.
FRANK WEBB* .. .. .	3.	FREDERICK RUDKIN ..	7.
ERNEST NEWMAN .. ..	4.	*WILLIAM STEELE .. ..	Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and  
Conducted by CHARLES H. HOWARD.

\*First peal of Treble Bob.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. THOMAS AND EDMUND,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. Treble.	HERBERT KNIGHT .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 2.	CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 6.
JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL.. 7.
FRANK FAY.. .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and  
Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

Herbert Knight was elected a member of the society previous to starting for the peal.

## ALDERMASTON,, BERKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

E. J. HUGHES .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR FRANKUM .. .. 5.
HERBERT FRANKUM .. .. 2.	WILLIAM HORNE .. .. 6.
C. MOULDEN .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
FRANK S. POOLE .. .. 4.	ROBERT FRANKUM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## BARKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING.)

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Three Hours,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

CALEB FENN .. .. Treble.	ALFRED J. T. CARTER .. 5.
HAROLD H. PARKER .. .. 2.	JAMES COTTIS .. .. 6.
D'OILEY S. SIMONS .. .. 3.	ROWLAND FENN.. .. 7.
HENRY E. PARKER .. .. 4.	GEORGE W. FAULKNER .. Tenor.

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

First peal in the method by Messrs. H. H. Parker, Simons and H. E. Parker. Rung as a farewell peal to H. H. Parker who is leaving Barking for Canada.

## GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. .. Treble.	WILLIAM EASTER .. .. 5.
FREDK FRENCH .. .. 2.	JOHN H. CHEESMAN.. .. 6.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. 3.	ROBERT BRETT .. .. 7.
WILLIAM HAIGH .. .. 4.	LEWIS SILVER .. .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

\* Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Rector, the Rev. J. Haslam.

## NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5568 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt. 9 lbs.

JAMES THOMPSON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM BUTLER .. .. 5.
JOSHUA MILLNER* .. .. 2.	*ARTHUR OVERTON .. .. 6.
FRED. WATKINSON .. .. 3.	JOHN THOS. BUTLER .. 7.
ERNEST BUTLER* .. .. 4.	JOHN PHILIP TARLTON .. Tenor.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt. in G.

GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. Treble.	FRANK WAGSTAFF .. .. 4.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 2.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 6.
FREDERICK R. KETTLEBORO 3.	THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 7.
ERNEST BAKER .. .. 4.	JOHN FLINT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

## WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob, and 720 of Woodbine.

EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. Treble.	ALPHAEUS J. BERRY.. .. 4.
WILLIAM ROSE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 5.
CHARLES NUNN .. .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE CATTERMOLLE.

Arranged for W. E. Garrard.

## DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE DARLINGTON AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford and Double Court.

EMANUEL COX .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. PORTER .. 4.
ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. 2.	G. J. LUNGLEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE W. PARK .. .. 3.	CHARLES TODD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES TODD.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

CHAS. L. ROUTLEDGE .. Treble.	ALFRED F. HILLIER.. .. 5.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN.. .. 2.	*ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 6.
ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM STORY.. .. 7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON.. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. BRUMSDON .. Tenor.

Conducted by E. E. FERRY.

\*First peal of Stedman as conductor.

## FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

W. OSTLER.. .. Treble.	W. NORMAN .. .. 5.
R. H. HAYWARD .. .. 2.	H. C. HOWLETT .. .. 6.
F. WATLING .. .. 3.	J. SELF .. .. 7.
REV. J. H. PILKINGTON .. 4.	W. FLORY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. J. H. PILKINGTON, and  
Conducted by W. FLORY.

HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR ARTHUR P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. .Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE..... .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	GEORGE H. BARKER.. .. 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. . 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. . 7.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. . 4.	HENRY G. ROWE .. .. .Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Rung as a birthday complement to H. G. Rowe. The above is the quickest peal on the bells.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 5, 1904, in Two Hours Twenty-six and a-½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED TULETT .. ..Treble.	WILLIAM HILLMAN .. .. 5.
JOHN H. PAICE .. .. . 2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 6.
HENRY EVANS .. .. . 3.	JAMES GEORGE .. .. . 7.
HARRY MEETENS .. .. . 4.	BENJAMIN BASSETT .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This is the quickest peal on the bells. It is also thought to be the quickest peal of Stedman on record.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

HUBERT EDEN .. ..Treble.	EDWARD WHITBREAD.. .. 5.
ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. .. 2.	B. H. TYRWITT DRAKE.. 6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. . 3.	*FREDERICK WHITE .. .. 7.
JAMES GEORGE .. .. . 4.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT Tenor.

Conducted by HUBERT EDEN.

\*First peal away from the tenor.

Handbell Peals.

WHITLEY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT 25, COUNTRESS STREET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

JAMES E. GOFTON .. .. 1-2.	JOSEPH A. GOFTON .. .. 5-6.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 3-4.	R. ALDER GOFTON .. .. 7-8.

Composed and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

First peal in the method by the above ringers, and first by the Association on handbells.

Miscellaneous.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CHATHAM (Kent).—On Sunday, August 28th, a 672 of Stedman Triples, with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Very Rev. S. Reynolds Hole, Dean of Rochester. W. Baker, J. Tullett, W. Easter, A. Osborne, G. Winser, A. Haigh, W. Haigh conductor, H. Hinkley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CIRENCESTR.—On Monday, August 29th, at the parish church, for practice, a 648 Grandsire Caters. F. W. Bond, H. Lewis, F. J. Lewis, A. E. Edwards, F. Gardner, H. C. Bond conductor, C. E. Bartlett, H. T. Gardner, T. Holmes, H. Shuttleworth.

GILLINGHAM (Kent).—On Thursday, September 1st, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the memory of the Very Rev. S. Reynolds Hole, Dean of Rochester. G. Harris, W. Haigh conductor, W. Bate, A. Harris, W. Easter, A. Robson, S. Peacock, S. Figgins.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINCHESTER.—On Saturday, June, 18th, at the Cathedral, for practice, several courses of Stedman Caters. H. White, G. Smith, W. Crute, W. Andrews, J. W. Elkins, W. Tucker, W. C. Lampard, E. Russell, W. H. George, D. Frome. Also 504 Stedman Triples. H. White conductor, G. Smith, W. Create, C. Russell, W. Andrews, W. Tucker, W. H. George, G. Nace.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SWAINBY.—On Saturday, July 30th, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. J. W. Newton, J. Clarkson, T. Medcalf conductor, W. Newton, A. M. C. Field, R. Greenwood. Also a 720 York Surprise. J. Clarkson, T. Medcalf, G. J. Clarkson conductor, W. Newton, A. M. C. Field, T. Stephenson. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob. J. Clarkson, W. Newton, G. J. Clarkson, T. W. Walker, T. Stephenson conductor, A. W. Barratt. The visit was by the invitation of the Vicar by whom the party who drove over to Stockton were entertained to tea.

WATH (near Ripon).—On Sunday, August 7th, for morning service, a 720 Bob Minor. G. J. Clarkson conductor, F. Jacques, J. H. Taylor, G. Barnett, J. W. Taylor, J. Metcalfe.

STOKESLEY.—On Sunday, August 28th, for evening service, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob. J. Clark, G. J. Clarkson conductor, A. C. Bewes, W. W. Clarkson, W. Lane, J. P. Clarkson.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WITNEY.—On Sunday, July 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. A. Brooks, A. Clayton, G. Room, J. Monk, M. Woodcock, F. Pounds, Rev. C. Jenkyn conductor, T. Brown. On Sunday, July 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by H. Brooks. A. Brooks, M. Woodcock, G. Room, J. Monk, F. Pounds, T. T. Bull, H. Brooks, J. Richards. On Sunday and Monday, August 14 and 15th, several touches of Stedman Triples and a course of Treble Bob Major with Mr. Frank Smith, of the Waterloo Society, who was on a visit to his native place, Witney. On handbells, at "The Laurels," Witney, 120 Stedman Doubles, H. Brooks, 1-2; Rev. C. Jenkyn, 3-4; J. Monk, 5-6.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CRAWLEY.—On Sunday, September 4th, an attempt for a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 50 mins. A. D. Mills, J. Rice, C. O'Brien, G. Williams conductor, F. Bennett, G. F. Williams, J. Hunt, F. W. Rice. For evening service, 448 Cambridge, standing as above.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS.—On August 11th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. T. E. Shuttleworth, A. J. Nicholas, J. Huddleston, T. Suart, T. R. Jackson conductor, J. Watson. And 720 Oxford Single Bob. T. Metcalfe, J. Huddleston, T. Shuttleworth, T. Suart conductor, A. J. Nicholas, J. Watson. On August 14th, for evening service, 720 College Single. T. R. Jackson conductor, A. J. Nicholas, W. H. Dennison, T. Suart, J. Huddleston, J. Burrows. On August 18th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. A. Jackson, T. Metcalfe, T. Shuttleworth, H. Smith, J. Huddleston conductor, J. Burrows. On September 4th, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor. J. Backhouse conductor, A. J. Nicholas, W. H. Dennison, T. Suart, J. Huddleston, J. Burrows. For afternoon service 720 Grandsire Minor. J. T. Thompson, A. J. Nicholas, T. Suart, W. S. Forshaw, T. R. Jackson conductor, J. Burrows. For evening service, 720 Canterbury Pleasure. A. Jackson, A. J. Nicholas, W. H. Dennison, J. Huddleston, T. Suart, J. Burrows conductor.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STANSTED (Essex).—On Sunday, August 7th, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, for morning service, a 672 Stedman Triples. T. J. Watts, T. Jordan, G. Gray, W. Prior, J. Luckey, G. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. And on Sunday, August 14th, for morning service, a 504 Grandsire Triples. T. J. Watts, H. Little, G. Gray, J. Luckey, T. Jordan, G. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. Also for evening service 518 of Grandsire Triples. T. J. Watts, H. Little, G. Gray, G. Jordan, T. Jordan, J. Luckey, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. And on Wednesday, August 17th, for practice, 504

STEDMAN TRIPLES. J. Luckey, T. Jordan, G. Gray, W. Prior, G. Jordan, W. T. Prior, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. Also a 576 of Oxford Treble Bob Major. W. Watts conductor, H. Little, G. Gray, J. Luckey, T. Jordan, W. Prior, W. T. Prior, T. J. Watts. And on Sunday, August 21st, for evening service, a 720 Plain Bob Minor. J. Cavill, H. Little, G. Gray, G. Jordan, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor. And on Wednesday, August 24th, for practice, 800 Cambridge Surprise Major. G. Gray, T. J. Watts, W. Prior, J. Luckey, H. J. Tucker, T. Jordan, W. T. Prior, W. Watts conductor. And on Sunday, August 28th, for morning service, a 704 Cambridge Surprise Major. G. Gray, W. Prior, G. Jordan, G. H. Barker, J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, T. Jordan, W. Watts conductor. Tenor 13 cwt.

WETHERSFIELD.—On Sunday, August 28th, 720 Bob Minor. G. Piper, E. Townsend, H. Bowers, W. Goldstone, W. Gould, W. Smith conductor.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHATTERIS (Cams).—At the parish church, on June 4th, for morning service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles, called differently. P. Smith, G. Basham, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, H. Moxon. For evening service, seven 6-scores of Bob Doubles, in 27 mins. P. Smith, G. Basham, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, H. Moxon. On June 12th, for evening service, seven 6-scores of Bob Doubles, in 28 mins. J. McGill, P. Smith, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, H. Moxon. On Monday, June 13th, for practice, four 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, C. Martin, A. Abrams, I. Moxon. On Sunday, June 19th, for morning service, six 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, G. Basham. For evening service, seven 6-scores of Bob Doubles, in 27 mins. P. Smith, I. Moxon, H. Moxon, A. Abrams, G. Basham. On Monday, for practice four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. P. Smith, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, G. Basham conductor. On Friday, June 24th, on the occasion of the King's birthday, twelve 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, G. Basham. On Sunday, June 26th, for morning service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, G. Basham. For evening service, two 6-scores of Bob Doubles. H. Moxon, P. Smith, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, G. Basham.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

LONDON.—On Friday, September 2nd, for practice at St. James's church, 720 Minor, in 23 mins. H. May, G. Gains, W. Weatherstone conductor, C. Potheary, H. Franks, W. Bennett.

KIDDERMINSTER.—On Sunday, July 31st, at the parish church, 840 of Stedman Triples. N. Davis, J. Reynolds, J. Smith, A. Jones, C. Woodberry, T. J. Salter conductor, J. Grane, G. Cook. On Tuesday, August 3rd, Coronation Day, the last 742 of Holt's Original Grandsire Triples. G. Cook, N. Davis, S. J. Salter conductor, E. J. Brooks, T. Bennett, J. Crane, C. Woodberry, J. Woodberry. On Wednesday, August 24th, a 504 of Grandsire Triples. G. Cook, T. Bennett, H. Martin (first 504), E. Brooks, C. Woodberry conductor, J. Woodberry.

LEE (Kent).—On Wednesday, July 20th, at St. Margaret's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins. G. R. Simmonds, F. G. Deal, G. King, T. Taylor, H. Warnett conductor, J. Crowder, H. Barrett, A. T. Paines. Rung on the dedication Festival.

NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).—On Wednesday, June 29th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, E. Dumper, C. Fray, A. Marks, W. Rome, W. Tucker conductor. Also 180 Bob Minor. E. Mundy, E. Dumper, C. Fray, W. Tucker conductor, W. Rowe, A. Marks. On Sunday, July 31st, for morning service, 720 Bob Minor, in 23 mins. E. Mundy, C. Fray, W. Rowe jun., A. Marks, H. J. Tucker, W. Tucker conductor. For evening service, another 720. E. Dumper, C. Fray, W. Rowe, jun., A. Marks, H. J. Tucker, W. Tucker conductor. Also 240, with W. Rowe, sen.

NUTTALL.—On July 17th, for morning service, 480 Grandsire Doubles. W. Beardsmore, A. Harrison, E. Wilcox, F. Beardsmore, G. Clark conductor.

PRITTLEWELL.—On Sunday, July 24th, 480 Bob Major and 336 Grandsire Triples. W. Dowsett, W. Bedwell, W. Dudley, R. E. Wilson, H. T. Wilson, G. E. Wilson, A. Patrick, A. E. Edwards, W. H. Judd. On Monday, July 25th, 447 Grandsire and 224 Major by the same band.

RAYLEIGH.—On Thursday, July 28th, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. S. Bingham, H. T. Wilson, R. E. Wilson, G. Smith, W. Dudley, A. E. Edwards, W. H. Judd conductor, W. Bingham.

SOLIHULL.—On August 19th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. B. Fitter, J. Bragg, S. Bragg, O. West conductor, G. A. Martineau, S. Bragg, R. Bragg, E. Davis. Rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect to the Rev. Charles Evans, late Rector of the parish.

WESTERHAM (Kent).—On Sunday, June 19th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. Stone, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, J. Harris, A. J. Lewis, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor, H. J. Selby. On Monday, June 20th, 720 Double Norwich. R. Stone, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, H. J. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor. And 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. J. Lewis, M. Watley, G. B. Selby, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, J. Heath, A. Jarrett, H. J. Selby, D. Wright conductor. On Sunday, July 3rd, 660 Double Norwich. R. Stone, H. J. Selby, G. B. Selby, M. Watley, G. Smith, N. Alderman, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor. On Sunday, July 17th, 720 Bob Major. W. G. Granger, R. Stone, G. B. Selby, A. J. Lewis, H. J. Selby, A. J. Lewis, H. J. Selby, A. Jarrett, J. Heath, D. Wright conductor.

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think the best day they have ever had. We must thank Messrs. Hinton, May and Wilkins for their great kindness to us, and hope to repay them some day in our own neighbourhood. H.

THE ST. OSWALD'S SOCIETY, GUISELEY.—This Society had their annual trip on Saturday, September 3rd, and went to West Hartlepool. They were met at the station by the local ringers, and by kind permission of the Vicar rung a touch of Stedman Triples. They were then conducted round the town to see the various sights, and they wish to thank their Hartlepool friends for a very enjoyable outing.

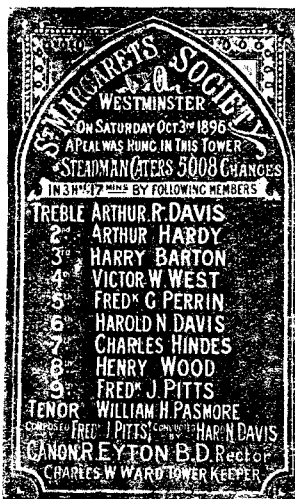
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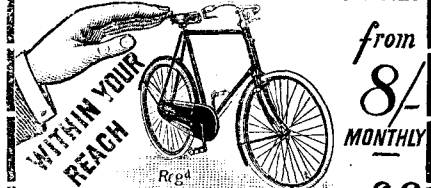
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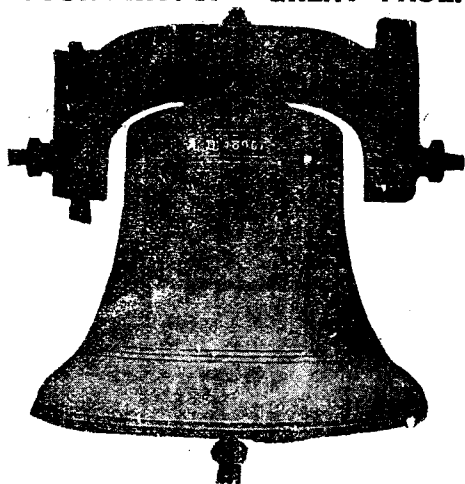
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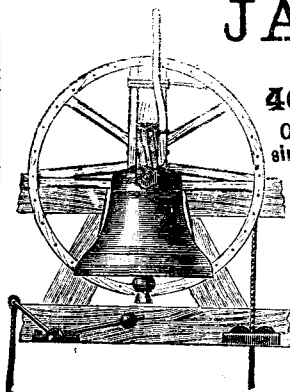
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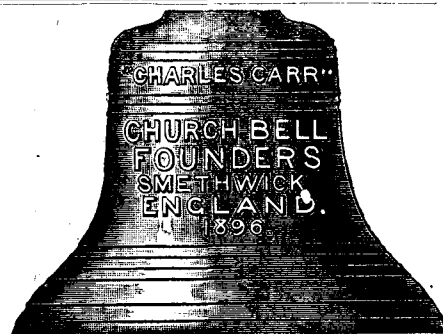
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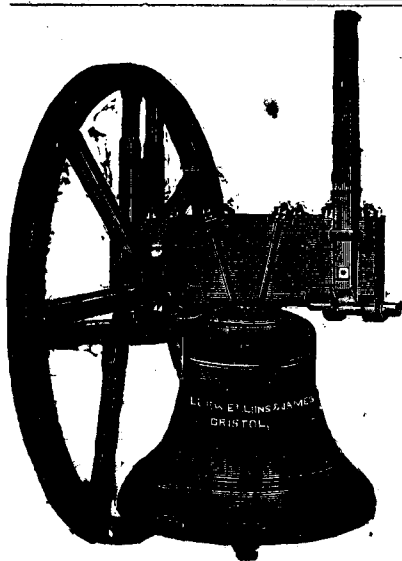
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

STANFORD-ON-SOAR (Notts.) St. John the Baptist. Midland Counties Association. Eight bells, all by Taylor except the 4th and 6th, 1603, founder unknown; treble and 2nd, 1897; the rest 1893. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Repairs recently by Taylor. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 5.45 to 6.30; in winter 5.15 to 6. Practice: Thursday, 7.30, September to May.

STAPLEHURST (Kent). All Saints. Kent County Association. Eight bells; 7th by Hatch, 1705; the rest by Mears 1885. Tenor 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. No practice mentioned.

STAVELEY (Derbyshire). St. John the Baptist. Old East Derbyshire Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Taylor 1897; the rest by Arnold 1782. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6.30, except 3rd in month.

STEYNING (Sussex). St. Andrew. Sussex County Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Mears 1889; 6th by Pack 1775; the rest by Waylett 1722. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears 1890. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 11 and 5.30. Practice: Tuesday and Thursday during winter; no hour named.

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## LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly ringing meeting of this society was held at Calverley on Saturday, August 27th. Owing to a funeral taking place at the church, an attempt for a peal could not be made. About four o'clock the band for the peal visited the tower, and 928 Kent Treble Bob Major was brought round. Other members having arrived, two touches of Stedman Triples were rung. An adjournment was then made to the meeting-house for refreshments; other members taking a stroll round the village, the day being exceptionally fine. Previous to the business meeting the tower was again visited, when Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung. The business meeting was held at The Thornhill Arms, Mr. T. Maude, in the chair, supported by upwards of twenty members representing the following towers: Bramley, Bradford, St. Chad's (Headingley), St. Michael's (Headingley), Pudsey, Leeds, and the local company. The minutes of the previous meeting at Rothwell was proposed and passed as read by Mr. C. Pratt, seconded by Mr. C. Johnson, and carried. A vote of condolence was proposed by the President, seconded by Mr. J. Whitaker, with the widows and families of Mr. J. Haley, of Tong, and Mr. L. Snowdon, of Drighlington, past members of the society. This motion was carried in silence, all the members standing.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for kind arrangements, was proposed by Mr. Holgate, seconded by Mr. P. Johnson, and carried. Mr. C. Pratt suitably responded on behalf of the local company. Touches in various methods on the handbells finally brought the meeting to a close.

## ST. PETER MANCROFT SOCIETY, NORWICH.

The annual outing of the above society took place on Monday, August 22nd. Advantage was taken of a Foresters' excursion to London, and the kind services of Mr. C. F. Winney were requisitioned, who not only obtained permission to ring at various towers, but acted as pilot throughout the day. Arriving at Liverpool Street shortly after 9 a.m., the party at once proceeded to St. Botolph, Aldgate, and rang two touches as well as the "go" of the bells would allow. The Whitechapel Bell Foundry was then visited, the men naturally being keen on seeing the birthplace of the Mancroft bells. Mr. A. Hughes personally conducted the party round and explained all the details of the foundry. A most interesting hour was spent, and adequate thanks would be difficult to give to Mr. Hughes for his kindness and generous hospitality. A ring on the queer-going ring of eight at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, filled up the day until lunch time, after which St. Gabriel's, Pimlico, was visited, and two touches rung on the beautiful ring of eight there. The afternoon was spent at the Crystal Palace, where the many attractions made the time fly. Mr. R. A. Daniell had very kindly arranged in the evening for ringing at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and after one or



two touches had been rung, an adjournment was made to the headquarters of the Cumberland Society. A large number of metropolitan ringers foregathered, and a enjoyable evening was brought to a close with "Auld lang syne." The thanks of the Mancroft Society are offered to Messrs. C. F. Winney, A. W. Brighton, and J. C. Jackson for their kindness in piloting the members about; to Mr. Hughes, whose kindness will long be remembered, and to Mr. Daniell for his successful efforts in making the evening go with such a swing.

#### THE ST. MARY ABBOTS (KENSINGTON) SOCIETY.

It is said that when a celebrated Oxford Professor was asked by some University Commissioners how often he delivered lectures, he replied, "Once a year, but not every year," and this reply correctly represents the practice of the Kensington ringers in the matter of days out of town. This year however it was decided that the year of Grace 1904 should be one of the years when the once a year should take place; and the ultimate result of discussions about dates and places was a visit to Canterbury on the August Bank Holiday. Several of our members were from one cause or another unable to join the party, but a dozen or so set out upon a modern Canterbury Pilgrimage on the morning of St. Lubbock, and towards noon on the same day the incredible exertions of the South Eastern and Chatham railway deposited the campanist pilgrims at the Metropolitan city. A move was straightway made for the Cathedral, and we entered the Precincts by the Palace Gates, and passed through the Green Court, admiring the grand view of the Cathedral and the buildings adjacent to it on its north side. Following round the exterior we duly reached the south-west porch and entered the nave, and joined a party about to be taken round the chapels and other buildings. We were fortunate in having an excellent guide, who lucidly explained to us the objects of interest by which we were surrounded. There is so much detail claiming attention, that by the time we had made the round our dinner hour had arrived, and we accordingly adjourned to The Sun, where we refreshed the inner man, much to our satisfaction.

The afternoon was devoted to ringing. A walk to prettily situated St. Stephen's church was followed by touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Double Norwich Major, and when we had had some pleasant chats with Mr. Balaam and other local ringers, we returned to the Cathedral. The Kent County Association had contemplated a peal there, but owing to illness in the neighbourhood it was decided to restrict the ringing to touches, and thus our members were enabled to engage in some Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal till 6 o'clock, when we again sought the hospitality of The Sun for tea. On this occasion we had the pleasure of the company of the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Minor Canon and Precentor of the Cathedral, the well-known Hon. Secretary of the Kent County Association, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to him by acclamation for his kind aid in the arrangements for our enjoyment, and the hope expressed that he may come and have a ring with us at St. Mary Abbots. Tea over, Mr. Helmore courteously conducted us through the crypt of the Cathedral, which we had not time to see earlier.

This concluded our recreation, and after making the best of a beautiful day we resigned ourselves to the

fascinations of the return railway journey. Our party consisted of Messrs. Bonwick, Brus, Burton, Cutmore, Daniell, Edwards, Garrard, Harris, Kentish, Miles, Phipps, Selby, and Stibbons; and we had the pleasure of the company of Mr. Challis F. Winney. R. A. D.

#### THE ST. PETER'S AMATEUR SOCIETY, BRIGHTON.

The members, with a few friends of this society, had an outing on a recent Saturday to Arundel, Amberley, Parham and Pulborough. Leaving Brighton by the 7.5 a.m. train Arundel was reached in an hour, and a look round the Roman Catholic Cathedral and a ring on the fine-toned bells of the parish church, where a course each of Bristol, London and Superlative were brought round. After a little refreshment a brake and pair, with the addition of a waggonette, were conveying us through the lovely scenery of Arundel Park. Amberley was reached in about fifty minutes; a look round the old castle grounds, and a ring on the five bells at the parish church, and on to Parham House, where Mr. Attree had obtained permission for us to inspect its ancient relics of bygone days. Then a walk across the park to Parham Rectory, where for the time being Mr. Attree was in residence. Here we found Mrs. and Miss Attree had everything in readiness to satisfy the appetites of the party, which by this time were beginning to feel the needs of attention. After dinner (which was served on the lawn), had been disposed of, various outdoor games were indulged in, including a cricket match between married and single. The married here—as well as in ringing—proved much too strong for the single.

Leaving Parham Rectory at 4.20, another five miles drive landed us at The Swan hotel, Pulborough. Tea was ordered for an hour later, then to the parish church; but unfortunately after ringing about ten minutes a note was sent to the belfry asking for the ringing to be stopped owing to illness close by. This of course was acceded to. Adjourning to The Swan, a capital tea was in readiness; this in due course was brought round, also Stedman Triples and Grandsire Caters on the handbells. Our conveyances by this time were all in readiness for the drive back to Arundel, which was safely reached just in the nick of time. Thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Attree for their kind invitation to Parham Rectory, which with the lovely weather made the day so enjoyable; also to the steeplekeepers at Arundel and Pulborough for making the arrangements for ringing and meeting us. W.

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At last we have had the account of the opening of the Matlock bells. These bells are likely to become celebrated, if only for the publicity which has been given to them in this page. The situation of the church, "on the rocks and among the trees," must be a romantic one, and their position, we are told, causes them to "sound very lovely to the inhabitants and passers-by in the valley below." The ringers at St. Giles, Matlock Bridge, evidently have their lot cast in pleasant places in more senses than one: a beautiful neighbourhood, lovely bells, and restored tower with everything new. They will take advantage of such blessings by fulfilling the law of change-ringing, and if they are unacquainted with such law, I or some other discreet ringer, will be delighted to tell them.

The following letter has been sent for admission among these notes:—

"There has been a lot of nonsense written about 'taking off peals,' &c. from the outside. Without wishing to minimise anyone's ability in this respect there is no need to exaggerate a performance which is not so extraordinary as it seems. Anyone with a quick ear can 'take off' anything with a treble lead, providing they have a scale of pricking leads and course-ends. Let me prove my statement. Hear the start of Grandsire Caters, or hear one course-end come up. There are 978 fixed, also the treble, tenor, and the bell after the ninth. Now the listener waits for nine going from lead. If she stops and goes into hunt, he hears her stop to dodge in four-five down, also next lead bobbed behind. All he has to do is to prick 423 from previous course-end and he has time for a smoke while waiting for the course-end. His ear will tell him if the right bell is coursing the treble, and by these means he knows by his scales every course-end which should come up long before it comes up. Why, I did this the year after I rung my first peal. I lay in Loughborough churchyard, and took off three-parts of a peal of Caters and told my friend Arthur Aldham what the conductor had done, or rather *not* done, before the ringing ceased. Of course it makes all the difference when you know the trick. Major methods are as easy if not easier to 'take off,' the bobs usually affecting only two or three bells. Now, as to 'London.' The penciller can start from rounds with 4263857, the plain lead and 6423857 the bob. Now, if the bell which the treble takes off the lead runs out it is a bob lead 642. If she lays still in 2nds place, he pricks 426. Why, a blind man could do it! The greatest difficulty is its tediousness. A harder matter by far is to prick out the changes after the start, indiscriminately; and I submit that it would be a hundred-fold harder task to take off the six-ends of a five hundred of Stedman Triples out of the middle of say a thousand changes, than to take the treble-leads or course-ends of a ten thousand.

BILL."

It is to be feared that the possession of a most important physical qualification required for "taking-off," viz.:—a "quick ear," is what only one here and there has. I am supposed to be a fairly safe ringer in several methods, but never could I catch outside what was done inside in anything like the way the correspondent suggests.

A correspondent writes to say that there is another very good anecdote about his lordship of Brampton, when plain Mr. Hawkins. The story is to be found among some amusing reminiscences by the late Mr. Serjeant Robinson. Here it is:—

"The mention of Edwin James brings to mind a ludicrous incident—which happily failed to turn out a disastrous one—in which he and the present Mr. Justice Hawkins played a principal part. I was pulling up the river at Guildford, after mess, with my old friend, Richard Corner (afterwards Chief Justice of the Gold Coast, and subsequently transferred to Hopduras in the same capacity). We had rowed for a mile or two along the narrow stream, without meeting with a single human being, for on the one side there are trees bordering parks and fields attached to distant residences, and on the other an unfrequented foot-path. But on approaching a lock, we could perceive, standing erect on the middle of the lock-gates, two strange forms that somewhat startled us. We did not recognise them at first, but, on getting nearer,

we found that the figures represented our two learned friends above mentioned. The only clothing we could detect about them was a hat on the head of one, and a pair of boots in the hand of the other. As for James, he looked the colour of a recently boiled lobster, while the other, thin and spare, gave one the idea that he had been painted a pale blue. There they stood trembling with fear, while Corner and I were puzzled to guess what it all meant; for we had kept our heads turned to the right while nearing the lock, but, on a hint from the boots which pointed to the left, we turned round and the mystery was at once cleared up.

"On the pathway was a raging bull, digging his horns into the habiliments of our friends, tossing them in the air, and evidently annoyed that he could not treat the owners in the same fashion. It seems he had come rushing towards them as they were preparing to take a bath, and they had only just time to seize the first article of raiment that came to hand, and run upon the lock with all speed, to save them from the animal's fury.

"We were of course prepared to render the prisoners the help they beseechingly implored. Having the coign of vantage, for the banks shelved gradually, and the bull could not reach us in mid-stream, we managed after a time by shouts and by brandishing our oars to drive the beast away. When the reprieved captives saw that he was at a respectful distance, they came ashore, dressed themselves as well as they could in their tattered garments, and thanked us warmly for the service we had rendered them; and well they might, for had it not been for our providential appearance, and if the bull had been of a determined and obstinate frame of mind, they might have remained upon their perch, nude and upright, until the next morning. Afterwards, to show their gratitude, I remember they assisted us in carrying our light outrigger over the lock, for there was, of course, no lockman near; and then returned in a rather dilapidated condition to their lodgings, while we pursued our way towards Godalming.

"I have often shuddered since at the thought of what might have happened had the bull fulfilled his sanguinary intentions, in the first instance. Our friends could only have escaped his nefarious onslaught by rushing far into the river, and as the water was very deep near the lock, and I do not believe that either of them could swim, the result would have been the same; they might just as well have quietly waited to be dispatched by the enemy."

The Edwin James mentioned in this story was at one time a very eminent Queen's Counsel. I expect this fact has something to do with the appellation which has been affixed to a brother-string who was until recently Hon. Secretary of the late Old East Derbyshire Association, Mr. Edwin James, dubbed "the ex-Q.C." Brother James of the East Derbyshire ilk, was and is one of the right sort, who speaks his mind, and does not wear two faces under one hat. Would there were more like him in these respects.

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## Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## THE OXFORD TOUR, ETC.

SIR,—Since sending up the particulars of the peal of Stedman we rang at Heene on Monday last I have been informed that a peal of Stedman has been rung in 2 hrs. 24 mins. at Bath some time since. If this is so I am sorry any comment was made. With reference to the proposed Oxford tour referred to by "Plain Speaker" I may say the greater part of the arrangements are in the hands of the enthusiastic veteran, the Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Should he not favour you with a notice of same, I enclose names of places to be visited and dates during the week: Monday, September 26th, Hagbourne and Drayton; Tuesday, September 27, Appleton and Abingdon; Wednesday, September 28th, Kirtlington and Kidlington; Thursday, September 29th, Thame and Christ Church, Oxford; Friday, September 30th, Hughenden and High Wycombe; Saturday, October 1st, Great Marlow and Beaconsfield. The band includes the Revs. F. E. Robinson, C. W. O. Jenkyn, Messrs. W. W. Gifford, G. N. Price, H. P. Harman, W. H. Fussell, J. C. Truss, H. White, K. Hart, W. Bennett, H. Baker, and G. Williams.

## ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION.

SIR,—With reference to the complaint of a brother parson re the difficulty which undoubtedly exists in many country places in getting adequate elementary instruction in change-ringing, may I say what we have done in the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. One of our members has compiled a very useful little pamphlet on Grandsire Doubles. This has been published by the Association, and distributed free among all the towers of five bells or more which are unaffiliated to the Association. The result has been most encouraging. If your correspondent will send me his address I shall be pleased to send him a copy of our little book.

G. de Y. ALDRIDGE,

Master of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.  
Kingweston Rectory, Somerton, Somerset.

## INTERESTING HISTORY.

SIR,—Your correspondent Bob-caller is about right in his remarks, but as there is such a lot in this question outside the false peal business, I venture another few lines upon the subject.

In reference to Cox and Haley, names mentioned by Bob-caller, I should like to say, by what I have been told, and what I remember of them, that they were both up-to-date in their young days, and had Surprise ringing been fashionable in their day either of them would have been found equal to the task.

I have several times said in private, and will now say in public, that Harry Withers performed a very wonderful task in picking up and taking off the course-ends of the long peal of London Surprise as it was rung, and he must possess a quick and accurate ear to enable him to accomplish such a job.

I know in my first letter I mentioned false course-ends, but in this I will try to show Bob-caller there are other and larger points involved. In fact those Societies' books which do not give figures or other particulars of composition, do not really tell what has been done, but simply stop short where they should start with figures of peals rung.

## PART III.

SIR,—In my last I appealed to gentlemen concerned by the use of some curious and plain terms, which perhaps should have not been employed, but I will come to close quarters this time, and in order to illustrate my meaning more fully, let me ask a simple question that applies to any Society who do not give figures of composition with performance. I wish to put my question to the London County Association (late St. James's Society), as being the one London Society that is upheld by by nearly all members of the Ringing Exercise in London, and is therefore a representative Society. The question I respectfully ask the officers, Master and Secretary, is, will they please give

me the figures of a peal rang by that Society on March 21st, 1879. I of course know they cannot; while I also know they have a record of a performance of a peal of 5039 Grandsire Caters at St. Clements of that date. Now I am not going to question the record or the truth of the performance of the peal, nor the composition, but as these figures are not given its record in the peal-book is not perfect, being shorn of half the historical interest, viz., the figures. I do not blame neither past or present officers, but I do blame all members, and the system upon which the business is carried on. The Society's record is not perfect, as only a portion of its doings is recorded.

Now, Sir, what does Bob-caller say to this? The following is quite a different picture. Let us look at the pages of a little book dated 1877, by the late Jasper W. Snowdon and Robert Tuke, which gives particulars of that old peal-ringing Society—the Union Scholars—which flourished from 1713 to 1754. In this book all is clearly given, both peal performance and figures of composition, by Benjamin Annable, John Holt and others. Here then is a contrast, and had these celebrated ringers not given us their figures what could and would perhaps have been said no one knows. Anyhow these ancient records would not be half as valuable and instructive as they now are, and nearly two hundred years old. Probably these records would have been discredited entirely if figures were not given, whereas they stand out in bold relief now, and form most interesting history to present day ringers.

Sir, after this showing let us imagine fifty or one hundred years hence, and the critical remarks as to absence of composition figures in our records. I rather expect such remarks will be anything but complimentary.

H. DAINS.

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5184.

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23564 x -

43265 x -

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34256 - x

24536 - x

43526 - x

32546 - x

Repeated.

H. DAINS.

## Date Touches.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, August 14th, prior to Divine Service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples taken from Holt's Original in 1 hr. 6 mins. G. Edser, sen., G. Woodiss, F. J. Shepherd conductor, F. Edser, jun., W. Shepherd, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, R. J. Polley. Composed by Dr. A. B. Carpenter. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Elizabeth, late Dowager Countess of Wellington.

ANSTON (Yorks.)—On Tuesday, July 19th, a date touch, 1904 changes, in 1 hr. 1 min., being 704 of Oxford, and 720 each of City Delight and College Pleasure. R. Smith, H. Turner, S. Smith, H. Stenton, C. Flower conductor, W. Allwood.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CARDIFF.—On Thursday, August 11th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. T. Cox, W. B. Biss, H. Day, A. Rowley, G. Hardage, J. Clatterbuck, W. Coombes conductor, T. Northey. Rung as a farewell to T. Northey,

who is about leaving for America, the ringers wishing him every success and happiness. On Sunday, August 14th, 504 Grandsire Triples. T. Cox, L. Brooks, H. Day, F. Rowley conductor, A. Rowley, G. Hardage, W. Coombes, C. Oram. On Thursday, August 18th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. T. Cox, W. B. Biss, H. Day, W. Miller, F. Rowley conductor, G. Hardage, A. Rowley, C. Oram.

LLANDAFF.—On Sunday, August 14th, at the Cathedral, 720 Bob Minor. J. Pitcher, J. Harris, W. B. Biss conductor, F. Rowley, A. Rowley, J. Aldridge.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

TAUNTON (Somersetshire).—On Sunday evening, July 31st, for Divine Service at St. James's church, 504 Stedman Triples. H. J. Poole, W. J. Bowden, A. Doble, W. Cording, F. Millard, E. Maddock, J. Maddock conductor, W. Pearce.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WINCHESTER.—On Sunday, August 28th, at the Cathedral, 504 Stedman Triples. \*G. Noice, E. G. Lampard, W. Crute, W. Andrews, J. W. Elkins, C. Russell, W. C. Lampard (longest length as conductor in the method), D. Froome. \*Longest touch in the method.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday, August 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples taken from Holt's Original. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., A. Woodrow, G. Edser, jun., C. J. Hamblin, F. J. Shepherd conductor, J. Emery, R. J. Polley. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to Elizabeth, late Dowager Countess of Wellington.

GUILDFORD (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, August 28th, for Divine Service at the church of the Holy Trinity, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. B. Chorley, R. Wood, D. Hayward, T. Upshall, H. Harris, G. Gunner, C. Willshire conductor, A. Baigent.

ANDOVER (Hants).—On Saturday, August 27th, at St. Mary's church, 504 Grandsire Triples. W. Povey, T. Stevens, E. Mills, O. Smart, H. Smart, G. Samway, R. C. Mayo conductor, A. Barber. Also 350 standing as before.

#### SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

WOOD GREEN (Staffordshire).—On Sunday evening, August 28th, for Divine Service at St. Paul's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. O. Brown, A. H. Harber, J. Tyler, C. Tyler, A. Plant, E. J. Tyler, J. Malpass conductor, T. Cooper.

#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

MAIDENHEAD (Berks).—On Sunday, August 21st, at the church of All Saints, Boyn Hill, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins. J. Little, A. Walker, G. Martin, M. Smither, W. Walker, J. Eldridge, A. Hardage (first quarter-peal with a bob bell), H. Jones.

#### THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EWELL (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, August 14th, for Divine Service, 588 Stedman Triples. C. E. Read, J. Beams conductor, H. Pederick, E. T. Grove, S. Wilson, H. Greenhill, H. G. Beams, F. Lauer.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MARSKE-BY-THE-SEA.—On Tuesday, August 30th, 720 Bob Minor. C. J. Watson, A. McFarlane, S. Smith, T. Barber, J. H. Blakiston, W. Ward. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor with W. Ward on the treble, the rest as before.

SALTBURN-BY-THE-SEA.—On Wednesday, August 31st, 720 Bob Minor. C. J. Watson, W. Pollard, T. Barber, J. H. Blakiston, W. Loble, Hon. A. P. F. Erskine, W. Barber.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

CHATTERIS (Cambs).—On Sunday morning, August 7th, for Divine Service, five 6-scores of Bob Doubles each called differently in 20 mins. J. McGill, P. Smith, I. Moxon, G. Basham, H. Moxon. For Divine Service in the evening seven 6-scores of Bob Doubles in 27 mins. P. Smith, G. Basham, I. Moxon, A. Abrams, H. Moxon. On Sunday morning, August 21st, for Divine Service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, H. Moxon, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, G. Basham. On Sunday morning, August 28th, for Divine Service, four 6-scores of Bob Doubles. J. McGill, G. Basham, I. Moxon, D. Crashlay conductor, H. Moxon.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Thursday, September 8th, at the parish

church, of St. Michael, 224 Superlative Surprise Major. S. R. Roper, G. H. Sentance, A. B. Wiffen, E. Newman, H. E. Hammond, C. H. Howard, W. Steele, H. J. Collins. On Sunday, September 11th, 640 Double Norwich. F. Webb, C. H. Howard conductor, A. B. Wiffen, E. Newman, H. E. Hammond, S. R. Roper, W. Grimwade, H. J. Collins. On Monday, September 12th, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major. E. Newman conductor, C. H. Howard, F. Webb, H. E. Hammond, P. Holmes, S. R. Roper, G. H. Sentance, W. Steele.

BOOKING (Essex).—On Tuesday, September 6th, at the parish church, 1280 Kent Treble Bob Major. N. Smith, F. Radley, S. Sargent, G. H. Sentance, F. Warren, C. Bearman, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor.

ANSTON (Yorks).—On Sunday, July 21st, 360 Duke of York. F. Stenton, W. Platts, T. B. Kendall, R. Smith, S. Smith, H. Stenton. On Tuesday, August 2nd, 720 Duke of York. J. W. Moore, H. Turner, T. B. Kendall, R. Smith, C. Fowler conductor, H. Stenton. On Sunday, August 7th, 360 Violet, 360 New London, and 216 each of Oxford and Kent. J. W. Moore, H. Turner, T. B. Kendall conductor, R. Smith, C. Fowler, H. Stenton.

BECKENHAM (Kent).—On Thursday, August 4th, at the parish church, six 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles each called differently with 4-6-8 covering. F. Terry, T. P. Richards, A. B. Phelps, J. W. Saw, J. Town, H. Rust, W. Smith conductor, T. J. King. These bells have lately been recast, augmented to eight, and hung in a new iron frame by Warner, the "go" of them being very satisfactory.

DALTON-IN-FURNESS (Lancashire).—On Sunday evening, August 14th, for Divine Service, 720 College Single in 26 mins. T. R. Jackson, A. J. Nicholas, W. H. Dennison, T. Suart, J. Huddleston, J. Burrows.

GREAT TOTHAM (Essex).—On August 4th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. F. Newman, T. Hammond, H. Brown, P. Sayer, W. Chalk, E. C. Lambert conductor. And 720 Plain Bob. A. Brockis, F. Newman, H. Brown, P. Sayer, E. C. Lambert, T. Hammond conductor.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday evening, August 28th, for Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples in 18 mins. W. Peabody, H. Rawding, A. Burnham, R. Gee, F. Blood, J. Woolley conductor, T. Horton, A. J. Hobbs. Also 168 Grandsire Triples conducted by T. Horton, standing as before.

RAWTENSTALL (Lancashire).—On August 9th, at St. Mary's church, 720 Kent Treble Bob in 27 mins. T. Rollerson, \*G. H. Hargreaves, J. Rollerson conductor, T. Colliage, \*H. H. Shaw, A. Newman. \*First peal in the method. First peal in the method by a local company.

WAKEFIELD (Yorks).—On Sunday evening, July 31st, at the Cathedral for Divine Service, 791 Grandsire Caters. W. England, J. T. Eason, E. Andrews, G. Cheesebro, A. Scott conductor, F. Moorhouse, T. L. Moorhouse, E. J. Webb, T. H. Ormond, W. Peaker. On Wednesday, August 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. Scott, W. England, G. Cheesebro, J. T. Eason, T. L. Moorhouse, T. H. Ormond, F. Barker, F. Moorhouse.

WOODSTOCK (South Africa).—On Tuesday, July 5th, for practice, 336 Grandsire Triples. C. Coppens, J. Murray, J. Priest, H. G. Cock, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, F. P. Powell conductor. S. A. Davies. On Sunday evening, July 10th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor. C. Coppens, S. B. Davies, J. Priest, F. C. Oakes, H. G. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. On Tuesday, July 19th, on handbells, 120 Grandsire Doubles and 360 Bob Minor. Rev. R. G. Stafford, S. A. Davies, J. Priest, H. G. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. On Tuesday, July 26th, 720 Bob Minor. C. Coppens, S. A. Davies, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, H. G. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. On Sunday evening, July 31st, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor. C. Coppens, S. A. Davies, J. Priest, F. C. Oakes, H. G. Cock, F. P. Powell conductor. On Tuesday, August 2nd, 720 Bob Minor and several plain courses of Treble Bob Minor, being the first in Africa. S. A. Davies, H. G. Cock, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, J. Priest, F. P. Powell conductor. On Sunday morning, August 7th, for Divine Service, 336 Grandsire Triples. C. Coppens, J. Murray, H. Cock, J. Priest, F. P. Powell conductor, S. A. Davies. On Tuesday, August 9th, 720 Bob Minor. C. Coppens, S. A. Davies, J. Murray, F. Oakes, L. Green, F. P. Powell conductor.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1904.

THE Master of the Bath and Wells Association sends a  
letter this week in reply to our comment upon elementary  
instruction. We are pleased that what we had to say  
upon this subject has brought forth a reply. The  
pamphlet which is mentioned by our correspondent we  
have unfortunately not yet seen. We have no right, even  
from a mere technical point of view, to assert that a copy  
of such a publication should have reached us, but it  
appears strange that we should have not been apprised of  
its existence in some way or other. Nevertheless, every  
one must see that a small brochure of this kind must

shape for good, and the Association above-named is to be complimented for its enterprise in promoting such a publication.

That the ringing science is making headway no one doubts. It may be slow, but it is sure, and such booklets as the one under consideration adds not a little to the march of progress.

### ARLECDON PARISH CHURCH, CUMBERLAND.

On Friday evening week, an interesting function took place in the Arlecdon Sunday School, when an excellent supper was given to all the workmen employed at the church, together with the bellringers belonging to St. John's church, Cleator Moor, and the company that has been formed in the parish and is preparing for the dedication of the bells when the church has reached completion. It was also the occasion of the testing of the bells which have just been hung by Messrs. Taylor. The willing services of the Cleator Moor company were gladly given, and from about 6.30 p.m. until nearly 8 p.m. they rang to the delight and admiration of a large assembly of parishioners. Unfortunately the stormy night did not give the parishioners a good opportunity of hearing the bells, but the music was carried over Asby and the parishes of Dean and Lamplugh and beyond with great effect. The peal of eight bells is contributed by generous friends of the parish in accordance with Mrs. Higgins' wish that her stately tower should, if built, be suitably furnished. The tower and bells are now completed, and the whole edifice when finished will form a lovely and most beautiful specimen of church architecture.

After the ringing of the peal the ringers and workmen were entertained to supper. Mrs. Turner, of Rowrah Road, Rowrah, the caterer, was assisted at the tables by Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Forster, Mrs. Bowness, Miss Jones, Miss Tinnion, and Mrs. Wilson. The carving was efficiently performed by the Rev. Wm. Taylor, Vicar, and Mr. Wm. Key. The supper concluded, a concert was given, and was very much enjoyed. Mr. C. Hales, of Lamplugh, sang several songs and also officiated as accompanist on the piano. Other contributors were Messrs. Ray, Elliot, Green, Joyce and Cowley. A pleasant evening closed by the singing of the National Anthem.

On the following Sunday afternoon the visitors to this church from the parish and the surrounding districts were the most numerous ever known in one day. The day was fine, and all present seemed bent on seeing the new tower.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN,

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5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lbs.

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THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

REV. E. W. POYNTON* .. Treble.	THOMAS TAYLOR .. 5.
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FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 4.	ERNEST BRETT .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

\*First peal in the method.

### The Provinces.

#### STOCKTON-ON-TEES.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 27½ cwt. in D flat.

G. J. CLARKSON .. .. Treble.	HON. A. F. P. ERSKINE .. 6.
W. H. STEPHENSON .. .. 2.	E. C. HUNT .. .. 7.
F. P. HOWCROFT .. .. 3.	W. NEWTON .. .. 8.
J. BAXTER .. .. 4.	T. METCALFE .. .. 9.
A. M. C. FIELD .. .. 5.	T. STEPHENSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the late Henry JOHNSON, and

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This peal was attempted on the 11th January as a birthday compliment to G. J. Clarkson, and is now rung on the birthday of W. Newton.

#### WORTLEY, SHEFFIELD, YORKS.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN DRONFIELD .. .. Treble.	EDMUND ROBBINS .. 5.
ARTHUR J. SAXBY .. .. 2.	JOHN R. BREARLEY .. 6.
THOMAS W. MCKEGG .. 3.	DAVID BREARLEY .. 7.
REGGIE DYSON .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM HARRISON .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by DAVID BREARLEY

\*First peal of Treble Bob.

#### GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLoucester.

On Thursday, September 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. Treble.	JESSE GILLET .. .. 6.
HARRY LEWIS .. .. 2.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	SYDNEY M. LOXTON .. 8.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. 4.	ALFRED T. BRUNSDON .. 9.
FRANCIS J. LEWIS .. 5.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

#### HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

ERNEST MARRIOTT* .. Treble.	GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 5.
GEORGE HALKSORTH .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 6.
FREDERICK MERRISON* .. 3.	ALFRED NAYLOR .. 7.
TOM STOCKDALE .. .. 4.	JOHN W. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

\*First peal in the method.



## BISHOP AUCKLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 11½ cwt.

F. METCALFE* .. .. Treble.	J. BAXTER .. .. 5.
G. W. PEVERELL .. .. 2.	*HON. A. P. F. ERSKINE .. 6.
J. PALLISTER* .. .. 3.	H. PEVERELL .. .. 7.
M. DALBY* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. PORTER .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by J. BAXTER.

\*First peal in the method and first attempt. This peal was arranged for the Hon. A. P. F. Erskine.

## KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

MATTHIAS HOBBS* .. .. Treble.	DAVID J. NICHOLS .. .. 5.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE .. .. 2.	ROBERT F. TURNER .. .. 6.
FRED BRIDGMAN .. .. 3.	FREDERICK W. LAWFOOT .. 7.
MORRIS A. TURNER .. .. 4.	HERBERT J. JULIAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

\*First peal. This peal was arranged for Matthias Hobbs.

## EMBERTON, BUCKS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM MYNARD .. .. Treble.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. 4.
JOHN LOVELL .. .. 2.	FREDERICK J. BOOTH .. .. 5.
FREDERICK J. MYNARD .. 3.	FRANK WEBB .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

## BROMLEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWARD DUNN .. .. Treble.	THOMAS HARFORD .. .. 5.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. 2.	*GEORGE HUXLEY .. .. 6.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 3.	GEORGE DURLING .. .. 7.
ALBERT HUMPHREY† .. 4.	GEORGE SIMPSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE DURLING.

†First peal in the method. \*First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to the late Vicar (Rev. A. G. Hellicar), he having been Vicar nearly forty years, and who was interred that day.

## HERSHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE WOODISS .. .. Treble.	CHARLES E. READ .. .. 5.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. .. 2.	*CHARLES J. HAMBLIN .. 6.
ALFRED WOODROW* .. .. 3.	*JOHN EMERY .. .. 7.
FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 4.	†WILLIAM FREELAND .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

†First peal. \*First peal of Grandsire. Rung in honour of the conductor's twenty-first birthday.

## WHITTLESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt. in E flat.

THOMAS OLDFIELD .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. KING .. .. 5.
GEORGE SMITH .. .. 2.	ARTHUR NEAL .. .. 6.
FREDERICK J. BARHAM* .. 3.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. .. 7.
THOMAS H. AVELING .. 4.	JOHN BARRATT .. .. Tenor.
	GEORGE KEFFORD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by W. J. GOSS.

First peal by all except the ringer of the 3rd and the conductor. \*First peal.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs. in A flat.

CHARLES PRICE .. .. Treble.	HENRY W. WILDE .. .. 5.
GEORGE JONES .. .. 2.	HENRY DEW .. .. 6.
JOHN SCONCE .. .. 3.	FREDERICK T. SPENCE .. 7.
RICHARD T. HOLDING .. 4.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by F. T. SPENCE.

Messrs. Dew and Sconce hail from Chester; Holding from Crewe; Spence from Grappenhall; Price from Eccleston.

## FRIEZLAND, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Merchant's Delight, Duke of York, Violet,  
Woodbine, New London Pleasure, Oxford Delight and Oxford.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH W. SHAW .. .. Treble.	JAMES DICKEN .. .. 4.
JAMES E. CARTER .. .. 2.	JOSEPH WOOD .. .. 5.
B. COWLING .. .. 3.	JOHN T. DICKEN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH W. SHAW.

This peal was specially arranged for the 2nd and 3rd ringers, and the band wish to thank the local company for having everything in readiness.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5020 CHANGES.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. Treble.	*DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 2.	GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 3.	*JOHN FLINT .. .. 8.
THOMAS BETTISON* .. 4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 9.
SAM THOMAS .. .. 5.	*WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters. All are members of the Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.

## HAWLEY, HANTS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

BARZILLAI HAWKINS .. Treble.	THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 5.
JOHN J. JONES .. .. 2.	CONOB O'BRIEN .. .. 6.
FRANK S. POOLE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JAMES HUNT .. .. 4.	MAURICE STEER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

HERBERT C. LAWRENCE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 5.
FRED HOPPER .. .. 2.	SYDNEY SMITH .. .. 6.
HERBERT RAINBOW† .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROBERTS .. .. 7.
JOHN METHERELL .. .. 4.	FRED WILFORD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by E. J. GALE, and Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

†First peal in the method with a bob bell.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE .. .. Treble.	*SIDNEY S. C. SAKER .. .. 6.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 2.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. .. 7.
GEORGE GATLAND .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 8.
JOHN RICE* .. .. 4.	KEITH HART .. .. 9.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 5.	FREDERICK W. RICE.. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters. The figures of this composition are taken from "Stedman," page 90.

PUDSEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 16 cwt.

PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. Treble.	*JAMES W. BAXENDALE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BIRKS .. .. 2.	*JOHN W. CORDINGLEY .. .. 6.
TOM LATIMER .. .. 3.	*JOHN E. PROCTER .. .. 7.
SAMUEL WARD* .. .. 4.	†HARRY WARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by H. WARD.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal as conductor.

HERNHILL, NEAR FAVERSHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

EDWARD PANKHURST .. Treble.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. 5.
RICHARD STAINES .. .. 2.	GEORGE A. RANSOM.. .. 6.
FREDERICK G. GODDARD .. 3.	THOMAS READLE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. WALKER .. .. 4.	GEORGE WOOD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE ALFRED RANSOM.

TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSET.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN HOLMAN .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK SKUSE .. .. 5.
GEORGE TEMPLE .. .. 2.	CHARLES W. BELL .. .. 6.
ALFRED RICHARDSON .. .. 3.	THOMAS KING .. .. 7.
ALFRED C. MELHUISE .. 4.	*WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. Tenor.

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT.

\*First peal of Major as conductor. Rung to commemorate the restoration to health of the Rev. Presb. Stokes Shaw, Vicar.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS .. .. Treble.	HUBERT EDEN .. .. 5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 2.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	*EDWARD WHITBREAD .. 7.
FRANCIS A. SMITH .. .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

\*First peal in the method.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. 5.
ARTHUR FULLER .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM DUFFIELD.. .. 3.	ERNEST POLL .. .. 7.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

Handbell Peals.

ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.—THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

LEWIS L. WATSON .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 7-8.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by S. J. COLEMAN.

Umpire—O. Wiles. Rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lilley on the birth of a daughter. First peal as conductor from an inside pair of bells.

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT LEWISHAM RUNG ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27.—J. J. LAMB'S 100 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples, 9; Grandsire Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 28; Stedman Caters, 15; Kent Treble Bob Major, 12; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Oxford Treble Bob Royal, 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 17; Superlative Surprise Major, 11; New Cambridge Surprise Major, 3; London Surprise Major, 1. Total 100. Rung in five counties and thirty-four church towers. Also two false peals of Superlative Surprise Major.

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## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—A meeting for practice will be held at the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, to-day, Saturday, Sept. 17th. Bells available from 4 to 8 o'clock, after which a meeting for the transaction of any business that may arise and for social intercourse will be held at The Red Lion hotel, North Street. All members and friends of the Society will be heartily welcomed.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

"Frodingham," *Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

**The Yorkshire Association.**—The next meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, Sept. 17th, at Scarborough. Local *Hon. Sec.* Mr. H. Ferguson, 6, Langdale Road, Scarborough. Day and half-day excursions will be run from Leeds, N.E.R. at 6.40 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

J. W. HOLGATE, *Hon. Sec.*

21, Westover Road, Bramley, Leeds.

**The Bath and Wells Association.**—The Bridgwater branch meeting will be held at Wedmore, to-day, Saturday 17th. Service at 5 p.m. Tea at The George hotel, 5d. each.

A. J. SWEET.

Blake Street, Bridgwater.

**Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Next monthly meeting at Fittleton, to-day, Saturday, Sept. 17th, at 3 p.m.

REV. C. W. B. COBBE.

Ferndale, Devizes.

**The Archdeaconry of Salop.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Alkmunds, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, September 24th, 1904. Ringing at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Alkmund's church, at 5 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. Sinclair Moore, Vicar of Wellington. Tea at 6 p.m.

J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Radcliffe parish church, on Saturday, September 24th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at Clent, near Stourbridge, on Saturday, September 24th. The Rev. F. R. Lawson, Vicar, has kindly promised (if possible) to give an address at the service in church, at 5 p.m. prompt and preside over the business meeting afterwards. The tower and bells will be available.

JOHN SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—A special ringing meeting will be held at Swanwich, on Saturday, September 24th. All ringing friends invited.

T. ALLIBONE, *Sec.*

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 24th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. Richardson, Park Street, Uttoxeter, Staffs, not later than Wednesday, September 21st. Bells ready at 2.45, unveiling of peal tablet 4.30. Tea in the Town Hall at 5.30. Service at 6.45. Trains leave Stoke at 2.17 and 4.28 p.m.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24th, at Tong (6). Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Business meet-

ing will be held in the schoolroom at 6.30 p.m. Members specially invited to attend.

F. R. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**Kent County Association.**—Ashford District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Headcorn on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 24th. Tower open at 2.0. Committee meeting at 5.30. Tea at 6.0. Members intending to be present must send their names to me through the secretaries of their bands before the previous Thursday. Half railway fares, but not exceeding 2s., will be allowed to all members present at 6 o'clock.

Hythe. C. WILFRID BLAXLAND, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on Saturday, September 24th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4.0. Tea at 4.45, followed by general meeting in St. Helen's parish room. Tea 1s. 3d. each. Will those members who intend being present kindly inform Mr. G. Hatton, jun., Rifle Range Road, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, not later than first post on Thursday, 22nd inst.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

Cotgrave, Notts.

**The Essex Association.**—The Annual District Meeting of the North Western Division will be held at Bishops Stortford, on Saturday, September 24th, for the election of officers for the year 1905, and other business. The bells of St. Michael will be open to members and friends from 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting at The Boar's Head at 5.45. Tea to members 6d. each, who notify the same to me not later than Wednesday, September 21st, others 9d. each. Members whose subscriptions are not paid for the current year are earnestly requested to do so at this meeting.

HENRY J. TUCKER, *Dist. Sec.*

Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } *Hon. Secs.*

J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Clifton, Beds, on Saturday, October 1st, 1904, at 3 p.m.

A. RUST, } *Hon.*

I. HILLS, } *Secs.*

**The Royal Cumberland Society.**—On Monday, October 3rd, after the usual practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, a special meeting will be held at the Society's headquarters, Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, Strand. Very important business will be brought before the members, and all members are invited to attend.

A. JACOB, *Hon. Sec.*

10, St. Ann's Road, Hornsey, N.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of the above Association will be held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon, near Uxbridge. It is hoped that members will do their utmost to attend, and that they will be good enough to signify their intention to the hon. secretary, by whom early payment of outstanding subscriptions would be appreciated. The sermon will be preached by the Right Rev. F. E. Ridgway, Bishop of Kensington. Further particulars will be announced in due course.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The second annual Bohemian Concert will take place on Saturday, October 15th, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., commence at 8 punctual. Admission only by programme, 3d. to members, 6d. non-members, to be obtained previous of the officers and committee, Messrs. A. Jacob, C. F. Winney, T. Langdon (P), W. H. Matthews, R. A. Daniell, M. Woodcock, F. G. Perrin, T. Langdon, A. B. Peck, E. Wallage, H. Stubbs, R. Bevan, J. Pryer, E. C. Cox, and

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

"Frodingham," *Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

**Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—Owing to the recent death of the Vicar of Aysgarth, the proposed meeting there cannot be held. This is unfortunate, as the support promised from the branches at East Witton, Middleham and Richmond assured a successful meeting. The opening of the ring of 8 at Richmond, where 2 trebles have been added by Messrs. Warner and Son, is expected to take place in November, and I am authorised to state that the Richmond branch will be pleased to have a meeting there on that occasion.

G. J. CLARKSON, *Pres.*

Stockton-on-Tees.

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## NEWCASTLE &amp; DISTRICT.

A. Hern, b Miller	...	0
W. H. Brunsdon, b Miller	...	1
E. E. Ferry, b Miller	...	0
A. F. Hillier, c Hornby, b Hendy	10	
C. L. Routledge, b Miller	...	0
J. E. Keene, b Miller	...	0
J. Rowell, b Miller	...	12

E. A. Hern, c Hornby, b Hendy	2
M. Glass, b Miller ... ..	1
R. Brown, not out ... ..	0
Substitute, c Tait, b Hendy ...	3
Extras ... ..	9
Total ... ..	38

## CRAMLINGTON.

O. Simm, b Ferry	...	1
C. Hornby, b Ferry	...	0
J. Gibson, b Ferry	...	0
M. Thompson, b Ferry	...	0
R. Dixon, c Hillier, b Brown	...	5
S. Miller, c E. Hern, b Ferry	...	0
E. Hendy, b Ferry	...	5
J. Tait, b Brown	...	0
J. Doughty, not out	...	3
E. Diery, b Brunsdon	...	2
J. Riseborough, b Brown	...	2
Extras	...	3
Total	...	21

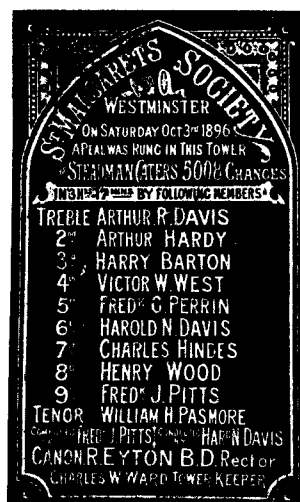
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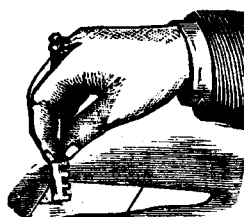
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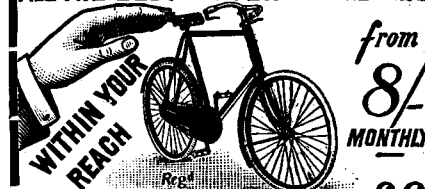
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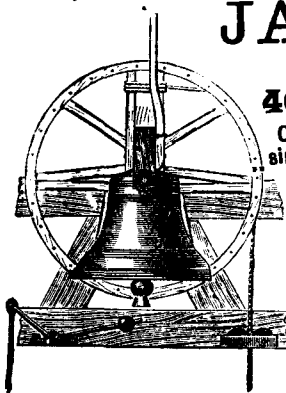
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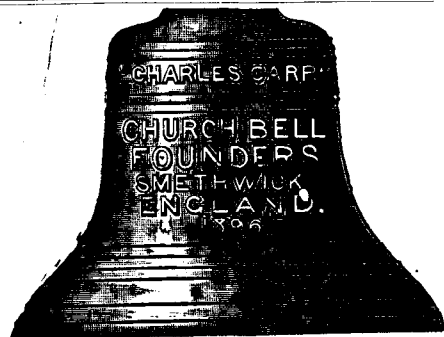
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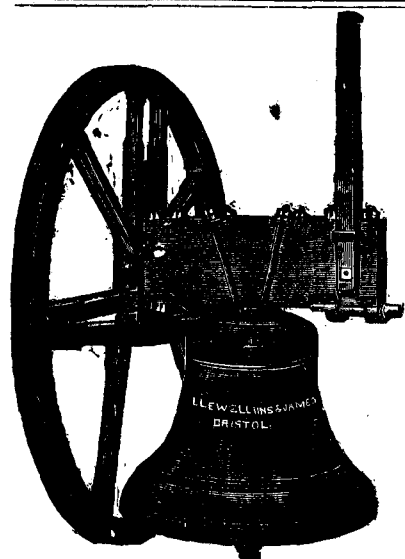
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### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

STOCKPORT (Cheshire). St. George. Lancashire Association. Ten bells; all by Mears, 1896. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1896, fair. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

St. Mary the Virgin. Chester Diocesan Guild. Ten bells; the two trebles and tenor by Taylor, 1897; the rest by Rudhall, 1817. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, 1897. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.25, and 6 to 6.25. Practice: Tuesday, 8; occasionally also Thursday. It is difficult to obtain the bells for a peal.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES (Durham). St. Thomas. Durham and Newcastle Association. Ten bells; treble and 2nd by Hodgson, 1696; 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th by Smith, 1714; the rest by Llewellyns, 1898. Tenor 27 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Llewellyns, 1898. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

STOKE-ON-TRENT (Staffordshire). St. Peter. Stoke Archidiaconal Association. Eight bells: all by Taylor, date not given. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Warner, 1895. Ropes new 1895, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 11, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: alternate Tuesdays. Rung also for service on Wednesday, 7 to 7.30 p.m.

### BLACKPOOL.

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## WORKINGTON TO HAVE A FULL PEAL OF BELLS.

[From *The Cumberland Times*.]

A public meeting was held in the class-room at St. Michael's parish room, Workington, on a recent Wednesday night, to consider a proposal to increase the number of the church bells (now six), to eight, and other schemes for the improvement of the interior of the church.

The Rector (Rev. H. E. Campbell), who presided over a representative gathering, explained how the question of completing the peal of bells had arisen at the Easter vestry on a letter from the Secretary to the bellringers, who had been particularly successful in the county contests, having won three times, and being the present holders of the challenge shield. Almost all peals were peals of eight, and a parish much smaller than Workington, with only six, was making an effort to complete its peal. The Workington bellringers felt they were left in a position of inferiority, and they backed up their proposal by offering to give £5 towards the cost of two new bells. Others had been good enough to offer subscriptions, showing that if it was undertaken, a good many people would be ready to support it. At the vestry meeting a resolution was passed that this meeting be called to consider the question of completing the bells and other wants of the church. The church officers thought the most urgent and necessary wants of the church were the improvement of the lighting and ventilation. In 1904 £77 12s. was spent on the bells. It was thought then that it would be well to increase the peal to eight, and at that time it could have been done much cheaper than it could be now. Messrs. Taylor estimated two additional smaller bells to cost £93 11s. 3d., or a treble and a large tenor bell, to make a finer peal, £218. Messrs. Taylor advised them to wait if there was a likelihood of their being able to go in for the bigger scheme in two or three years' time. What was then anticipated had not come to pass. They had the six bells still, and the larger scheme had not been thought of; and he did not suppose they were now in a position to recommend it. He had written Messrs. Taylor to see if their estimates held good still, but they replied that there had been a very considerable increase in the price of metals, and therefore the price would be higher per cwt. for bells. The present rate for bells was six guineas per cwt., as compared with £4 15s. in 1904, the lowest ever known. If they went in for the larger scheme it would involve the alteration of one of the present bells and an expenditure of £250, whilst the addition of two small bells would perhaps cost £120.

Mr. J. A. Smith said they had received without asking, offers of £36 towards the bell scheme, and he was almost sure of £10 more, and it was not too much to expect that that they would get twice as much with a little courage. He had every confidence in saying that they would be able to raise the £120 by a little effort, without either a bazaar or any other of those schemes they had usually to organise to raise money for church work. It would be a pity to allow the scheme to fall through with practically a third of the money promised. He would also be very

pleased to see the lighting of the church improved, which was perhaps of more urgent necessity than the bells. But the lighting might be made more a congregational effort, and the money raised in smaller sums, or in another way.

Mr. O. Kirk said the matter of the bells was a matter concerning the honour of the town. Much smaller towns in Cumberland had peals of eight, and one of the most important towns in the county should not lag behind. It was not a question for the congregation only, but for the whole of the town. The improvement of the lighting was a question of economy, and he would call it a self-supporting scheme. He knew that the intense heat in the church with the gas full on had been the cause of great inconvenience to the congregation. He thought St. Michael's could produce the biggest number of fainting fits of any church he knew. He proposed that the smaller bell scheme and the lighting improvement be carried out together.

Mr. Sanderson explained that the addition of the two smaller bells would make the Workington peal correspond exactly with that at Aspatria.

Mr. G. H. Wilkinson seconded the motion, and said there were many Nonconformists in the town who were ready to contribute to the bell fund.

The chairman said if that was so, they ought to keep the bell fund and the lighting fund separate.

Mr. J. Sumpter regarded the lighting, ventilation, the decoration of the walls of the church—last touched fourteen years ago, and the varnishing of the seats, as the most pressing needs, and proposed that they be attended to. He was not against the bell scheme; he had assisted to gather subscriptions before, but he thought it might wait a little longer. The bells answered their purpose very well, and they had a good set of ringers who got all the music out of them that was possible. The bells were all that could be desired.

Mr. Smith doubted that the money promised for the bells would be given to the other improvements.

Mr. J. McAvoy said they had been told to wait a little longer. They had waited ten years, and if they left the bell scheme over now, it would be probably ten or twenty years before they had another chance. There were only Cleator Moor and Workington of any size in Cumberland with six bells. Egremont had gone in for eight, and Arlecdon had had eight opened the previous week.

The original motion in favour of bell and lighting schemes was eventually put to the meeting, and adopted by seventeen votes against nine amid applause.

A strong committee was appointed to gather subscriptions, and a vote of thanks to the Rector concluded the proceedings.

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### THE TOWER OF WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

A circular has been issued in aid of the fund for restoring the tower of Waltham Abbey. The restoration committee say:—

"For several years past the upper portion of the tower of our venerable Abbey Church has been in a most dilapidated and dangerous condition. The four sides require to be refaced and the parapet rebuilt.

"It is proposed, if sufficient money can be raised, to improve the parapet by making it battlemented, and adding low square turrets at the angles, so that it may correspond, as far as possible, with the original design of 1558. The Architect also recommends that a two-light window be inserted in each face of the bell-chamber in place of the single light now existing.

"Estimates have been received for the work, and the lowest tender shows that it will involve an expenditure of about £2100. In response to an appeal addressed to the parishioners and friends, donations and promises to the amount of £1550 have been received, so that the sum of £550 has yet to be raised, and it is most urgent that this sum should be made up as soon as possible, that the work of restoration may be taken in hand before the approach of winter.

"It may be mentioned that the tower was erected in 1556-58, out of the ruins of the central tower, which collapsed after the dissolution of the Monastery in 1540, when the choir or presbytery of Harold's stately edifice was destroyed. It has served as a buttress for 350 years past, as shortly after the loss of the eastern portion the church gave a lurch to the west, and in all probability would have fallen to the ground had it not been supported by this massive structure. Thus it has been the means of preserving the only remaining fragment of Harold's work, which, architecturally and historically, is so deeply interesting, and which is undoubtedly one of the earliest and finest specimens of Norman Art in the Kingdom.

"As the parishioners have done their utmost in contributing to the fund for the repair and improvement of this portion of their grand old Abbey Church, which is indeed a national monument, the Committee venture to appeal to the public in general and to lovers of Archæology in particular for assistance in this important work.

"Donations will be gladly received by the Treasurer or Secretaries. Cheques should be made payable to 'The Waltham Abbey Church Tower Fund, and crossed 'The London Joint Stock Bank, Ltd., Waltham Abbey Branch."

The various ringing Guilds are respectfully invited to aid in this movement. Any ringer's contribution, however small, will be thankfully received by William A. Alps, of Waltham Abbey, and acknowledged in this paper.

### NOTE TO PEAL.

MR. DAVID BREARLEY'S 100 PEALS.—In seven Treble Bob Minor methods 11, conducted 1; Grandsire Triples, 2; Caters, 1; Stedman Triples, 2; Caters, 2; Bob Major 28, conducted 21; Royal, 1; College Single Major 3, conducted 3; Double Norwich Major, 4; Kent Treble Bob Major 28, conducted 7; Royal, 4; Maximus, 3; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 2; Royal, 2; Superlative Surprise, 2; Yorkshire Surprise, 3; Peterborough Surprise, 1; London Surprise, 1. Total—100; conducted 32. One of the Bob Major peals was on handbells and one a length of 10,464.

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## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A District Meeting was held on Monday, September 19th, at Chippenham, Cambs., when ringers from Ely, Newmarket and Chippenham attended, and some touches in various methods were rung on the bells, which are a first-rate ring of six, and whose "go" leaves nothing to be desired. The Treasurer, the Rev. K. H. Smith, of Ely, took the chair at a business meeting and meat tea held afterwards at The Thorpe Arms, in the unavoidable absence of the newly-appointed Secretary, the Rev. E. Twells, of Hinxton Vicarage, Cambridge.

This Association makes some but slow progress. Within a radius of ten miles of Chippenham are several fine rings of bells, and it may fairly be supposed that there are some ringers in each of these parishes who on occasions would be ready enough to pull the ropes and sound the bells for profit. None of these parishes however contribute one single man to the ranks of the Association, and it is only fair to say that if the cause is ever lost in the diocese of Ely—which is much to be deprecated—it will be the result entirely of the stolid apathy of the ringers themselves. There is no earthly reason why the diocese of Ely should not rival the sister diocese of Norwich, which is an admirable and most profitable object lesson in the annals of Campanology.

## BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.

The parish church of St. Mary, Bletchley, was the scene of an unusual and somewhat touching ceremony on Saturday afternoon, September 10th. This was the unveiling and dedication of a marble tablet to the memory of Mrs. Bennitt, wife of the Rev. W. Bennitt, M.A., Rector of Bletchley, whose lamented death took place on November 2nd last year. The tablet is of white marble; and it has been fixed upon the wall at the right hand (south) side of the chancel. A peculiarity about it is that the tablet is not only a memorial of the late Mrs. Bennitt, but is a record of the fact that a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells of the church in memory of Mrs. Bennitt on February 13th last. The double record is to be explained by the fact that the movement for the erection of the tablet was initiated by the bellringers, and also that it was at the request of the deceased lady that the peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on the bells of the church for which she had done so much, and which she loved so well. The full inscription is as follows:—

"To the Glory of God, and in loving memory of Gertrude, wife of the Rev. William Bennitt, Rector of this Parish, who died on the 2nd of November, 1903. This tablet has been erected by the parishoners to commemorate a peal of Grandsire Triples, of 5040 changes, rung on February 13th, 1904, by Fred. Sear, Ernest J. Gale, Harry Sear, Walter Sear, James George, Chas. W. Clarke, Richard Nichols and Valentine Sear, "Fred. Meager, and George Cook, churchwardens; James Cook, P. B. Giles, and J. French, sidesmen."

The special dedication service was held in the church at 4.30, and a fairly large congregation, among whom were the Rector and his family, assembled. The Rev. A. C. Webber conducted the first part of the service, and the full choir attended. The special Psalms were the xxiii. and xlvii., and after the prayers the hymn "Lead, kindly Light," was sung.

The Rev. M. B. Nepean, Rural Dean, standing in the chancel near the altar, then delivered the dedicatory

address. He said they were met together that afternoon to dedicate a tablet in memorial of a dearly beloved friend. It was only right and fitting that whatever was placed within the walls of a church should be dedicated to God's honour and glory; and there were many memorial tablets, such as this he was now about to unveil, in different churches recording the good deeds of those who had been taken away. These tablets were so placed as to be a lesson to them, and to be sources of instruction, and thankfulness, and encouragement, and to remind them that they must look to God for strength to do, even as they who had gone before had done, their duty in that state of life to which they were called. When they thought of her who departed this life in peace after many years of faithful service among them, it was no wonder that it should have occurred to some members of that congregation to make some record of the good life spent among them by their departed friend, and that this record should find expression in the memorial tablet they were met to dedicate. It was the constant aim and effort of their friend to do her duty in this parish, in carrying comfort to the sick and suffering, and consolation to those about to depart this life; and also in this parish church there was nothing too much for her to do to beautify it and make it a beautiful place of worship. It was surely then a proper thing for them to put up, within the church for which she had done so much, this tablet to her memory. It would be (as he had said) a stimulus to them to follow her example in doing their utmost in beautifying God's House to God's honour and glory. By erecting this tablet they also showed that they appreciated and valued the work which their departed friend had done for the good of the parish, and that they recognised that it was by the help of God's Holy Spirit that she was enabled so faithfully to carry words and tokens of comfort and sympathy to the sick and afflicted. Therefore he now (withdrawing the covering from it as he spoke) uncovered this tablet; and he did declare it dedicated to the honour and glory of God—in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

After the prayers following the address, hymn No. 437, "For all the saints who from their labours rest," was sung, and the Rural Dean then pronounced the Benediction.

Also on Saturday afternoon an inscription was placed in the belfry recording the fact that on the 13th February this year the ringers above-named (members of the Bedfordshire Association) rang a peal of Grandsire Triples in Mrs. Bennitt's memory.

"TOO VIOLENT AN EXERCISE," BRIGHTON.—Such is the reply to a lynx-eyed scribe who wrote to Mr. E. C. Merritt, of Brighton, enquiring if he was the individual amongst others mentioned in the local weekly press as a possible starter in the Brighton Railway Walk. However, sometime ago this worthy brother-string, of Brighton, gave the writer a fair idea of his mobile powers during a day's (*utile dulci*) archæological tour of the City, including a ring at Lambeth Parish church. One would have enjoyed (had circumstances permitted) a visit in his company to Dublin's fair city last month. A.J.J.G.

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## AN OLD ADDRESS TO RINGERS.

[From *The Oxford Diocesan Magazine*.]

*The composition and autograph of the Rev. John Hopkins, B.D.,  
Vicar of Cropredy, 1758—1785.*

Having observed a fire burning in the Bell-fry after Bell-ringing on Monday Morn last, I think it very proper for me to offer a word or two in this place upon the occasion. For as the offence was committed within the walls of the Church, surely it must seem very right & fit to take notice of it within the walls of the Church also. Indeed I think it my duty so to do. My design in what I have to say is not to mark the offenders, but the offence only, to shew plainly and calmly the nature & indecency of it, & to prevent if I can the like being committed for the future. I am willing to believe that the persons who have been guilty of this offence have done it unthinkingly without being aware of the nature and consequences of it. This proper therefore for me to give them right notions of it wch I shall accordingly endeavour to do in a few words. Now not to mention what danger there may be of setting fire to this our House of God one time or other, if the liberty of making fires in the Bell-fry be allowed: I wd beg the persons who have [been] *sic* guilty of this offence to consider whether they can after due reflection acquit themselves of great irreverence towards the Temple of the Lord in thus defiling it wth fire smoke and filth? Are not we commanded to reverence God's Sanctuary? Is it then shewing any reverence towards it, to make a chimney of the walls of it? The House of God is in every part of it Sacred, & dedicated & set apart for religious purposes. The very Bells were erected in the Tower for the purpose of calling together the Parishioners to the worship of Almighty God, & other religious uses: & are expressly forbid by the Canons of our Church to be rung upon other occasions without the Consent of the Minister & Churchwardens. Ought Persons then to think the Bells were placed there merely for their sport & diversion to make noise & disturbance wth them what & when they please? Ought the Bell-fry to be at liberty for persons to enter without any leave at all, and commit what disorders they think fit? Ought it at any time or upon any occasion [to] *sic* be Suffered to be a place for revelling & riot for the burning of fires or discharging of fire-works? Surely my Brethren, These things ought not so to be. I have endeavoured to correct these abuses by some private remonstrances & admonitions, but so far have they been (I am sorry to observe) from having their intended effect, that greater liberties seem to have been taken since my private notices than before. I now think myself therefore under a necessity of speaking my Sentiments publicly & freely in the Church. This is all I can do, & this is what I think I am in duty bound to do. If any shd be offended at my so doing, I am sure they are unreasonably offended: & therefore their anger or displeasure I shall have very little reason to regard. I shd think it a neglect of duty in me as a Minister of God in this place to pass over in Silence any indecencies I see committed within the walls of his House. My only motive for speaking is to correct abuses, not to gratify a present Humour, or to offend or vex any persons whatsoever, as some may falsely imagine. For I declare my Heart's desire is not only to be at peace with you all, but also to see peace, good order & good government kept amongst you all. If what I have said shd be any way effectual to that purpose, I shall have my end, & indeed shall heartily rejoice at it. But if not I have the satisfaction at least to reflect that I have done

my duty & shall leave others to do theirs: & therefore I have only one more thing to add wch is this: to recommend the Correction & reformation of any future abuses to the consideration of the Churchwardens who are by duty & oath bound to take care that all things relative to the Church be done decently & in order, & to present such things & persons as are presentable by our Ecclesiastical Laws.

The writer is thus described on his monument in the north aisle of Cropredy Church:—

"Sacred to the memory of the Rev. John Hopkins, B.D., Vicar of this Parish more than twenty-six years and formerly Fellow of Pembroke College. He died on the 25th March, 1785, aged 69, and was greatly esteemed as an orthodox Divine, a sound Scholar, and an honest man."

## Obituary.

## FREDERICK G. ATTENBOROUGH.

The St. Paul's (Burton-on-Trent) company have to mourn the loss of this well-known member, who died on September 5th, after an illness of nine months' duration, at the early age of 31 years. Always an enthusiastic lover of bells and bellringing Mr. Attenborough, on settling in Burton half a dozen years ago, at once identified himself with the St. Paul's Society, and took part in a number of peals in the methods of Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and New Cumberland Surprise. He was a regular attendant at meetings of the Midland Counties Association, and up to the time of his death held the office of hon. secretary for the Burton district, the duties of which office he carried out, as long as his health would allow him, with characteristic method and accuracy. His brother-ringers to the number of nine attended the funeral, acting as bearers, and afterwards met at the belfry, where a half-muffled peal of Stedman Triples, particulars of which will be found elsewhere, was rung as a last tribute of respect to a sound and painstaking ringer, and a highly esteemed and respected comrade. W.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## INTERESTING AND HISTORICAL.

SIR,—In my reference to the London County, late St. James's Society, I only alluded to the matter of retaining composition figures, etc., as otherwise this Society is one of the best conducted, and carried on in a most honest and straightforward manner.

Quoting a work which gives the figures of the peals rang by the Union Scholars I of course alluded to the Union Scholars' peal book, by the late Jasper W. Snowdon and Robert Tuke, and published in the year 1877. This is a very interesting book. If out of print I really do not know, but it will repay a perusal by anyone who likes to know the doings of years gone by.

## PART IV.

While writing my last letter a thought occurred to me to visit the British Museum just for a glance at the late Benjamin Annable's note book, and not having anything better to do just now I went there last Thursday and spent several hours perusing the pages of this ancient ms.

The first figures that caught my eye were College Triples, with a note by B. A.—"This peal was rang in 1727 by College Youths at St. Olave's, Southwark," and I find upon reference to the tabular list of performances of College Youths in Banister's book this note is correct. The next find is, I think, still more interesting, for amongst nearly forty various Minor methods of Treble Bob, Delights, Pleasures, Fancies, Dreams, Exercises and Surprises I discovered a splendid method under the head-

ing of Norwich Treble Bob. I could not remove my gaze from this for some time, although I have often wondered how it was that Norwich was never represented by any method except the celebrated Court! Well, Sir, I of course copied this method out, and here, with your usual kindness and permission, will present it to your readers for perusal and comparison:—

NORWICH TREBLE BOB.

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234165  
  
324615  
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326415  
234651  
  
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245361  
423516  
  
243156  
421365  
423156  
241365  
  
214356  
123465  
213456  
124365

Plain 142635 Lead

Bob 142356 Lead

The calling for this method is for a 6-score, 12 or 18-score, or a 720 exactly the same as Oxford or Kent Treble Bob Minor.

Now, Sir, I have given the method as Norwich Treble Bob just as it is given in Annable's note-book, but of course it will easily be noticed that it is a Surprise method, and is therefore Norwich Surprise Minor. It will also be noticed that it is built upon the lengthening lead plan, and in my opinion it is the only Minor Surprise method so constituted.

This, Sir, is an old method, as Annable died in about 1756, or thirty-two years before the *Clavis* was published, a wonderful suggestive and significant fact, and for this and other reasons I should like to ask Mr. Bolland, of Tong, Yorkshire, or any other member of the Exercise, if this method is known by another name. I may make a mistake, but don't think so, in saying I have never seen this method previously, and further, it looks very much like the method that suggested Superlative Surprise.

To those who would like to know, this note-book by Annable must be about 150 years old. It was lost, at least to the public, from about 1756 till about 1876, when the late Rev. H. T. Ella-combe, Rector of Clyst St. George, Devonshire, picked it up on a London bookstall, and bequeathed it to the British Museum. The book contains the rev. gentleman's autograph. He gave it to the late Jasper Snowdon for his life-time, who while in possession of this book picked out a quantity of interesting matter, which was published in *Church Bells* about January, 1877, and which those who wish to go further into the matter should consult.

Those wishing to consult the note-book itself should ask for the number 33357, as it is not yet in the catalogue. H. DAINS.

Date Touches.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTH WINGFIELD (Derbyshire).—On Saturday, August 13th, at

the parish church, a date touch of Bob Major in 1 hr. 10 mins. T. Allibone, B. Fletcher, H. Day, E. Butler, F. H. Kay, T. Clough. W. Hopkinson, sen., W. Butler conductor.

ORMSKIRK (Lancashire).—On Tuesday, August 9th, at the parish church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 5 mins. \*T. Taylor, \*J. Sholicar conductor, \*J. Pilkington, H. J. Ellis, R. Coombes, \*G. Prescott, J. R. Read, \*P. Harvey. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Florence Emma Goodacre, "The Park," Ormskirk, and Mr. Wilson Robinson, of Manchester. \*Members of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

Miscellaneous.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CANTERBURY.—On Saturday, August 20th, at St. Stephen's, Hackington, an attempt was made for Thurstan's one-part peal of Stedman Triples, but was lost owing to a change-course after ringing 2 hrs. 40 mins. H. Barton, C. W. Brett, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, F. G. Brett, F. Wilford, H. G. Fairbrass, P. H. Pierce conductor, E. Foreman.

MARGATE.—On Sunday evening, August 21st, for Divine Service at the church of St. John the Divine, 630 Grandsire Triples. A. Smith, W. Trusler, W. Jones, F. Wilford conductor, A. Taylor, E. Burgess, A. H. Saxby, H. Lade.

DOVER.—On Wednesday, August 24th, at St. Mary's church, an attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples came to grief after ringing 2520 changes in 1 hr. 20 mins. H. Barton, R. H. Jenkins, C. Milway, H. G. Fairbrass, F. Wilford, E. E. Foreman, P. H. Pierce conductor, H. G. Castle.

GREWICH.—On Sunday evening, August 28th, for Divine Service at the church of St. Alphege, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major in 52 mins. H. Hoskins, W. Foreman, J. J. Lamb, Sergeant A. Pye, I. G. Shade, H. Flanders, W. Berry, F. Wilford conductor.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORTH SHIELDS.—On Sunday evening, August 7th, for Divine Service, 1260 Stedman Triples, taken from Carter's Odd-Bob. A. Tully, R. Hogg, E. Hern, T. Teasdale conductor, T. Hogg, J. Hern, G. W. Dix, A. Lawson. On Wednesday, August 17th, an attempt was made for Thurstan's four-part peal of Stedman Triples which came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 13 mins. owing to a change-course. A. Tully, R. Hogg, J. Johnstone, T. Teasdale conductor, T. Hogg, J. Hern, E. Hern, A. Lawson. On a recent Sunday 1280 Oxford Treble Bob Major. A. Lawson, R. Hogg, E. Hern, — Short, T. Hogg, J. Hern, G. W. Dix, T. Teasdale.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Sunday morning, September 18th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 1024 Oxford Treble Bob. F. Webb, C. H. Howard conductor, E. Newman, H. E. Hammond, P. Holmes, S. R. Roper, G. H. Sentance, A. B. Wiffen.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Tuesday, August 30th, for practice, 1260 Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., A. Woodrow, F. J. Shepherd, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, G. Woodiss conductor, R. J. Polley. On Sunday evening, September 4th, for Divine Service, the same quarter-peal in 39 mins. W. Freeland, W. Shepherd, A. Woodrow, J. Emery, G. Woodiss conductor, C. J. Hamblin, F. J. Shepherd, R. J. Polley.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Monday, September 5th, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 52 mins. A. Coleman, A. Dubber, †H. O. White, J. Coales, A. Newman, J. B. Fenton, \*F. Sear conductor, A. J. Hessian. Composed by J. George. †First quarter-peal with a bob bell. \*First quarter-peal as conductor. On Sunday morning, September 18th, for Divine Service, 504 Stedman Triples. W. Pye conductor, A. Dubber, A. J. Hessian, A. Newman, J. B. Fenton, J. George, E. Pye, A. Coleman. For Divine Service in the evening, 560 Bob Major. J. Coales, A. Dubber, E. Pye, J. George, A. Newman, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, W. Pye conductor. Also at 19, William Street, on handbells, 252 Stedman Triples. A. J. Hessian, W. Pye conductor, E. Pye, J. George.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1904.

THE brief report which is given elsewhere, of a district  
meeting of the Ely Diocesan Association, refers in incisive  
phraseology to the "stolid apathy" exhibited by the  
ringers in Association matters particularly, and ringing  
concerns generally. The writer of this report is a gentle-  
man who has worked very hard indeed to extend the  
practice of the Art in what may be called the flat portions  
of East Anglia, but his endeavours have not met with  
that success which he had considerable reason to expect.  
Hence we find him vexed and annoyed to see that the  
meeting in question was but sparsely attended, and he  
indulges in a reasonable supposition that some of the  
ringers absent from this meeting would have attended for  
pay. Such conduct is leading men to the opinion that people  
like these are out of place among ringers, and that more  
care will be necessary in future in granting admission  
to the belfry.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HENRY DAINS .. .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
ARTHUR JACOB .. .. 2.	THOMAS CARD .. .. 6.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE PAICE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by WILLIAM WARD.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DEPTFORD,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDERICK THORNTON .. Treble.	FREDERICK FRENCH .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PERRIN .. .. 2.	*ERNEST BRETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE .. 3.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 7.
ARTHUR HARDY .. .. 4.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

\*First peal of Major in the method.

### The Provinces.

#### BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, September 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM J. SMITH .. .. Treble.	GEORGE ROBINSON .. .. 5.
EDWARD I. STONE .. .. 2.	LEONARD BULLOCK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY .. .. 3.	HARRY WAKLEY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH GRIFFIN .. .. 4.	JOSEPH SLADE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Frederick G. Attenborough, an esteemed member of the St. Paul's society.

#### MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN HENRY PAULSON .. Treble.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. .. 2.	SAM THOMAS .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 7.
DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

First peal on the bells; a grand ring by Mears and Stainbank.

#### WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

SAM THOMAS .. .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. .. 2.	*BENJAMIN GREATORREX .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	*CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 7.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. This is D. Brearley's 100th peal.

#### ASHOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. 10 lbs.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Treble.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. 5.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 2.	GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. 6.
SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
EDWIN H. LEWIS .. .. 4.	ROBERT M. BLACKWALL .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal of Triples on the bells.

#### DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

HENRY GEORGE .. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. 5.
SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 2.	*BENJAMIN GREATORREX .. 6.
EDWIN H. LEWIS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
CHARLES DRAPER .. .. 4.	ROBERT M. BLACKWALL .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells.

#### SHEPshed, LEICESTERSHIRE.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. .. 2.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR CRAVEN .. .. 7.
JOHN HOLMAN* .. .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\*First peal in the method with a bob bell. First peal in the method on the bells.

#### BISHOPS STORTFORD HERTS.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 14, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. Treble.	GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 5.
JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. 6.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 7.
THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 4.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the brothers Prior. It was intended to have rung Cambridge Surprise, but meeting one short the above was rung instead.

#### QUEDGELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

CECIL T. H. BOXWELL* .. Treble.	SYDNEY M. LOXTON .. .. 5.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 6.
GEORGE CONDLICK, SEN. .. 3.	JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 7.
JESSE GILLET .. .. 4.	ALFRED WARD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by T. NEWMAN.

\*First peal.

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## REDENHALL, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. Treble.	OLIVER BROCK .. .. 5.
GEORGE SYMONDS .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
ERNEST POPPY .. .. 3.	JAMES BETTS .. .. 7.
WALTER MOBBS * .. .. 4.	JAMES SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\*First peal in the method.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 32 cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 7.
ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 8.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. .. 3.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 9.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 4.	EDGAR PEMBERTON .. .. 10.
NATHAN J. PITSTOW .. .. 5.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 11.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 6.	ALBERT E. DURRANT .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

This peal was arranged to oblige Mr. Pitstow, and also to celebrate the respective birthdays of Messrs. Brundle, J. Motts and Evans.

## COGGESHALL, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt. in F.

RICHARD POTTER .. .. Treble.	JOHN SADLER .. .. 5.
WALTER SADLER* .. .. 2.	FRED RUDKIN .. .. 6.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM .. 3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH .. 7.
JAMES NEWMAN .. .. 4.	DAVID ELLIOTT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

\*First peal.

## SKIRBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 6-scores each of Dream, Lincolnshire Singles, St. Dunstan, Hudibras, Grandsire, Earl Soham Delight, Primrose, April Day, Old Doubles; also six 6-scores of Plain Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt.

J. COLMAN .. .. Treble.	H. PALMER .. .. 4.
J. HEADGOOSE .. .. 2.	A. GALE .. .. Tenor.
A. PALMER .. .. 3.	J. KIRK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. PALMER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Headgoose, who celebrated his twenty-first birthday the day before.

## BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE NORTH  
WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qrs.

HERBERT JONES* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM SCONCE .. .. 5.
THOS. E. CHAMBERLAIN .. 2.	*EDWARD H. GRIFFITHS .. 6.
WILLIAM SHORT* .. .. 3.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. 7.
JOHN SCONCE .. .. 4.	HENRY DEW .. .. Tenor.

Composed by S. MARSH, of West Bromwich, and  
Conducted by JAMES MORGAN.

\*First peal.

## KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Sunday, September 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HENRY HODGETTS .. .. Treble.	HARRY R. PASMORE .. .. 5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 2.	ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
FREDK. W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and  
Conducted by HARRY R. PASMORE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 18, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN RICE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK .. 5.
GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 2.	*ALBERT FEIST .. .. 6.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 3.	FREDERICK W. RICE .. .. 7.
HENRY RICHARDSON* .. 4.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\*First peal of Major. First peal in the method on the bells.

## THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob; and 360 of Double Court and Grandsire.

CHARLES ROSE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES NUNN .. .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	HARRY SYMONDS .. .. 5.
ALPHAUS BERRY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROSE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

First peal in eight methods by all.

## WITNEY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, September 19, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

ALBERT BROOKS .. .. Treble.	ALFRED CLAYTON .. .. 5.
JOHN MONK .. .. 2.	THOMAS BULL .. .. 6.
HARRY BROOKS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. 4.	JOHN RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung as the induction peal of the Rev. J. B. Kirby to the living of Witney, the ceremonies of induction and institution having taken place in June.

The following eleven peals were rung under the auspices of the Irish Association during an eight days' tour of that country:—

## DUBLIN.

On Saturday, September 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 45 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. Treble.	*RICHARD LYNCH .. .. 6.
GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS GRANT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 5.	JAMES W. TOWNLEY .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal.

DUBLIN.

On Sunday, September 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. AUGUSTINE AND JOHN,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

ROBERT MURPHY .. .. Treble.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. 6.
THOMAS GRANT .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 3.	JAMES W. TOWNLEY .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	JAMES GEORGE .. .. 9.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 5.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

DROGHEDA, COUNTY LOUTH.

On Monday, September 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. Treble.	GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 5.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Major on the bells and in the county.

LURGAN, COUNTY ARMAGH.

On Monday, September 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 5.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 2.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells and in the county.

HILLSBOROUGH, COUNTY DOWN.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MALACHI,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. Treble.	GABRIEL LINDOFF .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 6.
JAMES GEORGE .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. 7.
WILLIAM PYE .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells, and believed to be the first peal in county Down.

BELFAST, COUNTY ANTRIM.

On Tuesday, September 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. .. Treble.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	GABRIEL LINDOFF .. .. 6.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 7.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

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On Wednesday, September 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,  
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES JACKSON .. Treble.	GABRIEL LINDOFF .. 5.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. 2.	WILLIAM PYE .. 6.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 3.	JAMES GEORGE .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells, and first peal of Major in county Down.

DUBLIN.

On Thursday, September 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5061 CHANGES.

Tenor 39½ cwt.

GABRIEL LINDOFF .. Treble.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE .. 2.	JAMES W. TOWNLEY .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. 3.	JAMES GEORGE .. 8.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. 9.
THOMAS GRANT .. 5.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

ARKLOW, COUNTY WICKLOW.

On Friday, September 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE .. Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 5.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 7.
JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Surprise on the bells.

ARKLOW, COUNTY WICKLOW.

On Friday, September 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,  
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

HARRY CHAPMAN .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. 5.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 2.	WILLIAM PYE .. 6.
ERNEST PYE .. 3.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 7.
JAMES GEORGE .. 4.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES W. WASHBROOK.

DUBLIN.

On Saturday, September 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PATRICK,  
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 45 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs.

GABRIEL LINDOFF .. Treble.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 6.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. 2.	JAMES W. TOWNLEY .. 7.
THOMAS GRANT .. 3.	ROBERT T. F. GREENE .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. 9.
JAMES GEORGE .. 5.	WILLIAM PYE .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**PEAL CORRECTION.**—The peal at Pulham, published last week, was rung on September 8th, not the 15th.—The number of changes in the peal of Oxford rung at Bishop Auckland on Friday, September 9th, was 5088, not 5008.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.



## Notices.

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**The Archdeaconry of Salop.**—The annual meeting will be held at St. Alkmunds, Shrewsbury, to-day, Saturday, September 24th, 1904. Ringing at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 p.m. Service at St. Alkmund's church, at 5 p.m. Preacher, Rev. J. Sinclair Moore, Vicar of Wellington. Tea at 6 p.m.

J. MACKAY, Hon. Sec.  
Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Radcliffe parish church to-day, Saturday, September 24th. Bells ready at 4.30. Meeting at 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested.  
JOHN SMITH, Branch Sec.

**Worcestershire and Districts Association.**—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at Clent, near Stourbridge, to-day, Saturday, Sept. 24th. The Rev. F. R. Lawson, Vicar, has kindly promised (if possible) to give an address at the service in church, at 5 p.m. prompt and preside over the business meeting afterwards. The tower and bells will be available.  
JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—A Special ringing meeting will be held at Swan-wich today, Saturday, September 24th. All ringing friends invited.  
T. ALLIBONE, Sec.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Uttoxeter to-day, Saturday, September 24th. Bells ready at 2.45, unveiling of peal tablet 4.30. Tea in the Town Hall at 5.30. Service at 6.45. Trains leave Stoke at 2.17 and 4.28 p.m.

D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, Sept. 24th, at Tong (6). Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held in the schoolroom at 6.30 p.m. Members specially invited to attend.

F. R. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**Kent County Association.**—Ashford District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Headcorn this Saturday afternoon, Sept. 24th. Tower open at 2.0. Committee meeting at 5.30. Tea at 6.0. Half railway fares, but not exceeding 2s., will be allowed to all members present at 6 o'clock.

Hythe. C. WILFRID BLAXLAND, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Ashby-de-la-Zouch to-day, Saturday, Sept. 24th. Tower open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4.0. Tea at 4.45, followed by general meeting in St. Helen's parish room. Tea 1s. 3d. each. W. E. WHITE, Hon. Sec.

Coigrove, Notts.

**The Essex Association.**—The Annual District Meeting of the North Western Division will be held at Bishops Stortford to-day, Saturday, September 24th, for the election of officers for the year 1905, and other business. The bells of St. Michael will be open to members and friends from 4 p.m. Tea and business meeting at The Boar's Head at 5.45. Members whose subscriptions are not paid for the current year are earnestly requested to do so at this meeting.

HENRY J. TUCKER, Dist. Sec.  
Cemetery Lodge, Bishops Stortford.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale on Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } Hon. Secs.  
J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Clifton, Beds, on Saturday, October 1st, 1904, at 3 p.m.

A. RUST, } Hon.  
I. HILLS, } Secs.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, October 1st. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at The Sussex Oak inn, 5.30. Business to follow. Members intending to be present please notify the undersigned by Thursday, September 29th.

H. EVANS, Hon. Div. Sec.

Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, October 1st, at Smethwick. Bells will be available at 4. Service in church at 5 p.m.

W. MICKLEWRIGHT, Hon. Sec.

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Chesterfield on Saturday, October 1st. Train leaves Sheffield (Midland) 3.28 p.m. Cheap bookings.  
SIDNEY F. PALMER, Hon. Sec.

87, Bradley Street, Sheffield.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—A district meeting of the above will be held at Ickleton on Saturday, October 1st. Tea at 4 o'clock. All ringers welcome.  
P. WEBB, Dist. Sec.

**The North Notts Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Misson (Bawtry Station G.N.R.) on Saturday, Oct. 1st. Members intending to take tea should inform Mr. W. Jacklin, White Horse, Misson, Bawtry, on September 26th.

B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

**The Royal Cumberland Society.**—On Monday, October 3rd, after the usual practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, a special meeting will be held at the Society's headquarters, Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, Strand. Very important business will be brought before the members, and all members are invited to attend.  
A. JACOB, Hon. Sec.

10, St. Ann's Road, Hornsey, N.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Fagan's, Glamorganshire, on Saturday, October 8th, at 4 o'clock.

Rev. CONNOP L. PRICE, M.A., Hon. Sec.

J. W. JONES, Assistant Hon. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Walsden, on Saturday, October 8th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, Hon. Sec.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Nottingham on Saturday, October 8th. Ringing at St. Peter's and All Saints' from 3.30 to 9 o'clock.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

Bramcote Road, Beeston, Notts.

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The autumn meeting will be held at Stone (near Aylesbury) on Saturday, October 15th. The bells will be available from 2.30. A short service in the parish church at 4.30, with an address by the

Vicar. Tea in the Vicarage Reading Room at 5.15, 9d. each. Members intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, October 11th.

A. E. REEVES, Asst. Sec.

20, Radstock Road, Reading.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of the above Association will be held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon, near Uxbridge. It is hoped that members will do their utmost to attend, and that they will be good enough to signify their intention to the hon. secretary, by whom early payment of outstanding subscriptions would be appreciated. The sermon will be preached by the Right Rev. F. E. Ridgway, Bishop of Kensington. Further particulars will be announced in due course.

ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The second annual Bohemian Concert will take place on Saturday, October 15th, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., commence at 8 punctual. Admission only by programme, 3d. to members, 6d. non-members, to be obtained previous of the officers and committee, Messrs. A. Jacob, C. F. Winney, T. Langdon (P), W. H. Matthews, R. A. Daniell, M. Woodcock, F. G. Perrin, T. Langdon, A. B. Peck, E. Wallage, H. Stubbs, R. Bevan, J. Pryer, E. C. Cox, and

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.

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**Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association.**—Owing to the recent death of the Vicar of Aysgarth, the proposed meeting there cannot be held. This is unfortunate, as the support promised from the branches at East Witton, Middleham and Richmond assured a successful meeting. The opening of the ring of 8 at Richmond, where 2 trebles have been added by Messrs. Warner and Son, is expected to take place in November, and I am authorised to state that the Richmond branch will be pleased to have a meeting there on that occasion.  
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## Ringers' Outings.

THE ST. LAURENCE SOCIETY, READING.—The annual outing was held on Saturday, August 13th, the Society travelling by the Oddfellows' excursion to Portsmouth and Ryde. Reading was left at 5 a.m., arriving at Portsmouth at 7.45. The weather was fine and the journey much enjoyed, especially the task of consuming a large bag of substantial sandwiches, provided by their captain, Mr. W. Newell. At the tower of St. Mary's, Southsea, they were welcomed by Mr. J. Harper. A rush was made to the top of the tower to get a view of the surrounding country, which well repaid them for their trouble. The bells were then raised in peal, and several touches of Grandsire Triples brought round. Being in good going order the ringing was much enjoyed. The bells lowered, a move was made by tram for Gosport, where the bells (a nice light peal, tenor 11 cwt.) were found to be unringable. It was a difficult job to get even a short touch round: the bell hanger is surely much needed here. After a little refreshment the party made their way to The Speedwell hotel, where a

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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The Ruddington ringers will present Mr. Reuben Clifford, of Beeston, with a gold medal, in the belfry, on October 1st at 7 o'clock, in acknowledgment of his kindness in teaching them the art of change-ringing. Any members of the above Association will be welcomed; ringing from 5 to 9 p.m. G. WAKELAM, Ruddington.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. A. E. Wreaks has removed to 4, Helena Street, Irlams O'th-Height, Manchester.

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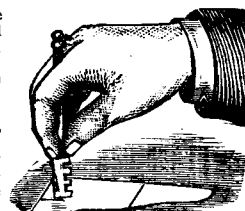
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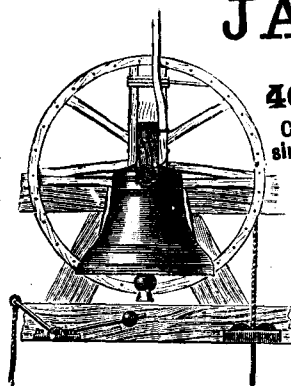
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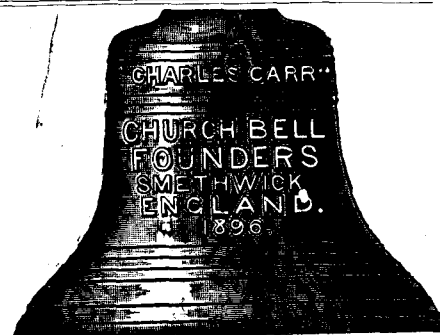
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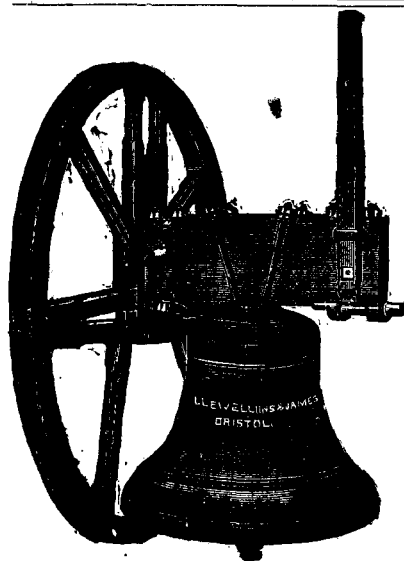
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

STOKR PRIOR (Worcestershire). St. Michael. The Worcestershire and Districts Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Carr, 1897; 3rd, 4th and tenor by Blews, 1886; 5th by Bagley, 1676; 6th, 1663; 7th, 1620; founders of these last two unknown. Tenor 9 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. The back six rehung by Blews, 1886; the two trebles added by Carr, 1897. Ropes new 1895, good. Method: Grand-sire. Sunday ringing: "half-an-hour morning and evening." Practice: Monday, 7.30.

STONE (Staffordshire). St. Michael. Eight bells; the two trebles by Taylor, 1891; the rest by Rudhall, 1710. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Ropes new 1891, worn. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Monday and Saturday, 7.30 in winter; also first Sunday in month at 9 a.m. all the year.

STONEHOUSE (Devon.) St. George. Devonshire Guild. Eight bells; all by Mears, 1897. Tenor 12 cwt. Iron frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1901. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.

STONHAM ASPALL (Suffolk). St. Lambert. Ten bells. All by Lester (?); 5th, 1770; 8th, 1746; 9th and 10th, 1742; the rest 1826. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Day about 1880. Ropes fair. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. or fixed practice.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Annual District Meeting of the north-western division was held at Bishops Stortford, on Saturday, September 24th, when the bells of St. Michael's were at the disposal of members, and ringing commenced about 4.30 with a touch of Stedman Triples. Tea was served

in fine style at The Boar's Head at 5.45, to which thirty-eight sat down. The Rev. W. S. Willett presided, and supported by the District Master (Mr. W. Prior), and District Secretary (Mr. H. J. Tucker), while the vice-chair was occupied by the Rev. H. W. Parker, of Sawbridgeworth. Tea over, business commenced by the District Secretary reading the minutes of the last meeting, which were passed. The following members were elected: Messrs. A. Jordan, of Stansted, and A. Avenett, of Saffron Walden, as ringing members; and Sergt. Pratty and J. Skingle, of Thaxted, as probationers. Mr. J. Luckey proposed the rev. W. S. Willett as Master of the Division for 1905, but the rev. gentleman said he thanked the members very much for the complement they paid him, but as he did not live in the county, and had not a ring of bells, he thought they ought to be able to elect some one more suitable, and he should have great pleasure in proposing that Mr. W. Prior be re-elected for another year, as he was connected with one of the most promising bands in the county. This was seconded by Mr. N. J. Pitstow and carried. Mr. H. J. Tucker, the District Secretary, informed the members that he was very sorry to say that he would not be able to continue the duties of Secretary in the future, as his duties would not allow him to continue the work, and at the same time informing them that this was the last meeting the Association would hold at Bishops Stortford while he was connected with the church (as steeple-keeper) as he was resigning the office on September 29th, and therefore he asked the members to kindly elect some one to take his place. Before any nomination was made the chairman rose and said how very sorry he was to hear that Mr. Tucker was about to give up the duties of District Secretary, as he was sure all the members were. With regard to the church and belfry, it was of a kind such as belfries ought to be, and a credit to those in charge. The names of Messrs. J. F. Penning and A. F. James, of Saffron Walden, were then submitted for the office of District Secretary, but both gentlemen declined, as they stated they had already too many irons in the fire. Mr. A. F. James then proposed, and Mr. G. Jordan seconded, that Mr. N. J. Pitstow, be District Secretary for the year, and after a little discussion this was carried. It was then proposed by Mr. W. Watts, and seconded by Mr. N. J. Pitstow, that the first district meeting in 1905 be held at Stansted, which was carried. The chairman then proposed that a vote of thanks be accorded to the Vicar of Bishops Stortford for the use of the bells.

During the day members were present from Saffron Walden, Stansted, Bishops Stortford, Sawbridgeworth, Hoddesdon, Ware, Little Munden, Walthamstow (St. Saviour's), Forest Gate and Tottenham, and rung some good touches in the following methods: Grand-sire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, London Surprise, Superlative Surprise and Cambridge Surprise; the conducting being shared by Messrs. N. J. Pitstow, N. W. Tarling, H. J. Tucker, W. Watts and G. Jordan. The ringing ended at 8.45, everybody expressing themselves thoroughly satisfied at a such a good meeting.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

The first quarterly meeting of the above branch was held at Bletchley on Saturday, September 24th, by kind permission of the Rev. W. Bennitt, and was attended with great success, a very large number of members being present, among whom was the Rev. F. E. Robinson, Master of the Guild. The bells of the parish church were available from 2 p.m., as also were the Fenny Stratford bells, by the kind permission of the Rev. — Oliver. A service was held in the church at 4 p.m., at which a most impressive sermon was preached by the Hon. and Rev. W. S. J. Wykeham Fiennes, Rector of Milton Keynes. A business meeting was convened in the schoolroom at about 4.45, when the chair was taken by the Rev. C. Leslie Norris (chairman of the branch), when sundry business was arranged, amongst others being—on a proposition made by the Master—the appointment of six instructors for the branch; and also the place and date of next meeting, which was fixed to be held at Emberton on Saturday, January 7th, 1905.

On the proposition of the Master of the Guild, seconded by the Hon. Secretary, a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Hon. and Rev. W. S. J. Wykeham Fiennes for the sermon which he preached to the branch, which was carried unanimously.

The chairman then proposed a very hearty and cordial vote of thanks to the Hon. Secretary, pointing out that on the formation of a new branch, a very large amount of work necessarily devolved upon the Hon. Secretary, and adding that he felt sure that all the members would join with him in passing a very hearty vote of thanks to the Hon. Secretary for all the time and trouble he had devoted to the interests of the new branch. This was carried with acclamation.

The business being finished, the meeting adjourned to tea, and then back to the tower, where they rang several good touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples.

### THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A special meeting of the above Association was held at Swanwick, on Saturday, September 24th, there being a good muster of ringers from Alfretton, Blackwell, Horsley, North Wingfield, Ripley, South Wingfield, Swanwick, Shurland and Tibshelf.

The bells are a beautiful ring of five in F, by Taylor, and reflect the greatest credit on this firm for quality of tone and splendld go, and when the three empty pits are filled up with trebles, a finer eight will not exist in Derbyshire.

Mr. Key, the energetic tower-keeper, made all the arrangements, but unfortunately was not able to get the powers that be to provide a tea. The success of the meeting was due to Mr. Kay, who spared no pains to make all as welcome as possible; the belfry, clock-room, and bell-chamber all bearing the marks of his zeal and care for the bells and their surroundings. The bells were kept merrily going until nine p.m.

### STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the above was held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 24th, and was attended by upwards of fifty members from the following towers, viz., Leek, Longton, Kingsley and Uttoxeter. The bells were raised at 3.30, and touches of Grandsire Triples were rung by mixed bands till 4.30, when the Vicar (Rev. A. B. Parry-

Evans), accompanied by the Ven. Archdeacon Lane, of Leigh, came into the belfry for the purpose of unveiling a tablet recording a peal of Grandsire Triples, rung on November 10th, 1884, nearly twenty years ago.

The Vicar in introducing the Archdeacon, gave a detailed account of what they were doing at Uttoxeter to make the ringers comfortable, and to shew them that they were looked upon as church workers, just the same as were the wardens and other officials of the church. He next described how, through the generosity of Mr. W. Richardson, the walls of the belfry had been thoroughly cleansed, cork linoleum and matting laid on the floor, and new boxes provided for the ringers of the tenor. Two new ringers' chairs had been placed in the belfry, and the tablet which they were about to unveil had also been given by Mr. Richardson. The parish warden (Mr. Parker), had obtained the photographs of six of the old ringers of Uttoxeter, and defrayed the cost of enlargement and framing, and presented them to the belfry.

Before unveiling the tablet the Archdeacon congratulated the local company on the various improvements which had been made, and the members of the Association for being present in such large numbers on such an interesting occasion.

At 5.30 a move was made to the Town Hall, where an excellent tea had been provided by Mr. and Mrs. Richardson. The tables were profusely decorated with plants, flowers, etc., and in the centre was a bell exquisitely made with ferns and flower, bearing the inscription on the headstock—"Ring the bells for the glory of God," and on the reverse side, "Holiness unto the Lord." After full justice had been done to the many good things provided, the Vicar, who presided, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Richardson and his family for their kindness in entertaining the Association so generously.

This was seconded by Mr. D. Preston, and carried with applause, the company singing "He's a jolly good fellow." Mr. Richardson suitably replied.

A short business meeting was then held, followed by a short service in the church, which was very well attended. A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for presiding, and ringing was continued till eight o'clock, when a most successful meeting terminated.

### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(ARCHDEACONRY OF BEDFORD BRANCH.)

A meeting of members in this district was held at Old Warden, on Saturday last, September 24th, and was attended by about twenty ringers, hailing from Bedford, Clifton, Old Warden, Potton, St. Neots and Hitchin. Tea was provided at The Hare and Hounds, at which (in the unavoidable absence of Col. Shuttleworth, J.P.), the chair was taken by the Rev. W. W. Covey Crump, District Secretary. At the business proceedings which followed, several new members were elected, and Mr. W. Allen (Hitchin) was also elected as an Honorary Life Member residing outside the Diocese.

Messrs. C. R. Lilley (Bradford), F. Wells (Old Warden) and S. Stubbings (Potton), were elected on the District Committee of the Archdeaconry; and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Cardington (if possible) sometime in January. The business concluded with the customary vote of thanks to the Vicar for kindly granting the use of the bells. During the afternoon several touches of Bob Minor, Grandsire Doubles and Oxford Treble Bob were rung.

## A RINGING AND PLEASURE OUTING.

Chinley was the appointed rendezvous of several members of the Yorkshire Association for a general start on a week's ringing and pleasure in Derbyshire and Leicestershire. In due time the ribbons in Bakewell tower were rising and falling according to the method of Yorkshire Surprise. The bells made perfect response to the good qualities of the method, and the band was enjoying the treat, when misfortune (of which a large measure was in store) in the shape of indisposition put an end to the effort. It appeared again in the same form at Darley after one-and-a-quarter hours' lively and pleasant ringing of Treble Bob. Tuesday morning found us at Matlock, well known on account of its many natural attractions, and lately become of special interest to the Exercise through the advent of a new ring of eight by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The band was naturally anxious to make the utmost use of the permission given to score the first peal on the bells. We were, however, only seven strong, and the prospect accordingly was not very rosy. Fortunately we found that Matlock possessed one good ringer, Mr. J. H. Paulson, who also is in charge of the new ring. He kindly undertook to treble for us, and so ably "dominated" the peal that he led it to a successful issue. We found that all that had been said in the "B.N." as to the "tone" and "go" of these bells was not in the least exaggerated; in fact, had the noise in the ringing chamber been less it might have been said to be understated. We hear this little defect is to be remedied. We have here to fulfil a promise made to the Church authorities at Matlock after receiving permission to use the bells. Accompanying their permission was a request that we should "let it be known that," in granting it, "a rule was being broken in our favour."

Continuing our journey southward we reached our next stopping place, Wirksworth, well known in the present for its "well-dressings," and in the past as the centre of the lead-mining industry. Double Norwich was the order here, and with the kind co-operation of one of the local ringers, Mr. B. Greator, it was successfully accomplished. The pleasure following a success was considerably increased by the kindness of Mr. William Fox, churchwarden and belfry master, in entertaining the band to supper.

A double disappointment awaited us at Duffield on Wednesday. Permission had been granted for two attempts: both came to grief; Stedman Caters after about an hour, and Double Norwich after an hour-and-a-half's ringing. Messrs. Flowers (Duffield) and Pagett (Derby), to our regret, shared in our disappointments.

The arrangements now led us into Leicestershire. Before setting out we said good-bye to one of our number, Mr. Glenn of Rotherham, who had to return. We were, however, recruited at Loughboro' the next morning, Thursday, by the arrival of Messrs. Holman and Craven. So strengthened, we tackled Superlative at Stanford, but failed through a shift after two hours' ringing. We were even less fortunate at Loughboro' parish church in the evening, where "stand" was called on account of a shift after half an hour's effort at Treble Ten. Here it is fitting to acknowledge the kind assistance of Messrs. Abbott, Burleigh and Colbourn, of the local band, and to express regret that they should be associated with us in our ill-luck.

We were early astir on Friday morning to catch the 7.40 train to Shepshed. Our arrival found us in perfect

condition for tackling Hostess Cotton's home-cured ham which adorned the breakfast table. It was discussed for some time then and for a long time afterwards, so good it was! Leaving the homely Crown, we betook ourselves to the church, and in due time set the bells going to Superlative. Success attended our efforts here, rounds coming up after three hours twenty-six minutes.

Hostess Cotton was ready for us on our return and after heartily enjoying her well-spread table, we returned to Loughborough for an attempt on the ring at Messrs. Taylor's Foundry. We set off for "Yorkshire," but when about to restart after an early stoppage, we were requested not to do so, on account of sickness near the tower. Thus far we had made ten attempts and had only succeeded thrice. Certainly a disappointing result. The worst, however, was still awaiting us. We visited Stanford again on Saturday morning and started for "Yorkshire." All went well for three hours and twenty minutes and we had got well into the last course when a trip occurred which grew into a general muddle. Though the bells were sufficiently straightened for rounds to come up, yet the effort to straighten them was too much extended to justify us in calling the attempt a peal. Thus ended our peal attempts. We were due at Duffield in the afternoon, but time failed us to catch the train, so the engagement was cancelled. From a ringing point of view our outing proved disappointing, but from the point of view of pleasure it was perfect.

A. T. B.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, September 17th, the quarterly meeting of the above society was held at Wolverhampton, when a good number of ringers attended. Ringing took place from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on St. Peter's bells (10), and St. Luke's (8). Through the kindness of the Rector the service was held in St. Peter's church, at which some of the choir attended and took part in the service, an excellent sermon being preached by the Rev. T. Burns. The committee meeting was held in St. Peter's vestry, and an excellent tea was provided in the Church Institute.

A pleasing incident at the tea was the presence of the Mayor of Wolverhampton attended by his sergeant. A most hearty welcome was accorded to him for his presence, and for kindly becoming an honorary member of the society. It is to be hoped that his example will be followed, and that others may assist in the good work, and encourage them. The Mayor gave the ringers a very encouraging speech and welcome to Wolverhampton. After tea the ringers again adjourned to the tower for ringing. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob Royal were rung at St. Peter's, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain and Treble Bob, and Double Norwich Major at St. Luke's.

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## THE RINGING TOUR IN IRELAND.

Of late years ringing tours have become such a popular part of the Exercise that were a season to pass without at least one being recorded, we should probably begin to think the Art had reached a decadent state. From time to time successful tours in various parts of the mother country have been reported, whilst some two or three years since, it will be remembered, a brief visit was paid to Dublin, Arklow and Bray—an outcome of the departure to the Emerald Isle some two or three years previously of Messrs. Lindoff and Washbrook as instructors to the St. Patrick's and Arklow companies respectively—with a view of encouraging the "bhoys" on the other side of the "ditch." Such pleasant recollections of that visit had the participants therein that it was decided this year to make a second visit to the "land of praties and jaunting-cars," but with a much larger programme, the chief feature of which was to explore regions hitherto but little known to change-ringers. The arrangements were in the hands of Mr. Lindoff, and so minutely and carefully had he studied every detail, that each item on the programme fitted exactly in its place, and not a single hitch occurred. To that gentleman is undoubtedly due the fact that the writer is able to chronicle one of the most pleasant and successful ringing tours yet undertaken.

The first peal on the programme was St. Patrick's Cathedral, on Saturday, September 10th, at 5 p.m. The vanguard of the party arrived at North Wall on the Friday morning, being met by Mr. Lindoff, and they in turn met four others on the Saturday morning, the last link in the chain (and a substantial one) arriving on the Sunday morning. Three hours and thirty-nine minutes sufficed to place the first peal (Stedman Caters) on record, and shortly after beds were sought, in view of the fact that some of us had not been through the sheets the previous night. Ringing for service at St. Patrick's on Sunday morning brought along dinner, in view of an early start at SS. Augustine and John in the afternoon. The tower of this church, by the way, is remarkable for the fact that means of access to the ringing-chamber were forgotten in its erection, the difficulty being afterwards overcome by the erection of an iron spiral staircase from the gallery to the belfry, the floor of which is on a level with the roof of the church. One valiant member of the party had recollections of a previous ascent to this tower, and was considerably perturbed at the thought of having to again make such a "hazardous" climb. However, after instructions, "Don't look up, keep your eyes in front, don't look down, hold tight to the rails, etc.," he was prevailed upon to make a start; and some few minutes later those who had preceded our worthy friend were somewhat relieved to see a scared face pop up through the floor. A glance round found us in an oblong chamber of about 20-ft. by 8-ft., the ropes, besides running backwards, falling in very awkward positions. A very good peal of Stedman Caters was tapped off in 3-20, following which came the perils of the descent, which held considerably more terrors for our friend than the ascent. A plan of campaign having been decided on, he was placed in the middle of three or four more, and, on hands and knees, proceeded backwards to terra firma. Others obligingly carried his hat, umbrella, bag, etc., while another gallantly offered to carry his boots, thinking thereby to reduce the strain on the staircase.

Half-past eight on Monday morning found the party round Nelson's Pillar, en route for the Great Northern station, from whence tickets were taken for Drogheda, county Louth, a pretty run of thirty miles. Here we found a good ring of Rudhall's, tenor 21 cwt., and in good condition. The Irish Association had previously rung a peal of Stedman Triples here, and it is believed that previous to this outing Drogheda marked the most northern point in Ireland at which a peal had been rung. We were met here by the captain and others of the local company, who welcomed us in a very cordial manner. The bells were soon humming out Superlative, "that's all" rolling up in 3-16. A very pleasant surprise awaited the party on emerging from the tower, Mr. A. Milne (the local captain) entertaining them to a substantial hot dinner, which was greatly appreciated. Half-past three found us northern bound for Lurgan, county Armagh, a distance of sixty odd miles, through both prolific and beautiful country. Here again our arrival was anticipated by the local men, and the bells (a nice eight by Taylor, 1878) were brought round from Superlative in 3-15. A pleasant hour was

afterwards spent with the members of the local company, the "jolly boy" of our party enlivening the proceedings with a few well-chosen gems from his repertoire of recitations.

A short railway ride of six miles on Tuesday morning brought us to Lisburn, from whence a couple of jaunting cars conveyed us to Hillsborough, county Down, a pleasant drive of four miles. Another peal of Rudhall's was discovered here, which, though hung in 1774, had not received professional attendance since, with the exception of the recasting of the 3rd and 5th. The "go" was, however, perfect, although the circle was very bad, the tenor rope falling in the centre of the tower. On this account they were set going to Stedman, an excellent peal (the first on the bells and in the county) being brought round in 3-1. A ringers' "snack" followed, and then we remounted the cars, which had been kept in waiting, to return to Lisburn Station, en route for Belfast. At the latter place the company were met at the station by Mr. A. G. Ward, the Secretary of the St. Thomas's Society (the only ring of bells in Belfast), who conducted us to our quarters for the night, and invited us to partake of a cold collation, thanks to the hospitality of the Rev. W. Dowse, Rector. Full justice having been done to this, the next step was in the direction of the tower, where everything was found as it should be. The St. Thomas's Society have some knowledge of half-pull ringing, having rang one or two 720s of Bob Minor. Consequently they were more than ordinarily interested in our doings, and appreciated fully the privilege of remaining in the tower during the ringing. 9.54 saw the completion of the first peal in Belfast (Superlative the method), the bells being a handy ring by Taylor, 1891, tenor 20 cwt.

Breakfast being ordered for 6.30 on Wednesday morning, we were soon in bed. In the morning, the said breakfast having received very careful attention, we entrained for Bangor, a distance of perhaps twenty miles. The bells here only came from Loughborough some two or three years back, and everything being found satisfactory, we were looking forward to scoring the first peal on the bells, and making this the most northern point in Ireland in which a peal had been rung. Double Norwich was started at 9.10, and all went well until 10.55, when the Vicar's warden found his way into the tower and requested us to stop, as the local Bench, who were sitting in the Court House almost adjoining the church, had sent to him to say they could not transact business while the bells were ringing. The Vicar, who was in the churchyard on our emerging from the tower, expressed his regret at the occurrence. Thus the first failure resulted from no fault of the ringers. The 11.45 was soon after boarded for Holywood, a very pretty little place overlooking Belfast Loch and the Antrim hills. To add to the pleasure created by the town itself, the bells were found to be in A1 order, and our visit had been looked forward to by the Vicar and his local men with eagerness. The uncompleted peal of the morning was soon on its way, the end rolling merrily up in 2-53, Holywood thus marking the most northern point in the Emerald Isle where a peal has been rung. On descending the tower the band were congratulated by the Vicar and Mr. Phillips, a past churchwarden, and whose son is at present leader of the local ringers. The Vicar then invited the party to sit down with him, Mr. Phillips, and several of his own ringers in the schoolroom. Here a most substantial repast was enjoyed following which the Vicar and Mr. Phillips each spoke a few words in appreciation of the performance. Needless to say, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the rev. gentleman for his kindness, and to the ladies for presiding, following which our "jolly boy" gave an interesting ditty, entitled "The Culprits found out," to the amusement of the party. A pleasant hour was passed enjoying the scenery of the neighbourhood, after which Mr. Phillips accompanied the party on their return to Belfast, where the night was to be spent. Thursday being the slack day of the week, restrictions were somewhat relaxed, and Wednesday evening was consequently spent in sightseeing and other amusements.

Ten minutes to ten on Thursday morning found seven of us aboard the G.N.R. train for Dublin, business having taken Mr. Lindoff back on the previous evening. The three-and-a-quarter hours occupied in covering the 112 miles passed quickly enough, the majority enjoying the fine scenery, whilst a couple interested themselves by delving into the mysteries of some marvellous touches of Stedman Triples, fondly produced by another ener-



getic member of the party. Two o'clock found us all round the festive board at our Dublin headquarters, following which a couple of hours were spent according to individual tastes—some taking a stroll, others writing, and others taking a nap. There was a goodly company of local ringers in the environs of Christ Church at 5.30, at which hour the start was fixed. Treble Ten was to be the method here, but, the bells not taking kindly to it, a halt was called after ringing three leads, and Stedman Caters substituted, an excellent peal being brought round in 3.24. The remainder of the evening was spent with our Dublin friends, the last course-end of the day rolling up all too quickly.

Five-thirty on Friday morning found us all astir, the programme for the day being a visit to friend Washbrook, at Arklow. Arriving here at 8, a good breakfast was dispatched, in the middle of which J. W. W. appeared on the scene, and shortly afterwards conducted us to the tower. The weather being exceptionally suitable to young ducks, no time was lost in getting inside, and 3 hrs. 7 mins. sufficed to ring the first Surprise peal on the bells. By the kindness of Earl Carysfort, Mr. Washbrook then did the honours at a much-enjoyed dinner and in the afternoon a second peal (Norwich) was successfully brought round. Then a substantial tea was placed before us, which brought train time round, Dublin being reached shortly before 11 p.m.

Bray was the place on the list for Saturday morning, and this item had been regarded as the most important on the week's programme, owing to the fact that an effort was to be made to score the first peal of London outside of the Mother Country. Shortly after 11 a.m. found the ropes attached to this fine ring in the hands of the following: C. Jackson, J. D. Matthews, G. Lindoff, I. G. Shade, J. W. Washbrook, E. Pye, H. Chapman, W. Pye. Course after course was tapped off for 2 hrs. 20 mins., when one of those little accidents with which all ringers are more or less acquainted, brought the attempt to an unglorified end, much to the regret of all concerned. This marked the first and only failure of the tour, and must be placed at the door of the ringers themselves. However, the ruffled feelings of the band at this disappointment were soon brought to an even balance at the sight of the good things placed before them at The Royal hotel, through the kindness of the Rev. Archdeacon Scott, Vicar of Bray. Needless to say these courses were rolled off without a hitch. Dinner over, back we go to Dublin for the final attempt of the outing—Treble Ten at St. Patrick's. That time was short will readily be seen, when it is stated that the boat left North Wall at 9.20, while St. Patrick's clock marked 4.58 when the bells went into changes, the distance separating the two places being close on two miles. However, for 3 hrs. 44 mins. these bells rang out their merry tale, and at 8.42 eleven out of thirteen peals had been scored.

Jaunting-cars were found in readiness outside the tower, and were soon on their way to the quay-side, "good-byes" for the most part having to be shouted to our Dublin friends as we made our hasty departure. As to the journey home the writer can say little, firmly believing that the other members of the party, like himself, were soon in the arms of Morpheus when once on board the steamer. However, at Holyhead, our Manchester friend was the first to sever his connection, whilst at Crewe four others broke the journey, leaving three only to complete the distance to Euston, which was reached at 8.15 a.m.

It would be ungracious to close this report without a few remarks as to the causes which made this tour so complete a success. In the first place the bells and belfries visited by us were, without exception, in most perfect order. Those towers farthest removed from the influences of change-ringing could not have been in better condition had they the care of the most enthusiastic band of half-pull men—a fact which brought home to us sadly the plight of some of the bells in our own country. Then the enthusiasm and warm-heartedness of the local ringers was the more pleasurable to us because unlooked for, and last, but not least, the hospitality extended to us by the various clergy and others was appreciated much beyond the measure our verbal votes of thanks conveyed. Consequently our warmest thanks are tendered to the undermentioned gentlemen for having materially helped us to retain such pleasant recollections of our visit to "Paddy's land": Mr. A. Milne (Drogheda), the Rev. W. Dowse and Mr. A. G. Ward (Belfast), Canon Moore and Mr. W. H. Phillips (Holywood), Lord Carysfort and Mr.

J. W. Washbrook (Arklow), the Rev. Archdeacon Scott (Bray), Mr. G. Lindoff (Dublin), the various clergy for the use of their bells, and the numerous local ringers at the various places visited.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

### REPLY TO MR. DAINS.

SIR,—Will Mr. Dains allow me to suggest that if he wants a new name for the method he has unearthed he should call it Double Woodbine, as it is nothing else. But it already has an alternative name, as I find it in a collection of Mr. Jos. A. Goston's under the name of Victoria Surprise. Why Surprise I am at a loss to understand, as I can see no claims to that distinction; in fact in a hunt for decent Surprise methods, this was passed over as being misnamed. How can it be so easily recognised as a Surprise method? The only suggestion is in the fact of the broken lead, but even that is hardly a fair description, as the 2nd may be said to be in the hunt throughout the lead, and though I am not prepared at the moment to define what is a Surprise method I think it will be admitted that a bell in the hunt cannot be allowed. Further, in my opinion, the method entirely lacks the spirit of Surprise, the work being much too symmetrical throughout, and entirely void of eccentricity.

While on this subject I may say that it is most difficult to find more than seven or eight Surprise Minor methods fit to ring, the most beyond the standard ones bringing the tenors up wrong somewhere. I should be much obliged if any of your readers could furnish me with one or two sound Surprise methods, in addition to those generally rung.

R. S. STORY.

Whitley Bay, September 26th.

SIR,—In answer to Mr. Dains *re* Norwich Treble Bob, a similar system was given in "THE BELL NEWS" of July 5, 1890, by D. Brearley, and named Bradfield Exercise. From this system I worked out several other six-bell methods, including the one published by Mr. Dains, but did not name or publish them. The method given by Mr. Dains was published in "THE BELL NEWS" by G. Baker on June 23rd, 1900, and named Victoria Surprise.

J. HECKINGBOTTOM.

### NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT CODDENHAM.—After the completion of the peal an adjournment was made to The Crown inn, where they were met by Mr. John Norman, of The Roslin, Coddenham, and Mr. E. C. Sayer, Inspector of weights and measures for the borough of Ipswich, and the respected employer of William Motts. Through the kind aid and arrangements of these two gentlemen the party were admirably served with high tea by Mrs. L. Campbell, the proprietress. Messrs. S. English and G. Lummis (churchwardens) were present.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1904.

THE proceedings connected with the ringing tour in Ireland will be found at full length elsewhere in our pages, and the principal effect of their perusal seems to be the creation of a strong opinion that change-ringing will receive a vast impetus throughout the Emerald Isle from the operations of the tourists. The reception accorded the visitors was most enthusiastic and hearty by all with whom they came into contact, which fact alone gives great hopes that the Art will make more headway than ever. The enthusiasm which prevails in the island among those who saw the visiting company, and heard what they did, is shown by the fact that numerous applications have been made by influential inhabitants in Ireland for copies of this journal recording the list of peals rung, and also the account which is contained in this number.

**The Metropolis.****THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,****A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5101 CHANGES**

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REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
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JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 4.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 9.
SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 5.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**The Provinces.****DISS, NORFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, September 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,****A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM WISKENS* .. .. Treble.	*GEORGE ARCHER .. .. 5.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 2.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. 6.
JAMES TANN .. .. 3.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. .. 7.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. P. BRICE.

\*First peal in the method.

**NORTH SHIELDS, DURHAM.****DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Tuesday, September 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,***AT CHRIST CHURCH,****A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES.**

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM H. BRUNSDON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM STORY .. .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 7.
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CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. .. 4.	*JAMES E. GOFTON .. .. 9.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 5.	OSWALD SIMN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters.

**WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.****SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Tuesday, September 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,****A PEAL OF UNION TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

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Conducted by WILLIAM A. COOPER.

First peal in the method by all. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Griffiths.

**BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.****THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.***On Wednesday, September 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,***AT THE PARISH CHURCH,****A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

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HERBERT HUGHES .. .. 4.	REUBEN DOLBY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal of Stedman by the band, and first peal in the method on the bells.

**SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.****DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Thursday, September 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,****A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

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Conducted by WM. T. ROBSON.

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GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	GEORGE H. LEE .. .. 6.
CHARLES BLACKMAN .. .. 3.	JOHN NETLEY .. .. 7.
GEORGE NORRIS .. .. 4.	*ERNEST MILLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\*First peal. Quarterly peal for the western division of the above Association.

**PULHAM, NORFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Thursday, September 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,***AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,****A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 5.
CHARLES BAKER .. .. 2.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. .. 6.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 3.	*CHARLES BORRETT .. .. 7.
JAMES TANN .. .. 4.	†FREDERICK BORRETT .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. SHARMAN, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

**HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.****SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.***On Thursday, September 22, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,***AT THE PARISH CHURCH,****A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

RICHARD FAUX .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. GODDEN .. .. 5.
SAMUEL REEVES .. .. 2.	SIDNEY SMITH .. .. 6.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 3.	THOMAS H. REEVES .. .. 7.
JAMES P. SIMPSON .. .. 4.	THOMAS VERRY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by S. REEVES.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to George Heaton, Esq. J.P., senior magistrate for the Handsworth district, and also to the late tower-keeper, William Verry, whose decease has already been noticed in our columns.

**DONCASTER, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,***AT THE PARISH CHURCH,****A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

WASHBROOK'S No. 1.

Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr.

CHARLES ARMITAGE .. Treble.	WILLIAM PEARSON .. .. 5.
GEORGE HALKSORTH .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 6.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 3.	SAM THOMAS .. .. 7.
JOHN F. MALLARY .. .. 4.	BEN. F. LAMB .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

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## LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

CHARLES H. FOWLER .. Treble.	JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN. .. 2.	WM. H. INGLESANT .. 6.
JOHN BUTTERY .. .. 3.	HY. R. BARTRAM .. .. 7.
FREDK. W. HERBERT .. 4.	WILLIAM WILLSON .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung to commemorate the dedication of the new western addition to St. Mark's church.

## CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALFRED CODD .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK W. STOKES .. 5.
JOHN P. PALEY .. .. 2.	GEORGE SCOTT .. .. 6.
THOMAS CRAGG .. .. 3.	JOHN CRAGG .. .. 7.
JOHN FOREMAN .. .. 4.	JOHN W. WOOD .. Tenor.

Composed by J. D. MATTHEWS, and Conducted by JOHN W. WOOD.

First peal in the method by all except the conductor; also on the bells.

## BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY JUDGE .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK WEBB .. .. 5.
HARRY SEAR .. .. 2.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. 6.
FRANK WEBB .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
HARRY MILES .. .. 4.	VALENTINE SEAR .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

This is the conductor's 924th peal, and 550th of Stedman Triples. Rung on the occasion of the quarterly meeting of the North Bucks. Branch of the above Guild.

## CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

HAWKINS ENGLISH .. Treble.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 5.
EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 2.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE .. 6.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 7.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Reference elsewhere.

## GATESHEAD, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT S. STORY .. Treble.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 5.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 2.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 6.
HON. A. F. P. ERSKINE .. 3.	WILLIAM T. ROBSON .. 7.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 4.	JOHN STEUART .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

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## STRADBROKE, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

HARRY J. BORRETT .. Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 2.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 6.
OLIVER BROCK .. .. 3.	FREDK. R. BORRETT .. 7.
JAMES BETTS .. .. 4.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART., and Conducted by GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

This is believed to be the first peal on the bells for twenty-two years.

## STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19 cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS .. Treble.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 5.
JOHN BASS .. .. 2.	JAMES DOWLER .. .. 6.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 3.	JOSEPH FIGOTT .. .. 7.
HORACE F. STREET .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by JOSEPH FIGOTT.

## HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. Treble.	EDGAR HICKS .. .. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM .. 2.	JOHN J. CREASY .. .. 6.
GEORGE WHITING .. .. 3.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 7.
WILLIAM J. GROOM .. 4.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by T. T. GOFTON, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, JESMOND,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18½ cwt.

ERNEST E. FERRY .. Treble.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 5.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 6.
HON. ALEXANDER ERSKINE .. 3.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 7.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 4.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by C. L. ROUTLEDGE.

\*First peal of Surprise.

## ASPLEY GUISE, BEDS.

## THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Bob Minor. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ERNEST HERBERT .. Treble.	CYRIL HERBERT .. .. 4.
WILLIAM BROWN .. .. 2.	MORTIMER MATTHEWS .. 5.
WALTER SMITH .. .. 3.	MARK LANE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by MARK LANE.

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**LECKHAMPTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,**  
**AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.**

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.**

Tenor 9 cwt.

CRCIL T. H. BOXWELL .. Treble.	JOHN F. BALLINGER.. .. 5.
JESSE GILLET .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 6.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	SYDNEY M. LOXTON.. .. 7.
THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. Tenor.

Composed by FRED G. MAY, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

Rang as a birthday compliment to F. E. Hart. First peal on the bells which have recently been augmented to eight.

**DURSLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**  
**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**  
 (BRISTOL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN THOMAS† .. .. Treble.	*H. W. FUSSELL .. .. 5.
FRANK HOWELL.. .. 2.	CHARLES H. HORTON .. 6.
C. E. D. BOUTFLOWER .. 3.	REV. H. A. COCKEY.. .. 7.
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES .. 4.	GEORGE JAYNE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

First peal on the bells which have just been placed in the tower by Messrs. Taylor, and is also the first in the method in the tower. †First peal in the method as conductor. \*First peal in the method.

**IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.**  
**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, September 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,**  
**5056 CHANGES.**

WALTER PERKINS .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM PETTITT .. .. 5.
CLIFTON NEWMAN .. .. 2.	JAMES GARRATT.. .. 6.
FRED PALMER .. .. 3.	JOHN J. MAWBY.. .. 7.
THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 4.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER.. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and  
 Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

Rung as a farewell peal to W. Pettitt, who is leaving Irtlingborough for Kettering; also as a birthday compliment to F. Palmer.

**Date Touches.**

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

BLOXWICH (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, September 25th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 58 mins. L. Bentley, W. Barton, J. Barton, A. Painter, A. Turley, J. C. Adams conductor, J. Elton, A. W. Frost.

**Miscellaneous.**

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

BOCKING (Essex).—On Sunday afternoon, September 25th, for the Harvest Festival at the parish church, 704 Kent Treble Bob. F. Webb, C. H. Howard conductor, P. Holmes, W. Moore, F. Warren, C. Bearman, S. Sargent, W. Grimwade.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

TUNBRIDGE WELLS (Kent).—On Sunday, September 11th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples in 42 mins. S. Faithful, H. Porter, J. Muggridge, S. Perkins, W. Collison, S. J. Perkins, jun., W. Latter, W. Smith.

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

CANNINGTON (Wilts.).—On Thursday, September 8th, 120 Grand-

sire Doubles. J. Farthing, W. Challice, G. W. Challice conductor. E. J. Farthing, J. Hayman, H. J. Normau, First by the local band.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

PORTSEA (Hants).—On Sunday evening, September 18th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. J. Harper, J. Harris, J. Symonds, A. Collins, W. Lebbon conductor, W. J. Read, J. Harding, J. T. Matthews.

PETERSFIELD (Hants).—On Monday, September 19th, 504 Grand-sire Triples. W. Butler, J. Arthur, A. Butler, A. Garrett, W. Butler, W. J. Read conductor, W. Wilkinsen, W. Downs. Rung as a welcome home to A. Butler, who returned from his honeymoon.

NORTH STONEHAM (Hants).—On Wednesday, September 7th, for practice at the church of St. Nicholas, 720 Bob Minor. J. Pannell, W. H. George, C. Fray, A. Marks, W. Tucker conductor, W. Jones. Also 720 Grandsire Minor. J. Pannell, W. Tucker, \*C. Fray, J. Richards, W. Jones conductor. W. H. George. \*First 720 in the method. And 360 Bob Minor. J. Pannell, C. Fray, W. Tucker conductor, A. Marks, W. Rowe, W. Jones.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

PULHAM (Norfolk).—On Tuesday, September 13th, at the church of St. Mary Magdalen for practice, 1008 Double Norwich. C. Roope, F. Borrett, F. Surridge, E. Borrett, C. Baker, F. Roope, J. Allen, W. Roope.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

READING (Berks).—On the occasion of the dedication and patronal festival of St. Mary the Virgin, the bells were rung each evening before service on September 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th, the ringing done being as a combined practice for the members of the Reading branch. The methods rung were touches varying from 168 to 504s of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Double Norwich. The members taking part were: Messrs. Davis, Cox (2), Giles, Swain, Tucker, Stone, Holloway, Osborne, Moulden, Glanville, Goodenough, Reeves (2), Burgess, H. Tucker, Hibbert, Irvine, H. Osborne, Webb, Ronth, Hughes, and Tarrant; the conducting being shared among Messrs. Giles, Swain, Tucker, Cox, (2), Osborne, Hibbert and Moulden, the striking on the whole being very good.

CLEATOR MOOR (Cumberland).—On a recent Friday evening at St. John's church, 1440 changes, being 720 each of Violet and New London Treble Bob Minor, with the bells muffled in memory of the late Bishop of Carlisle, Dr. Bardsley. J. Davies, G. Tembey, P. Pearson, J. Pearson, J. Joyce, J. D. Baxter conductor.

DOWNE (Kent).—On Thursday, August 25th, 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. Morris, T. Groombridge conductor, —, Wilks, R. Hims, F. Fraser, R. B. Smith. Also 720 Oxford Treble Bob. I. Emery, F. Fraser, R. Hims, T. Groombridge, W. Spice, R. B. Smith conductor. These are the first 720s of Treble Bob on the bells. And 360 of College Single. T. Groombridge conductor, R. Hims, F. Fraser, H. Wilks, W. Spice, R. B. Smith.

LAVENHAM (Suffolk).—On Sunday morning, September 25th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 576 Bob Major. E. Newman, S. H. Symonds, A. Symonds, J. Moore, L. Leeks, G. H. Sentance, W. Steele conductor, A. Avis. For evening service 656 Double Norwich. A. Symonds, S. H. Symonds, E. Beckwith, D. Elliott conductor, J. Sadler, G. H. Sentance, W. Steele, J. Newman.

MONKS ELEIGH (Suffolk).—On Sunday afternoon, September 25th, for Divine Service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. A. Keeble, A. Symonds, W. Green, G. H. Sentance, W. Steele conductor, A. Avis. Also 720 Kent Treble Bob. A. Symonds, A. Keeble, J. Sadler, E. Beckwith, D. Elliott conductor, J. Newman.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Thursday, September 15th, at St. Edmund's church, 1260 Grandsire Triples. W. Allen, H. Lawrence, J. Metherell, F. Wilford, J. Mackay, H. Smith, W. Rogers conductor, T. Haddon. On Sunday, September 25th, 1260 Grandsire Triples. †A. Deacon, J. S. White, F. Wilford, \*J. Metherell conductor, J. Mackay, W. Rogers, E. Haxley, T. Haddon. †First quarter-peal. \*First quarter-peal as conductor.

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## Notices.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Annual Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Rochdale to-day, Saturday, October 1st. All subscriptions for 1903-4 should be paid by the 31st inst. to the respective branch secretaries. Further particulars by circular.

A. E. WREAKS, } Hon. Secs.  
J. SHEPHERD, }

41, Gibbon St., Bolton.

**The Bedfordshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Clifton, Beds, to-day, Saturday, October 1st, at 3 p.m.

A. RUST, } Hon.  
I. HILLS, } Secs.

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham to-day, Saturday, Oct. 1st. Tower open from 4 p.m. Tea at The Sussex Oak inn, 5.30. Business to follow.

H. EVANS, Hon. Div. Sec.  
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, October 1st, at Smethwick. Bells will be available at 4. Service in church at 5 p.m.

W. MICKLEWRIGHT, Hon. Sec.

**The Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting will be held at Chesterfield to-day, Saturday, Oct. 1st. Train leaves Sheffield (Midland) 3.28 p.m. Cheap bookings.

SIDNEY F. PALMER, Hon. Sec.  
87, Bradley Street, Sheffield.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—A district meeting of the above will be held at Ickleton to-day, Saturday, Oct 1st. Tea at 4 o'clock. All ringers welcome.

P. WEBB, Dist. Sec.

**The North Notts Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Misson (Bawtry Station G.N.R.) to-day, Saturday, October 1st.

B. DARLEY, Hon. Sec.

**The Royal Cumberland Society.**—On Monday, October 3rd, after the usual practice at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, a special meeting will be held at the Society's headquarters, Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, Strand. Very important business will be brought before the members, and all members are invited to attend.

A. JACOB, Hon. Sec.  
10, St. Ann's Road, Hornsey, N.

**Newnham-on-Severn.**—Harvest Thanksgiving Services will be held at St. Peter's (8 bells) on October 6th. Bells available for ringing from 2 p.m. and all friends are cordially invited.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Fagan's, Glamorganshire, on Saturday, October 8th, at 4 o'clock.

Rev. CONNOP L. PRICE, M.A., Hon. Sec.  
J. W. JONES, Assistant Hon. Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Walsden, on Saturday, October 8th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, Hon. Sec.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Nottingham on Saturday, October 8th. Ringing at St. Peter's

only. Goose Fair Saturday, 3.30 to 9 o'clock.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

Bramcote Road, Beeston, Notts.

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Liversedge on Saturday, October 8th. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock. Meeting house, The Albion hotel.

WALTER IDLE, Sec.

47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Tunstall on Saturday, October 8th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. G. A. Smith, 23, King William Street, Tunstall, not later than Thursday, October 6th.

D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.

High Street, Bucknall.

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—Frome Deanery.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Mells on Saturday, October 8th. Tea will be provided. Bells (8) open for use during afternoon and evening. Evensong after tea.

A. M. G. DANIEL, Hon. Local Sec.

Nunney, Frome.

**The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Croston on Saturday, October 8th. Full particulars by circular.

REV. W. T. BULPIT, } Hon.  
W. BENTHAM, } Secs.

**The Norwich Diocesan Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Norwich on Thursday, October 13th. Special service at St. Peter Mancroft at 12.45, when an address will be given by the Ven. Archdeacon Pelham. Dinner at 1.30 in the Mancroft Mission Hall. Notice must be sent by October 9th.

CHARLES E. BORRETT, Sec.  
10, Chester Street, Norwich.

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The autumn meeting will be held at Stone (near Aylesbury) on Saturday, October 15th. The bells will be available from 2.30. A short service in the parish church at 4.30, with an address by the Vicar. Tea in the Vicarage Reading Room at 5.15, 9d. each. Members intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, October 11th.

A. E. REEVES, Asst. Sec.

20, Radstock Road, Reading.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of the above Association will be held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon, near Uxbridge. It is hoped that members will do their utmost to attend, and that they will be good enough to signify their intention to the hon. secretary, by whom early payment of outstanding subscriptions would be appreciated. The sermon will be preached by the Right Rev. F. E. Ridgway, Bishop of Kensington. Further particulars will be announced in due course.

ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—Northern Branch.—The half yearly meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, October 15th. Divine service at the parish church at 3.45 p.m. Tea 1s. for members, 1s. 3d. for non-members. Meeting immediately after tea. Bells of the parish church open from 11.30 to 3.30, from 4.15 to 5.0, and from 6.0 to 9.0. If possible a peal will be attempted, commencing about 11.30 a.m. Any member wishing to take part in it should write to me early so that a band may be chosen.

P. O. BIXBY, Hon. Sec.

"Stedman," Ropery Street, Gainsboro'.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The second annual Bohemian Concert will take place on Saturday, October 15th, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., commence at 8 punctual. Admission only by programme, 3d. to members, 6d. non-members, to be obtained previous of the officers and committee, Messrs. A. Jacob, C. F. Winney, T. Langdon (P), W. H. Matthews, R. A. Daniell, M. Woodcock, F. G. Perin, T. Langdon, A. B. Peck, E. Wallage, H. Stubbs, R. Bevan, J. Pryer, E. C. Cox, and

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Essex Association.**—The Annual District Meeting of the South Western Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, October 15th. Tea and business meeting at the parish hall at 5.30. Tea 6d. to those who notify me by previous Wednesday. St. Mary's (10) will be open after tea. Will those members whose subscriptions for 1904 are still unpaid kindly do so at this meeting.

Geo. W. FAULKNER.

84, Fisher Street, Barking.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, October 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m., meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, Branch Sec.

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a capital day's outing, and a drive of about forty miles. The party included Mr. Nevard, of Great Bentley, and the veteran Mr. H. Bowell, of Ipswich. The company wish to thank Mr. Sillitoe and other Sudbury friends for their kindness.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

H. PRICE, of Beeston, is most respectfully informed that the quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples he has sent for insertion is not original, while it does not possess all the musical properties which the number of changes afford. We have this correspondent's communication addressed to a well-known reader, and he is informed (again respectfully) that such proceeding has no effect whatever.

REV. E. J. G. FORSE.—Thanks; a note to you is on the way.

J. P. BEESON.—We have so many that it is necessary all should wait their turn. That is the only reason.

H. R. PASMORE.—We have a letter for this gentleman, which shall be forwarded on receipt of his address.

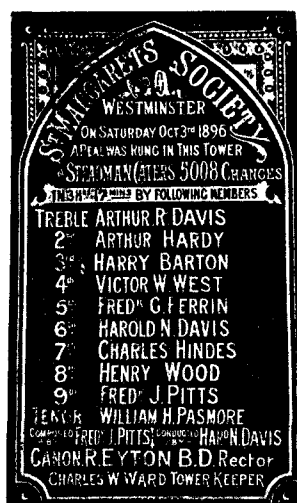
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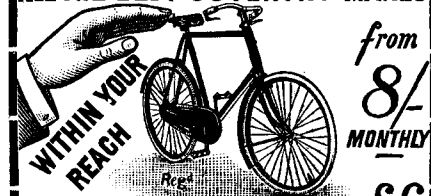
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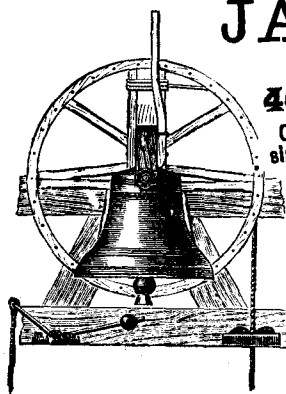
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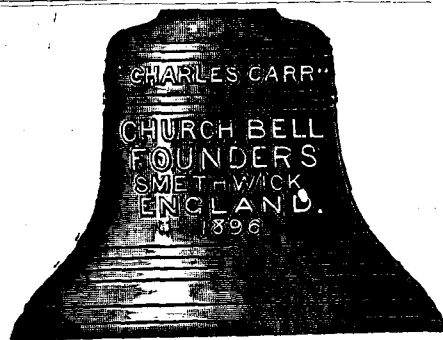
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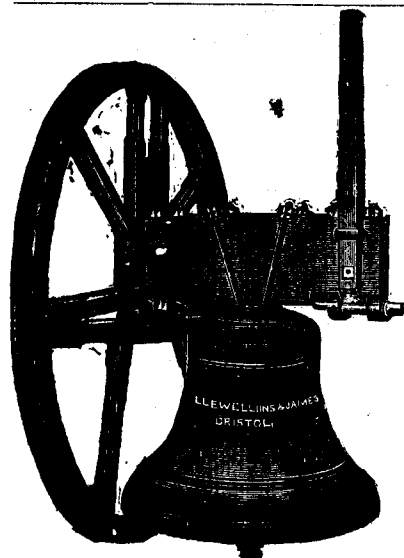
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### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

STOURBRIDGE (Worcestershire). St. Thomas. Worcestershire and Districts Association. Eight bells; all by Lester 1759. Tenor 19 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well, but the 7th is cracked. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Carr 1889. The condition of the 7th has been brought before the authorities, but hitherto without success. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11. Practice: Thursday, 7.45.

STOW BARDOLPH (Norfolk). Holy Trinity. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Warner 1870. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 3 in. by Mears 1882; the rest by Osborne (?) as follows: 3rd, 1759; 4th, 1767; 5th, 1601; 6th, 1775; 7th, 1809. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung, but date and bell-hanger not stated. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. No half-pull or Sunday ringing or practice.

STOWMARKET (Suffolk). SS. Peter and Mary. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells; treble by Dobson 1810; 2nd by Osborn 1791; 3rd by Keeble 1669; 4th, a very old bell, date and founder unknown; 5th by Newman 1699; 6th by Mears 1823; 7th by Darbie 1672. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. by Gray 1622. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Bowell 1894. Ropes new 1894. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st in month 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

STOW-ON-THE-WOLD (Gloucestershire). St. Edward. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells; treble, 2nd and 5th by Taylor 1897, the rest as follows; founder not stated; 3rd and 6th, 1620; 4th, 1606; 7th, 1778. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 7 in. by Rudhall, 1811. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Repairs by Taylor 1897. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 6.30 to 9.15. Practice by arrangement.

## DURSLEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Wednesday, September 21st (St. Matthews's Day), was a very important day in the history of the ancient parish church at Dursley—more especially in connection with the tower bells. For a long time it had been felt that the bells were much out of tune, and the frames and main beams unsafe, and these suspicions were verified by the report of an eminent expert. Consequently there was no other course open to the rector and churchwardens than to set about getting this undesirable state of things remedied, and as the results of their efforts, the parish now has a fine peal of bells in the tower as any of its size can boast of. Most opportunely came the promise of a donation by the late Mrs. Winterbotham, Norman Hill, and from that the fund thus started rose so rapidly that it was decided at a general meeting of the subscribers in April last to put the work in hand at once, the contract being secured by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough. The recast bells arrived last month from the bell-founders, and from what was said on Wednesday last, it is undoubtedly a peal of which the parish may justly feel proud. It is expected that the cost of the recent renovation of the bells and belfry will be nearly £600, and towards this sum about £410 has either subscribed or promised. The balance is expected to be raised at a bazaar fixed for October 5th and 6th.

The dedication commenced with a service in the parish church at 5 o'clock, a large congregation being present. The service commenced with the hymn "All people that on earth do dwell," sung as a processional. The 24th and 102nd Psalms were sung to chant Barnby in E. The first lesson, Numbers x. 1-11, was read by the Rev. Phair, and the second, Rev. iv., were impressively read by the Rev. N. W. Gresley, M.A., rural dean. After the first lesson the Cantate to Woodward in D. was chanted. After the third collect the hymn, "To Thee, our God, we dedicate our bells on high," was sung. The hymn before the sermon was specially composed for the dedication service by the Rev. S. E. Bartleet, the music being written by Mr. J. Charles Williams, the organist.

The Venerable Archdeacon then formally dedicated the bells.

Mr. Harry B. Smith (churchwarden) addressed the Archdeacon as follows:—"We, the churchwardens of this parish of Dursley, hereby request you, as Archdeacon of Gloucester, to dedicate to the glory of God and the use of this church, this peal of bells, recently hung in the church tower." After doing so Mr. H. R. Smith handed the ribbon with which the ropes were connected to the Archdeacon. The Archdeacon then formally dedicated the bells and committed them to the charge of the Rector. The Rector afterwards handed the ropes to the ringers, who rang the first peal. The Archdeacon said:—"Take notice that these bells are invested in the present and future Rectors of the parish of Dursley, only to be used subject to their approval and that of the Bishop of the Diocese. I pray God that all will take heed that they be used only in the service of God and for His glory."



The Ven. Archdeacon then gave a very powerful and appropriate address.

After the sermon the hymn, "Lifted safe within the steeple, now our bells are set on high," was sung with feeling. The recessional hymn, "Angels voices, ever singing," brought a memorable service to a close.

A collection was taken at the service in aid of the bell fund, which realised the satisfactory sum of £9 os. 2d. During the interval between the service and dinner, which took place at 6.30, a picked band from the Gloucester and Bristol Association rang a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. The conductor was the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Rector of Fretherne.

After the cloths had been removed the Rev. S. E. Bartleet proposed the loyal toast, which was duly honoured. He thanked all of them who came to give the first peal on the bells as he should not like them to go without his having expressed their gratitude to them for coming, and invited them to come again. The bells were such as few towns of the size could boast of in England. He would like to thank Mr. Davies, who had taken such a great interest in the ringers' association, and the ringers who had come to ring for them that day.

The Rev. C. P. Davies remarked he was sure the ringers did not want any thanks; they had been treated in a most noble way. Their expenses had been paid, and they had been feasted. He was echoing the voices of all who came when he said they had enjoyed themselves to the full. It was a great pleasure to them to come, and the Rector and churchwardens ought to be congratulated on the peal of bells. Mr. Taylor, the bell-founder, should also be congratulated on the success of the whole thing.

Mr. Harry R. Smith was very pleased that Mr. Taylor, of Loughborough, the gentleman who had contracted for recasting the bells, was present at the opening ceremony. The work had been carried out in an admirable and workmanlike manner, and would, he knew, give every satisfaction. The bells were equal to any in the county. He had great pleasure in asking those present to drink the health of Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Taylor thanked Mr. Smith very much for the kind remarks he made about him. He was not much of a speaker, but could make more noise in the belfry. As to the bells, he thought they were the very best his firm were able to do. They had travelled far and wide in England and on the continent to hear the sound of different bells and gain knowledge in the work. He remarked that he had a hereditary knowledge of bells, as his grandfather was a bell founder. The bells he had recast were eighty years old, but he did not think they would need recasting again in eighty years' time. He thanked the company very much for the toast.

Soon after this the Rev. S. E. Bartleet had to leave, and the chair was occupied by Mr. Harry Smith (churchwarden). The rest of the evening was spent in music.

#### ROGATE, SUSSEX.

On a recent Thursday an important vestry meeting was held in the schoolroom. The object of the meeting was to consider the state of the church bells. The meeting was opened by the Vicar, who said that when he came to the church three years ago he found everything, both inside and outside the church, in a very beautiful condition. There was, however, one exception—the bells—and as an old bell-ringer and the son of a bell-ringer and a great bell expert, he naturally took notice of the state of the bells.

He found the bells in much dilapidation. There were three: one a fine old tenor, bearing a date 1524; another had been put in position when the church was restored; and the other, which bore the date 1610, was unfortunately cracked. He now proposed that the bells should be increased to six, and that the tenor should be untouched, but that the other two bells should be re-cast, one because of its cracked condition and the other because it was in wrong sequence. Six bells hung properly would not be so injurious as three bells improperly hung. The scheme would cost £260 6s.

Mr. Simpson announced that he, his family and friends wished to bear the cost of a third bell, in memory of his father, the Rev. Prebendary Arthur B. Simpson. The second bell's cost would also be defrayed in memory of a former friend of Rogate. Mr. J. Edgar, of Clayton Court, had promised to defray half the cost of recasting the first and second bells. Altogether the sum of £106 was in hand towards the total cost. In concluding his remarks Mr. Simpson undertook to make himself responsible for the whole of the amount required.

The following resolution was then proposed by Mr. John Harmsworth, seconded by Mr. J. Elger, and carried unanimously: "That the first and second bells now in the tower be recast and rehung in an iron frame, that three smaller bells be added to increase their number to six, and that a faculty be applied for from the Chancellor of the Diocese for the carrying out of the work."

A second resolution as follows was proposed by Mr. W. Turvill, seconded by Mr. Wm. King, and carried unanimously: "That the following gentlemen be appointed to act as a committee to see to the proper carrying out of the work—the Vicar, the Churchwardens, Sir G. H. Wyndham, K.C.M.G., C.B., and Mr. J. Elger."

The idea of a peal of bells for the parish church seems to be very well received throughout the parish, and much satisfaction is expressed at the progress already made.

We understand that there is the sum of £205 now in hand, and that Messrs. Taylor are selected to do the work.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The second quarterly meeting of the year was held at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on September 24th. The eight bells at the parish church were available for ringing from 2 p.m. A capital tea was provided in St. Helen's parish room, at which about forty members and friends, including the Vicar of Ashby, the Rev. P. R. Preston, sat down. A general meeting followed, at which the Vice-President, Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., occupied the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar of Ashby for his kindness in placing the bells and parish room at the disposal of the Association and for his presence at the meeting, on the proposition of Mr. W. E. White, seconded by Mr. W. Wakley. The Vicar, in reply, said he was very pleased to meet the members of the Association at Ashby, and although it was the first time he had had that pleasure he hoped it would not be the last. He begged to be excused further attendance at the meeting, as he was obliged to attend a service in the church.

The Vice-President read a list of the peals rung during the past quarter, 15 in number, which he considered fully up to the average for the time of year, and which were well spread over the ground of the Association.

The Rev. F. Boykett, Vicar of Ruddington, Notts, and Sir Chas. Seely, Bart., were elected honorary members. Two life and nine ringing members were also admitted.

Mansfield was chosen as the place of the next quarterly meeting, on the proposition of Mr. C. Draper, seconded by Mr. W. E. White.

Mr. W. Wakley proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the vice-president for his presence at the meeting, which, taking into consideration the sad loss he had recently sustained by the death of Mrs. Taylor, he thought shewed a great interest in the Association. Mr. J. S. Needham seconded the proposition.

Mr. Taylor having briefly replied, an adjournment was made to the church tower where ringing in various methods was practised until about 9 p.m.

### THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 24th, the monthly practice meeting of the Bristol branch was held at Dursley after the peal had been rung. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the next meeting was arranged to be held at Yate at the end of October. A touch of 600 Bob Major and 518 Grandsire Triples was rung in the evening, the local ringers taking part. Several of the party visited Painswick on the following Sunday, Grandsire Cinques and Caters being rung. The local ringers very kindly helped to make a pleasant time.

### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING (Berks.).—On Friday, September 30th, at St. Mary's church, 504 Stedman Triples. C. Moulden, C. Giles, A. W. Reeves, N. Cox, W. P. Routh, J. Swain, A. Osborne conductor. H. Davis. Also a 252. C. Cox, C. Giles conductor, N. Cox; the rest as before. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. G. Stevens, one of the sidesmen at the above church, whose interment took place during the afternoon. On Sunday, October 2nd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 41 mins. H. Osborne, C. Moulden, A. Reeves, N. Cox, W. P. Routh, C. Giles conductor, A. Osborne, J. Goodenough. Tenor 21 cwt.

THANET (Kent).—On Sunday, July 31st, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. B. Oliver, S. G. Twyman conductor, W. Trusler, J. Hiscock, A. Taylor, A. Kay, J. Blytheman, J. Crayford. On Sunday, September 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, standing as above, with A. F. Saxby in place of A. Kay, in 44½ mins.

WILLESDEN (Bucks.).—On Monday, August 1st, 720 Bob Minor. A. Giles, R. Plum, E. Yates, W. Bonham, W. Yates, C. Valentine conductor.

WICKEN (Northants.).—On Monday, August 1st, 720 Bob Minor. A. Giles, E. Yates, W. Yates, W. Bonham, J. Read, C. Valentine conductor.

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### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### NORWICH SURPRISE MINOR.

SIR,—I have perused Mr. R. S. Story's letter, and I hope he will pardon me when I say I am fairly surprised at the statement made and opinion expressed by him, from whom I should have anticipated something better. However he can reasonably suggest to your readers that I am hunting for a name for this method after reading my letter surpasseth my understanding. Then to further suggest that I should class it with Woodbine is surely a joke, and not a very good one, as Woodbine is a very poor method indeed compared with Norwich.

Why Surprise Mr. Story is at a loss to understand, and he sees no claim in this method to such a distinction. I shall indisputably show by its "beauty spots" (so pleasing to Mr. J. Carter) that it contains all the qualities and ranks with Cambridge, Superlative and London. I also note Mr. Story has been seeking for decent Surprise methods, and that Norwich alias Victory was passed over as unsuitable. Well this is a matter of fancy, as we all have our likes and dislikes, but if he failed to find a Surprise method in Norwich, I must say the labour entailed in the search was misdirected. If your readers, Mr. Editor, will turn to page 45 of the *Clavis*, or page 47 of the reprint of the same work, they will there find the distinctive quality pointed out, which entitles it to be classed as a Surprise method. It runs as follows under the heading—

#### MORNING EXERCISE.

This peal (method) differs from Treble Bob in the following particulars, viz., when the treble moves from fourth's place to fifth's going up, or from fifth's place to fourth's coming down, third's place is made, and the two former bells dodge, and in all other respects this peal (method) favors Treble Bob. Hence, Mr. Editor, it was known to the ancients where to search for these distinctive marks and qualities. The following general rules will make this matter plain to all searchers after the truth of this question. I take it we all recognise the fact that all methods having the treble a dodging hunt are classed generally as Treble Bob methods; therefore a Surprise method is a Treble Bob method. But Treble Bob method is not Surprise, as the following explanation will clearly show by the adjustment and position of internal place-making:—

DEFINITION 1.—All treble places are made when the treble is dodging, either in 1-2, 3-4, or 5-6 up or down.

DEFINITION 2.—All "beauty places are made when the treble is in transit, or in other words when she is passing from one dodging block to another, as previously described in the above extract from the *Clavis*.

From these definitions we get the following rules:—

a When upon examining a method, we find it built with Treble Bob places only, and without a beauty place, we may rest contented this method is Treble Bob. Please prove this statement by examining Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, both time-honoured and indisputable Treble Bob methods.

b When examining any other methods and beauty places are discovered, we may satisfy ourselves the method is of another class. The class to which it properly belongs is governed by the number of these beauty places, but when all these places are used the method properly belongs to the Surprise class. This statement also may easily be proved on examining the three time-honoured and universally recognised methods that are now so constantly practised, viz., Cambridge, Superlative and London Surprise.

If now the reader and you, Mr. Editor, will please turn to Snowdon's "Standard Methods" and examine Woodbine, we shall find two beauty places in each lead only. This method therefore belongs to the Exercise class, but is not a good example; it lacks Plain Bob lead-ends. If we now search Norwich, which you published in your issue of the 24th ult., we shall find four beauty places in each lead, which quality and distinction entitle it to belong to the Surprise class. It contains Plain Bob lead-ends, and the back changes are first-class. Its

slow work is a very interesting one. I don't remember one like it, while the slow in Woodbine is exactly that of Kent and Oxford, and to compare the two methods is highly amusing, let alone linking them together, as I am sure they would never agree. No, Sir, Norwich will stand every test and examination. Why it is nearly 200 years old† and in my opinion it is one of the most symmetrical and properly-constructed methods ever designed. Of course, Mr. Editor, we have been speaking exclusively of Minor methods. But I may say the same kind of distinction and classification hold good in Major, Royal and Maximus; but I dare not go into these, as that would be forestalling the method classification committee's work. I may however say that the Rev. E. B. James is the first of recent years to touch upon the subject in this direction, which he did in reply to a question of mine put to his brother H. L. J. in our paper about eighteen months ago, and that he still has the subject under his careful consideration.

In conclusion let me thank Mr. Heckingbottom, who is quite correct, about the method being given in "BELL NEWS" in 1890. I had forgotten it; but I had also a communication from my friend G. Baker, relinquishing his claim with his usual good grace, consoling himself with the remark—"There is nothing new under the sun."

When turning to "THE BELL NEWS" for July, 1890, I find friend Baker gives Major, Royal and Maximus with the Minor method under notice, and so has the honour, if he will, of making the Norwich gentlemen a present. Whether it is acceptable or not I cannot say.

The following is a good old method of the Surprise class, and perhaps will suit Mr. Story. It does not belong to me.

Places made in these rows	123456	
are T. B. places.	213465	
	124356	
	214536	place made by the 5th in
		these rows is a beauty
	241563	place.
	425136	
	421563	
	245136	
	425316	
	243561	
	234516	
	325461	
	352641	
	536214	
	563241	
	652314	
	562134	
	651243	
	652134	
	561243	
	516234	
	156324	
	513642	
	153624	

Plain 135264 Lead  
Bob 135642 Lead

\*Beauty places or spots. These cannot properly be called Surprise places, nor Exercise, nor Pleasure or Delight places, although they go in all classification of method, according to the number used.

†I said this Norwich is 200 years old. I base this estimate upon what the *Clavis* reprint tells us, viz.: Benjamin Annable died in the year 1755 at between 60 and 70 years of age, and that it is given in the early part of his notebook, and before either Cambridge or London.

H. DAINS.

#### NORWICH TREBLE BOB MINOR.

SIR,—With your kind permission I should like to give my opinion about the method Norwich Treble Bob Minor from Annable's m.s. book lately noticed by my friend Mr. H. Dains.

First of all as it was known to Annable, and we know he died in the year 1756, 148 years ago, therefore the method is not new, and as he gave it the name of Norwich Treble Bob so let it be, as I think that it has its name long enough to retain it. Still if it is worthy of more so let it be. And so much the better, as it shows that the very first master of the Art knew well what method ringing was to a very great extent, so that we have it for sure and certain that good old Ben Annable was all that we have had handed down to us concerning him being a master of ringing. As regards the method I think it a very good one and worth ringing. With reference to Mr. D. Brearley giving it in "THE BELL NEWS" of July 5th, 1890, under the name of Bradfield Exercise, I fail to see it. But the same method is given in your issue of June 23rd, 1900, by Mr. G. Baker, and there named Victoria Surprise. Here then we have another well-known brother-string as well as Mr. Dains describing it as Surprise. But then, after all, with due respect to Mr. Baker, we really must ascribe it to Annable, and in my opinion let it retain its original name—Norwich Treble Bob—and I think we ought to thank Mr. Dains for bringing its originality to view.

SAMUEL SLATER.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Dains re this method, if he will refer to "THE BELL NEWS" of 1900 (I cannot now give either date of week or month) he will there find the above method given as Victoria Surprise by Mr. G. Baker, of Brighton, and also the Major method. The reason I have written is this: when Mr. Baker published it I wrote to say that I had previously got the Minor method about ten months before, but we had not rung it during that time. However, we did ring it the Wednesday night following its publication, and have rung it in thirteen peals of Treble Bob and Surprise Minor, in all of which of course it has been rung under the name of "Victoria." The first time that we rang it in a peal was on November 22nd, 1900, at St. John's, Leytonstone, in a peal of Treble Bob Minor. I am not sure but I think the Stansted company rang it in one or two peals of Surprise Minor. I have also several other methods from this one. Now the question is shall we keep to the name "Victoria," seeing that it has been entered into at least two peal books (the Essex Association and the Royal Cumberland Youths), or shall we revert to Norwich Treble Bob or Surprise? Will Mr. Dains kindly oblige, and also if he has time, which is very valuable to some people, will he please oblige with a few more methods from B. Annable's note book, as they would no doubt be interesting to six-bell ringers, if not to anyone else; and as I have a great number of Minor methods, some of which I have had given me, and others which I have composed myself, they might probably, as in the case of this one, be in Annable's note book. I might also add that we rang this method last Sunday night before service (twelve bobs). Mr. Dains is wrong when he states there are no other Surprise methods on the lengthened lead plan, viz., Worcester and Chichester.

WM. KEEBLE.

A POSER.

SIR,—A person can easily understand why the first bell in every tower is called the "treble," but I should like to know why the last bell is always called the "tenor." I have never as yet had a satisfactory answer to this question; could you or your readers kindly help me?

IGNORAMUS.

REPORT WANTED.

SIR,—May I ask through your columns if some member of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association can very kindly lend me a copy of the Report for the year 1891? I am drawing up a Schedule of compositions, and have obtained a copy of all the other reports, but have not so far succeeded in getting this one.

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**Date Touches.****THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.****ILFRACOMBE (Devon).—**On Thursday, September 8th, at the church of the Holy Trinity, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original in 1 hr. 8 mins. R. Dadds, A. W. Brighton, F. J. Reed, C. F. Winney, G. Burnell, Rev. R. Prebendary Martin, A. Dadds, J. Richards.**CHESTERFIELD (Derbyshire).—**On Wednesday, August 31st, at the parish church, a date touch of Bob Major in 1 hr. 20 mins. W. Thyng, W. Nuttall, G. Hollis conductor, S. Price, B. C. Handby, J. Hunt, A. Knights, B. A. Knights. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Dr. Ridding, Bishop of Southwell.**WILLENHALL (Staffordshire).—**On Saturday, August 27th, at the church of St. Giles, a date touch of Grandsire Major in 1 hr. 11 mins. A. H. Harber, W. Pardo, H. Belcher, J. Appleby, C. Wallater, J. Adams, W. Johnson composer and conductor, J. Malpass.**Miscellaneous.****THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.****BRAINTREE (Essex).—**On Sunday evening, October 2nd, for Harvest Festival at the parish church, 1056 Double Norwich. C. H. Howard, G. H. Sentance, H. E. Hammond, E. Newman, H. J. Collins, S. R. Roper, W. Grimwade, W. Steele conductor.**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.****READING (Berks).—**On Sunday morning, September 18th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. S. Franklin, H. Hammans, G. J. Wright, J. Wadhams, W. Hands, T. Russell, A. E. Reeves conductor, G. E. Brown. For evening service 504 Grandsire Triples. S. Franklin, H. Hammans, W. Pole Routh, J. Wadhams, W. Hands, T. Russell, A. E. Reeves conductor, G. E. Brown.**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.****LONDON.—**On Friday, September 9th, for practice at St. James's church, Islington, 720 Grandsire Minor. R. F. Deal, G. Gains, W. Weatherstone conductor, C. Potheary, J. A. Dart, H. Franks,**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****STREET (Somersetshire).—**On Thursday, September 1st, for practice 912 Grandsire Triphs. F. Marsh, H. Parish, J. A. Barnes, F. Marsh, jun., C. J. Webb, J. H. Trimm, A. W. Webb conductor, C. Taylor. On Sunday evening, September 11th, after Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples. F. Marsh, sen., H. Parish conductor, J. A. Barnes, F. Marsh, jun., C. J. Webb, S. Hawkins, A. W. Webb, H. Marsh.**LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.****CAYTHORPE (Lincs).—**On Sunday, October 2nd, after evening service, a quarter-peal, 1260 changes, of Grandeire Triples in 44 mins. T. Cragg, J. Cragg, H. Haynes, J. P. Paley, sen., A. Codd, J. W. Wood, F. W. Stokes conductor, J. P. Paley, jun.**BLETCHLEY (Bucks).—**On Saturday, September 24th, 504 Stedman Triples. H. Judge, H. Sear, A. J. Hessian, H. Miles, F. Webb, J. George, F. Sear conductor, F. Hedges. Also a course of Stedman Triples. F. Hedges, W. Sear, A. J. Hessian, F. Sear, R. Nichols, H. Sear, J. George, E. Marks.**BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER (Gloucestershire).—**On Thursday, September 29th, 720 Bob Minor. W. Sear, A. J. Hessian, H. Packer, F. Sear, H. Gillett, W. Stratford conductor.**BRISTOL.—**On Tuesday, September 13th, at St. James' chnrch, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. A. H. Huggins, H. S. Payne, A. W. Clarke, H. Cavill, J. J. Davis, F. T. Jewell, H. Porch conductor, H. Parsons. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the anniversary of the death of R. S. Burrows, Esq. Also a touch of Bob Major. A. H. Huggins, H. S. Payne, A. W. Clarke, J. J. Davis, A. Pearce, F. T. Jewell, H. Cavell, H. Porch.**GUISELEY (Yorks).—**On Sunday evening, August 14th, for Divine Service, 1008 Stedman Triples. A. Hardwick, S. B. Norfolk, J. Waite, B. Barrett, J. B. Jackson, F. W. Dixon conductor, F. W. Hird, C. Knipe. Longest length in the method by a local company.**HALESOWEN (Worcestershire).—**On Thursday, August 25th, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. E. M. Thompson and Miss M. Parkes, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples. A. Hackett, E. White, H. Raybould, H. Williams, W. Coley conductor, G. N. Cockin, W. Webb, M. Hackett. Also a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 44 mins. E. White, G. N. Cockin, H. Raybould, W. Coley, W. Webb, H. Lea, H. Williams conductor, M. Hackett.**NEWTON LONGVILLE (Bucks).—**On Saturday, October 1st, 720 Bob Minor. A. Powell, N. Sear, A. J. Hessian, T. Henry, H. Sear conductor, R. Nichols. Also 720 Bob Doubles and 600 Grandsire Doubles. A. Powell, T. Henry, H. Hopkins, F. Sear, H. Sear conductor, R. Nichols. First 720 of Minor by the ringers of the treble and 4th.**SEDGLEY (Staffordshire).—**On Tuesday, August 23rd, for practice at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. J. Goodman, A. Baker, F. Evans, F. Bradley, J. Goodman, sen., T. Watton, J. Goodman, jun., conductor, J. Ray.**STREET (Somersetshire).—**On Thursday, September 22nd, 2520 Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 38 mins. S. Hawkins, H. Parish, J. Barnes, F. Marsh, C. Webb, H. J. Trimm, A. W. Webb conductor, C. Taylor.**NOTES TO PEALS.****THE PEAL AT ST. CLEMENT DANES.—**This was Messrs. Woodcock and Smith's 50th peal. Woodcock's: Grandsire Triples 11, conducted 1; Grandsire Caters 2, conducted 1; Stedman Triples, 8; Stedman Caters, 9; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 5; Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Double Norwich Major, 9; Superlative Surprise Major, 1; Seven different methods on six bells, 2; total 50, conducted 2. Smith's: Grandsire Triples 12, conducted 2; Grandsire Caters 2; Stedman Triples, 9; Stedman Caters, 7; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 5; Kent Treble Bob Major, 3; Double Norwich Major, 8; Bob Major, 1; seven different methods on six bells, 2; total 50, conducted 2.**THE PEAL AT HEADCORN, KENT.—**This peal was arranged for Mr. F. S. Poole, a graduate of Cambridge University, who was staying at Headcorn for the vacation, and who wished to ring a peal before returning to College. It was also rung as a birthday peal for Mr. W. E. Pitman and as a silver wedding peal for Mr. C. Tribe, both of them having every good wish from their brother-ringers. It was Mr. C. H. Sone's first attempt and first peal in the method, and is believed to be the first in the method on the bells.**CENTRAL COUNCIL PUBLICATIONS.***To be obtained, Post free, from BEMROSE & SONS, LTD., 4, Snow Hill, London, E.C.**(Remittance must accompany order)**Or through any Bookseller.***Special Terms to Association Secretaries for Quantities.**

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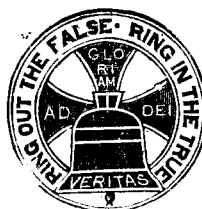
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ELSEWHERE will be seen the record of what members of  
the Oxford Diocesan Guild did on their tour. Next week  
will be commenced the history of this tour, by our old  
friend Mr. W. H. Fussell, of Slough, who promises some  
sketches of his own to make the story more interesting.

## The Metropolis.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION LATE THE  
ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM S. LANGDON .. Treble.	WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 5.
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### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. Treble.	SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 6.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. 8.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCH .. .. 6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM BERRY .. .. 7.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 8.
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Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Reference elsewhere.

### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, BARKING,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

HENRY E. PARKER* .. .. Treble.	*ALFRED J. T. CARTER .. .. 5.
CALEB FENN .. .. 2.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 6.
GEORGE W. FAULKNER* .. .. 3.	ALBERT C. HARDY .. .. 7.
ROWLAND FENN .. .. 4.	THOMAS FAULKNER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and  
Conducted by THOMAS FAULKNER.

\*First peal in the method. The figures will be found in the Appendix 1895, page 78, right hand peal.

### Gandbell Peal.

### THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Monday, October 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

MISS C. A. NEVILLE .. .. 1-2.	J. W. DRIVER .. .. 5-6.
W. E. JUDD .. .. 3-4.	J. W. KELLEY .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by J. W. KELLEY.

Umpire—G. R. Fardon.

### The Provinces.

### GUILDFORD, SURREY.

### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, September 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 25 cwt.

ROBERT ROFFEY .. .. Treble.	HARRY HARRIS .. .. 5.
HENRY L. GARFATH, JUN. .. .. 2.	RALPH WOOD .. .. 6.
HENRY HUTTON .. .. 3.	FRANK BLONDELL .. .. 7.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM E. JELLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES WILLSHIRE.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. A. H. Pulling (Holy Trinity Church) and Miss Bradshaw, the event taking place on the above date at Warboys, Huntingdonshire, the home of the bride.

### HEADINGLEY, LEEDS, YORKS.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

TOM FLINT .. .. Treble.	WALTER C. HUNT .. .. 5.
PERCY JOHNSON .. .. 2.	BENJAMIN SHAW .. .. 6.
ROBERT THOMAS .. .. 3.	HENRY LINDSAY .. .. 7.
HARRY WILLIAMS .. .. 4.	WALTER WOOD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by H. WILLIAMS.

### HEADCORN, KENT.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

CHARLES H. SONE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES W. PLAYER .. .. 5.
CHARLES TRIBE .. .. 2.	STEPHEN J. PERKINS, JUN. .. .. 6.
WILLIAM E. PITMAN .. .. 3.	PHILIP HODGKIN .. .. 7.
FRANK S. POOLR .. .. 4.	WILLIAM LATTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by W. LATTER.

Reference elsewhere. For calling see K.C.A. Report for 1904, p. 65.

### MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

SIDNEY MASON .. .. Treble.	C. SUMMERS .. .. 5.
FRED MASON* .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
SAM MASON .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
GEORGE ATEINS .. .. 4.	C. DAWSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by H. MOORE.

\*First peal with a bob bell.

### BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 28, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN DYSON .. .. Treble.	*JOHN R. BREARLEY .. .. 5.
ARCHIE BREARLEY* .. .. 2.	*GEORGE MERRIMAN .. .. 6.
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Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by DAVID BREARLEY.

\*First peal of College Single.

### CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. .. 2.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. THYNG .. .. 4.	JAMES PAGETT .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES PAGETT.

First peal in the method on the bells.



## STREET, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S.

SAMUEL HAWKINS .. .. Treble.	CRISPIN J. WEBB .. .. 5.
HARRY PARISH .. .. 2.	JOHN H. TRIMM .. .. 6.
JOSEPH A. BARNES .. .. 3.	ARTHUR W. WEBB .. .. 7.
FREDK. MARSH, JUN. .. 4.	CHARLES TAYLOR .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR W. WEBB.

First peal of Triples by all the band; first on the bells, and rung by the local band.

## BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

EDWARD I. STONE .. .. Treble.	LEONARD BULLOCK .. .. 5.
JOHN H. BENSTEAD .. .. 2.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN .. .. 6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY .. 3.	HARRY WAKLEY .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. SMITH .. .. 4.	GEORGE ROBINSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

## HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
J. J. PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

TOM STOCKDALE .. .. Treble.	HARRY DUFFIELD .. .. 5.
FREDERICK MERRISON .. 3.	GEORGE T. MILLER .. .. 6.
GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 4.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
	JOHN W. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

The above are also members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

## ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 32 cwt.

JOHN W. J. COTTAM .. Treble.	JOHN M. ANDREWS .. .. 5.
WALTER ALLWOOD* .. 2.	SIDNEY F. PALMER .. .. 6.
JOHN THORPE* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WARBURTON .. 7.
CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 4.	GEORGE OAKES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

\*First peal of Grandsire Triples. †First peal with a bob bell.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BASKILL* .. Treble.	ALFRED HILLIER .. .. 5.
ROBERT FALCONER .. .. 2.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. 6.
MATTHEW ANDERSON† .. 3.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 7.
JOSEPH ROWELL† .. .. 4.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

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## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(LOUGHBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Friday, September 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 6½ cwt.

RICHARD F. LANE .. Treble.	FRANK PERVIN .. .. 5.
THOMAS H. COLBURN .. 2.	HORACE W. ABBOTT .. 6.
REV. ARTHUR T. BEESTON 3.	JAMES L. WELLS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. INGLESANT.. 4.	FRANK G. BURLEIGH .. Tenor.

Composed by HARRY WHITTLE, and

Conducted by FRANK G. BURLEIGH.

## ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PARKER'S SIX-PART (No. 13.) Tenor 14 cwt.

HENRY SYCAMORE* .. Treble.	HENRY CORBETT .. .. 5.
HARRY G. BEAMS .. .. 2.	HARRY LAST .. .. 6.
JOHN BEAMS .. .. 3.	CHARLES E. READ .. .. 7.
JOHN WYATT .. .. 4.	DAVID ANSCOMBE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN BEAMS.

\*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday peal for H. Sycamore and J. Beams.

## ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(MELTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON .. Treble.	A. V. POTTER .. .. 5.
GEORGE W. MEAKINS* .. 2.	†CHARLES DALEY .. .. 6.
RICHARD H. BARTRAM .. 3.	†WALTER JAMES .. .. 7.
REV. C. B. HULTON* .. 4.	ARTHUR CRAVEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR CRAVEN.

\*First peal. †First peal of Major. G. Meakins was proposed a member previous to starting.

## CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHOUT-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN W. DAVIES .. Treble.	HENRY W. WILDE .. .. 5.
ROBERT SPERRING .. .. 2.	ALEXANDER WHITE .. .. 6.
GEORGE JONES .. .. 3.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. 7.
FRANK MILTON .. .. 4.	JAMES WRIGHT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES MOTTS .. Treble.	GEORGE BERRY .. .. 5.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 2.	JOHN W. AVISS .. .. 6.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. 3.	WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 7.
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On Monday, October 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## **A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.**

Tenor 26 cwt.

GEORGE H. SWANN .. .. .	Treble.	LEONARD BULLOCK .. .. .	5.
HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. ..	2.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. ..	6.
FRANK FAY .. .. .	3.	CHARLES DICKENS .. .. .	7.
HARRY WAKLEY .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM WAKLEY .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by B. W. WITCHELL.

# **BISHOP AUCKLAND, DURHAM.**

## **DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## **A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 11½ cwt.

H. PEVERELL* .. .. .	Treble.	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. .	5.
ERNEST E. HUNT .. .. .	2.	*GEORGE W. PARK .. .. .	6.
JOHN G. HALL .. .. .	3.	*CHARLES TODD .. .. .	7.
G. J. LUNGLEY* .. .. .	4.	†WILLIAM H. PORTER .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM H. PORTER.

First peal in the method on the bells, and was rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. G. W. Peverell, a member of the local company. \*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

# **STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, October 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

## **A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. .	Treble.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. .	5.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. .	2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. .	6.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. .	3.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. .	7.
JOHN LUCKEY .. .. .	4.	*GEORGE GREENHILL .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

\*First peal. This is the twentieth peal on these bells.

# **GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

On Tuesday, October 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## **A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HARRY BUSH* .. .. .	Treble.	REGINALD EDWARDS .. .. .	5.
HENRY F. COOPER .. .. .	2.	THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. .	6.
CHARLES WASKETT .. .. .	3.	ALFRED RICHELL .. .. .	7.
WILLIAM LINCOLN .. .. .	4.	HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

\*First peal. Rung with the bells half muffled as a tribute of respect to the late A. Pryor, Esq., of Hylands, donor of the church and bells.

# **SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.**

## **THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, October 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

## **A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.**

Tenor 16 cwt.

J. S. WRIGHT† .. .. .	Treble.	R. RICHARDSON .. .. .	5.
J. T. BROWN* .. .. .	2.	†R. SMITH .. .. .	6.
J. H. ELEY† .. .. .	3.	†J. W. JARVIS .. .. .	7.
W. BENNETT† .. .. .	4.	REV. H. LAW JAMES .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by W. BENNETT, and Conducted by the REV. H. L. JAMES.

†First peal. \*First peal of Major with a bob bell. This composition appears in the Midland Counties Report for 1902, No. 1014.

The following five peals were rung on the occasion of the tour by members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

# **WOKINGHAM, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, September 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## **A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 17 cwt.

HENRY WHITE .. .. .	Treble	JAMES HUNT .. .. .	5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. ..	2.	KEITH HART .. .. .	6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. ..	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. ..	7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. .	4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by J. S. WILDE, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

# **DRAYTON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Monday, September 26, 1904, in Two Hours Fifty-nine and ½ Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## **A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. .. .	Treble.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. .	5.
HENRY WHITE .. .. .	2.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. ..	6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. .	3.	KEITH HART .. .. .	7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. ..	Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

# **APPIETON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, September 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## **A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.

HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. .	Treble.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. .	6.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. ..	2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. .	7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. .	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. ..	8.
JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. .	4.	KEITH HART .. .. .	9.
HENRY WHITE .. .. .	5.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. ..	Tenor.

Composed by J. S. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

# **KIDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Wednesday, September 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## **A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

HENRY WHITE .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. .	5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. .	2.	KEITH HART .. .. .	6.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. ..	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. ..	7.
WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. .	4.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. ..	Tenor.

Conducted by G. N. PRICE.

# **THAME, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Thursday, September 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## **A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 13 cwt. 13 lbs.

REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. .. .	Treble.	KEITH HART .. .. .	5.
HERBERT P. HARMAN .. ..	2.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. ..	6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. .	3.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. .	7.
HENRY WHITE .. .. .	4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. .	Tenor.

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**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Fagan's, Glamorganshire, to-day, Saturday, October 8th, at 4 o'clock.

Rev. CONNOP L. PRICE, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Assistant Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Walsden, to-day, Saturday, Oct. 8th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Nottingham to-day, Saturday, October 8th. Ringing at St. Peter's only. Goose Fair Saturday, 3.30 to 9 o'clock.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

*Bramcote Road, Beeston, Notts.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.** The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held at Liversedge to-day, Saturday, October 8th. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock. Meeting house, The Albion hotel.

WALTER IDLE, *Sec.*

47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting will be held at Tunstall to-day, Saturday, October 8th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

*High Street, Bucknall.*

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—Frome Deanery.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Mells to-day, Saturday, October 8th. Tea will be provided. Bells (8) open for use during afternoon and evening. Evensong after tea.

A. M. G. DANIEL, *Hon. Local Sec.*

*Nunney, Frome.*

**The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at Croston to-day, Saturday, October 8th.

Rev. W. T. BULFIT, } *Hon.*  
W. BENTHAM, } *Secs.*

**The Norwich Diocesan Association.**—The annual meeting will be held at Norwich on Thursday, October 13th. Special service at St. Peter Mancroft at 12.45, when an address will be given by the Ven. Archdeacon Pelham. Dinner at 1.30 in the Mancroft Mission Hall. Notice must be sent by October 9th. CHARLES E. BORRETT, *Sec.*

10, Chester Street, Norwich.

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The autumn meeting will be held at Stone (near Aylesbury) on Saturday, October 15th. The bells will be available from 2.30. A short service in the parish church at 4.30, with an address by the Vicar. Tea in the Vicarage Reading Room at 5.15; 9d. each. Members intending to be present must let me know not later than Tuesday, October 11th.

A. E. REEVES, *Asst. Sec.*

20, Radstock Road, Reading.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Rolvenden on Saturday, October 15th. Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.0, to be followed by the usual business meeting. All ringers heartily welcomed. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know on or before Thursday, October 13th.

C. TRIBE, *Hon. Sec.*

*British School Villas, Tenterden.*

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of the above Association will be held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon West, near Uxbridge. The bells of St. John's church, as well as those of St. Andrew's, Hillingdon, and St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, will be available from 2 p.m. There will be a service in St. Andrew's church at 5 p.m., at which the Bishop of Kensington will preach. This service will be followed by tea and a business meeting in the schoolroom. A substantial tea will be provided for members and their friends at 1s. a head. The hon. sec. hopes that members will make a special effort to attend, and he would be glad to hear, at an early date, from all intending to come, as without this information it will be impossible for satisfactory arrangements to be made. Routes to Uxbridge: by tube and tram, 7d. each way; or by Baker St. (Metropolitan) or Paddington (G.W.R.), 1s. 6d. return.

ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.*

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—Northern Branch.—The half yearly meeting will be held at Gainsborough on Saturday, October 15th. Divine service at the parish church at 3.45 p.m. Tea 1s. for members, 1s. 3d. for non-members. Meeting immediately after tea. Bells of the parish church open from 11.30 to 3.30, from 4.15 to 5.0, and from 6.0 to 9.0. If possible a peal will be attempted, commencing about 11.30 a.m. Any member wishing to take part in it should write to me early so that a band may be chosen.

P. O. BIXBY, *Hon. Sec.*

"Stedman," Ropery Street, Gainsboro'.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Hunts Archdeaconry.—A meeting of the above will be held at Whittlesey on Saturday, October 15th. Tea at 4.30 o'clock. All ringers cordially invited.

G. D. COLEMAN, *Dist. Sec.*

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The second annual Bohemian Concert will take place on Saturday, October 15th, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., commence at 8 punctual. Admission only by programme, 3d. to members, 6d. non-members, to be obtained previous of the officers and committee, Messrs. A. Jacob, C. F. Winney, T. Langdon (P), W. H. Matthews, R. A. Daniell, M. Woodcock, F. G. Perrin, T. Langdon, A. B. Peck, E. Wallage, H. Stubbs, R. Bevan, J. Pryer, E. C. Cox, and

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec.*

91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Essex Association.**—The Annual District Meeting of the South Western Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, October 15th. Tea and business meeting at the parish hall at 5.30. Tea 6d. to those who notify me by previous Wednesday. St. Mary's (10) will be open after tea. Will those members whose subscriptions for 1904 are still unpaid kindly do so at this meeting.

GEO. W. FAULKNER.

84, Fisher Street, Barking.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle on Saturday, October 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m., meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting will be held at Dartford on Saturday, October 22nd. The bells will be available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at The North Pole Restaurant at 5 p.m. (close to railway station), followed by business meeting, at which the Vicar of Dartford will preside.

It is hoped that as many as can do so will attend this meeting. Half railway fares up to, but not exceeding, as. will be paid to those attending the meeting. Members for tea must notify me not later than the 18th.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—Next meeting will be held at Reddish on Saturday, October 22nd. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7.0.

J. SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Beddington on Saturday, October 22nd. Further particulars next week.

CHAS. DEAN, JUN. } *Hon. Secs.*  
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72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The annual party and social of the above will be held in the Milnrow National Schools on Saturday, October 29th. Tea on table at 5 p.m. Tickets: Ladies, 1s., Gents, 1s. 6d. Secretaries of towers to send the number of tickets sold to B. Greenwood, Wild House, Milnrow, not later than Wednesday, October 26th. All ringers and friends invited.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

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menced at 8 o'clock, and was via Belton, host Hide, of The Queen's hotel, providing a first-rate supper, which was heartily enjoyed. Melbourne was reached just before midnight, all having thoroughly enjoyed the outing. We must thank our friends at Whitwick and Hugglescote for their kindness to us and in helping to make it a success.

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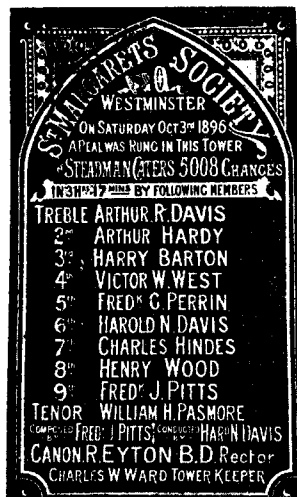
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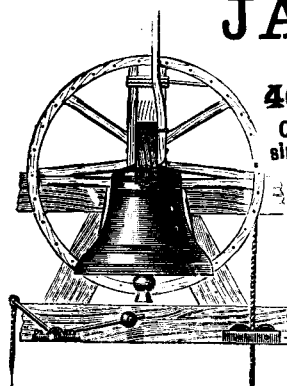
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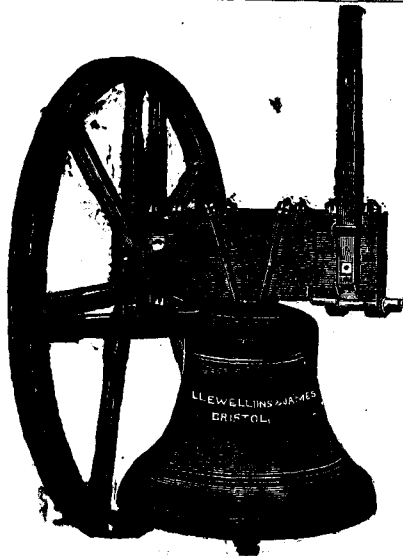
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

STRADBROKE (Suffolk). All Saints. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells; treble and 2nd by Taylor 1877; 3rd by Newman 1697; 4th and 5th by Graye 1613 and 1622 respectively; 6th 1557, founder unknown; 7th by Darbie 1683. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in., date and founder unknown. Timber frame. Bells go heavily. Chiming apparatus fitted. Rehung 1877 by Cook, a clockmaker. Bells have been inspected, but nothing has been done towards putting them in proper order. Ropes bad. Method: Plain Bob. Sunday ringing occasionally 10 to 10.25, and 2 to 2.25. Practices: Monday and Friday, not regular.

STRATFORD-ON-AVON (Warwickshire). Holy Trinity. Eight bells; 3rd and 4th by Bagley, 1742 and 1683 respectively; 7th and tenor 1683 and 1717 respectively; founders unknown; the rest by Taylor 1887. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Taylor 1887. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing 10.15 to 10.55, and 6.15 to 6.55. Practice, Tuesday 7.

STREATHAM (Surrey). Emmanuel. Surrey Association. Eight bells; all by Warner 1865. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. No repairs since the bells were hung in 1865. Ropes new 1896, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: alternate Sundays 10.30 to 10.55, and 6.15 to 6.40. Practice: March to September 7.30; September to March 7.0.

STROUD (Gloucestershire). St. Lawrence. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Ten bells. 3rd 1720, founder unknown; 4th, date and founder unknown; 5th and 7th by Rudhall 1771; 6th by the same 1713; the rest by Mears 1815. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go very well. Rehung by Taylor 1893. Ropes fair. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: first in month 10.15 to 11; third in month 5.45 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday 7.30.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

### MEETING AT SCARBOROUGH.

On Saturday, September 17th, the "Queen of northern watering places" extended a gracious welcome to our Yorkshire brethren. As if determined to have the part played thoroughly, royal weather appears to have been the order of the day, and everything was found smiling under an almost cloudless sky. The precipitous cliff (the "Scar") with its grim old castle ("Burgh," from which combination we get Scarborough), towered martially over the whole scene, whilst with a praiseworthy determination not to be far outdone, the old parish church stood nobly out in a position which suggested fresh air and healthy services as the heritage of those privileged to worship there. Down, down, far down beneath us rolled with ceaseless energy the breezy breakers that make the bay so charming. Surely the west coast is not in the race for freshness—at any rate such is our opinion as we expand our chests on the church-crowned cliff. Above our heads the crisp notes of the bells float as serenely as the sea gulls who seem wondering if it be Sunday? And if so whether a white-robed chorister will waft Mendelssohn's musical lamentation heavenward—"O for the wings of a dove," and whether they should further move in hopes thereof?

But it is a working day, and we are just off to the committee meeting at St. Paul's Mission House, kindly lent for the headquarters. The special and pressive work over, the President, Mr. Wm. Snowdon, referred to a matter crowded out at a previous meeting, and barely touched upon, adding—

"If Mr. Wakley, of Burton-on-Trent, has been correctly reported in 'THE BELL NEWS' at the last Council Meeting, and if he has not, it is high time he put himself right. He seems to accuse us as a Committee, of systematically manipulating our Annual Report with a view to secure an unfair number of points. If this be his meaning, I wish to nail the statement to the counter of public opinion as a false coin, possibly tendered to him as genuine, but absolutely false. The mode of reporting peals, together with their calling (the latter having been from the very first a *sine qua non* with us), and the system of scoring them to the members names, is the same to-day as when introduced by the Association's first President, Jasper Snowdon, and those acting with him in 1875—nearly thirty years ago—and from this plan we have no intention of being turned away. Anyone wishful that a peal should not be recorded has only to withhold the calling, and his object is at once attained; otherwise peals rung by our members are entitled to admission. We value our report, both for the names of the performers, and for the record of the calling of the particular peal then rung, especially when the composition is by a man of ability."

The President added that he preferred to make this statement at the committee meeting rather than at the

more public one, lest the Scarborough visitors might be amused at this storm in a tea-cup; erroneous statements nevertheless required exposure.

Assembling for tea is a great feature at a Yorkshire meeting, and members and friends are now rubbing shoulders. It is like going "on changes," for here everybody meets everybody, and that little handshake and chats comes off, notwithstanding the dodgings that have previously taken place in friend trying to find friend. At the close of this substantial meal, to which some 150 sat down, the President in a short speech moved a vote of thanks to the Bishop of Hull (Dr. Blunt, Vicar of Scarborough), for the use of the bells and Mission Room. In replying and welcoming the Association, the Bishop referred to the interesting articles appearing in *The Guardian* with the initials "T. L. P." attached, [the Exercise will easily recognise them as belonging to one of our well-known Councillor clergymen], adding that he was greatly interested in them, and he assured the members that they at Scarborough, were doing their best both for the bells and belfry, over which they had recently spent some £70 or so. In closing a friendly and encouraging speech, he very warmly thanked the local Hon. Secretary (Mr. H. Ferguson), for the enthusiastic way in which he was endeavouring to make their tower a change-ringing centre. Apologies were read from the Mayor (W. Morgan, Esq.), who had hoped to have been present, and also from Canon Nolloth, of Beverley Minster, who had been specially invited to the meeting. The Bishop of Shrewsbury who had been with the Bishop during the day also sent greetings to the members, regretting that his movements prevented his looking in on them. It was noticeable that special endeavours had been made by the ladies of the congregation to make the welcome complete, the Misses Blunt, the daughters of the Bishop, and Mrs. Twycross and Mrs. Simmons being amongst them; whilst the Revs. — Twycross and — Simmons were amongst those who were looking after the welfare of the visitors.

The business meeting followed the tea, with the President in the chair. The previous minutes having been passed, it was agreed that the vote of thanks to the Bishop at the tables should be entered on the day's proceedings. Two invitations for the Annual Meeting in January, 1905, were put forward, one by Mr. F. Woodhead on behalf of Leeds, and the second by Mr. J. W. Baxendale in favour of Pudsey; the final choice falling on Pudsey, with a hope that the official headquarter town might be visited on another occasion. The President then referred to the coming book by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, and notices of the work were passed round the room.

On the motion of Vice-President Howard, seconded by Mr. Holgate (Hon. Secretary), a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Scarborough branch for their generous arrangements, and to the ladies for presiding at the tea-tables. In putting this before the meeting, the President expressed the admiration all felt for the plucky way in which the Scarborough branch had come forward and invited the Association, and trusted that Mr. Ferguson, ably backed by Mr. Gibson, would succeed in establishing their Art on a solid and lasting basis at the parish church.

Mr. Ferguson, in replying, hoped that the Association would soon pay them another visit, and that they would

then find a flourishing band of change-ringers, a state of affairs which they were doing their best to bring about. A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the business.

The whole of the day's programme was gone through most successfully, and every credit is due to the local committee for the careful manner in which they had arranged everything.

#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING (Berks).—On Friday, September 30th, at St. Mary's church, 504 Stedman Triples. C. Moulden, C. Giles, A. W. Reeves, N. Cox, W. P. Routh, J. Swain, A. Osborne conductor H. Davis. Also a 252. C. Cox, C. Giles conductor, N. Cox; the rest as before. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. G. Stevens, one of the sidesmen at the above church, whose interment took place during the afternoon. On Sunday, October 2nd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Graudsire Triples in 41 mins. H. Osborne, C. Moulden, A. Reeves, N. Cox, W. P. Routh, C. Giles conductor, A. Osborne, J. Goodenough. Tenor 21 cwt.

#### THE OXFORD WEEK.

Following the fashionable "campanian custom" of holding a peal-ringing week, now so much in vogue by the leading Guilds and Associations, the Oxford Guild held theirs during the last week of September. Having been duly appointed war correspondent of "THE BELL NEWS" I have much pleasure in giving the readers a few jottings and notes of our doings, with apologies to the several people concerned for the personal items and the brief references made in one or two cases, owing to the want of time to glean further information in the several parishes visited. Those conductors who have had the organizing of peal-bands will know how much care is required in dealing with an eight-bell band, the tower and steeplekeeper, and the number of post cards employed—we have gone through a little of this in a small way—but to arrange a week of peal-ringing is far more serious; and thanks to the energy and forethought of the Rev. F. E. "Father" Robinson an excellent programme was set out and the necessary men invited by post early in the month of August, after duly obtaining the gracious permission of the several incumbents concerned.

A preliminary meeting was held at Wokingham on Saturday afternoon, September 24th, to enable the Brighton men to get into the Thames territory, and a successful peal of Superlative Surprise, No. 1 was brought round at 8.42 p.m., Mr. T. Hibbert of Reading, standing out, having come to ensure a band. It is twenty years ago since the writer scored a peal here with Harry Egby, and he was pleased to have a few words with the clerk and sexton, Mr. R. Blake, who has held this appointment since the church was built over forty years, and has buried every person interred in this churchyard, now well filled with graves.

"In the midst of life we are in death," and on arrival we found that respect to the departed necessitated a delay for the last sad rites were being employed on Widow "Gobell" at the early age of 49 years. Harvest festivals for the 28th inst. were announced on the notice boards, preacher the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, the proceeds on behalf of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Association, and it is to be hoped the collection proved a good one. Mr. Hunt returned to Guildford, well pleased with his peal after an hour's chat at The Railway hotel together, where we learnt that Farnham was a "Cathedral tower," according to the steeplekeeper's view, much to Rugby George's admonition on journeying there specially for Stedman Triples some time back. The tourists reached Reading at 9.20 p.m., accommodation in the west end being found at Jackman's Temperance hotel, and thus bringing in the seventh day of the calendar week, where as duty bound they visited the striking riverside tower of Caversham in the morning (touches of London

and Bristol Surprise) and St. Lawrence, Reading, for the evening service, ringing touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, but without, we fear, due regard to the local views of attending the services.

Monday morning, the 26th, at 9.39 we found a Great Western Railway compartment loaded with bellringers and handbags, who were en route for Hagbourne, my friend John Truss having joined me previously at Maidenhead, and at Hagbourne the Rev. Cycle Jenkyn completed our number of ten, the latter gentleman with Mr. Gifford, of Salisbury, standing out of the London Surprise here, which failed, much to our mortification, after ringing 2 hrs. 59 mins., due to the 6th clapper becoming dislocated. The Harvest Festival decorations were in evidence, the font looking very pretty. A glance at the early oil painting on the west wall of the tower the Psalmist David playing upon his harp with the words—"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord," and we ringers living in a land of plenty, blessed with health and strength, are somewhat apt to be a little remiss in observing this injunction, excepting perhaps in the Psalm which invites mankind to "Praise Him upon the loud cymbals." Our hotel The Fleur de Lis was minus a landlord, but a ringer's sister—Mrs. Butter—soon secured the only leg of mutton in the parish—Wallingford bred—and with local vegetation to draw upon, she was able to set us down to an enjoyable dinner. Some charming photo pictures of quaint old English houses were to be seen here, and Messrs. Baker and Harman took several snap-leads, shots I mean, with their hand cameras. On entering the village we found a Darby and Joan fruit gathering, the spouse being informed by her better half that "We be a going to have some Cambridge to-day, I spects." Several of the local men met us, including Mr. Jas. Pether, hale and hearty at 80 or thereabouts. Mr. W. Napper, the conductor of the first local peal here was found quietly superintending fruit gathering, but owing to serious heart trouble has been obliged to live a non-ringer's existence for years past. We thinned out the first baskets and bought up the local pictorial post cards before leaving, the lovely weather making the return walk to Didcot Junction most enjoyable. On arrival at Stevenston Station we were met by suitable conveyances and driven to Drayton, a typical Berkshire village, "remote from town," and one destined some future day to be the Mecca of all change-ringers, in order to see the abode and church of so remarkable a man as the Master of the O. D. G. The very road we travelled along, in my mind, teemed with memories of that reverend gentleman's many journeys home at all hours, under all weather conditions, and with ever varying results of peal-ringing interest. It will be found in the peal columns that No. 2 was again Superlative, scored at St. Peter's, Messrs. Harman, Price and Fussell surveying the village and enjoying a rustic dance on the village green by moonlight to the sound of well-struck leads and course-ends that rolled up long after ten o'clock, occasional open doors and windows shewing that there were others at least interested in the moonlight peal at Drayton, and who wondered what "foreign talent" invaded their quietude.

Tuesday morning, the 29th, we started about twenty minutes late on our brake ride to that famous Cater resort, Appleton, a level drive of eight miles, in passing orchards and gardens, the splendid fruit crops everywhere giving practical evidence that the name was suited to a town of apples. He we scored our peal No. 3, a good peal of Stedman Caters, the steeplekeeper having been caught napping by locking only nine men in the tower, thus necessitating the tenth man hunting down the village after him before starting. "God speed the Plough," and many an old time ringing hand at Appleton has had need to repeat the quotation after one or other of the many long performances of Stedman and Grandsire Caters which have been brought off in this tower, and many long failures too. It was The Plough inn that provided good cheer to our band on Tuesday, a bounteous hamper from Drayton Vicarage furnishing ample nourishment for all present, Mr. F. White and the renowned Harry Woodward making up the number to thirteen, with the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, who had cycled over forty-six miles to spend an hour or two in one of his peal-ringing preserves. Many reminiscences of doughty exploits of change-ringers were recalled, old Harry with his one eye and broken leg, tough and willing as ever, being a fine example of a small

made man unable to read or write, who has overcome difficulties and rang the back bells in several methods. He told me, on hearing of my home, that he went through Slough some forty years ago to work "up near Nunton" at Acton, and in that belfry on one occasion produced "a soverun to ring again any o'em," meaning the local men, who were jealously inclined towards strangers, but the challenge was not accepted. He was one of the band went to open Hereford Cathedral bells, and the man who volunteered to get out of bed one night when a peal man was urgently needed, "if they gies I a shillin." The "bob" was paid him, the peal rang, and a good many more "bobs" made with it.

The workyard of Messrs. White and Sons, the bell hangers, presented the appearance of a swarm of busy bees swarming around an empty preserve jar, the sweets however being a dear little ring of six church bells, tenor about 6 cwt., from St. Ebb's, Oxford, placed upon end in a circle ready for tuning, while our party constituted the "swarm." A variety of tools and implements were brought into use as tappers, changes knocked off and the harmonics tested, but to shew how difficult is the tuner's art to satisfy everyone, on this occasion scarcely two opinions in twelve coincided. These bells formed an old ring from the Hertford foundry, cast by Briant, and of much interest to Mr. Baker, who took photos. of them. They were being got ready for new fittings and frame by Messrs. White, who had been entrusted with the work of rehanging. Mr. Baker and Mr. Coleridge remembered their long peals here in the eighties, and John Truss his visit when a boy with his father, walking from Oxford, and beguiling his time away in the lanes and roadways coated with wintry snow, till time came to walk back. How much could be told of twenty years ago and since; but I must abstain, or the Editor will cut me down. "As we chime mark well the time," and so reluctantly we were compelled to leave behind Appleton and its bells and its church and all its memories and associations dear to the heart of the ringer, making our way on to Abingdon, which was reached at 5 o'clock. Treble Ten was essayed at the handsome five-aisled parish church of St. Helen, but it was lost after nearly 3 hrs. good ringing by the sweet simplicity of the Kent method, which would not allow of anyone informing the writer who was after the 2nd. Yet the composition was not one of those with musical qualities which relied upon the 2nd never being there at all. The drive home to Drayton, after another lovely autumn day, was chilly and raw owing to a heavy mist, but the welcome to the vicarage, very kindly handed over to us during the two day's stay, at the hands of Mrs. Robinson, a true ringer's wife, aided by her daughter, soon dispelled our humpy coldness. Every kindness and attention possible were bestowed upon us by these two ladies, and our stay here was a most happy one indeed. Everyone was soon seated at home, and rounds came with the dining table in the centre, the venerable Vicar presiding. An inclination to stay up for a good chat, as only Mr. Gifford knows how to "pitch them off," was nipped quickly, the early start on the morrow and two heavy and distant rings of eight to be tackled, requiring a little forethought. W.H.F.

(To be continued.)

### Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS.

SIR,—I missed a bob in my last letter, and I wish to apologise to you and your readers. Definition 1 should read: All Treble Bob places are made while the treble is dodging, but perhaps it will be still better to say all places made while the treble is dodging are Treble Bob places, and all others ornamental or beauty spots, or places. Let me thank my old friend Sam Slater for his reference to Norwich Treble Bob, but as it decidedly belongs to the Surprise family, and the only one upon the lengthening lead plan, with Plain Bob lead-ends, it will be there placed eventually I am certain. My thanks are also due to Mr. Keeble for his notes, but if he again refers to Worcester and Chichester he will find neither of them retain Plain Bob



lead-ends. Besides it is questionable if Worcester can now be considered a method, while Chichester belongs to the Exercise class; and so I am not wrong. While upon the subject, Mr. Editor, if you can spare space, I will give a few methods as requested by Mr. Keeble, from the celebrated note-book, as follows:—

READING SURPRISE. ROCHESTER T. B. MORNING STAR T. B.

123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	214365
124356	124356	124356
213465	213465	213465
231456	231645	231645
324165	326154	326154
231465	321645	321645
324156	236154	236154
234516	263514	263514
325461	625341	625341
235416	652314	265314
324561	563241	623541
235461	536421	632451
324516	354612	634215
234561	345621	634251
325416	436512	362415
235146	463152	326145
321564	641325	231654
235164	643152	236145
321546	461325	321654
312564	416235	312564
135246	142653	135246
315264	412635	315264
132546	146253	132546

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CAMBRIDGE T. B. CAMBRIDGE EXERCISE. KENT EXERCISE.

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124635	124635	124356
216453	216453	214365
261543	261543	241635
625134	625134	426153
621543	621543	421635
265134	265134	246153
256314	625314	426513
523641	263541	245631
532614	236514	254613
356241	325641	526431
532641	352461	254631
356214	534216	526413
365241	543261	562431
632514	452316	654213
623154	542136	564123
261345	451263	651432
263154	452136	654123
621345	541263	561432
612435	514623	516342
164253	156432	156324
614523	516342	513642
165432	153624	153624

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Reading Surprise is given by Annable as Reading Bob. If compared with Norwich they are much alike, but Reading, like Superlative, has places made in 5-6. Rochester Treble Bob is

a good method given in the note book as Rochester Bob. Why Bob I don't know, except because that a bell lay to treble at full lead as in Plain Bob. Morning Star Treble Bob is given as Morning Star. This method is the same as College Exercise given on page 44 of the *Clavis*. Cambridge Treble Bob and the Exercise are very regular methods, and so is Kent.

"Alliance," Richmond Road, Barnsbury, N. HENRY DAINS.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

Programme for the 29th October, 1904, when the Bishop of London will visit St. Clement Danes:—

1. The steeple will be open for ringing at 4 p.m.
2. The last touch before the service will be Stedman Caters, and the bells must be brought home and "stand" called at 5.50 p.m., sharp.
3. The tenor will then be rung till 5.55 p.m.
4. Members of the Exercise are particularly requested to be in their places early so that the service may commence at 6 p.m. punctually.
5. A few of the front seats on the floor of the church will be reserved for officers of the Companies and Associations and distinguished visitors, but the rest of the seats will be open to the members of the Exercise and their immediate friends or relations. Other persons who propose to attend the service are requested to avail themselves of the accommodation in the galleries.
6. Mr. Marchmont, the organist of St. Clement Danes, will, as an introductory voluntary, play "Bell Prelude" by Henry Purcell, a composition of the time of Fabian Stedman, relative to which a note appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of June 9th, 1900.

7. On the conclusion of the service a meeting will be held by the invitation of the Rector of St. Clement Danes, at the St. Clement Danes parish house, Clare Market, in order that the members of the Exercise may receive the Bishop. The proceedings will be brief, and members of the Exercise are particularly requested to proceed direct from the church to the meeting room in order to economise the Bishop's time.

8. The steeple will be open for ringing after the Bishop's departure till 9.30 p.m.

Lastly: The Master extends a cordial invitation to all members of the Exercise in town or country, both to the service and the meeting, and he will be happy to welcome any friends whom they desire to bring with them.

A. JACOB, Master.

T. H. TAFFENDER, Secretary.

PROGRAMME for the meeting at St. Clement Danes parish house on the 29th October, 1904:—

The Master will take the chair.

A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Bishop of London.

A course of Grandsire Caters will be rung on the handbells.

The Bishop will reply.

A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Rector of St. Clement Danes and to other persons who have assisted the officers of the Association in promoting the service.

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**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—The autumn meeting will be held at Stone (near Aylesbury) to-day, Saturday, October 15. The bells will be available from 2.30. A short service in the parish church at 4.30, with an address by the Vicar. Tea in the Vicarage Reading Room at 5.15, 9d. each. A. E. REEVES, Asst. Sec. 20, Radstock Road, Reading.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—A meeting of the above will be held at Rolvenden to-day, Saturday, October 15. Ringing to commence at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.0, to be followed by the usual business meeting. All ringers heartily welcomed.

C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec.  
British School Villas, Tenterden.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The annual meeting of the above Association will be held to-day, Saturday, October 15, at St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon West, near Uxbridge. The bells of St. John's church, as well as those of St. Andrew's, Hillingdon, and St. Margaret's, Uxbridge, will be available from 2 p.m. There will be a service in St. Andrew's church at 5 p.m., at which the Bishop of Kensington will preach. This service will be followed by tea and a business meeting in the schoolroom. A substantial tea will be provided for members and their friends at 1s. a head. The hon. sec. hopes that members will make a special effort to attend. Routes to Uxbridge: by tube and tram, 7d. each way; or by Baker St. (Metropolitan) or Paddington (G.W.R.), 1s. 6d. return. ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec. 18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.**—Northern Branch.—The half yearly meeting will be held at Gainsborough to-day, Saturday, October 15. Divine service at the parish church at 3.45 p.m. Tea 1s. for members, 1s. 3d. for non-members. Meeting immediately after tea. Bells of the parish church open from 11.30 to 3.30, from 4.15 to 5.0, and from 6.0 to 9.0. If possible a peal will be attempted, commencing about 11.30 a.m. P. O. BIXBY, Hon. Sec. "Stedman," Ropery Street, Gainsboro'.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Hunts Archdeaconry.—A meeting of the above will be held at Whittlesey to-day, Saturday, October 15th. Tea at 4.30 o'clock. All ringers cordially invited. G. D. COLEMAN, Dist. Sec.

**The London County Association, late St. James's Society.**—The second annual Bohemian Concert will take place to-day, Saturday, October 15th, at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, City. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., commence at 8 punctual. Admission only by programme, 3d. to members, 6d. non-members, to be obtained previous of the officers and committee, Messrs. A. Jacob, C. F. Winney, T. Langdon (P), W. H. Matthews, R. A. Daniell, M. Woodcock, F. G. Perrin, T. Langdon, A. B. Peck, E. Wallage, H. Stubbs, R. Bevan, J. Fryer, E. C. Cox, and T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec. 91, Darwin Street, Southwark, S.E.

**The Essex Association.**—The Annual District Meeting of the South Western Division will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, to-day, Saturday, October 15th. Tea and business meeting at the parish hall at 5.30.

St. Mary's (10) will be open after tea. Will those members whose subscriptions for 1904 are still unpaid kindly do so at this meeting. GEO. W. FAULKNER.

84, Fisher Street, Barking.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Oswaldtwistle to-day, Saturday, October 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m., meeting 6.30.

THOS. DUXBURY, Branch Sec.

**The Erdington Parish Church Society.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday next at the club house, Erdington, at 8.15 p.m. J. PRESTON, Secretary.

**The Kent County Association.**—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting will be held at Dartford on Saturday, October 22nd. The bells will be available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at The North Pole Restaurant at 5 p.m. (close to railway station), followed by business meeting, at which the Vicar of Dartford will preside. It is hoped that as many as can do so will attend this meeting. Half railway fares up to, but not exceeding, 2s. will be paid to those attending the meeting. Members for tea must notify me not later than the 18th.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, Hon. Dist. Sec.

"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—Next meeting will be held at Reddish on Saturday, October 22nd. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7.0.

J. SMITH, Branch Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James's church, Waterfoot, on Saturday, October 22nd. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.

W. ASHWORTH, Sec.

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Beddington (Hackbridge or Waddon stations L.B. and S.C. railway) on Saturday, October 22nd. Bells will be available from about 3.30. Tea at White Posts refreshment room (close to the church) at 6 p.m. Business meeting after. Advices of intention to be present at the tea should be sent not later than Wednesday next.

CHAS. DEAN, JUN.

JOHN C. JACKSON, Hon. Secs.

72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.

12, Tabor Grove, Wimbledon.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The annual party and social of the above will be held in the Milnrow National Schools on Saturday, October 29th. Tea on table at 5 p.m. Tickets: Ladies, 1s., Gents, 1s. 6d. Secretaries of towers to send the number of tickets sold to B. Greenwood, Wild House, Milnrow, not later than Wednesday, October 26th. All ringers and friends invited. J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 25th inst., at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair to be taken at 8.30 p.m. The attendance is earnestly requested of every member who can make it convenient. W. H. GODDEN, Hon. Sec.

61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Sudbury District.—The quarterly district meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds on Saturday, October 29th. The tea and meeting will be held at The Golden Fleece at 4 o'clock, when the Archdeacon of Sudbury will preside. The bells of the Norman tower (10) and St. Mary's (8) will be available during the day.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—Preliminary notice.—The Annual Festival will be held in Newcastle on Monday, October 31st. Particulars next week. C. L. ROUTLEDGE, Hon. Sec.

**The St. Martin's Society, Tipton.**—The weekly practice night will take place at the above church on Thursday nights at 7.30, instead of Friday as heretofore. J. SMITH.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec. "Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, will be open for ringing from 4 to 6 o'clock. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday the 18th, and St. Magnus on Thursday the 20th inst.

## NOTE TO PEAL.

**THE PEAL AT OLDHAM.**—This was rung as a farewell peal to the ringer of the 4th. who was over on a visit from New Bedford, U.S.A., and who returned home on October 11th. He was formerly a member of the St. Mary's Society previous to migrating to America. His brother-ringers in bidding him good-bye wished him a pleasant voyage and a safe return to the land of his adoption.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 1904.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the above was held at Ickleton on  
Saturday, October 1st. A numerous gathering of mem-  
bers representing Cambridge, Saffron Walden, Sawston,  
Shelford, etc., sat down to a substantial tea, presided over  
by Sir Robert Herbert, G.C.B., supported by the Vicar  
(Rev. J. Amps), the Rev. R. L. Twells (General Secre-  
tary), and others. The minutes of the last meeting were  
read by the latter gentleman. The rev. gentleman gave  
an amusing account of his appointment as General Secre-  
tary, and he was convinced that the Association had a  
hopeful future before it. They had great pleasure in  
having Sir Robert with them, also the Vicar of the parish.  
He thanked Sir Robert for presiding, and also for so  
generously providing the excellent tea at his own cost.

Sir Robert thanked the members for their kind wishes,  
and hoped to see the Association continue in a flourishing

condition. He said that although Ickleton bells were famous for their beauty of tone, the ringers had not the same pleasure in ringing the bells as the parishioners had in hearing them, and it was considered that substantial repairs were an absolute necessity, and that a competent person should be asked to advise, so that the restoration could be at once proceeded with. The Vicar also very suitably responded.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Sawston on Saturday, January 6th, 1905. During the evening a 720 Bob Minor was rung on the tower bells, also touches of Kent Treble Bob, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles and various other touches on the handbells.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, LEYTONSTONE,

#### A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Chelsea, Carlisle, Chester, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE DAWSON .. .. Treble.	JOHN MOULE .. .. 4.
SAMUEL HAYES .. .. 2.	JOHN MARDELL .. .. 5.
WILLIAM MILLER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

This is the quickest peal of Surprise on the bells, and was rung as a farewell compliment to J. Mardell, who is leaving shortly for Criplesham, near Downham, Norfolk.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, October 7, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, WALTHAMSTOW,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

HUGH T. SCARLETT .. .. Treble.	SIDNEY WADE .. .. 5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE, CAMBERWELL,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 6.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by WM. PYE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Charge.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

WILLIAM WARD .. .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. .. 6.
JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. BARKER .. .. 4.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method

### Handbell Peal.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, October 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. C. CHARGE, 42, BLANTYRE STREET, CHELSEA,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 1-2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 5-6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 3-4.	CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. 7-8.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

Umpire—J. W. Kelly. Rang as a birthday compliment to C. Charge.

### The Provinces.

#### WRAXALL, SOMERSETSHIRE.

#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 22½ cwt.

ALFRED PEARCE .. .. Treble.	HENRY HOWELL .. .. 5.
CHARLES H. TOMKINS .. .. 2.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 6.
CHARLES H. GORDON .. .. 3.	FRED G. MAY .. .. 7.
WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 4.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

#### BIRMINGHAM.—THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD.

On Tuesday, October 4, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES. Tenor 36 cwt.

ALBERT WALKER .. .. Treble.	*GEORGE SWANN .. .. 7.
THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. 2.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 8.
FRANK FAY .. .. 3.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. .. 9.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 4.	ERNERT T. ALLAWAY .. .. 10.
ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 5.	ARTHUR E. PEGLAR .. .. 11.
HAROLD WITCHELL .. .. 6.	SYDNEY JESSOP .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

Rang as a birthday compliment to Mr. W. H. Godden, the ringers wishing him the usual compliments. \*First peal of Cinques.

#### HECKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

#### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, October 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

C. WILLIAM SMITH .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. CLARK .. .. 5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. .. 2.	JOHN T. HOLMES .. .. 6.
THOMAS B. WOOD .. .. 3.	JOHN R. GREEN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. .. 4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

First peal in the method on the bells. For composition see Gloucester and Bristol Report for 1891, No. 118.

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## PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18½ cwt.

WILLIAM BEDWELL .. .. Treble.	GEORGE R. WILSON .. .. 5.
GEORGE SMITH* .. .. 2.	JOSEPH SMITH .. .. 6.
WILLIAM DOWSETT .. .. 3.	HENRY T. WILSON .. .. 7.
WILLIAM DUDLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

\*First peal in the method.

## PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 6, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 13½ cwt.

LEONARD STILWELL* .. Treble.	GEORGE H. LEE .. .. 5.
CHARLES SMART .. .. 2.	ALFRED GREENFIELD .. 6.
SYDNEY CORDON* .. .. 3.	JOHN NETLEY .. .. 7.
EDWIN EDE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALFRED GREENFIELD.

\*First peal. The ringers of the treble and 3rd are both under fifteen years of age.

## PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.  
Tenor 24 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	*WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 7.
W. JAMES HINTON .. .. 2.	CHARLES H. TOMKINS .. 8.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 3.	*JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 9.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS .. 4.	*HENRY HOWELL .. .. 10.
JOHN THOMAS .. .. 5.	REV. H. A. COCKEY .. .. 11.
CHARLES H. GORDON .. 6.	*FRANK K. HOWELL .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

\*First peal on twelve bells. The ringer of the 7th is only eighteen years of age, and had not previously rung a touch of Cinques. The above is also R. J. Wilkins' 100th peal.

LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(LEICESTER BRANCH.)

On Friday, October 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN. Treble.	WILLIAM WILLSON .. .. 5.
CHARLES H. FOWLER .. 2.	JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. INGLESANT .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN BUTTERTY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM MILLER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

## DARLINGTON, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES.

THOMAS CLARK* .. .. Treble.	ERNEST E. HUNT .. .. 5.
JOHN G. HALL .. .. 2.	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 6.
J. A. CARTER .. .. 3.	GEORGE W. PARK .. .. 7.
JAMES BAXTER* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. PORTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM H. PORTER.

First peal of Double Norwich in Darlington. \*First peal in the method.

## LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(LEICESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes.

AT THE WYCLIFFE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. INGLESANT .. 5.
JAMES GEORGE .. .. 2.	JOSIAH MORRIS .. .. 6.
FRED SEAR .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM WILLSON .. 4.	CHARLES H. FOWLER .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

This is the quickest peal on the bells. F. Sear was elected a member before starting. It is J. Morris's 50th peal, and was arranged to enable the Rev. F. E. Robinson to call a peal at this historical church.

## NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND EAST DERBYSHIRE  
ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty-seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6144 CHANGES.  
Tenor 16 cwt. 9 lbs.

W. BUTLER .. .. Treble.	J. T. BUTLER .. .. 5.
JOSHUA MILLNER .. .. 2.	FRANCIS H. KAY .. .. 6.
JAMES THOMPSON .. .. 3.	W. HOPKINSON, SEN. .. 7.
HERBERT DAY .. .. 4.	JOHN P. TARTLTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WM. BUTLER.

This is the first time this extent has been rung. Longest peal on the bells.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22½ cwt.

FREDK. T. C. NEVETT Treble.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. 5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 2.	*ALFRED B. PECK .. .. 6.
FREDK. W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

\*First peal in the method. First peal of Double Norwich in the city of St. Albans.

## LENTON, NOTTINGHAM.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8½ cwt. in A flat.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS Treble.	BENJAMIN GREATORREX .. 5.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 2.	GEORGE MOSS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM BELLAMY* .. 3.	SAMUEL WESLEY .. .. 7.
CHARLES DRAPER .. .. 4.	*WALTER WALLACE .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Major on the bells.

## HARLESTONE, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob,  
Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM ROBERTS .. Treble.	FRED HOPPER .. .. 4.
THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 2.	CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 5.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 3.	FRED WILFORD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

MALVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHIAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART.

WILLIAM PAGE .. .. Treble.	*JAMES R. NEWMAN .. .. 5.
FREDERICK BRYAN .. .. 2.	ROBERT MCCANN .. .. 6.
ALBERT HILL .. .. 3.	ROBERT G. KNOWLES .. .. 7.
FREDERICK HALL .. .. 4.	GORDON CHECKETTS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. PAGE.

\*First peal. This was arranged for Treble Bob, but meeting one short a local man kindly stood in, and the above was rung instead. Rang as a birthday peal to A. Hill.

HOLBECK, LEEDS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS (R.C.)

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

JAMES WATSON .. .. Treble.	PATRICK LAVANT .. .. 5.
ROBERT BINNS .. .. 2.	JOHN O'BRIEN .. .. 6.
MARK MELIA* .. .. 3.	†GEORGE McHALE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM VARLEY .. .. 4.	MICHAEL KILLORAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE McHALE.

First peal by the local company. First peal of Bob Major on the bells. First peal of Bob Major by all except R. Binns. \*First peal in any method. †First peal as conductor.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOK'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT DUCKWORTH .. Treble.	ALFRED POTTER .. .. 5.
THOMAS PEERS .. .. 2.	JOHN POTTER .. .. 6.
TITUS BARLOW .. .. 3.	JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 7.
WILLIAM LEVER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM DENNER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH POTTER.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

CLEMENT GLENN* .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
REV. ARTHUR T. BEESTON .. 2.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	*WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. 7.
ARTHUR BREARLEY* .. .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\*First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 24 lbs.

EDWIN BRISTOW .. Treble.	JAMES MATTHEWS .. .. 5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
GEORGE PHILLIPS .. .. 3.	JOHN SMART .. .. 7.
THOMAS SEARLE .. .. 4.	GEORGE GATLAND .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

CALVERLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES PRATT .. Treble.	WALTER POPPLEWELL .. 5.
JAMES WM. BAXENDALE .. 2.	TOM LATIMER .. .. 6.
T. CECIL BOOTH .. .. 3.	HARRY WARD .. .. 7.
WILLIAM BOLLAND .. .. 4.	PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by W. POPPLEWELL.

OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE ST. MARY'S SOCIETY.

On Sunday, October 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART.

DAN WHITWORTH .. Treble.	SAM STOTT .. .. 5.
SAM ELSON .. .. 2.	E. B. SHAW .. .. 6.
JOHN DAVIES .. .. 3.	MILLS NEWTON .. .. 7.
ALBERT CROSSLEY .. .. 4.	HERBERT WRIGHT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by SAM STOTT.

Reference elsewhere.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS .. Treble.	JOHN BASS .. .. 5.
ALBERT J. SKELDING .. 2.	CHARLES F. WHITE .. 6.
JOSEPH SMITH .. .. 3.	FREDERICK PLANT .. .. 7.
WILLIAM POTTER .. .. 4.	*HARRY JONES .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. WILLSON, and Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

\*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM FOX .. Treble.	ARNOLD GELL .. .. 5.
JOHN H. PAULSON .. .. 2.	BENJAMIN GREATORIX .. 6.
JOHN MILLETT .. .. 3.	FREDERICK JOHNSON .. 7.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 4.	BRIAN HILDITCH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATORIX.

Handbell Peals.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE  
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Friday, October 7, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. B. WITCHELL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

CHARLES DICKENS .. 1-2.	FRANK FAY .. .. 5-6.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL 3-4.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. 7-8.
HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 9-10.	

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and  
Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

Umpire—Albert Ward.



## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GRAPPENHALL BRANCH.)

By the kind permission of the Rev. G. B. Thurston a meeting in connection with the above branch of the Guild was held for the first time at Lymm, on Saturday, October 1st. The members, about thirty in number, assembled in the schoolroom for the business meeting about 4.30 p.m. Copies containing a concise report of the annual meeting of the Guild at Chester on August Bank Holiday last were presented to the clergy and members present. These copies, I understand, were arranged by our esteemed Master the Ven. Archdeacon Barber, and forwarded by him for distribution to the members of the Guild in general. The usual business followed. Wm. Bailey, esq., who for some years past has taken a keen interest in the Lymm ringers, was elected honorary member for the Lymm tower, the band also adding another ringing member in the person of T. Warburton. Business over the members, including the Lymm Rector, the Rev. R. Greenall, Rector of Grappenhall, Rev. G. Egerton, Rector of Warburton, Rev. F. C. Bozman, curate of Lymm, and Wm. Bailey, esq., sat down to a sumptuous repast kindly provided by the Rector of Lymm, who looked remarkably well beside a round of beef, while Rector Greenall exercised himself on a junk of "mild-cured." The Rev. F. C. Bozman had the courage to see that all had their fill of the good things provided, and not until he observed the smile of satisfaction on the faces of those present did he regale himself.

The meeting accorded its very best thanks to the Rector of Lymm for his hospitality, to which he suitably responded, remarking in the course of his response how very pleased he was of the fact that the Lymm ringers themselves had decided to join the Guild. He also expressed his thanks to Mr. F. T. Spence for initiating his ringers in the art of change-ringing, also to Mr. J. Hughes, who had since carried on the work of instruction.

Most of the members then adjourned to the tower, and various touches were rung. The bells were lowered at an early hour owing to many of the members having to return by an early train. Messrs. Spence and Hughes were responsible for the conducting during the day.

The towers represented on this occasion were Lymm, Daresbury, Warburton and Grappenhall. Thus ended one the most enjoyable meetings ever held in connection with this branch of the Guild.

J. H.

## WORCESTER CATHEDRAL BELFRY.

The Dean and Chapter of Worcester Cathedral wish it to be understood that only bona fide ringers are allowed in the Cathedral tower during the time for ringing the bells, and any ringer wishing to go up must be there in time to go with the local ringers, as on no account will they be allowed in after that time. The times for ringing at the Cathedral are every other Monday at 7.30 p.m., next Monday's ringing being October 24th, and every other Sunday at 9.15 a.m., next Sunday's ringing being October 16th.

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**ROMSEY (Hants.)**—On Wednesday, August 17th, 518 Grandsire Triples. C. Hayter, F. Paskins, J. S. Ruming, A. Paskins, S. Macey, Rev. C. A. Clements, W. W. Gifford conductor, J. Hand. Also 420 Stedman Triples. F. Paskins, Rev. C. A. Clements, J. S. Ruming, S. Macey, J. Elcombe, W. G. Fowler, W. W. Gifford conductor, J. Walker. Also 228 Grandsire Triples. C. Hayter, Rev. C. A. Clements, J. S. Ruming, F. Paskins, J. Walker, G. Newman, W. G. Fowler conductor, F. Hand. And a course of Bob Major. F. Paskins, A. White, R. White, J. Chalk, J. Elcombe, J. Walker, G. Newman, W. W. Gifford, Rev. C. A. Clements.

**GUILDFORD (Surrey.)**—On Sunday evening, October 9th, for Divine Service at the church of St. Nicholas, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. Brion, C. Hazelden, R. Roffey, C. O'Brien, J. J. Jones, S. Radford, J. Hunt conductor, E. Marsh.

## ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

**RUGBY (Warwickshire.)**—On Monday, October 10th, at the church of St. Andrew, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 53 mins. H. O. White, A. J. Hessian, A. Dubber, A. Newman, J. B. Fenton, J. George composer, F. Sear conductor, A. Coleman. Tenor 25 cwt. This is the first quarter-peal of Stedman by H. O. White, and the first in the method by F. Sear as conductor.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

**CLEWER, NEAR WINDSOR (Berks.)**—On Saturday, September 24th, a band of ringers from Farnham Royal visited this place, and rang a 720 each of Oxford Bob, College Single, Grandsire Minor and other short touches. J. J. Parker, R. Flaxman, J. Elderfield, G. Basden, J. Bovington, C. Clarke. Mr. E. Smith, of Clewer, who rang his first 720 of Minor on this occasion, kindly arranged the tea.

**FARNHAM ROYAL (Bucks.)**—On Sunday, October 2nd, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 630 Oxford Bob Triples and other short touches were rung in the course of the day. F. Reid, R. Flaxman, J. J. Parker, G. Basden, J. Elderfield, C. Clarke, J. Bovington, H. Batten.

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**LONDON.**—On Saturday, October 8th, at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. G. Dorrington, Albert Coles, J. Bonney, Arthur Coles, J. Milner, M. A. Wood, H. Hills, H. Taylor. Composed and Conducted by M. A. Wood. On Tuesday, August 23rd, at St. Mary's church, Islington, 504 Grandsire Triples. R. Deal, G. Gains, Arthur Coles, W. Weatherstone conductor, T. Page, C. Potheary, Albert Coles, H. May.

**MARGATE.**—On Sunday evening, August 21st, for Divine Service at the church of St. John the Divine, 630 Grandsire Triples. A. Smith, W. Trusler, W. Jones, F. Wilford conductor, A. Taylor, E. Burgess, A. H. Saxby, H. Lade.

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ford, calling on a late inhabitant of Hatfield, who keeps The Stag inn, Watford New Town. After several tunes on the handbells we proceeded on our way, and leaving Leavesden on our left we entered Bricket Wood, where we halted at The Temperance hotel (The Old Fox with his teeth drawn). Here we had tea and a ramble in Bricket Wood, eventually finding ourselves at the bottom of Hollywell Hill, St. Albans. We met Mr. Debenham at St. Peter's church, and with his assistance rang a course each of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, a course of Bob Royal and a touch of Stedman Triples. This concluded our ringing for the day with the exception of a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells after we got back to Hatfield, where we arrived about 10.30 p.m. The ringing at Aldenham, Bushey and Oxhey were short touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major. We take this opportunity of thanking the clergy for the use of the bells, also other kind friends who contributed to make the outing a success. H. S. R.

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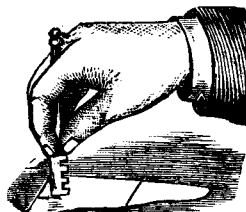
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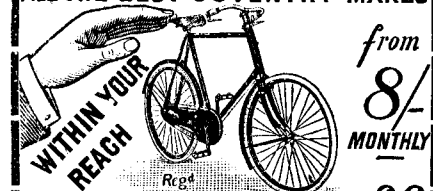
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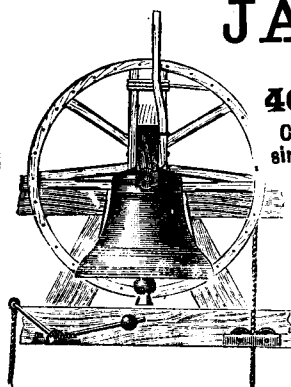
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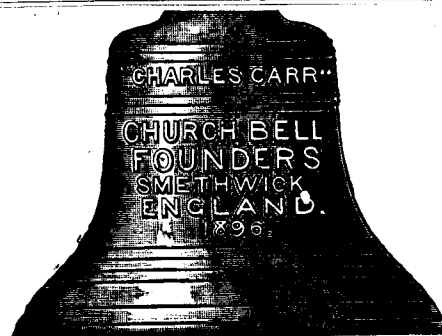
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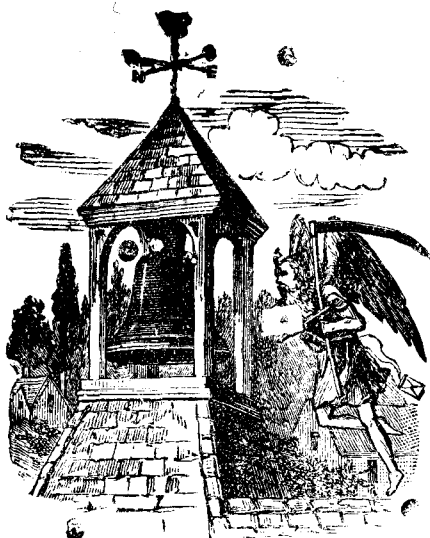
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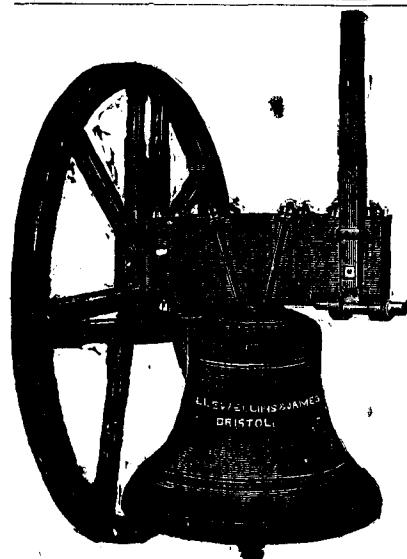
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SUDBURY (Suffolk).** All Saints. Ely Diocesan Association. Eight bells; treble, 2nd and tenor by Warner 1876; 3rd 1701, no founder stated; 4th by Graye 1671; date and founders of the rest unknown. Tenor 28 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Warner 1876. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing once a month. Practice: Saturday, 7.30.

**St. Gregory.** Ely Diocesan Association. Eight bells; tenor 17 cwt. by Pack 1774; the rest by Mears 1821. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Clocking permitted. Recommended that the ring should be rehung, but owing to want of funds nothing has been done. Ropes only middling. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: once a month. Practice: Saturday, 7.30.

**St. Peter.** Ely Diocesan Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Warner 1874; 3rd by Darbie 1662; 3rd by Edburie 1605; 5th and 6th no date or founder known; 7th by Graye 1641. Tenor 23 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Howell 1887. Ropes fair. Methods: Grandsire, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: once a month. Practice: alternate Mondays, 7.30.

**SUNDERLAND (Durham).** Holy Trinity. Durham and Newcastle Association. Eight bells; all by Mears 1829. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No repairs for thirty years past. Steps now being taken to rehang. Ropes new 1894 good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Darlaston Bob and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

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## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the above Association took place at Buckley on Saturday, October 1st. The members representing Buckley, Llangollen, Bangor, Llandudno, Wrexham and Gresford turned up in force, over forty taking advantage of a most enjoyable day. The bells at Hawarden and Buckley were at the disposal of the visitors after 12 noon. Those who took advantage of ringing at Hawarden had a most interesting time, thanks to Mr. Wright, the tower-keeper, who very kindly showed and explained everything, especially that which concerned the "Grand Old Man"; his pew in the chancel, the splendid memorial library, the magnificent clock presented to him for his fifty years service in the church, and a host of other things too numerous to mention. Time all too quickly passed, and we reluctantly left for Buckley for the meeting, but not before a 720 of Bob Minor and several 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles had been rung on the bells.

At 4 p.m. the meeting was held, the Rev. Harry Drew occupying the chair, and regret was expressed that the Vice-President, the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, of Bangor, was unable to be present through illness.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. It was proposed by Mr. J. W. Davies, seconded by Mr. James, of Llangollen, that Buckley be made a centre for the Association. This was carried, subject to approval at the next annual meeting.

Thirteen new ringing members were proposed and admitted; seven from Gresford, five from Chirk, and one non-resident from Chester, the latter being Mr. H. Dew, the excellent instructor of the Buckley band. It was decided that the next quarterly meeting be held at Abergele on Saturday, January 14th, 1905; this briefly ending the meeting. Afterwards the members and friends numbering from forty to fifty, sat down to a splendid tea, which had been kindly provided.

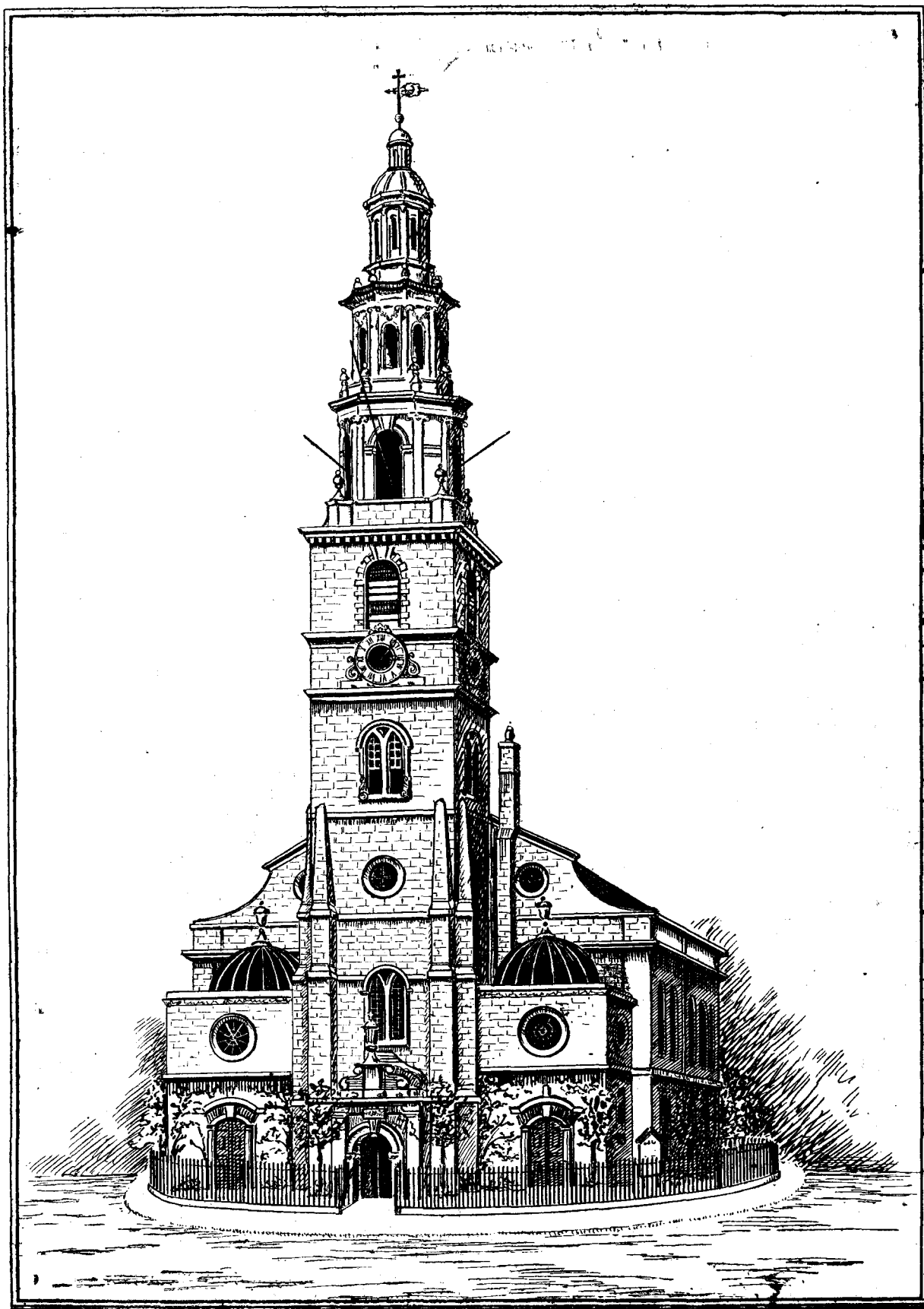
The Rev. Harry Drew then gave an appropriate address, in the course of which he mentioned that although it was the first time he had had the pleasure of presiding, he hoped it would not be the last.

Before breaking, up a hearty vote of thanks were passed for the very kind and hearty reception extended to the Association by the chairman and local band.

Lastly, but not least, the Buckley bells, which are a new ring of eight, were kept merrily going in various methods at intervals during the afternoon and evening, when a very pleasant day was brought to a close.

## ST. PATRICK'S, NEWRY, IRELAND.

Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, have just received an order for a large clock with three dials to be placed in the above church. It is to be fitted with all the latest improvements, and generally to the designs of Lord Grimthorpe.

**ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND.**

## ST. CLEMENT DANES.

In view of the Ringers' service to be held at this church on the 29th of this month, a brief historical note in these columns may not be unseasonable.

St. Clement, the patron saint of the parish, is mentioned by St. Paul in the third verse of the fourth chapter of the Epistle to the Philippians. He afterwards became Bishop of Rome, and in that capacity wrote an epistle on behalf of the Church at Rome to the Church at Corinth. It seems to be disputed whether he died a natural death or suffered martyrdom. His emblem is an Anchor, which is displayed both on the exterior and interior of the church, and also surmounts the handsome maces belonging to the parish, which will probably be used at this service.

It may be mentioned that St. Clement is the patron of blacksmiths, and this may have something to do with the song, "Old Clem," which Dickens, in "Great Expectations," represents Joe Gargery and his man Orlick as singing while working at the forge. This song is probably of great antiquity, and handed down by tradition through several generations, but I do not know its history.

Formerly on St. Clement's day, November 23rd, the apprentices at Woolwich dockyard had an annual festivity in which one of them represented "Old Clem." An account will be found in "Brand's Popular Antiquities."

There are two traditions accounting for the name "Danes." According to one, it takes its origin from the spot being the burial place of Harold Harefoot and other Danes; according to the other, because the parish became a settlement for Danes who had married Englishwomen. However this may be, a church has been standing on the present site for at least a thousand years.

Of the mediæval church there is no extant description of which I am aware. By the seventeenth century the building required a good deal of repair, for it is stated that between 1608 and 1633 no less a sum than £1586 was spent upon it, and of this £496 was laid out in repairing and enlarging the steeple in 1616. The result of this last item of expenditure is visible to this day. It is a remarkable, though perhaps not a generally known, fact that so much money was spent in London on the fabrics of churches in the early part of the seventeenth century: but records abundantly testify to it, and notwithstanding all the alterations which more modern times have brought about, examples of this work are still to be seen by those who know where to look. The tower of St. Clement's is one of these instances, but the most complete specimen is the church of St. Catherine Cree in Leadenhall Street, remarkable for its mixture of Gothic and Italian forms, which was completed in 1631.

But as the seventeenth century progressed St. Clement's church ceased to satisfy the parishioners. No doubt it became inadequate to meet the needs of an increasing population, and with the same public spirit which had distinguished the previous generation they determined on obtaining the best obtainable. They decided to pull down the whole structure except the tower, and they went for designs for their new church to Sir Christopher Wren, who was not only the greatest architect of his day, but the greatest architectural genius our country has produced since the middle ages. As a result the present church was completed in the year 1682, and is one of the finest of Wren's many churches. The exterior is not ornate, but

thoroughly dignified, and the interior exhibits Wren's unrivalled sense of proportion. Much money has been spent on the building in recent years, but it has been applied to work done in the most sympathetic spirit, so that St. Clement's has been happily saved from that self-conceited destructive curse which has too often disguised itself under the name of restoration.

But when the parishioners had got over the expense of their new church they soon decided that they must do something to improve their old steeple. It was in good condition, but it was not sufficiently lofty, so they called in James Gibbs, the architect who afterwards designed the neighbouring churches of St. Martin-in-the-Fields and St. Mary-le-Strand, and from his designs the steeple was completed as we now see it, in the year 1719. There is no difficulty in spotting the junction between the new work and the old. With the exception of the present west doorway, which was erected in the last century, the tower up to and including the ringing-chamber presents much the same aspect to-day as it did when the repairs were completed in 1616. Where we ring now is where the bells hung before the tower was raised, and that is why it is that instead of finding ourselves on the floor level when we get to the door between the staircase and the ringing-chamber, we have to go down several wooden steps. We ring to-day in the old bell-pit. In other words the present clock face marks the lowest stage of the work added in 1719.

When the bell-chamber became the ringing-room, the north, south, and west windows were glazed, but the east window was blocked up inside, and the original louvres may still be seen on the exterior of the east side of the tower just above the roof of the church.

The furniture of the church is dignified. The pulpit is richly carved, and much handsome woodwork is displayed about the building. There is a fine organ in the west gallery, originally built by the celebrated Father Smith, but since rebuilt and enlarged.

The clock in the tower was made by Langley Bradley in 1721, and I am told it is considered an excellent specimen of its date and kind. It has to be wound up every day, and affords Mr. Orford, the steeplekeeper, a healthy daily exercise for a quarter of an hour or so. Eight bells were cast by the Wightmans, of Whitechapel, in 1693, and hung in this steeple. According to the late Mr. John Diprose, the historian of the parish, they were recast by Oliver in 1843, and two trebles added by him in 1845. There is also a sanctus bell bearing the date 1588.

Of course the St. Clement's bells have been rung by many societies in the course of two centuries, but for present purposes we need only consider one of them. In the year 1824 some ringers formed a society to meet at St. James's Clerkenwell, and consequently called it the St. James's Society. It did not however meet there many years, and migrated to Christ Church, Blackfriars, and subsequently to St. Clement Danes, where it has ever since retained its headquarters.

Its first meeting here was held on September 29th, 1841, and it may be interesting to note the names of the members then present. Here they are:—

FIRST NIGHT AT ST. CLEMENT'S, September 29th, 1841.  
—Mr. Cattle (Master), Mr. Holmes, Mr. Pratt, Mr. Platt, Mr. Ebbels, Mr. Hill, Mr. Turner, Mr. Trinder, Mr. Bradley, Mr. Fairburn, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Hosbourn, Mr. Brown, Mr. Stockham, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Clay.

I do not know who "Mr. Hosbourn" is, but it is at

least possible that this name represents Edward John Osborn, whose collection of MSS. in the British Museum is invaluable to all investigators of ringing history. The veteran, Mr. J. R. Haworth, is still with us, and I hope the Association will have the pleasure of seeing him at the forthcoming service.

The St. James's Society reconstructed itself last year as the London County Association, in order to bring its methods up to date. This has already been explained in "THE BELL NEWS," and need not be further referred to to-day. Among the new features then introduced was a form of service for special meetings, which obtained the approval of the Rev. J. J. H. Septimus Pennington, the Rector of St. Clement's, who is also honorary chaplain to the Association, and who delivered an address on the first occasion of its performance, at St. Clement Danes in January last.

R. A. DANIELL.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

Programme for the 29th October, 1904, when the Bishop of London will visit St. Clement Danes:—

1. The steeple will be open for ringing at 4 p.m.
2. The last touch before the service will be Stedman Caters, and the bells must be brought home and "stand" called at 5.50 p.m. sharp.
3. The tenor will then be rung till 5.55 p.m.
4. Members of the Exercise are particularly requested to be in their places early so that the service may commence at 6 p.m. punctually.
5. A few of the front seats on the floor of the church will be reserved for officers of the Companies and Associations and distinguished visitors, but the rest of the seats will be open to the members of the Exercise and their immediate friends or relations. Other persons who propose to attend the service are requested to avail themselves of the accommodation in the galleries.
6. Mr. Marchmont, the organist of St. Clement Danes, will, as an introductory voluntary, play "Bell Prelude" by Henry Purcell, a composition of the time of Fabian Stedman, relative to which a note appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of June 9th, 1900.
7. On the conclusion of the service a meeting will be held by the invitation of the Rector of St. Clement Danes, at the St. Clement Danes parish house, Clare Market, in order that the members of the Exercise may receive the Bishop. The proceedings will be brief, and members of the Exercise are particularly requested to proceed direct from the church to the meeting room in order to economise the Bishop's time.
8. The steeple will be open for ringing after the Bishop's departure till 9.30 p.m.

Lastly: The Master extends a cordial invitation to all members of the Exercise in town or country, both to the service and the meeting, and he will be happy to welcome any friends whom they desire to bring with them.

A. JACOB, Master.

T. H. TAFFENDER, Secretary.

PROGRAMME for the meeting at St. Clement Danes parish house on the 29th October, 1904:—

The Master will take the chair.

A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Bishop of London.

A course of Grandsire Caters will be rung on the handbells.

The Bishop will reply.

A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Rector of St. Clement Danes and to other persons who have assisted the officers of the Association in promoting the service.

#### BLACKPOOL.

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#### Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

REPLY TO MR. DAINS.

SIR,—It is with great respect I discuss Norwich Treble Bob with Mr. Dains, but I must insist that it is nothing but Double Woodbine. There can be little doubt, and it is perfectly reasonable to suppose that the simpler method was first composed and the double method grew out of it. If Mr. Dains will apply the simple principal of Woodbine he will find that Norwich Treble Bob is Woodbine when the treble is in front and Woodbine reverse when the treble is behind. It is possible that a conductor by giving this simple instruction to a good band could have the method rung straight off, and this I do not think should be possible with a Surprise method. In confirmation of this last opinion I would refer my friend to The Glossary, page 19, where it is stated with regard to Surprise methods: "the work of the course is highly elaborated and more or less difficult of execution." I referred to the lack of eccentricity, as well as to the symmetry of Norwich in my last, but Mr. Dains overlooks this side of the question, and from the above quotation it appears to me to be essential. In the method under discussion it happens that the application of the double Woodbine principle produces a method which coincides with one of the essential points of Surprise, as stated by Mr. Dains, but it does not in my opinion and apparently that of the compiler of The Glossary embody other necessary qualities. If am wrong in this, the standard of Surprise is greatly lowered in my eyes. Mr. Dains refers to the *Clavis*. If the "ancients" thoroughly appreciated these points, as I believe they did, why was this method not classed as a Surprise? Simply I consider, because they recognised the elementary principle of which it was composed. With Mr. Dains, however, I should wish to avoid trespassing on the work of the Classification Committee, to whose reports I look forward with great interest. With regard to the method Mr. Dains presents in his last, I have little time to spare, but so far have been unable to get a 720 without having the tenors up wrong inside the lead, and strange to say at the very place in the lead where he says one of the "beauty spots" occurs. Further, as in Norwich, we have a bell in 1-2 for a whole lead, which objection of mine by the bye Mr. Dains did not deal with, in this method we have a bell in 5-6 for the length of a lead.

R. S. STORY.

Whitley Bay.

#### THE PEAL AT LUTTERWORTH.

SIR,—I do not know who the writer of the footnote to the peal of Stedman Triples rang at Lutterworth on October 8th, 1904, is, but I fail to see how he claims it as the "quickest peal on the bells," as he will find if he looks in "THE BELL NEWS" of September 26th, 1903, that the peal of Grandsire Triples rang on September 19th, 1903, at the same place, was the quickest peal on the bells, as the footnote states so. I hope he will reply through the medium of your paper in next week's issue, correcting his statement. Probably he means the quickest peal of Stedman.

H. RUSHBY.

#### MORTIMER, BERKS.

At the last annual meeting of the Reading branch of the Oxford Guild it was arranged, with the consent of the several Vicars, that a combined practice should be held twice a month at the undermentioned towers, viz., St. Lawrence, St. Mary's, St. Giles's, Reading, Sonning, Mortimer and Tilehurst, as there are several members of the Guild who do not belong to any particular tower but who are experienced men, and enjoy a pull with their brother-ringers. On Saturday, October 15th, the meeting was held at St. Mary's, Mortimer, when about thirty members attended, and the meeting was a very great success. Some touches were rung in the following methods: Bob Major, Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, the ringing being kept going for 3 hrs. The next combined practice will be held at St. Lawrence, Reading, at 7 p.m.

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## THE OXFORD WEEK.

Wednesday we found our programme impracticable by train, as the one to Bletchington only ran on Thursday we caught a Great Western train from Stevenon to Oxford, and hired a brake from The Clarendon, which conveyed us to the two towers in ample time. An attempt at St. Mary's, Kirtlington, for London Surprise with the same band as at Hagbourne, lasted nearly an hour, a "clean shift" bringing stand. The ten mile drive here was delightful, splendid crops of blackberries were seen on the hedgerows, the well-timbered park, "Bletchington," the seat of the Dashwoods, was surveyed, and a memorial stone on the church wall to Sir R. Dashwood Black, A.D. 1691, who died in the 23rd year of his age, gave us the lines:—

You mortals all that pass this way,  
Consider and behold;  
For as you are even so was I,  
All flesh that's born is sure to die,  
And being dead to grave is drawn,  
And there to moulder into dust.

This belfry contains the tablet recording the first peal rung by the Oxford Diocesan Guild, conducted by C. Hounslow, in 1881. We inspected this with interest, as well as a monster elm tree 27-ft. in circumference at 4-ft. above ground, standing on the village green, the huge hollow trunk being capable of holding at least a dozen people at one time. Roast ribs of beef at the Dashwood Arms allayed our hunger, and starting our return journey we arrived in due happy state at St. Mary's, Kidlington, famous on account of its 17,000 of Double Norwich Major in 11 hrs. 15 mins., rang there in 1899. The extraordinary high tapering stone spire of the central tower, and the long draught of rope was observed, and a peal of Stedman Triples, No. 4, was brought home in fine steady style. I was not more than fifty yards from the church the whole time, and observed no trip during the whole of the ringing. My favourable opinion as regards the long peal here was decidedly increased on a personal knowledge of the bells and tower, and after making allowances for choppy striking in latter parts of the peal, no doubt can exist as to this performance ranking as a very fine one indeed. In the cottage kitchen corner, provided with a cup of tea by Mrs. Judge, and a chat with Mr. Judge, we spent a very comfortable evening, the Miller, the Baker, the Butcher and I. Oxford City we entered at a late hour and found lodgings for most of the party at The Cape of Good Hope, the landlord proving to be a former L.V. of Slough. Early closing day is observed on Thursdays at the city of spires; it was also early rising day for our Royal band, who wended their way to Thame by the 8.20 train. Some complaints were raised about the picture post card craze and the snapshot mania of certain of our members which delayed the start at Thame for Cambridge, but eventually an hour and twenty minutes' ringing came to grief at noon exactly. The predicament of abandoning a rump steak luncheon ordered for 2 o'clock for the first peal of Cambridge at Thame was decided by visiting The Six Bells, where homely bread and cheese sufficed and gave new heart for the time for peal No. 5. Mine host of The Swan proved equal to the occasion, and sent on to the station a well-packed box of the ordered food, which five a side shared in one compartment travelling to Oxford, the thumb-pieces disappearing that only farm hands know the mode of attacking. Just a cup of tea before tackling the Stedman Cinques at Christ Church, but it only lasted half an hour, the band never settling down to anything like peal-ringing form, due to the London members striking too slow for the quicker ringing of the local men more accustomed to the bells. This ending afforded us an excellent chance of spending a social evening with the Oxford Society at their meeting house with Messrs. W. Smith, T. Payne and others, joined by that old veteran Mr. Charles Hounslow. Chatting and Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques on the handbells went on intermittently till closing time. We were gallantly escorted over Magdalen Bridge, bed at The Cape ending our fourth fine day, the weather giving the tourists an opportunity of seeing the various churches and colleges and city buildings of importance to their best advantage. Should these lines ever fall into the hands of municipal influence I beg to urge the desirability of providing electric tramways, extension of the lines from Carfax towards the four quarters of the city, and much earlier cars.

On Friday the 8.20 a.m. train again gave us a "Thame affair" on the Great Western Railway line, our journey to Wycombe occupying 80 minutes. We walked smartly to Hughenden, where, joined by Mr. J. Evans, we saw the tomb of Beaconsfield and attempted London Surprise, again failing after ringing 1 hr. 25 mins., due to an attack of severe neuralgia, which caused one man to take up an 8-7-8 instead of a 5-6-5. We left Oxford in the morning in sunshine, and reached the chair town in mist and rain, *The Daily Telegraph* forecast proving only too true towards evening; however our headquarters, The White Hart, was found very cosy, and the lunch provided met with hearty reception, and a good rest enjoyed till tea-time. Stedman Caters at High Wycombe was essayed—50 minutes—much doubt existing as to the feasibility of even attempting, owing to the bad go of many of the ring, and especially the capers of the 2nd, but determined to avoid breaking the record of a peal a day on this tour we ventured manfully and ended sadly. Our ardour damped by rain and the loss of two peals was somewhat revived by the joviality of the captain. Here we were joined by Messrs. Hayes, Coles and Wilkins, and these gentlemen sent us on our way to Marlow "Toiling, rejoicing and sorrowing."

The dual homes of the noted family of Truss's at Marlow afforded us ample accommodation at The Weir House and The Two Brewers, in St. Peter's Street, introduction of new visitors to the members thereof, soon permitted refreshment, musical entertainment and sleep.

Saturday, our last day, found the ten astir in good time, bent on recovering the lost ground by two peals in a day this time. I must say at once that neither was scored. In order to complete our programme we rode to Bourne End, and took a pretty walk to Wooburn tower. Tolladay memories of fifty years ago were told, and good old Bobby Haworth's survival noted; epitaphs discovered, while the camera fiends secured views, and the "go" and tone of this excellent ring of bells remarked upon. To coin a Gifford term we "pitched off" for Double Norwich Major, and only rang 1 hr. 20 mins., the writer taking 1-2 for 8-5 in the circle of ropes, as much on account of the ringers as their respective bells, as the long space between 1 and 2. A lovely picturesque drive to Beaconsfield up the long steep hills, which afforded good views of the Wycombe and Marlow valleys, and so on to our last tower. The fortitude of a rumpsteak lunch at The White Hart failed to ensure our success, our conductor omitting a "call" after an hour of Thurstans' Stedman Triples, and in order to recover ourselves we at once made our way back to Wooburn, just eight of us, and for the last time of asking we ventured Double Norwich, but the ill fortune of the old gentleman himself followed us, and a repetition of Hagbourne almost resulted. Our only satisfaction in this attempt of 2 hrs. 25 mins. was the excellent compass and striking kept by the whole of the band, each one bent on success, when the tenor rope slipped wheel, jammed in the ceiling, and so ended our hopes and our tour. We returned to Marlow and spent a very pleasant evening at The Jolly Brewers. The complete disbanding took place on Sunday morning, when we sent off for their respective homes the last half dozen by the 11.20 train from Marlow, after having previously viewed the river and its scenery, and rang Norwich for the morning service at All Saints.

"What is lost on the swings should be gained on the roundabouts." We rang few peals but thoroughly enjoyed our holiday, which was favoured by the best of comradeship. Our thanks are now conveyed to the clergy and churchwardens for the use of the towers and bells, and to the steeplekeepers in particular, since we had not a single rope break during the week. A little more sweeping and dusting might be done in most of the ringing chambers. To Marlow I award first place in the matter of cleanliness. The bells of High Wycombe require urgent attention by rehanging, and were the treble recast the inhabitants would be greatly surprised at the improvement in this ring, the only one of ten in the county. It appeared odd in a rather large parish like Drayton to find no local men to meet one, but some day we hope to hear of a Drayton band. If I may borrow the title of an illustrated work giving the career of a noted ringer, now in the press, I may say that this Oxford week gave one and all of us a very happy time "Amongst the Bells."

(Concluded.)

W. H. F.



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## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The autumn quarterly meeting was held at Stone, near  
Aylesbury, on Saturday, October 15th. A peal of Sted-  
man Triples was rung on the handy ring of eight at  
Haddenham in the morning. A service was held at 4.30  
in the parish church, attended by all the members present  
(about 35), the address being given by the Rev. J. L.  
Challis, Vicar of Stone. The Master attended, but the  
secretary and assistant-secretary being unable to attend,  
no business meeting was held. At the tea-table votes of  
thanks were passed to the Vicar, organist and choir for  
their services, and a hope expressed that the ring of eight  
at Aylesbury, at present unringable, might soon be put in  
ringing order.

Various touches, including a course of Kent Treble  
Bob, and a 720 of Grandsire Minor, were rung.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the western division of this Association was held at Warnham on Saturday, October 1st. The attendance was not so large as generally, owing, no doubt, to a wet morning, preventing several cycling ringers from attending.

Tea was held at The Sussex Oak at 5.30, the Vicar (Rev. R. Bowcott), taking the chair. There were also present Messrs. G. F. Williams (independent member), W. Charman (secretary of the local company), H. Evans (divisional secretary), the Sussex veteran, "Old Harry," and representatives from Crawley, Goring, Midhurst, and Warnham, numbering 16.

Tea over, the usual business meeting followed. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and six new members were elected.

It was proposed and carried that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Warnham, Messrs. Charman and Williams to arrange the band.

The secretary proposed the usual vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, and granting the use of the bells. The rev. gentleman replied, and addressed a few words to the meeting on "The uses of the bells." The secretary said he had received by post a few circulars to be distributed at this meeting, relative to the publication of the ringing career of the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

The tower was again visited, and touches of Treble Bob, Plain Bob, and Grandsire were rung.

## The Metropolis.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS, AND THE ST. STEPHEN'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

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Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by HENRY R. NEWTON.  
Reference elsewhere.

## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5008 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN E. JONES* .. .. Treble.	ALBERT C. HARDY .. .. 5.
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Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal in the method.

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On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS-THE-MARTYR, CITY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. .. Treble.	HERBERT P. HARMAN .. .. 6.
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## The Provinces.

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On Monday, October 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

FREDERICK N. MASON .. .. Treble.	CHARLES SUMMERS .. .. 5.
SAMUEL MASON .. .. 2.	GEORGE ATKINS .. .. 6.
SIDNEY J. MASON .. .. 3.	HENRY MOORE .. .. 7.
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Conducted by ALFRED W. BRIGHTON.

This is the quickest peal yet rung on the bells.

## CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

DR. CARPENTER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM BUCK .. .. Treble.	AMOS CLARK .. .. 5.
JAMES RUMBLE .. .. 2.	EDWIN HOLLANDS .. .. 6.
ALFRED BOXALL .. .. 3.	FRANK HOLDER .. .. 7.
ARTHUR BUNDLE* .. .. 4.	FREDERICK BOULTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK HOLDER.

\*First peal with a bob bell. †First peal.

## WATH-ON-DEARNE, YORKS.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of City Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet and Oxford. Tenor about 13 cwt.

EGERTON G. NICHOLLS .. .. Treble.	JOE PANTHER .. .. 4.
ALBERT CROSSMAN .. .. 2.	ROBERT J. RICKETTS .. .. 5.
ARTHUR PANTHER .. .. 3.	ALBERT NASH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT NASH.

First peal by all except the ringer of the 5th. The bells have recently been re-hung by Mallaby, but no peal has been rung on them for over thirty years.

## DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON .. Treble.	CHARLES DRAPER .. .. 5.
FRED HICKLING .. .. 2.	EDMUND WILLIS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HICKLING, SEN. 3.	BENJAMIN SUGDEN .. .. 7.
JOHN FLOWER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BATES .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and  
Conducted by BENJAMIN SUGDEN.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TANN .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK BORRETT .. .. 5.
EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 2.	JAMES BOUGHTON .. .. 6.
CHARLES BAKER .. .. 3.	ERNEST BECKWITH .. .. 7.
ROBERT WHITING .. .. 4.	DAVID ELLIOTT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES HUNT, and Conducted by JAMES TANN.

## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

ROBERT M. BLACKWALL† Treble.	FRED WATKINSON .. .. 5.
HERBERT DAY .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. .. 6.
HENRY FLETCHER* .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. .. 7.
JOSEPH BOURNE .. .. 4.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE A. GOODWIN.

\*First peal. †First peal away from the tenor. First peal as conductor. Rang with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to Miss K. C. Wright, daughter of the late Rev. Henry Wright, Hon. Sec. C.M.S., who died at the Walker Hospital, Panjab, India, on September 21st, 1904.

## TWERTON-ON-AVON, SOMERSET.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

G. TEMPLE .. .. Treble.	J. FUSSELL .. .. 5.
J. E. KING .. .. 2.	H. W. BROWN .. .. 6.
C. GOODENOUGH .. .. 3.	C. W. BELL .. .. 7.
E. HOLDER .. .. 4.	JAS. N. WAKE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. W. BROWN.

Rung to celebrate the 50th birthday of J. N. Wake, Bath Abbey tower-keeper, it being his first peal.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt.

MATTHEW ELLSMORE .. Treble.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 5.
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JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
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A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ALFRED F. HILLIER .. Treble.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. THOMAS .. 2.	ROBERT STORY .. .. 6.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 3.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 7.
ROBERT C. HUDSON .. 4.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Arranged for W. H. Thomas, and is his first peal in the method. He was elected a member of the above Association.

## WICKHAM, HANTS.

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On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 Kent Treble Bob, and two each of College Single,  
Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, each called differently.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G sharp.

WILLIAM F. CHURCHER .. Treble.	ALBERT MILLARD .. .. 4.
GEORGE PLASKETT .. .. 2.	JOHN WHITING .. .. 5.
WILLIAM COOPER .. .. 3.	GEORGE E. CHAPPELL .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE E. CHAPPELL.

First peal on the bells, and was rung as a quarterly peal in connection with the meeting held recently at Shedfield.

## WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

ROBERT DUCKWORTH .. Treble	TITUS BARLOW .. .. 5.
WILLIAM LEVER .. .. 2.	ALFRED POTTER .. .. 6.
JOHN POTTER .. .. 3.	JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 7.
THOMAS PEERS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM DENNER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH POTTER.

## BRATHEY, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s Duke of York, 720 each of Kent and Violet, two  
720s of Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

JOSEPH BACKHOUSE* .. Treble.	R. SATTHERTHWAITE .. 4.
WOODBURN NEVINSON .. 2.	JOHN HOLME .. .. 5.
FURNESS WOODEND .. 3.	WILLIAM ROBINSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH BACKHOUSE.

\*First peal as conductor.

## HADDENHAM, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM BENNETT .. Treble.	RICHARD BUCKLAND .. 5.
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS .. 2.	FREDERICK WEBB .. 6.
HARRY MILES .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. 4.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung on the occasion of the autumn meeting of the Guild at Stone, Bucks.

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(THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES ARMITAGE .. .. Treble.	SAM THOMAS .. .. 5.
REV. ARTHUR T. BEESTON 2.	*JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON* .. .. 3.	*WILLIAM S. PLANT .. .. 7.
GEORGE HALKSWORTH .. .. 4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples.

UPTON ST. LEONARDS, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 17½ cwt.

THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. Treble.	JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 5.
JESSE GILLET .. .. 2.	*SYDNEY M. LOXTON .. .. 6.
THOMAS BALDWIN* .. .. 3.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. .. .. 7.
GARRIE MILES* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. First peal in the method on the bells.

BREWOOD, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22½ cwt.

JOSEPH ELTON .. .. Treble.	ALFRED TURLEY .. .. 5.
JOHN A. SEABROOK .. .. 2.	WILLIAM FISHER .. .. 6.
ROBERT PICKERING .. .. 3.	JOHN C. ADAMS .. .. 7.
JOHN PERRY .. .. 4.	*FRANK WAKELAM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT PICKERING.

\*First peal. First peal of Grandsire on the bells. Rung to commemorate the opening of the chancel after restoration.

EAST GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

FRED ALLIN* .. .. Treble.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 5.
CHARLES BAKER* .. .. 2.	PETER ETHERIDGE .. .. 6.
NORMAN C. WAKEFIELD .. .. 3.	ARTHUR HUGGETT .. .. 7.
ALBERT SONGHURST .. .. 4.	*SIDNEY CHESSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First attempt for a peal. Reference elsewhere.

WARNHAM, SUSSEX.  
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S No. 2. Tenor 15 cwt.

WESLEY PETTIFER* .. .. Treble.	†JOHN PULLEN .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. .. 2.	ALBERT FEIST .. .. 6.
JOHN COOK .. .. 3.	GEORGE WOODMAN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK† .. .. 4.	WALTER J. BRICE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Treble.	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. 5.
SAMUEL REEVES .. .. 2.	JAMES DOWLER .. .. 6.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. .. 3.	JOHN NEALE .. .. 7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PAINTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT* Treble.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	HARRY A. HORREX .. .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. .. 7.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. .. 4.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by E. E. HUNTLEY.

First peal in the method on the bells, and is also believed to be the first peal of New Cambridge in the county. \*First peal of Major.

ALFRETON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 15½ cwt.

WM. ALLSOP* .. .. Treble.	F. WATKINSON .. .. 5.
S. HALL† .. .. 2.	†J. M. BROOK .. .. 6.
J. HALL* .. .. 3.	†GEO. PIPES .. .. 7.
B. FLETCHER† .. .. 4.	GEO. DOUGHTY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. M. BROOK.

\*First peal. †First peal of Grandsire.

ECCLES.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(MANCHESTER BRANCH.)

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRANK SMITH .. .. Treble.	SAMUEL GREENHALGH .. .. 5.
WILFRID J. MOSS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. SHUKER .. .. 6.
JOHN SMITH .. .. 3.	*JOSEPH GREGORY .. .. 7.
JAMES BARRATT .. .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD, and Conducted by HARRY CHAPMAN.

\*First peal in the method.

Date Touches.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BRATHEY.—On Monday, September 19th, a date touch of Minor in 1 hr. 5 mins. R. Satherthwaite conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, J. Backhouse, T. Clark, W. Robinson. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the late Bishop of Carlisle, Dr. Bardsley.

BROOKFIELD (Lancashire).—Recently for Divine Service a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 8 mins. T. Blakeley, W. Brammer, C. H. Blakeley, H. Worthington, J. W. Topping, C. Ollier conductor, J. Fearnhead, R. Newton. Taken from Holt's Original, and is the first by all except Messrs. Brammer and Ollier.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MINEHEAD (Somersetshire).—On Wednesday, August 17th, at St. Michael's church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 10 mins. J. Reed, S. Mason, G. W. Stokes, W. White, C. Summers, G. Atkins conductor, H. Moore, S. Cornelius.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

**BRATHAY.**—On Saturday, September 10th, for practice, 720 Violet. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, R. Satterthwaite, J. Holme, W. Robinson. Also 720 Violet. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, A. Newton, R. Satterthwaite, J. Holme, W. Robinson. On Wednesday, September 14th, 720 Oxford. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, B. Purdom, R. Satterthwaite, W. Robinson. Also 720 Kent. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, B. Satterthwaite, J. Holme, W. Robinson. On Saturday, September 24th, 720 Plain Bob, and 720 Violet. J. Backhouse conductor, J. Holme, R. Satterthwaite, F. Woodend, T. Clark, W. Robinson. Also 720 Duke of York. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, T. Clark, W. Robinson. And 720 Oxford standing as before, conducted by F. Woodend. On Sunday morning, September 25th, for Divine Service, 720 Oxford. J. Backhouse conductor, W. Nevinson, F. Woodend, B. Purdom, T. Clark, J. Holme.

**GARSTON (Lancashire).**—On Friday, September 22nd, for Harvest Festival services, 350 Grandsire Triples. R. Kelly, A. Edwards, J. Grace, T. Hammond, jun., E. Caunce, W. Hughes conductor. E. Hachmough, S. Millership. After service 1232 Bob Major. A. Edwards, J. Aspinwall, G. R. Newton, J. Turner, T. Hammond, jun., J. W. Rawlinson, E. Caunce, W. Hughes conductor. On Sunday, September 24th, for service, 350 Grandsire Triples. A. Edwards, E. Caunce, G. R. Newton conductor, T. Hammond, J. W. Rawlinson, J. Martin, G. W. Hughes, W. Hughes. After service 672 Grandsire Triples. R. Kelly, A. Edwards, G. R. Newton, T. Hammond, jun., J. W. Rawlinson, E. Caunce, W. Hughes conductor, S. Millership. On Monday, September 25th, for Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples. R. Kelly, A. Edwards, J. Aspinwall, J. Allen, J. W. Rawlinson, E. Caunce conductor, W. Davies, T. Hammond. After service 352 Bob Major. A. Edwards, J. Aspinwall, G. R. Newton conductor, J. Turner, J. W. Rawlinson, E. Caunce, T. Hammond, W. Davies.

**GBRTON (Lancashire).**—On Sunday, September 4th, at Brookfield church, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. A. Topping, W. Brammer, C. Ollier, H. Worthington, C. H. Blakeley, H. Pye conductor. R. Newton, W. Seddon.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

**LLANGOLLEN.**—On Monday, October 3rd, for practice at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. F. Edwards, J. Davies, T. James, J. Rogers, T. Davies, J. W. Davies, S. Meadows conductor, C. E. Williams. And 756 Stedman Triples. J. Rogers, Jas. Davies, T. James, F. Edwards, T. Davies, S. Meadows, J. W. Davies conductor, C. E. Williams.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

**STANSTED (Essex).**—On Saturday, September 17th, at the parish church, 560 Double Norwich. W. Watts, G. Jordan, T. Jordan, J. Luckey, W. Prior, T. J. Watts, W. T. Prior, H. J. Tucker conductor. Also 336 Stedman Triples. T. Jordan, W. T. Prior, G. Gray, W. Prior, W. Watts, H. J. Tucker, T. J. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. And 672 London Surprise Major. W. T. Prior, G. Jordan, G. Gray, W. Prior, J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, T. Jordan. W. Watts conductor. On Sunday morning, September 18th, for Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples. T. Jordan, H. Little, G. Gray, T. J. Watts, J. Luckey, G. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. On Wednesday, September 21st, for practice, 640 Kent Treble Bob. W. Watts conductor, G. Jordan, G. Gray, J. Luckey, T. J. Tucker, W. Tarling, T. Jordan, T. J. Watts. On Sunday morning, September 25th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival for Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples. J. Cavill, H. Little, G. Gray, J. Luckey, T. Jordan, G. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. Also 308 Grandsire Triples. T. J. Watts, 1; the rest as before. For afternoon service 504 Stedman Triples. J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, G. Gray, W. Prior, T. Jordan, G. Jordan, W. Watts conductor, G. Greenhill. On Sunday morning, October 2nd, for Divine Service, 448 Cambridge Surprise. H. Little, T. Jordan, G. Gray, W. Watts, J. Luckey, T. J. Watts, W. T. Prior, G. Jordan. Tenor 13 cwt.

## THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

**MONKS KIRBY (Warwickshire).**—On Wednesday, October 12th, at the church of St. Denis, 720 Bob Minor in 30 mins. A. G. H. Newman, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, F. Sear, A. Bramall, J. George composer and conductor. This is a magnificent peal cast by Rudhall in 1618, the tenor weighing 27 cwt. This is supposed to be the first 720 ever rung on them. The ringers desire to thank the Vicar (Rev. W. E. Jackson), for the use of the bells.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

**MALVERN (Worcestershire).**—On Friday, September 30th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival at the church of St. Matthias, 720 Bob Minor in 26 mins. F. Francis, E. E. Barber, F. Bryan, J. Brown, F. Hall, H. T. Knowles conductor.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

**TAUNTON (Somersetshire).**—On Sunday, August 28th, for evening service at St. James's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. H. Gillard, H. J. Poole, E. E. Burgess, G. W. Stokes, J. Maddock, E. Maddock, A. Evans conductor, W. Evans. On Sunday evening, September 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. H. Gillard, W. J. Bowden, H. J. Poole, G. W. Stokes, J. Maddock, F. Millard, E. E. Burgess conductor, W. Evans.

**MINEHEAD (Somersetshire).**—On Sunday, August 7th, for Divine Service at St. Michael's church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major in 50 mins. F. Mason, S. Mason, C. Greedy, G. Atkins, C. Summers, G. Stokes, J. R. Jones, H. Moore conductor.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

**NORTON-IN-THE-MOORS (Staffordshire).**—On Sunday August 21st, for evening service, 240 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. J. E. Wheeldon, F. T. Dawson, T. Taylor, B. Pegg, W. Wheeldon conductor, A. Ryles. On Sunday morning, September 18th, for Divine Service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob; and for evening service 720 Kent. W. Lawrence, F. T. Dawson, T. Taylor, B. Pegg, E. E. Johnson, J. E. Wheeldon conductor. On Tuesday, September 20th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. W. Lawrence, J. E. Wheeldon conductor, T. Taylor, J. Duggitt, E. E. Johnson, A. Ryles. Also 240 London Surprise. F. T. Dawson, J. E. Wheeldon conductor, J. T. Taylor, B. Pegg, E. E. Johnson, A. Ryles.

**BLETCHLEY (Bucks.).**—On Sunday, August 28th, 504 Grandsire Triples. A. Crane, W. Sear, H. Sear conductor, A. Castle, A. N. Atkins, E. Marks, C. Castle, F. Morby. And 168 Grandsire Triples. V. Sear, H. Sear, F. Hedges conductor, H. Hopkins, A. Powell, E. Marks, T. Henry, F. Morby.

**MELBOURNE (Derbyshire).**—On Sunday, September 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples in 47 mins. S. Hibberd, F. Hollingworth, J. York, L. Hollingworth, G. Tomlin, H. Hollingworth conductor, J. Warren, G. York. First quarter-peal by S. Hibberd. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the Bishop of Southwell.

**SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).**—On Sunday, August 28th, at Christ Church, 1280 Bob Major in 52 mins. G. Bester, A. R. Glasscock, S. Wade, J. Armstrong conductor, H. Miller, M. Fensom, J. E. Miller, W. Pickworth. On September 11th, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. G. Bester, H. Miller, J. Miller, J. Armstrong conductor, J. Waghorn, sen., M. Fensom, W. Pickworth, A. Dodson. On September 17th, 1344 Bob Major in 50 mins. G. Bester, A. R. Glasscock, W. Pickworth, J. Armstrong, H. Miller, M. Fensom, J. Miller, S. Wade conductor.

**TREETON (Yorks.).**—On Sunday, September 4th, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob. J. Tinker, T. Whitworth, G. Wright, A. Whitworth, W. Brothwell, J. H. Brothwell conductor.

**WORTLEY, SHEFFIELD (Yorks.).**—The bells of St. Leonard's church were fixed new in 1893 by Warner and Sons. They were thoroughly overhauled by the same firm recently; also new ropes, and the bells give every satisfaction. On a recent Friday before practice 512 Bob Major. T. McKegg conductor, C. Dronfield, E. Robbins, G. Saxby, A. Saxby, J. Brearley, D. Brearley, J. Dronfield. Also 360 Grandsire conducted by J. Dronfield.

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**The Kent County Association—Lewisham District.**—The annual meeting will be held at Dartford on Saturday, October 22nd. The bells will be available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at The North Pole Restaurant at 5 p.m. (close to railway station), followed by business meeting, at which the Vicar of Dartford will preside. It is hoped that as many as can do so will attend this meeting. Half railway fares up to, but not exceeding, 2s. will be paid to those attending the meeting.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

"Oakleigh," Chislehurst.

**The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.**—Next meeting will be held at Reddish to-day Saturday, October 22nd. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o.

J. SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.**—The next meeting will be held at St. James's church, Waterfoot, to-day, Saturday, October 22nd. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.

W. ASHWORTH, *Sec.*

**The Surrey Association.**—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Beddington (Hackbridge or Waddon stations L.B. and S.C. railway) to-day, Saturday, October 22nd. Bells will be available from about 3.30. Tea at White Posts refreshment room (close to the church) at 6 p.m. Business meeting after.

CHAS. DEAN, JUN., } *Hon. Secs.*  
JOHN C. JACKSON, }

72, Lansdowne Road, Croydon.  
12, Tabor Grove, Wimbledon.

**Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.**—The next meeting of this district will be held at Shipbourne to-day, Saturday, October 22nd. Tower open at 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided free at The New Inn at 6 o'clock, followed by the business meeting.

W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.**—The annual party and social of the above will be held in the Milnrow National Schools on Saturday, October 29th. Tea on table at 5 p.m. Tickets: Ladies, 1s., Gents, 1s. 6d. Secretaries of towers to send the number of tickets sold to B. Greenwood, Wild House, Milnrow, not later than Wednesday, October 26th. All ringers and friends invited.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**St. Martin's Guild of Birmingham.**—The usual quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 25th inst., at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair to be taken at 8.30 p.m. The attendance is earnestly requested of every member who can make it convenient.

W. H. GODDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

**The Ely Diocesan Association—Sudbury District.**—The quarterly district meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds on Saturday, October 29th. The tea and meeting will be held at The Golden Fleece at 4 o'clock, when the Archdeacon of Sudbury will preside. The bells of the Norman tower (10) and St. Mary's (8) will be available during the day.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, *Dist. Hon. Sec.*

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild—Yorktown District.**—Annual Meeting will be held

at Bagshot on Saturday, October 29th. Bells ready at 1 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. at Institute for those who inform me by Thursday, the 27th. Meeting after. C. H. PEARCE, *Dist. Sec.*

Vale Road, Yorktown.

**Lancashire Association.—Preston Branch.**—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 29th, at Holy Trinity church, Hoghton. Bells at 3; meeting at 5.30.

R. SANDERSON, *Branch Sec.*

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing of this society will be held at St. Matthew's, Holbeck, on Saturday, October 29th. Bells (8) are available from 2.30 p.m. to 9 o'clock. A peal will be attempted at 2.30 p.m. The business meeting will be held at The Spotted Cow inn at 7.30 p.m. Members are specially invited to attend, as important business will be brought before the meeting. F. BARRACLOUGH,

29, Elsworth Place, Armley. *Hon. Sec.*

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—Devizes Branch.**—Next monthly meeting on Saturday, October 29th, at Bradford-on-Avon (8 bells), at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.

REV. C. W. B. CORBE, *Branch Sec.*

Ferndale, Devizes.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.**—The annual district meeting will be held at the Parish Institute, Portsea, on Saturday, October 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Institute at 6 o'clock. Meeting after. Members desiring tea kindly let me know not later than the 25th inst.

J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

Fareham, Hants.

**The Hertfordshire Association.—Eastern District.**—A meeting will be held at Hertford on Saturday, October 29th, when the bells of St. Andrew's will be open from 3.30. Tea at the Coffee Tavern at 5.30, 6d. to all. Business meeting after. All ringers and friends will be welcome.

W. H. LAWRENCE, *Dis. Sec.*

Little Mnnden.

**Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—Annual Festival at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Monday, October 31st. The bells of St. George, Jesmond (morning only). All Saints (after 5 p.m.), St. Stephen's, St. John's, Gateshead, and Benwell will be open for members' use. Committee meets at 12 noon. Service in St. John's at 1 p.m., with address by the Vicar of St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool. Dinner and meeting at Hotel Metropole at 2 o'clock, 1s. 6d. to members, 2s. 6d. non-members. Intending diners must notify the Secretary by October 26th.

C. L. ROUTLEDGE, *Hon. Sec.*

62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, will be open for ringing from 4 to 6 o'clock. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, the 26th inst., and at St. Magnus on Thursday, November 3rd, at 8 p.m.

## NOTES TO PEAL.

**THE PEAL AT HERTFORD.**—This peal was rung to celebrate the unveiling of a new peal-board, erected at the expense of Mr. Baker, to commemorate the peal of Superlative rung there by the same band with the exception of Mr. Reeves—who was unfortunately kept away this time by illness—on June 11th, to celebrate the 70th birthday of the Right Hon. Earl Cowper, the donor of the tower and bells. The peal-tablet is made of oak with red and gold lettering. After the peal on Saturday the band partook of an excellent repast provided by Mr. Baker, which was greatly appreciated by the ringers.

**THE PEAL AT EAST GRINSTEAD.**—This was the quarterly peal for the Central Division. It was the first attempt for a peal by the ringers of the treble, 2nd and tenor, who belong to the local band. After the peal the ringers were entertained to a excellent repast at the institute by the Rev. C. W. P. Crawford, lay Rector, whose ambition it is to have a peal scored by an entirely local band.

## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

**WICKHAM (Hants.)**—During August 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. W. Cooper, A. Millard, J. W. Whiting, G. E. Chappell conductor, W. Churcher, G. Plaskett. 720 Bob Minor. H. J. Smith, W. Singleton, H. W. Merrett, N. Welch, W. Churcher, G. E. Chappell conductor. 720 Oxford Bob. H. Merrett, W. Singleton, W. Cooper, N. Welch, W. Churcher, G. E. Chappell conductor. On Saturday, September 17th 720 Kent Treble Bob. W. Churcher, G. Plaskett, W. Cooper, A. Millard, J. W. Whiting, G. E. Chappell conductor. And 720 Minor, being 240 each of College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. On Saturday, September 24th, by the same band 720 Kent Treble Bob.

**CHANGES OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. A. H. Winch has removed from Wimbledon, to Church Walk, Leatherhead.—Mr. Harry Chapman has removed to 11, Beech Grove, Plymouth Grove, Manchester.

**EXETER**—Every accommodation will be found for Ringing Cyclists at the head quarters of the Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club The Swan, 5, Catherine Street.

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On Saturday, September 24th, a quarterly meeting took place at Clent. Ringing was commenced by the members in the afternoon, and at 5 o'clock the Association form of service was used in church, and a very impressive address delivered by the Rev. F. R. Lawson, Vicar, from the words—"Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular."

The rev. gentleman presided over the business meeting, which was fairly well attended. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. It was unanimously resolved that the next meeting be held at Old Swinford in January, 1905. Messrs. W. R. Small (Tipton) and Wm. Micklewright (Dudley) were re-elected auditors. Mr. H. Mason, hon. treasurer, who has been taking some trouble amongst the clergy and churchwardens of the district in which he is surrounded, by writing and visiting them personally, related that he was pleased to inform them that he had been successful in obtaining their consent to become hon. members. He made mention of this at

the meeting that the local secretaries or others at their various parishes might get amongst their own clergy, churchwardens, sidesmen, etc., and ask them to become members, and help to support the Association, and he felt sure that if they would do so the result would be satisfactory.

Mr. T. J. Salter moved that in his opinion it was desirable at these meetings one or more peals should be arranged, and if possible attempted from quarter to quarter, thus giving the members more encouragement to take part in peal ringing, which at the present time was at rather a low ebb. After some profitable discussion on the subject by several members it was seconded and carried unanimously. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his address, for presiding, and for the use of the schoolroom, tower and bells.

The rev. gentleman, in responding, thanked them most cordially, and said he was pleased to meet them and hoped they would pay another visit to Clent while he was there and he should be pleased to do what he could for their comfort.

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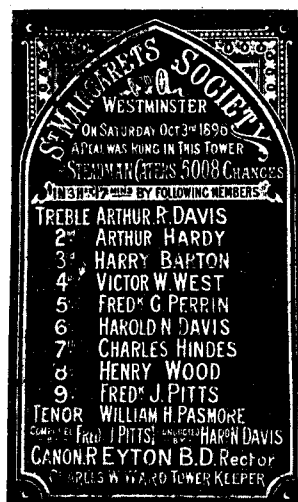
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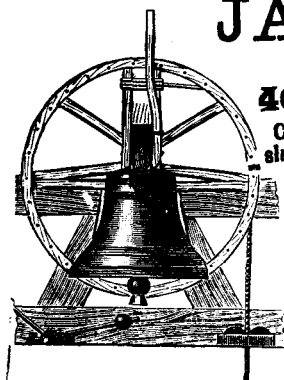
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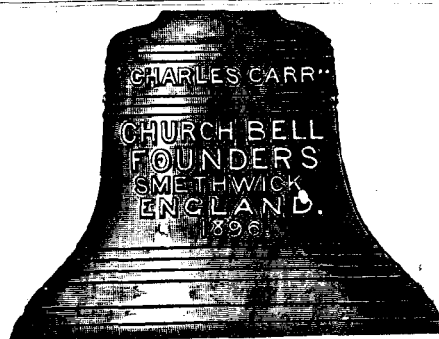
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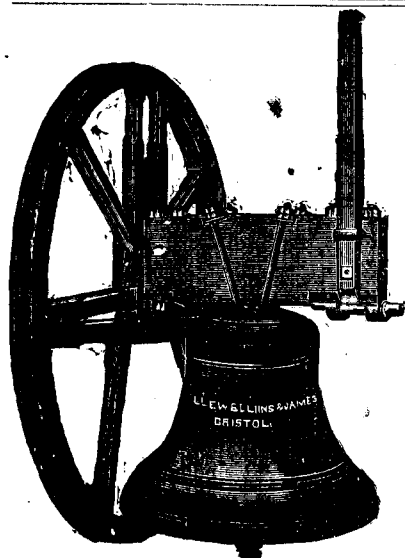
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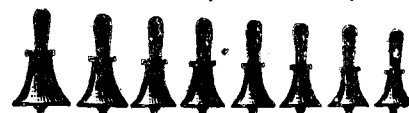
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**SUTTERTON (Lincolnshire).** St. Mary. East Lincolnshire Association. Eight bells; the two trebles 1797; 3rd 1784; the rest 1720, founders not known. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go fairly. Repairs by local firm some years ago. The ring want rehanging, but there are no funds. Ropes poor. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing 1st in month, 10 to 11. Practice November to February inclusive, Tuesday and Thursday. No hour stated.

**SUTTON COLDFIELD (Warwickshire).** Holy Trinity. Eight bells; 3rd and 4th by Mears 1795; the rest by Taylor 1884. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Chiming apparatus fitted. Rehung by Taylor 1884. Ropes new 1895, good. Method: Stedman. Sunday ringing usual half-an-hour before morning and evening service. Practice: Thursday, 7.

**SWAFFHAM (Norfolk).** SS. Peter and Paul. Norwich Diocesan Association. Eight bells; treble, 2nd and 5th by Newman; the rest by Graye 1634. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. Clocking permitted. Repairs by Aggett about 1870. The three back bells require quartering. The unsatisfactory state of the ring has been represented, but there are no funds available. Ropes bad. Method: Plain Bob. No Sunday ringing or practice.

**SWANAGE (Dorsetshire).** St. Mary. Salisbury Diocesan Guild. Eight bells; 4th, 1594; 5th, 1612; 7th, 1691, no founders mentioned; the rest by Taylor, 1888. Tenor 22 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor 1888. Ropes new 1901. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.30 in winter only.

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The Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Norwich on Thursday, October 13th, the bells of St. Peter Mancroft, St. Giles, St. Michael Coslany, St. Gregory, and St. Peter Permountergate, being open to the use of members during the day.

The special service at St. Peter Mancroft was exceedingly well attended, and the Venerable Archdeacon Pelham gave a most helpful address. The dinner was served immediately afterwards in the Mancroft Memorial Hall, the splendid catering of Mr. Grix giving the greatest satisfaction.

The President (Mr. J. Sanicroft Holmes) presided over a company of 122, amongst those supporting him being the Ven. Archdeacon Pelham, the Rev. Canon Raven, D.D., Revs. C. L. Kennaway, R. W. Pitt, W. C. Pearson, E. C. J. Bowen, J. Still, Maxwell Webb, and E. C. Hopper, Messrs. J. W. Spratt, F. Dry, H. Hopson, W. Taylor, C. E. Borrett (Secretary). The loyal toasts were duly honoured, and also that of "The Bishop and Clergy," to which Archdeacon Pelham and Canon Raven responded.

Canon Raven, who was very cordially welcomed, brought for the inspection of the members a large Bible, printed in 1575, and which had been brought to his notice by a neighbour. Upon the title-page of the New Testament was the monogram "W.A.B." and which so strongly resembled the monogram constantly found on Norwich bells of the time of James I., that he believed them to be the marks of the Norwich founder William Brend, and his wife Alice. Dr. Raven, at the close of his most interesting speech, proposed "Success to the Association," and the Rev. C. L. Kennaway and Mr. C. E. Borrett replied.

The annual report was then read by the Secretary, which made special mention of the great activity displayed in peal-ringing during the last few years. In 1903 no less than 153 peals were scored by the Association, and the current year's total would most probably even exceed that number. The more notable performances were enumerated, and also the principal bell restorations, the latter including the work carried out at Mattishall, Norfolk, through the munificence of a member of the committee—the Rev. R. W. Pitt, of Saxlingham—as a memorial to the late Mr. George Taylor, of Mattishall, the father of Mrs. Pitt.

The officers were all re-elected, on the proposition of Dr. Raven, and Mr. W. Taylor, of Southwold, was elected to the vacancy on the Committee, caused by the removal of Mr. C. Candler from the diocese. The Secretary, in acknowledging his re-election, urged the necessity for the most active recruiting. Their expenses he believed, were heavier than any similar organisation in the country, and could only be met by a continual increase of membership. Last year, in consequence of the great number of peals, the Report book ran to 115 pages, and its cost amounted to almost a third of the total income; to this expenditure had to be added railway allowances, part cost of dinners at the meetings, and the salary of the



Secretary. It was thus easily apparent that unless new subscriptions were continually forthcoming the Committee must consider the subject of retrenchment. All would feel this to be undesirable, but unless the remedy he had indicated was strenuously pushed forward, there could be no other course open to them. The business meeting then ended, and the bells of the various churches were again visited and kept going until evening, bringing to a close a very enjoyable festival.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 1st, a quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Clifton. There was a good attendance of members from Baldock, Bedford, Biddenham, Bromham, Husborne Crawley and Harrold, the local company under the leadership of Mr. L. Harlow turning out in full force to greet the visitors.

Previous to the meeting various touches were rung, and the bells were inspected by the visitors. In the tower there are fifteen bells; eight are hung for change-ringing, five on the floor of the chamber, and three above, and seven "little dears" for the chimes are hung on the wall. The writer has been in a few towers, but has never seen the ropes come down in such an awful "circle," excuse the term. On the right hand side of the chamber is a clock-case, on the left a case for the chimes. The 7th stands in a recess between the chimes case and the wall. In a line with him are the 2nd, treble and tenor. The 3rd stands in front of the treble, and the 4th in front of the 2nd, the 5th in front of the 4th, and the 6th to the right front of the 5th. For the 7th man to see 4, 5 and 6 he either looks through the glass panels of the chimes case or puts his head round the case. The 5th stands with his band to the 6th, the 3rd looks behind to see the tenor. But I am digressing from the report. At 4.30 tea was held, the Secretary (Rev. A. Rust), bringing the Rev. — Pycock, Vicar of Clifton, in tow. After the tea a short meeting was held. The Secretary gave explanations as to why the compositions of different peals rung last year were not in the annual report.

A resolution was carried proposing that compositions of different peals rang in past years should, if found, be entered in the peal-book.

A short discussion was then brought on by Mr. C. W. Clarke regarding false peals, the Hon. Secretary and Mr. Barker taking part. It was hoped that any ringer hearing that a false peal had been rung, would protest in "THE BELL NEWS" within the three months' limit, and that any ringer taking part in a peal where a change-course has occurred, should stop the ringing and thus prevent the bells being forced into position.

A vote of thanks proposed by Mr. J. W. Barker, seconded by the Rev. A. Rust, was passed to the Rev. — Pycock for his sympathy with the Association and ringing generally, was carried with acclamation.

The Rev. — Pycock in responding, stated his pleasure at being among the ringers. He was not a ringer, but always took a great interest in ringing, and jocularly expressed the mystifying nature of the terms he had heard used that afternoon. He was always pleased to grant permission for peals to be attempted on his bells.

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#### THE SALOP GUILD.

The annual meeting of the above Guild was held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, September 24th, members being present from Wellington, Bridgnorth, Shifnal, Church Stretton, and Wem. Ringing was commenced at St. Mary's church at 3.30., and some touches of Grandsire Triples and Cateters were rung at 4.30. The business meeting was held in St. Alkmund's Parish Room, the chair being taken by the Ven. Archdeacon Maude; there were also present the Rev. the Hon. G. H. F. Vane (Wem), Rev. J. Sinclair Moore (Wellington), Rev. J. J. Norris (Shrewsbury). The Rev. J. Mackey in his annual report stated that there had been an increase of members, but they were anxious to obtain the support of more ringers from country churches.

The Secretary also made an interesting reference to the late Samuel Lawrence and Samuel Lee, the celebrated change-ringers of well-nigh a century ago, and said a great deal of the information they had regarding their exploits as change-ringers had been made public through the researches of Mr. G. Byolin (Shrewsbury). He was also glad to say that a good deal had been done, and was going to be done to improve the belfries and rehang the bells of two of the Shrewsbury churches—the Abbey and St. Alkmund's. The report was adopted on the motion of the Rev. J. J. Norris, and the Secretary was thanked for the interesting matter he had brought to the notice of the Guild.

A service was afterwards held in St. Alkmund's church, and a capital sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Sinclair Moore. After service tea was provided in St. Alkmund's Parish Room, to which about twenty-five sat down. After tea ringing took place at St. Chad's church, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Cateters were rung.

#### HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The deferred annual meeting of the above Association was held at All Souls' church, Halifax, on Saturday, October 8th, and was well attended by all the affiliated branches. The fine peal of bells were at liberty from 3 p.m., and were thoroughly enjoyed by the various bands. The annual meeting was held at The Coach and Horses, the chair being taken by the President (Mr. J. S. Ambler). A new set of rules were brought up for confirmation and passed, including one in which a grant of £1 from the funds of the Association may be allowed to the band ringing the first peal in any method not previously rung by the Association, towards a peal-board.

After the various officers had been elected, Mr. Stewart proposed, and Mr. Ryland seconded a proposition that the society offer a cup for competition at each quarterly meeting, on six and eight bells alternately, which after a lengthy discussion was passed, subject to the Committee drawing up suitable contest rules.

Sowerby was proposed and carried for the next meeting, and a vote of thanks to the Vicar (Rev. T. Lewthwaite) for the use of the bells, and to the President, concluded a very successful meeting.

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# THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of this Association was held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Andrew's, Hillingdon West, Uxbridge, and there was a large attendance of ringers, very few local bands in union with the Association being unrepresented. The proceedings commenced with a service in the church, at which the sermon was preached by the Lord Bishop of Kensington, who struck a right keynote in taking for his text the words "Workers together with God" (2 Cor. vi. 1). He said there were two standpoints from which he might address them. One was the general standpoint—as workers of the Church—workers together with God; and the other was the special standpoint, the point of view of the particular work for which they were bound together. As to the general standpoint, he reminded them, as ringers, that they were nothing less than workers together with God. There was a time when an extraordinary and illogical and unintelligible line of distinction was drawn between those who sung in the chancel and the ringers of the bells, but now all that was being changed. There could be no doubt about the dignity of their office, as workers together with God, and he asked them to try and realise it in a spirit of reverence for sacred things, and to feel that their services were of the highest possible value. As regards the special standpoint of their work, he spoke of the value of bells in attracting people, and reminded the ringers of the motto on the Great Bell of St. Paul's Cathedral—*Vae mihi, si non evangelisavero*—"Woe is me, if I preach not the Gospel." The bells of a church in reverent hands could be made great preachers of the Gospel, and the ringers should feel it to be a great privilege to be permitted to help in such noble work. The Bishop's address concluded with an eloquent exhortation to the ringers to cultivate a spirit of reverence, without which the power they possessed for good would assuredly fall short of what it might be and ought to be.

After the service an excellent repast was partaken of in the Girls' School, the general arrangements being in the hands of Miss Bird and Miss Austin, who were assisted by a large band of willing helpers. About ninety sat down to partake of the good things provided. The chair was taken by the Rev. H. G. Bird, President of the Association, who was supported by the Lord Bishop of Kensington, the Rev. C. E. Grenside, Vicar of Pinner, the Rev. A. W. S. A. Row, Vicar of West Drayton, and other clergymen. We also noticed the presence of the Rev. Maitland Kelly, a man honoured not only in his own county but everywhere else as a practical ringer, and R. A. Daniell, Esq., who is too well-known to readers of "THE BELL NEWS" to need introduction.

Before the conclusion of the tea, the President proposed a cordial vote of thanks to the Bishop (who had to leave in order to catch a train) for coming there that day. He had done them great service, and all who had heard him could not fail to lay to heart and value what had fallen from him about the dignity of the work in which they were engaged, and the importance of appreciating it in the spirit of reverence.

His Lordship, in replying, said he thought he was in danger of committing two crimes—one was to make two speeches, and the other, which was worse still, was to come between hungry men and their food. He said the clergy had not always considered the welfare of their ringers, but to correct this, he thought it would not be a bad thing to require of a clergyman before being ordained that he should pass in ringing, which would ensure a closer bond of sympathy between him and his ringers. He referred to the encouragement given to ringers by the Bishop of London, and said that being desirous of following him, albeit at a respectful distance, he hoped that those responsible for the management of the Association would allow him to entertain the ringers at one of their annual gatherings. He was one of those unfortunate persons who had got two houses—unfortunate because whenever you wanted anything particularly it was always sure to be at the other house. So they might choose between the two. One was at Heston and the other was in the City of London, and they might choose the place of entertainment for themselves.

At the subsequent business meeting the Secretary read a number of letters of apology from clergymen who were unable to attend, including the Archdeacon of Middlesex, Rev. H. Mosley, Rector of Poplar, Rev. D. W. Barrett, Rector of Barnet,

Rev. F. W. Joyce (Harrow), Rev. J. Beardall (Southgate), Rev. J. H. C. McGill (Isleworth), and the Rev. W. Russell (Sunbury).

The Hon. Secretary read the Annual Report. After congratulating the members on the continued prosperity of the Association, the Report went on to refer to the recognition given them last year by the Bishop of London, in permitting them to add to their title that of the London Diocesan Guild. Dealing with the feeling created among some of the older London Societies in this matter, and commenting thereon in a friendly way, the Report closed the allusion to the incident by the following words: "We thank the Bishop of London for his kindly recognition of us and our work. It shall not be our fault if henceforward our relations with the older Societies are characterized by any spirit at variance with the spirit of brotherhood."

The peals rung during the past year were 92 in number, viz. :—

	No. of Peals.
Bob Minor (in 4, 6 and 7 methods) .. .. .	3
Oxford Bob Triples .. .. .	1
Plain Bob Triples .. .. .	1
Grandsire Triples .. .. .	8
Stedman Triples .. .. .	18
Bob Major .. .. .	5
Double Norwich Court Bob Major .. .. .	1
Kent Treble Bob Major .. .. .	1
Superlative Surprise Major .. .. .	19
London Surprise Major .. .. .	15
Grandsire Caters .. .. .	1
Stedman Caters .. .. .	13
New Cambridge Surprise Royal .. .. .	1
Kent Treble Bob Royal .. .. .	3
Stedman Cinques .. .. .	2
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of which the following were rung in hand :—

London Surprise Major .. .. .	3
Stedman Triples .. .. .	2
Kent Treble Bob Royal .. .. .	1

The year began with 579 members, and closed with considerably over 600. After dealing with other interesting matters, the following formed the conclusion of the Report :—

The Bishop of Salisbury in a sermon preached at Westminster Abbey on St. Peter's Day, June 29th, 1904, said in speaking of the sound of bells: "There is no sound in all the world more full of poetry than that of the bells which ring for the services of the Church. They say 'Come ye apart and rest awhile.' Outside is the rush and roar of the traffic, each man seeking his own. Inside is the rest of the familiar and habitual chorus of approval to God, restful because it is so familiar and habitual, powerful to give us an idea of what the perpetual worship of heaven may be, and to make the thought of another wholly different life real to us." In this we seem to grasp some idea of what we too may well feel if we have a reverence for sacred things. The sound of the bells, as we ring them, should call us aside from the bustle and turmoil of the world, and make us feel that as God's servants, we should approach Him in an attitude of reverence. It may help us too, if we reflect that the sexton of to-day, though his duties may have undergone great changes, is no other than the sacristan of a bygone generation, or a keeper, that is to say, of sacred things. We would wish that there were more sextons in the present day who recognise that in the duties they are now called on to fulfil, they are keepers of sacred things. The condition of our bells, and the state of our belfries might not be so deplorable as they are, if their custodians could be brought to feel that bells have a sacred use, and that a belfry is part of the church. But for ourselves, as ringers, let us try to realise a higher ideal in the work we do for the Church, and especially cultivate a becoming spirit of reverence. It is not the nature of our work, but the spirit in which it is done. Let us be regular and punctual in our attendance on a Sunday. Let us give the best of our intelligence and skill to the work we do. Let us remain to take part in the services of the Church, because we love the habitation of God's House, and the place where His honour dwells. Above all let us try to realise that the commonest thing done honestly, conscientiously and unselfishly, is as capable of reverent treatment as any prayer we utter.

On the proposition of the President, seconded by Mr. Bertram Prewett, the Report was adopted. The annual accounts were then passed, subject to audit, and the officers of the Association re-elected. No less than twenty-three members were elected, including R. A. Daniell, esq., who had felt it his duty to resign

earlier in the year, but now returned to membership, amid universal acclamation.

After a hearty vote of thanks to the President and to all who had helped to make the meeting a success, the proceedings closed. Both before and after the meeting the bells of St. Margaret's church, Uxbridge, and St. Andrew's church, Hillingdon, were rung, and it was acknowledged by all present that they had rarely spent a more enjoyable outing.

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND MR. WAKLEY.

SIR,—If you will allow me to quote in full the published account of the remarks I made at the Council meeting I think I can satisfy my many ringing friends in Yorkshire and elsewhere that I have made no such charge against the Yorkshire Association as has been attributed to me by Mr. Snowdon. The Council was discussing, on the motion of the Rev. H. A. Cockey, seconded by Mr. R. S. Story, the following resolution: "That in view of the continuance of the practice of publishing peals under the title of more than one Association, it is desirable to impress upon the ringers the necessity of loyally carrying out the resolution passed by the Council in 1903." The published account of my contribution to this debate ("BELL NEWS" July 2nd, 1904, p. 196) is as follows: "Mr. Wakley said, as Mr. Snowdon had remarked, the Yorkshire Association and the Midland Counties Association were near neighbours, and were on good terms with one another. The Midland Counties had been acting loyally in respect to the resolution since it was passed in 1903, but in the case of Yorkshire Mr. Snowdon had shewn how it was that Yorkshire had scored so many points. He agreed with the mover of the resolution that no man could ring more than one Association peal at one time. To return to the old system of recording under the heads of two or even more names would be creating confusion. The practice of some of not complying with the resolution was unfair to those Associations who do so." Now with the exception that I used the word "peals," and not "points," the above, though necessarily condensed, represents substantially what I said, and I fail to see what possible objection Mr. Snowdon can find to it. We all know—Mr. Snowdon has himself told us—that hitherto the Yorkshire Association, almost alone among the great Societies, has not complied with the resolution, but has continued to book all peals sent in by its members, regardless of the heading under which the performance had been published in "THE BELL NEWS," and all I did was to point out incidentally what indeed must be obvious to all, that the effect of this indiscriminate booking was to unduly swell the Yorkshire record; that in fact it "showed how it was that Yorkshire had scored so many peals." I said nothing about the motives of the Yorkshire Committee, and certainly it never occurred to me to suggest that that Committee had been "systematically manipulating their annual reports" for any purpose whatever.

WILLIAM WAKLEY.

### TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS, ETC.

SIR,—I am not going to express any opinion on the correspondence now going on between Mr. Dains and Mr. Story, but may I ask any of your readers who have any decided views as to what constitutes a Surprise method to give them. It is essential that a Committee should know the popular opinion on the subject it has to deal with. Mr. Story quotes the Glossary, but I may say that the Glossary definition of a Surprise method is already discredited both in theory and practice. The one fact that it excluded "London" from the Surprise methods was quite enough to condemn it from the first in the eyes of most people.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

SIR,—The first of the following methods is given by Annable in the note-book as Grandsire Treble Bob. This subjects a question to thoughtful members at once as to what relation there is between Grandsire and Treble Bob, if any, and no

doubt the result of reply will be none whatever. Yet, Mr. Editor, there is something here after all. Now the meaning of the word Grandsire is nothing more or less than Grandfather, and although Grandfather Triples is not so high sounding, yet the fact is so. In early reports and tablet records, if we remember, we read Grandsire Bob Major, viz., Grandfather Bob Major, and now, Sir, the remaining link is Grandsire Treble Bob, or Grandfather Treble Bob, and by this reasoning, I come to the conclusion, and I have long pondered over the question: (1) Grandsire is the original method on odd numbers of bells; (2) Plain Bob Major the original method on even bells on plain hunt principle; (3) The method first given here is the original upon the dodging hunt principle. This method is exceedingly interesting, as with its hunt broken it will be welcomed and become useful, but it is Oxford Treble Bob after all said and done, with the addition of 2nds place when the treble is at lead, and 5ths when she lays behind. Readers who possess a copy of Snowdon's Standard Methods can compare and see how these places cause changes to jump from one lead to another, just in fact as they do in Double Norwich and Double Oxford, and these methods seem to me to be the work of the same hand. The next method given in Annable's note book is Old Oxford Treble Bob, the figures of which are exactly those given in Standard Methods as Woodbine. The method being of the Delight class I give it so. It would be very interesting to know when, why and who advised the exchange of title of this method. Perhaps it was discovered and thought to be new. The next method is given by Annable's note-book as Oxford Surprise. This is both exceedingly curious and interesting. The hunt of the treble is partly dodging, and in fact should be known as a walking hunt. The only examples I can recall are those in Sottanstell's work, given there as Sottanstell's Treble Bob, and Cuckoo Major, both built upon the plan above described in Sottanstell's book, see pages 875 and 877. Now Annable and Sottanstell must have developed the same idea, as it is certain the men never met, nor did the latter ever examine the note-book. This Oxford Surprise is a very excellent double method,\* and of much better design than Sottanstell's Major on similar plan.

GRANDSIRE TREBLE BOB.	WOODBINE DELIGHT.	OXFORD SURPRISE.
123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	214365
124356	124356	124635
213465	213465	216453
231645	231456	261435
326154	324165	621345
321645	321456	263154
236154	234165	236145
263514	243615	326415
625341	426351	234651
623514	423615	243615
265341	246351	426351
623541	264531	243651
265314	625413	426315
263541	624531	462351
625314	265413	643215
652134	256143	463125
561243	521634	436152
562134	526143	341625
651243	251634	431265
615423	215643	413256
164532	126534	142365
614523	216543	412635
165432	125634	146253
P 164523 L	P 152364 L	P 142635 L
B 156423 L	B 152643 L	B 164235 L

The first of the following methods is given by Annable as Cambridge Bob, but I consider it to be Cambridge Delight. It is of that class, and although it has, like Superlative and Reading, adjoining places made in 5-6, it retains Plain Bob lead-ends. The next method Annable gives as City Delight. It differs from

that given in Standard Methods. Snowdon is correct, as this is of the Delight class, which Annable reasons is Treble Bob, and I therefore give it as City Treble Bob. The next method is entitled Double Treble Bob, and it is I think the nearest approach to that ideal method Treble Bob Minor.

CAMBRIDGE DELIGHT.	CITY TREBLE BOB.	DOUBLE TREBLE BOB.
123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	213465
123465	124635	124356
214356	216453	214365
241365	261543	241635
423156	625134	426153
421365	621543	421635
243156	265134	246153
234516	256314	264513
325461	523641	624531
324516	526314	265413
235461	253641	625431
324561	235461	652341
235416	324516	562314
234561	325461	653241
325416	234516	563214
352146	243156	536124
531264	421365	351642
532146	423156	536142
351264	241365	351264
315246	214635	315264
132564	126453	135246
315264	216543	312564
132546	125634	132546
P 135264 L	P 152364 L	P 135264 L
B 152364 L	B 152643 L	B 123564 L

\*The only way I think of obtaining a method with any part of the hunt wherein the treble is dodging without adjoining places, 2nds and 5ths excepted. But these places can be removed and a good method remain.

H. DAINS.

(The above letter was crowded out last week.)

SIR.—Mr. Story insists, well, he may protest if he chooses, but I say Norwich Surprise is not Double Woodbine for one simple reason that Double Woodbine does not exist, and there is no such a thing, and such a method is impossible. Let Mr. Story have a shot at building one, he will get a good Exercise. If he partly succeeds it will be undoubtedly a Delight; if he fails I shall not; he may take it as a Surprise. Mr. Story may or may not have thought it over, but Sir, a legitimate double method of Treble Bob Minor of either class is an impossibility. Double Kent that follows is one of the nearest to approach such an ideal.

Mr. Story is quite wrong when he says I did not deal with the detail of methods he mentions, viz. a bell being in 1-2 a whole lead, etc., and what he terms lack of eccentricity and symmetry, as although I am quite familiar with all these and other points, have pondered over them for years past, and arrived at the conclusion they don't count, and so told Mr. Story in my second letter, viz., his search was misdirected, and no search in this direction Mr. Story will lead to a clear solution of the problem of what constitutes a Surprise method.

Mr. Story alludes more than once to tenors turning up the wrong way. This is a point, but only a musical one, and it does not count here (see Report on legitimate methods). But Sir, in Norwich tenors do not turn up the wrong way, and no composition is wanted. In-out-In twice repeated does the rig, as pointed out in my first letter on this subject. Mr. Story has not read my remarks closely. He says he believes the ancients thoroughly appreciated these points (beauty spots or ornamental places). Well I don't believe they did; anyhow they did not clearly understand them, and my reference to the *Clavis* don't point to the conclusion Mr. Story draws. They saw and

recognised the distinctive places, but never knew fully the way to use them. As upon pages 49 to 51 they give sixteen methods of Surprise, regardless of the position and number and allotment of them. But Sir, Mr. Story mixed up the date of the *Clavis* 1788 with the probable date of Annable's collection, probably 1740 to 1745, and by the simple word *they*, confuse the fact that there is a difference of about thirty years in the dates which is more likely to be forty to fifty years. This is a pity, considering what changes and improvements have taken place the last thirty years, which he must remember. Now Mr. Editor, much as I admire and the several times I have seen the Annable collection, and the number of methods I have copied therefrom, in my judgment there is nothing to show a rule for classification, neither is there in this book anything clear as to which are his own productions, as distinct from those of others. In giving London Surprise Minor he is very careful, remarking that it is the nearest to be made or something to that effect to that method in Major. But Annable was a wonder in his day, and I think it very remarkable that more matter was not lifted by the *Clavis* authors, especially if they knew of this book. He gives Plain Bob Triples as "Restoration Triples," with what is known as Holt's Singles. This without much stretch of imagination shew these Triples to be 250 years old, and that Holt had no claim to these singles whatever, except that he used them with success upwards of 100 years after other masters of the Exercise had invented them.

Mr. Story refers me to The Glossary, and of course which I well remember, and also the correspondence leading up thereto. The Glossary goes a good way, but not the whole distance, perhaps; it is like one of the old ringers when at practice of a new method he set his bell in the midst of the ringing. On being questioned why he did so, he said he had rang so far as he knew, but I hope Mr. Story has not, but will progress a bit further. By Mr. Story's own words he acknowledges he cannot find a clear solution which points to and stamps a method as Surprise or otherwise. The reason is he confuses elements of construction, musical quality and ringing with one another.

He has acknowledged there are good and bad methods; if not I say there are in all class of methods, but bad musical quality do not disqualify London, neither do bad construction or building. No we must go a bit deeper, and in so doing if we take the trouble to examine Oxford Treble Bob and see that it contains only just a sufficient number of places required to make a method, with dodging hunt treble. This should cause him to ask himself or ponder why and what the other places are made for, and in fact it should puzzle the brain of every thoughtful ringer. Well Sir, the places (ornamental or beautiful) are used, and they should or must count for and mean something, and if understood as I pointed in my last letter, a clear solution follows, but, and I again say all the guidance given us by the Ancients is by giving the title of Surprise, etc. to a few old methods in some instances and without regulation. The following is a real Double Double Minor method with the treble a dodging hunt, but as it is both false and illegitimate it is useless as an illustration of what Mr. Story speaks of and which I say is impossible. I only give half a lead but quite enough of such an abomination.

1 2 3 4 5 6  
2 1 4 3 6 5  
1 2 4 3 5 6  
2 1 3 4 6 5

2 3 1 6 4 5  
3 2 6 1 5 4  
3 2 1 6 5 4  
2 3 6 1 4 5

2 6 3 4 1 5  
6 2 4 3 5 1  
2 6 4 3 1 5  
6 2 3 4 5 1

2 6 4 3 5 1

H. DAINS.

(Other correspondence is left till next week.)

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1904.

A VERY important assemblage meets this day. The whilom St. James's Society—now the London County Association—has a special service at the church of their headquarters—St. Clement Danes—when the Bishop of London will deliver an address, and take a part in some interesting proceedings. By a letter to hand from Mr. DANIELL (which can be read elsewhere), we find that at this service a collection will be taken in aid of the Bishop of London's Fund, as it is called, which, as every one knows, is an instrument in aid of the vast spiritual needs of the diocese. It would be well, upon such an occasion as this, if the offertory reached some creditable dimensions, and that every ringer present at the service would make it a point of honour to assist to his utmost in making it so.

The fact that the Bishop is coming among them upon this occasion for their special behoof, ought to very much concern all ringers who may be present that his lordship may be pleased, and perhaps surprised, at the Church-like spirit evinced by them. He may thus be led to enquire into ringers' aims and objects, and a desire to know more about the workings of the various guilds. A desire which may yield good in the near future.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, October 20, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

THOMAS LANGDON .. .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
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HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and Conducted by J. W. GOLDING.

A. B. Peck's 50th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking Rev. I. W. Horsley for granting permission, also Mr. H. Gummer for having everything in readiness.

### The Provinces.

#### LOW MOOR, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIE BAILEY .. .. Treble.	J. W. CUNDALL .. .. 5.
HERBERT SIMPSON .. .. 2.	HERBERT KERSHAW .. .. 6.
ABSAOM WILKINSON .. .. 3.	JAMES W. EMMETT .. .. 7.
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### EYE, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDERICK DAY .. .. Treble.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 5.
FREDEBICK BORRETT .. .. 2.	ERNEST POPPY .. .. 6.
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### HENBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,

On Monday, October 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt.

SAMUEL PHILIPS .. .. Treble.	HENRY HOWELL .. .. 5.
ALFRED PEARCE .. .. 2.	JOSEPH GOULD .. .. 6.
FRED G. MAY .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
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### THORNBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE,

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Treble.	REV. H. C. COURTNEY .. .. 5.
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Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

### ROMFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 20, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

WESLEY WATSON .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. 5.
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HARRY F. DAWKINS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
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Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

### CIRENCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 20, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANCIS W. BOND .. .. Treble.	ALBERT E. EDWARDS .. .. 5.
HARRY LEWIS .. .. 2.	H. CHARLES BOND .. .. 6.
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THOMAS BALDWIN .. .. 4.	JOHN J. JEFFERIES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.

Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. J. Jeffries and Miss J. Howse, which took place on Saturday, October 15th, at the parish church, Cirencester.

### TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 23½ cwt.

W. T. PATES .. .. Treble.	JOHN F. BALLINGER .. .. 5.
REV. H. A. COCKEY .. .. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. .. 6.
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Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

### HALIFAX, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS.

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J. J. PARKER'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt.

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

E. H. MITCHELL, JUN.* .. Treble.	JOSEPH BOURNE.. .. 5.
JOSEPH A. BARRATT* .. 2.	WILLIAM GOSLING, JUN.. 6.
JAMES H. CLARKE* .. 3.	HENRY GEORGE .. 7.
VALENTINE GOSLING* .. 4.	GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES H. CLARKE.

\*First peal.

## WOODHOUSE EAVES, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(LOUGHBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being four 720 of Kent Treble Bob, and three 720s of Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt. 19 lbs.

RICHARD F. LANE .. .. Treble.	FRANK PERRIN .. .. 4.
THOMAS H. COLBURN .. 2.	HORACE W. ABBOTT.. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. INGLESANT.. 3.	FRANK G. BURLEIGH .. Tenor.

Conducted by FRANK G. BURLEIGH.

First peal on the bells, which were dedicated by the Bishop of Peterborough on Monday, October 17th. A report of the dedication will appear in our next.

## LYMM, CHESHIRE.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 29 cwt. 3 lbs.

JNO. BRADBURN* .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH HUGHES .. .. 5.
ARTHUR KINSEY .. .. 2.	FREDK. T. SPENCE .. .. 6.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. 7.
SAMUEL HORSFALL .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM LEIGH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by FREDK. T. SPENCE.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY DICKENS .. .. Treble.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 5.
HORACE F. STREET .. .. 2.	CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 6.
ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL.. 7.
FRANK FAY.. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER.. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

## WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES.

THOMAS J. ELTON .. .. Treble.	*A. JOHN SEABROOK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM FISHER .. .. 2.	JOHN C. ADAMS.. .. 7.
FRANK HALLSWORTH, SEN. 3.	FREDERICK J. COPE .. .. 8.
WILLIAM GRIFFIN .. .. 4.	HERBERT KNIGHT .. .. 9.
BERNARD JEALOUS .. .. 5.	FRANK HALLSWORTH, JUN. Tenor.

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 33 cwt.

JOHN W. DAVIES .. .. Treble.	JAMES V. WRIGHT .. .. 5.
ROBERT SPERRING .. .. 2.	ALEXANDER WHITE .. .. 6.
GEORGE JONES .. .. 3.	JAMES MOULTON .. .. 7.
FRANK MILTON .. .. 4.	CHARLES DAVIES .. .. Tenor.
	THOMAS ROWLANDS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

## DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
Tenor 17 cwt.

ARTHUR BUTLER .. .. Treble.	CHARLES DRAPER .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN SUGDEN .. .. 2.	WALTER WALLACE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM BATES .. .. 3.	EDMUND WILLIS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM HICKLING, SEN. 4.	JOHN FLOWER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. C. D. P. DAVIES, and  
Conducted by BENJAMIN SUGDEN.

## ERITH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 5.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. 2.	CHARLES WILKINS .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
BERTRAM FREWETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and  
Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

## OLD WOLVERTON, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being Forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 12 cwt.

A. CLARK* .. .. Treble.	W. BONHAM .. .. 4.
R. PLUME* .. .. 2.	C. VALENTINE .. .. 5.
W. BEAL .. .. 3.	*W. BULL .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. VALENTINE.

\*First peal. W. Beal was elected a member previous to starting.

## CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ALFRED C. ROBINSON* .. Treble.	ALFRED TOMSETT .. .. 5.
GEORGE WALDER .. .. 2.	ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 6.
WILLIAM VINCENT .. .. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 7.
GEORGE TOMSETT .. .. 4.	ARTHUR CAUSLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal. This was a quarterly peal for the Central Division.

## ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 25 $\frac{3}{4}$  cwt.

JAMES TAYLOR* .. .. Treble.	JAMES EASTHAM .. .. 5.
WILLIAM FAIRCLOUGH .. 2.	EDWARD CAUNCE .. .. 6.
JOHN H. SHOLICAR* .. 3.	JOHN GARDNER .. .. 7.
JOHN TAYLOR .. .. 4.	PETER H. HARVEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDWARD CAUNCE.

\*First peal.

## ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 17 cwt.

A. E. TAYLOR .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM EARLE .. .. 5.
CHARLES ALLSOP .. .. 2.	HARRY A. WHEATCROFT .. 6.
F. HOLLINGWORTH .. 3.	E. W. BEADSMORE .. .. 7.
GEORGE HATTON, SEN. .. 4.	GEORGE THORNLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES ALLSOP.

## NEWTON LONGVILLE, SOMERSET.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores, each called differently.

FREDERICK C. TOMPKINS* Treble.	THOMAS HENRY .. .. 4.
ARTHUR E. POWELL† .. 2.	HARRY SEAR .. .. 5.
HARRY HOPKINS .. .. 3.	RICHARD NICHOLLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

\*First peal. †First peal on a bob bell. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Archdeacon of Buckingham to Newton Longville.

## NORTHAMPTON.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5004 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt, in D.

JAMES HOUGHTON, JUN. Treble.	*WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 6.
JAMES GEORGE .. .. 2.	*FRED HOPPER .. .. 7.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE* .. 3.	FRED WILFORD .. .. 8.
THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 4.	†JOHN W. BARKER .. .. 9.
WILLIAM FAREY* .. .. 5.	*ELIJAH JAMES .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

## MORPETH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE WATCH TOWER,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.

JAMES BAXTER .. .. Treble.	CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 5.
ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 6.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 3.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. .. 7.
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## NORTHALLERTON, YORKS.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, October 22, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 17 cwt.

C. TODD* .. .. Treble.	*JOSEPH BRETTTELL .. .. 5.
GEORGE W. PARK* .. .. 2.	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 6.
JOHN G. HALL* .. .. 3.	†WILLIAM H. PORTER .. 7.
ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. 4.	W. WALLAND .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM H. PORTER.

\*First peal in the method. †First in the method as conductor. This is the quickest peal on the bells, and was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. G. W. Park.

## CARDIFF, SOUTH WALES.

## THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF J. J. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 27 cwt, in D.

HENRY DAY .. .. Treble.	JOHN CLUTTERBUCK .. .. 5.
WILLIAM B. BISS .. .. 2.	GEORGE HARDAGE .. .. 6.
ALLEN ROWLEY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM COOMBS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM G. MILLER .. 4.	CHARLES ORAM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM COOMBS.

## GLODWICK, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

On Sunday, October 23, 1904, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.

A. CLEGG .. .. Treble.	J. BAILEY .. .. 5.
G. H. BEEVER .. .. 2.	H. BARLOW .. .. 6.
J. LEES .. .. 3.	J. TAYLOR .. .. 7.
J. W. TAYLOR .. .. 4.	F. H. BUCKLEY .. .. Tenor.

(No conductor mentioned.)

Rung as a birthday compliment to Sir Elliott Lees, M.P.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine-and- $\frac{1}{2}$  Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 $\frac{1}{2}$  cwt.

CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE Treble.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 5.
JAMES BAXTER .. .. 2.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. 6.
ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 3.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 7.
JOSEPH ROWELL* .. .. 4.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE.

\*First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. T. Gofton.

## READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(READING BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, October 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

Tenor 28 cwt.

CHARLES MOULDEN .. Treble.	†CHARLES COX .. .. 5.
NELSON COX* .. .. 2.	JOHN SWAIN .. .. 6.
ALFRED W. REEVES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
AMBROSE OSBORNE .. 4.	†JOHN GOODENOUGH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal. †First peal of Stedman.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The name of the tenor man in the peal of Grandsire Triples at Warnham, reported last week, should have been Walter J. Kice, not Brice, as stated.

# THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

Programme for to-day, Saturday, the 29th October, 1904, when the Bishop of London will visit St. Clement Danes:—

1. The steeple will be open for ringing at 4 p.m.
2. The last touch before the service will be Stedman Caters, and the bells must be brought home and "stand" called at 5.50 p.m., sharp.
3. The tenor will then be rung till 5.55 p.m.
4. Members of the Exercise are particularly requested to be in their places early so that the service may commence at 6 p.m. punctually.
5. A few of the front seats on the floor of the church will be reserved for officers of the Companies and Associations and distinguished visitors, but the rest of the seats will be open to the members of the Exercise and their immediate friends or relations. Other persons who propose to attend the service are requested to avail themselves of the accommodation in the galleries.
6. Mr. Marchmont, the organist of St. Clement Danes, will, as an introductory voluntary, play "Bell Prelude" by Henry Purcell, a composition of the time of Fabian Stedman, relative to which a note appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of June 9th, 1900.
7. On the conclusion of the service a meeting will be held by the invitation of the Rector of St. Clement Danes, at the St. Clement Danes parish house, Clare Market, in order that the members of the Exercise may receive the Bishop. The proceedings will be brief, and members of the Exercise are particularly requested to proceed direct from the church to the meeting room in order to economise the Bishop's time.
8. The steeple will be open for ringing after the Bishop's departure till 9.30 p.m.

Lastly: The Master extends a cordial invitation to all members of the Exercise in town or country, both to the service and the meeting, and he will be happy to welcome any friends whom they desire to bring with them.

A. JACOB, Master.  
T. H. TAFFENDER, Secretary.

PROGRAMME for the meeting at St. Clement Danes parish house to-day, Saturday, the 29th October, 1904:—

- The Master will take the chair.
- A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Bishop of London.
- A course of Grandsire Caters will be rung on the handbells.
- The Bishop will reply.
- A vote of thanks will be proposed to the Rector of St. Clement Danes and to other persons who have assisted the officers of the Association in promoting the service.

We have received the following letter:—

"SIR,—With reference to the 'Special Service of the London County Association on the 29th instant,' I shall be obliged if you will afford me space to say that when, in the course of this week, I called on the Rector of St. Clement Danes about the final details of this service, he suggested to me that it would be a graceful act if the London Exercise would, in recognition of the Bishop's courtesy, take a collection in church for the Bishop of London's Fund for the aid of poor parishes within the diocese. I replied that I was thoroughly in sympathy with the suggestion, but that I must consult the Master. Well, I have consulted the Master, and he thoroughly approves of the suggestion, and has requested me to write you this letter in order that this latest detail may be made known through your columns, and the Exercise be informed that a collection will be taken after the sermon for the Bishop of London's Fund.

R. A. DANIELL."

Part I. of the new work by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, "AMONG THE BELLS," will be on sale at this meeting. Price 6d.

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## Date Touches.

### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EAST WITTON.—On Sunday, October 9th, for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 changes, consisting of 464 Oxford Treble Bob, 720 Kent Treble Bob, 720 Duke of York, in 1 hr. 10 mins. R. Peacock, J. Shields, J. Croft, J. Jacques, W. Peacock, C. Bucktin conductor.

HALLOW (Worcestershire).—On Thursday, September 28th, on the occasion of the opening of a new church at Broadheath, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 12 mins. R. Smith, A. Harris, W. Rouse, A. Winterton, L. Clay, J. Batchelor, W. Page conductor, J. Oakley.

## Miscellaneous.

### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

LEISTON.—On Saturday, September 3rd, for practice at St. Margaret's church, 1152 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. Button, E. Bailey, A. Lincoln, N. Bailey, C. Sampson, C. Whiting, S. Bailey, C. Bailey conductor. On Sunday, September 4th, 640 Kent. C. Sampson, S. Bailey, A. Lincoln conductor, N. Bailey, C. Bailey, C. Whiting, J. Button, E. Bailey. On Saturday, September 17th, for practice, 1088 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. C. Whiting, C. Bailey, S. Bailey, N. Bailey, C. Sampson, E. Bailey, J. Button, A. Lincoln conductor, Longest length in the method by a local band.

### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

GOSFORTH.—On Sunday morning, the 25th ult., 864 Kent Treble Bob Major. E. Ferry conductor, J. F. Bird, J. S. Richardson, C. L. Routledge, G. T. Potter, G. Wardle, J. Foreman, Hon. A. Erskine.

NEWCASTLE.—On Sunday morning, the 25th ult., at St. John's church, 840 Stedman Triples. W. Story, C. L. Routledge, R. S. Story, J. Rowell, A. F. Hillier, Hon. A. Erskine, J. E. Keen conductor, M. Anderson. Also 187 in the same method, conducted by Hon. A. Erskine.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

APPLEDORE.—On Sunday, September 4th, for evening service, 560 Grandsire Triples in 21 mins. W. Lane, E. G. Johnson conductor, C. Noakes, S. W. Hills, A. Johnson, C. W. Player, G. Johnson, W. Sharp. On Sunday, September 18th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. W. Lane, E. G. Johnson, C. Noakes, S. W. Hills, A. Johnson, G. Green conductor, G. Johnson, W. Sharp. Composed by Harvey Reeves.

HACKNEY.—On Sunday morning, October 2nd, at St. John's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. A. Hughes, jun., F. Rumens, G. Gains, T. Page, W. D. Smith conductor, Arthur Coles, A. Alford, A. Coles. On Sunday evening, October 23rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. A. Hughes, jun., H. Springall, Arthur Coles, T. Page, C. Pothecar, H. Franks, A. Alford, A. Coles. Composed and conducted by H. Franks.

WHITECHAPEL.—On Sunday evening, October 16th, at St. Mary Matfelon, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. A. Hughes, jun., A. Coles, Albert Coles, D. Gibbons, W. D. Smith, E. Wallage, A. Alford, A. Hughes. Conducted by W. D. Smith.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The annual party and social of the above will be held in the Milnrow National Schools to-day, Saturday, October 29th. Tea on table at 5 p.m. Tickets: Ladies, 1s., Gents, 1s. 6d. All ringers and friends invited.

J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**The Ely Diocesan Association.**—Sudbury District.—The quarterly district meeting will be held at Bury St. Edmunds to-day, Saturday, October 29th. The tea and meeting will be held at The Golden Fleece at 4 o'clock, when the Archdeacon of Sudbury will preside. The bells of the Norman tower (10) and St. Mary's (8) will be available during the day.

REV. H. B. WOOLLEY, Dist. Hon. Sec.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Yorktown District.—Annual Meeting will be held at Bagshot to-day, Saturday, October 29th. Bells ready at 1 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. at Institute. Meeting after.

C. H. PEARCE, Dist. Sec.  
Vale Road, Yorktown.

**Lancashire Association.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, October 29th, at Holy Trinity church, Hoghton. Bells at 3; meeting at 5.30.

R. SANDERSON, Branch Sec.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing of this society will be held at St. Matthew's, Holbeck, to-day, Saturday, October 29th. Bells (8) are available from 2.30 p.m. to 9 o'clock. A peal will be attempted at 2.30 p.m. The business meeting will be held at The Spotted Cow inn at 7.30 p.m. Members are specially invited to attend, as important business will be brought before the meeting.

F. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Devizes Branch.—Next monthly meeting to-day, Saturday, October 29th, at Bradford-on-Avon (8 bells), at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.

REV. C. W. B. COBBE, Branch Sec.  
Ferndale, Devizes.

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Portsmouth District.—The annual district meeting will be held at the Parish Institute, Portsea, to-day, Saturday, October 29th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at the Institute at 6 o'clock. Meeting after.

J. W. WHITING, Dis. Sec.  
Fareham, Hants.

**The Hertfordshire Association.**—Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Hertford to-day, Saturday, Oct. 29th, when the bells of St. Andrew's will be open from 3.30. Tea at the Coffee Tavern at 5.30. 6d. to all. Business meeting after. All ringers and friends will be welcome.

W. H. LAWRENCE, Dis. Sec.  
Little Munden.

**Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.**—Annual Festival at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Monday, October 31st. The bells of St. George, Jesmond (morning only), All Saints (after 5 p.m.), St. Stephen's, St. John's, Gateshead, and Benwell will be open for members' use. Committee meets at 12 noon. Service in St. John's at 1 p.m., with address by the Vicar of St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool. Dinner and meeting at Hotel Metropole at

2 o'clock, 1s. 6d. to members, 2s. 6d. non-members.

C. L. ROUTLEDGE, Hon. Sec.

62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.

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The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, will be open for ringing from 4 to 6 o'clock. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Thursday, November 3rd, at 8 p.m.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Unitarian's, Todmorden, on Saturday, November 5th. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Leek on Saturday, November 5th. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. T. Turner, 8, Jubilee Terrace, Off West Street, Leek, not later than November 3rd.

D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.

High St., Bucknall.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Bulwell on Saturday, November 12th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their next quarterly meeting on Saturday, November 12th, at St. George's church, Heaviley, Stockport. Bells will be available at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers invited.

CHAS. BOWER, Sec.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bootle on Saturday, November 12th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock.

WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

**THE PEAL AT LYMM.**—It is now fifteen years since this beautiful peal of bells was put in the steeple, and though attempts for peals on them have been fairly numerous, yet it was not until Saturday last that the first peal on them was an accomplished fact. The local ringers have lately commenced to learn change-ringing, and the enthusiasm which they are showing bids fair to bring them more prominently before the ringing world in the future. Two of them scored their first peal and on their own bells, and the manner in which they handled their bells was deserving of all praise. At the conclusion of the peal the band retired to the Rectory on the kind invitation of the Rev. G. B. Thurston, and full justice was done to the substantial tea he so kindly provided.

MR. A. B. PECK'S 50 PEALS.—Grandsire Triples 1, Caters 2; Stedman Triples 9, Caters 5, Cinqnes 1; Kent Treble Bob Royal 1; Double Norwich Major 1, Royal 2; Superlative Surprise Major 8, Cambridge ditto 1, London ditto 19. Total 50.

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**CHANGES OF ADDRESS.**—Mr. J. Mardell has removed from Woodford to the Gardeners' Cottage, Grimphesham Hall, Downham Market, Norfolk.—Mr. E. E. Huntley has removed to "Cranmore," Falconer Road, Bushey, Herts.

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## Obituary.

## T. F. STEVENS.

It is with great regret we have to record the death of Mr. T. F. Stevens, which took place at his residence, Devizes Road, Salisbury, on Saturday, the 15th inst., at the advanced age of 82. By his death Salisbury loses a much valued member of the Exercise, and one who, by his genial and obliging disposition, gained the esteem of all with whom he was brought in contact.

His ringing career was somewhat remarkable, in that it was forty-two years from his first peal at Southampton in the year 1849, to his second at St. Martin's, Salisbury, the 17th June, 1891, after which date he took part in several peals of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, including one at Romsey Abbey.

The funeral was on Thursday last at the Devizes Road Cemetery, the service being read by the Rev. J. M. Fisher, of St. Martin's, in the unavoidable absence of the Rector, the Rev. C. Myers, who had taken the kindest interest in Mr. Stevens during his long and painful illness.

Muffled touches were rung on St. Martin's bells by S. Macey, G. F. Doel, G. Neale, E. Neale, G. K. Trowbridge, C. Sandford, J. Barkus, and W. W. Gifford.

RE NEW CAMBRIDGE AT BUSHEY.—If Mr. E. E. Huntley looks in the Hertfordshire Annual Report for 1903-4 he will see that the first peal of New Cambridge Surprise Major rung in the county was at Sawbridgeworth on May 5th, 1903, and conducted by W. Pye.—H. G. ROWE, 150, High Street, Cheshunt, Herts.

KIDDERMINSTER.—On Sunday, October 2nd, at the parish church, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Cook, N. Davis, W. Bowen, T. J. Salter, C. H. Woodberry, J. Reynolds conductor, J. Crane, J. Woodberry.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—On Thursday, Sept. 29th, for Harvest Thanksgiving at St. Nicholas, 1260 Grandsire Triples. C. Harding, F. Postell, W. Blyth, E. Todd, H. Wright, J. Godfrey, J. Matthews, D. Hayward conductor.

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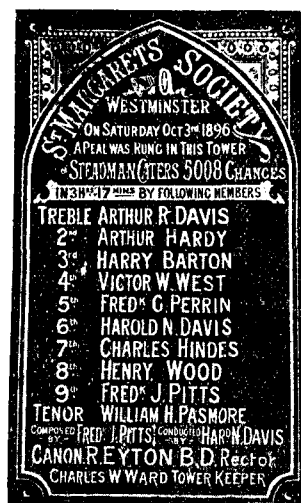
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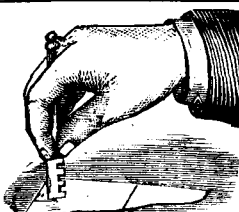
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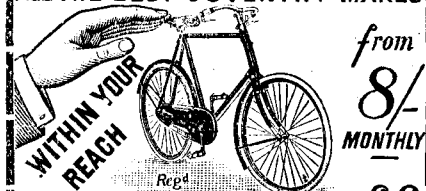
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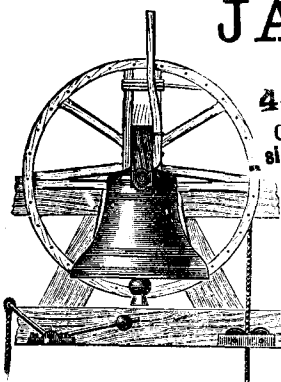
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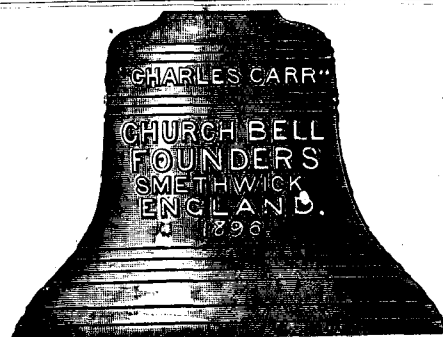
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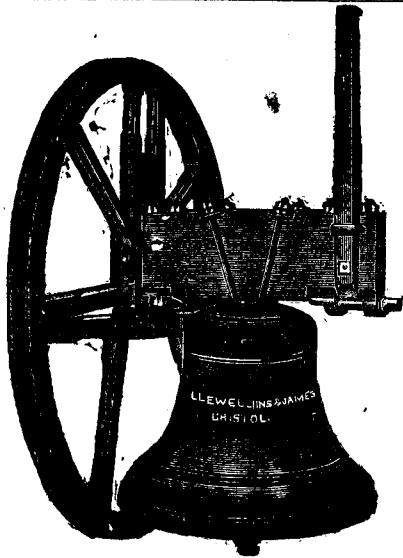
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

SWANSCOMBE (Kent). SS. Peter and Paul. Kent County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears 1904. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Iron frame. Bells go well. Methods: "Standard" ones. Sunday ringing: 10 and 5.30. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

SWINDON (Gloucestershire). Christ Church. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Llewellyns 1881. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. by Mears 1851; the rest 1741, founders not stated. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Repairs by Blackburn recently. Ropes new 1899, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 1st in month 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30; other Sundays 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Monday and Thursday, 7.

SWINESHEAD (Lincolnshire). St. Mary. Eight bells. No return.

SWINTON (Lancashire). St. Peter. Lancashire Association. Eight bells; all by Warner 1871. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Warner 1895. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.30.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 8th, by the kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. G. R. R. Saunders), the members of the Northwich branch of the above Guild held a meeting at Davenham. Ringing was indulged in on the tower bells during the afternoon and evening. A 720 of Treble Bob was rung by S. Moore, T. Moore, A. Booth, T. Forster, H. Yarwood, J. Ashmole. Touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire Minor and Stedman Doubles were also rung.

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## THE BISHOP OF LONDON AND RINGERS.

[From *The Guardian*.]

On Saturday last, October 29th, the Bishop of London attended a special service at St. Clement Danes, Strand, which had been arranged by the officials of the London County Association (late St. James's Society) with the object partly of composing certain jealousies among the metropolitan ringing societies, partly of obtaining diocesan recognition of their *status* as church workers. The stately church—one of Wren's best efforts—was well filled by representatives of the old London Societies, such as the College Youths (founded 1637) and the somewhat later London Scholars—a name changed in 1746 to the Royal Cumberland Youths, in compliment to the victor of Culloden; of the newest metropolitan societies, such as that under whose auspices the service was held; and of various provincial ringing associations. Among the clergy present were the Archdeacon of Middlesex, the Rector of St. Clement Danes (the Rev. J. J. Pennington), the Rev. T. L. Papillon (Master of the Essex Association), the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, a well-known member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and others. A short special service was used, the First Lesson (Ecclus. xlv.) being read by Mr. R. A. Daniell, Master of the Cumberland Youths, and the Second Lesson (Rom. xii.) by the Rector, who also said the prayers.

The Bishop delivered a short and earnest address from Dan. iii. 24-25.

[We hope to be able, in a future number, to publish his lordship's address in full.]

A meeting was afterwards held in the St. Clement Danes parish-house in Clare Market, presided over by the Master of the London County Association (Mr. A. Jacob), at which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Bishop for his sermon, and for his presence among them. A course of Grandsire Caters was then rung upon handbells by five of the ringers present; and the Bishop made a genial reply, in the course of which he said that he was pleased to find the ringers of London not only good churchmen but "right good fellows," and promised them his continued interest in their work. Ringers everywhere may hope that other Diocesans will follow his lead.

## WOODHOUSE EAVES, LEICESTERSHIRE.

Very few churches can boast of more pleasant surroundings than that of St. Paul's, Woodhouse Eaves, standing as it does on a hill in the most picturesque portion of Charnwood Forest, a much frequented resort for pleasure-seekers during the summer months. It has been the desire for a considerable time of the inhabitants to place a permanent memorial in the village to the late

Queen Victoria. The appeal for subscriptions met with a most encouraging response. At the preliminary meeting the Vicar and churchwardens laid their schemes before the parishioners: first to place six bells in the tower to ring; a new clock, and rebuild the upper portion of the tower, the cost of which was estimated at £800. Second: to place the clock and six bells to chime, estimated at £450; and thirdly to place three bells to ring, and a clock for £400. As a large portion of the subscriptions were promised subject to the more ambitious scheme being carried out, a committee was formed, who pledged themselves to use every endeavour to carry the first scheme to a successful issue.

The work was at once proceeded with; part of the church tower has been pulled down and rebuilt, both the space and strength of the tower being insufficient. Certain alterations and improvements were made in the church, and the old portion of the tower carefully re-pointed in cement. The contract for the bells were placed in the hands of Messrs. Taylor. The tenor weighs 10 cwt. 19 lbs.

Monday, October 17th, was set apart for the dedication services, the Bishop of Peterborough performing the ceremony. Long before three o'clock the church was filled to its utmost capacity, many being unable to gain admission. The service opened with the processional hymn, "The God of Abraham praise," followed by a shortened form of evening prayer. After the dedicatory prayers, the Bishop, clergy and churchwardens went to the west end, where a cord was attached to the ropes. The churchwardens then requested the Bishop to dedicate the bells. The Bishop then committed the bells into the charge of the Vicar.

A short touch was then rung, followed by the hymn "Hark on high the joyful music," after which the Bishop gave an address. A large gathering took place in the schoolroom, where a public tea was held after the service.

In the evening the church was again well filled, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. Canon Sanders, Vicar of St. Martin's, Leicester. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Bob Minor and Treble Bob were rung before and after the evening service by H. W. Abbott, E. Abbott, F. G. Burleigh, T. H. Colbarn, J. Goodwin, R. F. Lane, J. O. Lancashire, F. Pervin and J. L. Wells. The bells are a fine ring, and hung on the latest principle, the "go" being perfect, reflecting the highest credit upon the founders.

A young band has been formed, and are having a course of instruction, and it is hoped soon to have a competent band.

#### MULBARTON, NORFOLK.

On Sunday, October 16th, the ring of five at the parish church were dedicated after re-hanging, by the Ven. Archdeacon Pelham. The 2nd has been recast, and the whole ring rehung in a new iron six-bell frame with new fittings, by Messrs. Shaw and Sons, of Bradford, and they have carried out the work in a very praiseworthy manner. The dedication took place at a special service at 3 p.m., and was largely attended, Archdeacon Pelham giving a very impressive address. The bells were rung during the afternoon and evening by members of the St. Peter Mancroft Society—Messrs. F. Knights, F. H. Knights, S. Smith, C. E. Borrett, G. Howchin, and A. G. Warnes—and after the dedication service the Rector (Rev. J. C. Steward), entertained the band to tea. It is to be regretted the efforts which were made to increase the ring to six were unsuccessful.

#### NORTH PERROTT CHURCH BELLS.

On Sunday, October 16th, the North Perrott church bells were re-opened after having been silent for some few weeks, owing to restoration work. Messrs. Llewellyns and James, of Bristol, having been called in to examine the condition of the frame and hangings, discovered that the whole of the work was in a perilously bad state. They were instructed to provide a new cast-iron frame and to rehang the five bells therein with completely new mountings throughout.

With a view to perpetuating the memory of the late Mr. H. G. Hoskyns, it was decided by the parishioners to purchase a 6th bell, which the Hoskyns family generously offered to rehang.

Messrs. Llewellyns and James further undertook the tuning of the existing bells, and performed their work so satisfactorily that North Perrott church now possesses as musical a peal as any in the county of Somerset. The new addition to the peal by Messrs. Llewellyns and James, a beautifully rich-toned bell, is inscribed "In memoriam, Henricus Gulielmus Hoskyns, 1904."

The whole of the work of re-hanging and erecting the bell-cage is characterised by thoroughness. Neither expense nor trouble have been spared by Messrs. Llewellyns and James, and to-day the parishioners of this pretty little village have reason to be proud of their parish church, with its plain but massive tower and its bells.

The very greatest satisfaction is expressed by the Hoskyns family, as also by the Rector, churchwardens, and parish subscribers generally, with the way in which the work has been performed.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday evening, October 20th, a very interesting event took place in the belfry of St. Mary's parish church, Hornsey, in the shape of the unveiling of a peal tablet recording the first complete peal of 5040 changes ever rung on the ancient six bells in this tower, in 2 hrs. 48 mins., by six members of the above Guild on March 24th, 1903. The ceremony of unveiling was kindly undertaken by the Rev. Percy Nott, who in a few well-chosen words congratulated the band on their excellent performance, and said how pleased he was to be able to see such a state of good friendship and comradeship now existing between the members of the local Guild of change-ringers at that church. He was also very pleased with the way in which the peal tablet had been made, and the writing of which had been done in a first-rate manner, the expense of the latter having been kindly borne by the churchwardens.

After the board had been declared unveiled, the ringers of the peal, at the request of the Rev. P. Nott, rang an excellent 720 of Bob Minor.

At its conclusion, a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. P. Nott was proposed by Mr. Dixon and carried unanimously, which brought the ceremony to a fitting conclusion.

CHESTERFIELD.—On Sunday evening, September 25th, for Divine Service, 1259 Grandsire Caters. G. Hollis conductor, A. Knights, B. A. Knights, W. J. Thyng, D. Farthing, S. Price, B. C. Handby, J. Hunt, G. Davies, G. Mee.

GISEBURN (Yorks).—On Saturday, September 17th, 720 Bob Minor. R. Foulds, jun., R. Binns, W. Mallinson, J. P. Foulds, A. Lane, W. Heaton.

### THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 8th, a quarterly meeting was held at St. Fagan's, Glamorganshire. Previous to the meeting a service for the ringers was held in the church at 4 o'clock, the Vicar, the Rev. T. Bird, giving a very interesting address on the history and ringing of bells. The bells were rung for service by the members. Service over the Vicar very kindly invited all present to The Plymouth Arms, where a capital tea was provided, and to which the Vicar, his wife and the members sat down.

Tea over the Hon. Secretary thanked the Vicar for his very able address in church, and for his kind invitation to tea. The Vicar, in reply, thanked the Hon. Secretary for the good words he had spoken, but as regarded the tea their thanks were due to Lord Windsor.

The business then commenced by the Hon. Secretary reading the minutes of the previous meeting, which were confirmed. The place for the next Glamorgan meeting was discussed, and on the proposition of Mr. W. Biss, seconded by Mr. F. Bartlett, it was decided to make Cowbridge the next meeting place. Subscriptions were next taken, and this being all the business a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for presiding.

The Vicar, in reply, said it afforded him the greatest possible pleasure to have the members there that day, as he was sure the Association was doing good work in the diocese: and as regarded his own church, which unfortunately did not at present possess a band of ringers, yet he hoped that before long he would require the services of an Instructor from the Association, as it pained him to think that the bells were only chimed and not rung as they were that day. He thanked all present for the vote accorded him.

The meeting then terminated, and steps made for the tower, where Kent Treble and Plain Bob Minor were rung for the remainder of the evening.

The bells, which are a ring of six, tenor 13 cwt., were recast by Thos. Mears in 1860, and were ordered by the Baroness Windsor. They are a beautiful-toned six and fully deserve two more to complete the octave.

The following is the story as to why the bells were recast: It appears that one day, owing to something unusual taking place at the Castle, the ringers went to the church and started ringing without the sanction of the Vicar. The Vicar hearing the bells started at once for the tower, and standing on the ground floor shouted to the ringing chamber for the bells to be stopped. But the ringers took no heed. The Vicar then got some sulphur and straw, and setting fire to it the ringing soon stopped, and the ringers were to be seen with their heads over the top of the tower gasping for fresh air. The result was that after the atmosphere had cleared hammers were requisitioned, and the bells broken.

The bells were kept going till 8.30 and then lowered, which ended a very pleasant meeting.

### THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The half-yearly meeting of the northern branch of the above Guild was held at Gainsborough on Saturday, October 15th, at which the following towers were represented: Surfleet, Pinchbeck, Caythorpe, Grimsby, Lea, Corringham, Owston Ferry, Market Rasen, Gainsborough, and Branston. A peal of Treble Bob Major was attempted in the morning by a mixed band under the conductorship of the Rev. H. Law James, Master of the Guild, but unfortunately it came to grief after ringing about two hours.

A short service was held in the parish church at 3.45, after which the members sat down to an excellent tea. Immediately after the business meeting was held under the presidency of Mr. F. Linley, the popular Vice-President of the Gainsborough District and Hon. Treasurer of the Guild. Several new members were elected, among which were Messrs. T. H. Taffender (London), and W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley, Essex).

The Hon. Secretary urged the members to hold more district meetings, to take more interest in five and six-bell towers and ringers, and to bring to the notice of the clergy, churchwardens and others interested in bells and belfries, the existence of the Guild and its objects, and to try to induce them to join the Guild and take a living interest in their bells and ringers.

The members of the branch wish to thank the Vicar and churchwardens of Gainsborough for their kindness in placing the bells of the parish church at their disposal for so many hours (from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.).

This meeting was one of the best attended and most successful ever held by the branch. The success of the meeting was largely due to the energetic Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. O. Bixby, who made all the arrangements.

### STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

#### TUNSTALL BRANCH.

The usual monthly meeting was held at Christ Church, Tunstall, on Saturday, October 8th, when members from Lawton, Leek, Longton, Fenton, Stoke, Kids Grove, Wolstanton, Norton, Uttoxeter, and Bucknall attended.

In the course of the afternoon an interesting ceremony was performed by the Vicar, the Rev. D. H. Briggs, viz., the unveiling of a peal-board recording a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major rung by members of the Stoke and Chester Associations.

The Vicar, in a few appropriate remarks said how glad he was to see ringers join together from other towers and Associations to ring peals. But they must not forget that they rang for the honour and glory of God, not for self-glorification, or to show other towers how much they were superior to them. The rev. gentleman went on to say how he had known ringers to call other people to church, afterwards walking away themselves. He did not think that was the case at Tunstall.

After consecration of the peal-board the ringers adjourned to the schools for tea, where the usual Association business was transacted, after which a short service was held, conducted by the Rev. H. P. Barchard, clerical secretary to the Association.

The ringers then finished the day's proceedings by ringing various methods.

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Canterbury District, for ringing only, was held at Lyminge on Saturday, 15th October. Members attended from Ash, Brabourne, Deal, Lyminge, and Wickhambreaux. Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung. The meeting being a success, it was decided to hold one at Ash-next-Sandwich in the early part of next year.

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## Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## THE "TENOR" BELL.

SIR,—A correspondent recently asked in your columns why the "tenor" bell is so called. No Dictionary to which I have access throws much light upon the point: the latest and best Dictionary of Music, indeed (Grove), seems only to shed additional darkness. "The Tenor bell (it says) is the lowest of a peal of bells, and is probably so called because it is the bell upon which the ringers hold or rest." "Tenor" is no doubt a Latin word, derived from *tenes*, I hold. It meant originally a "holding on"; and was applied to an uninterrupted course or career, and later to the contents or general sense of a law or document (as we now speak of the "tenor" of a speech or article). The tenor, or highest natural adult male voice, seems originally to have been so called because in early times (I quote from Grove's Dictionary) it "held, took, or kept the principal part (originally the only real part), the plain-song, subject, air, or motive of the piece that was sung." If this be true, and if the tenor was originally the principal voice in a piece of music or harmony, perhaps the term got applied to the principal bell in a peal, the bell which determines its key, though that principal bell is the lowest in tone. In one good dictionary, in fact, I find "tenor bell" defined as "the principal bell in a peal or set of bells."

I am no musician; but the musicians evidently know so little about this point, that a layman may perhaps offer a suggestion. Writtle, Chelmsford.

T. L. PAPILLON.

SIR,—This question was asked about a fortnight ago. It is not always called tenor. A few years since I had a young band of ringers in hand, and a stranger came into the belfry. In reply to my enquiry if he was a ringer, he replied, "that he had done a little tootit (pure Devon this). Very well; then have a turn in with us; which bell will you ring? He said oh! the tail'en." This is one exception at all events.

Thorverton, Devon.

J. RIDLER.

## REPLY TO MR. WAKLEY.

SIR,—I am glad to see in your last issue that (1) Mr. Wakley has cleared his own good name, and (2) that the Yorkshire Association no longer stands accused in public print of sharp practice in the matter of peal points. So far so good. To clear the mist away still further, may I ask Mr. Wakley if it is not a fact that the particular peals about which he continues aggrieved have had their points publicly scored to his much-respected Association! and, if so, whether his lecture to the Yorkshire members is not based on sentimentality? Thanking you for your space.

WM. SNOWDON.

## TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS, ETC.

SIR,—I quite agree with Mr. Trollope's remarks in your last week's issue, and I am fully aware the scheme for method classification I am advocating will if adopted, work out quite a revolution in method construction, and while I know that several of those highly interested have already expressed their approval, there are many others who have not yet identified themselves.

I should also, with your approval, like to know if any of the methods I have published are claimed by any of your readers; if so which they are. Last week I gave a lead of a method under the title of Double Treble Bob. I intended to name it Double Kent, as it contains Kent places, and while I don't suppose every one will accept my view as to it being a double method, still it will so stand until some one designs and publishes a better one.

In the half-lead I gave last week as Double Treble Bob, it will be seen to be real double, as there is a double slow hunt, but it is false, and so useless, except as an illustration.

The following is given by Annable as Lincoln Surprise, and as I consider it belongs to that class, I give it so, but Gloucester Exercise is given by him as Gloucester Bob, hence, Sir, you see the ornamental or beauty spots are overlooked, but neither of

these last two retain Plain Bob lead-ends. Norwich Delight which follows, is a good method, and Plain Bob lead-ends are retained. All three of these are interesting, as in each the slow hunt is broken.

If this style of classification become fashionable as I believe it will, the day is not far distant when we shall see 5040 of Exercise rung, 5040 of Delight, 5040 Treble Bob, and 5040 Surprise, each in different methods of their respective class.

LINCOLN SURPRISE.	GLOUCESTER EXERCISE.	NORWICH DELIGHT.
123456	123456	123456
213546	213546	214365
125364	125364	124356
215634	215346	213465
251643	251436	231456
526134	524163	324165
521643	521436	321456
256134	254163	234165
526314	524613	243615
253641	542631	426351
256314	456213	246315
523641	546231	423651
532461	564321	246351
354216	654312	423615
352461	563421	246351
534216	536412	426315
354126	356142	462135
531462	531624	641253
534126	536142	642135
351462	351624	461253
315426	315264	416235
135246	135246	142653
312564	312564	412635
132654	132654	146253
P 136245 L	P 136245 L	P 142635 L
B 123645 L	B 123645 L	B 164235 L

The two following are plain hunt methods. College Single is as we all know, given in the *Clavis*. But London is not. It is given in Annable's note-book, and surely the best method of the two, if only for its natural construction. I give these methods side by side, so as to be easily compared one with the other by your interested readers.

LONDON SINGLE.	COLLEGE SINGLE.
123456	123456
214365	214365
241356	241356
423165	423165
432615	432615
346251	346251
364521	364521
635412	635412
653142	653142
561324	561324
516342	516342
153624	153624
P 135264 L	P 135642 L
B 135642 L	B 135264 L

H. DAINS.

SIR,—In answer to to part of Mr. Dains' letter of the 29th, re Old Oxford Treble Bob where he says: "The method given next in Annable's note-book is Old Oxford Treble Bob, the figures of which are exactly those given in *Standard Methods* as Woodbine," it would be very interesting to know when, why, and who advised the exchange of title of this method. Perhaps it was discovered and thought to be new. First of all I have never seen Annable's book. But I wrote it out in the year

1877, and found it a true method and thought it a good one, and had not seen one like it before, so I gave it the name of Woodbine, as I thought it something new. I also sent it to my old friend George Livermore, of Waterford, Ireland, to look at. He returned it, and had written the 720 out in full, every change, stating it to be in his opinion a interesting method. I then sent a lead of it with the bob changes to the then ringers' paper—*Church Bells*—and it was published in that paper on Saturday, December 8th, 1877, as Woodbine Minor with this note affixed.

#### COPY OF NOTE FROM *Church Bells*

"SIR,—I have sent you the Minor peal of Woodbine for insertion in *Church Bells* if you should deem it worthy, as I think it is a very musical composition, and being such an even Treble Bob peal, would be very interesting to six-bell ringers.

Glensford."

S. SLATER.

Now Sir, perhaps this will explain the origin of affixing the new name to the method of Old Oxford Treble Bob. I will state that I have seen in the peal-book of the late James Barham, of Leeds, in Kent, peals recorded as Old Oxford Treble Bob, and New Treble Bob, which I had always thought to mean Oxford and Kent variations. But as Barham lived in the days of Annable, did he and his Leeds Youths know anything about this so-called Woodbine?

S. SLATER.

#### A CORRECTION.

SIR,—Re the footnote to the peal of New Cambridge rung at Bushey on October 17th, I was under the impression that the other peal was rung at Harlow. Of course I give up claim to it being the first peal in the county, and apologise to Mr. Pye for my error.

E. E. HUNTLEY.

#### INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—I should be much obliged if any ringers could give me any information as to deadening the sound of bells. Our bells are rather noisy, and there are several large houses close at hand. It is proposed to fit up wooden shutters inside the louvres which would be opened or closed easily, like the shutters of an organ swell-box. I should be glad to know if this has been tried, and whether it is effective or no.

Sedbergh, R.S.O.

G. F. WOODHOUSE.

#### AN ENQUIRY.

SIR,—Will you please tell me through "THE BELL NEWS" where the "Bell Prelude," by H. Purcell, can be obtained; also about what price?

Thorverton, Devon.

J. RIDLER.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the south-western division was held on Saturday, October 15th, at St. Saviour's Walthamstow. Unfortunately it was not very well attended, as outside the local company only eighteen members put in an appearance. Tea was held in the parish hall, the Vicar (Rev. R. L. Allwork) and the general secretary (Rev. H. T. W. Eyre) sitting down with the members. The usual business meeting was held after tea, the Vicar presiding, supported by the Master of the division, Mr. Samuel Hayes, who was unanimously elected to that office for the ensuing year. Mr. G. W. Faulkner having declined the secretaryship again, Mr. Black (of Woodford) consented to act for a year. It was decided that the next meeting-place should be Dagenham. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar of St. Saviour's for his presence and use of the bells and hall, and to the retiring secretary. In the evening the bells of St. Mary's were open to the members. During the afternoon Grandsire Triples and Caters, Stedman Triples and Caters, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, and Superlative were rung.

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**HIGHGATE.**—On Sunday, October 2nd, at the church of St. Anne, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 1280 changes, in 43 mins., on the occasion of Harvest Festival. W. J. Nudds, F. Smith, E. Chapman, R. Bevan, R. Charge, C. Charge, G. Smith, M. Woodcock conductor. Composed by E. Wightman.

**NETHERTON (Worcestershire).**—On October 2nd, for morning service at St. Andrew's church, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering. J. Prestidge, C. Smith conductor, A. Prestidge, F. Broadribb, J. Faulkner, A. Round, C. Robinson, J. Baird.

**NUTTALL (Notts).**—On Wednesday, September 28th, for evening service, 480 Chace Doubles. W. Beardsmore, A. Harrison, E. Wilcox, F. Beardsmore, G. Clark conductor. On Sunday, October 2nd, for morning service, 360 Grandsire. W. Beardsmore, G. Clark, A. Harrison conductor, F. Beardsmore, E. Wilcox.

**OXTON.**—On September 21st, for practice at St. Saviour's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (Hubbard's) in 47 mins. J. Owens, H. Brocklebank, J. Grant, W. Hughes, S. Moston, J. Evans, F. S. Barnes, conductor, E. Sharratt.

**SHEFFIELD.**—On Sunday, September 18th, for Divine Service in the evening at the parish church, 401 Stedman Cinques. J. Holman, H. Bower, W. Lomas, F. Bugar, J. Mulligan, G. Holmes, J. Atkin, S. F. Palmer, S. Thomas, S. Seed, W. Bugar, J. Rew. Conducted by William Lomas. The ringer of the treble, who hails from Bath, formerly belonged to the Sheffield parish church company.

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**WILLESDEN.**—On September 11th, for morning service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Jakeman, A. Hill, A. Pittam, W. G. Matthews, J. H. Preston, J. W. Chandler conductor. On Tuesday, September 13th, for practice, 720 Double Stedman. J. Jakeman, A. Hill, W. G. Matthews, J. W. Chandler, H. Kilby, A. Pittam conductor. At St. Mary's on Sunday morning, October 2nd, for Divine service, Harvest Festival, 720 Plain Bob Minor. W. Berry, A. Hill, J. Jackman, A. Pittam, H. Kilby, J. W. Chandler conductor. For evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Jackman, A. Hill, J. W. Chandler conductor, W. G. Mathers, A. Pittam, A. Tennant. After evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Jackman, E. Castle, J. W. Chandler, W. G. Mathers, A. Hill, A. Pittam conductor. Also 360 Plain Bob Minor. W. Berry, E. Castle, J. Jackman, W. G. Mathers, A. Hill, J. W. Chandler conductor.

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Exeter Cathedral. Two years ago—it may be more—the  
Dean made an urgent appeal in the City and Diocese

generally for funds to put these bells—unrivalled as they are in all England—into ringing order, accompanied by the assurance that if this were done the regrettable silence,—save on very exceptionable occasions—in times gone before, should be a thing of the past. A noble response was the result, and much money spent thereupon. To the surprise of all interested, however, the bells still remain unring. It is not that no willing ringers are available, but the apathy of the Dean and Chapter, it is said, has resulted in the deplorable fact that these splendid bells remain mute. The current issue of *The Exeter Flying Post* comments upon the present untoward state of things.

May be the capitular body will alter this position of affairs, which appears to offend in a great degree the feelings of the churchmen of the "ever faithful" city.

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WILLIAM NEWTON .. .. 2.	JOHN HARE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM J. MAYES .. .. 3.	FREDERICK WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

\*First peal. This is the quickest peal ever rung in any tower in the county.

#### KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

(THE KINGS NORTON GUILD.)

On Wednesday, October 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

FRANK WITHERS* .. .. Treble.	*ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM S. PRITCHETT .. .. 2.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. 6.
FRED SUMNER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. 7.
JOHN WITHERS .. .. 4.	GEORGE BADGER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and  
Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

\*First peal of Stedman. Rung as a compliment to the Rev. C. W. Barnard, Vicar of Kings Norton, on his appointment to an honorary canonry in Worcester Cathedral.

#### HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES E. BORRETT .. Treble.	*ALFRED GOODRUM .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BLAKE* .. .. 2.	GEORGE HOWCHIN, JUN. .. 6.
ROBERT BLAKE* .. .. 3.	*GEORGE MOORE .. .. 7.
GEORGE HOWCHIN, SEN. .. 4.	†SAMUEL MOORE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by CHARLES E. BORRETT.

\*First peal. †First peal on eight bells. First peal in the method on the bells. With the exception of Messrs. Howchin and Borrett the above are members of the local company and it was their first attempt for a peal on their recently augmented ring.

#### STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(LOUGHBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Thursday, October 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL

Tenor 16 cwt.

ERNEST W. COULSON .. Treble.	THOMAS BELCHER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM PERVIN .. .. 2.	FRANK E. PERVIN .. .. 6.
ERNEST W. CARTWRIGHT .. 3.	HARRY WHITTLE .. .. 7.
ERNEST ABBOTT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM CUMBERLAND .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY WHITTLE.

#### GATESHEAD, DURHAM.

#### DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 27, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST HIND .. .. Treble.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. 5.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. 2.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. .. 6.
JAMES BAXTER .. .. 3.	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. 7.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 4.	ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

#### STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 28, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE GRAY .. .. Treble.	JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. 2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 6.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 7.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

Reference elsewhere.

#### BURFORD, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, October 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

HARRY BROOKS .. .. Treble.	HARRY MILES .. .. 5.
THOMAS BULL .. .. 2.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. .. 6.
JOHN MONK .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
THOMAS BOND .. .. 4.	JESSE BROOKS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung on the occasion of the annual autumn meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch of the Guild at Ducklington.

PEAL CORRECTIONS.—The peal rung at Newton Longville, Bucks., and published in our last issue, should have been credited to the Oxford Diocesan Guild, North Bucks. Branch.—The peal of Stedman rung in Reading on Tuesday, October 25th, was rung at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, Reading.

# HOLBECK, LEEDS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5284 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

FRED BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	JAS. BAXENDALE .. 5.
PERCY JOHNSON .. 2.	PRATT CORDINGLEY .. 6.
JOHN WHITTAKER .. 3.	EDWIN WHEATER .. 7.
CHARLES PRATT .. 4.	HARRY WARD .. Tenor.

Composed by C. SEVERN, and Conducted by E. WHEATER.

# COLERNE, WILTS.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM F. FLOWER .. Treble.	CHARLES COLLIER .. 5.
ALFRED RICHARDSON .. 2.	JOHN HOLMAN .. 6.
HERBERT LEWIS* .. 3.	CHARLES DENSLEY .. 7.
WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. 4.	*HENRY DAVIS .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT.

\*First peal. The Vicar, the Rev. Maxwell H. Smith, and his warden, Mr. Gifford, entered the tower, and congratulated the band on their success.

# SHIPLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. Treble.	GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 5.
GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. 6.
JOHN BODDY* .. 3.	*FRANCIS BARKER .. 7.
FREDERICK W. DIXON .. 4.	SAM PALFRAMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

\*First peal in the method. Further reference elsewhere.

# RADCLIFFE, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS PEERS .. Treble.	TITUS BARLOW .. 5.
ROBERT DUCKWORTH .. 2.	ALFRED POTTER .. 6.
REV. H. J. ELSEE .. 3.	JOSEPH POTTER .. 7.
WILLIAM LEVER .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JOSEPH POTTER.

# LINDLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18½ cwt.

GEORGE DRAKE .. Treble.	WILSON WOOD .. 5.
JABEZ WHITELEY .. 2.	JOE COCKROFT .. 6.
FRED CROSSLEY .. 3.	CHRIS NIELD .. 7.
GEORGE LAWTON .. 4.	HENRY MARSHALL .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE DRAKE.

# BLACKPOOL.

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# LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

HENRY MARKS* .. Treble.	ARTHUR E. OTWAY .. 6.
HARRY LAST .. 2.	WILLIAM MARKS .. 7.
JOHN HOYLE .. 3.	EDWARD HULL .. 8.
WILLIAM E. OTWAY .. 4.	ARTHUR DEAN .. 9.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. 5.	*WILLIAM LYNCH] .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM MARKS, and Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

\*First peal of Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Dean and Hull.

# BRECON, SOUTH WALES.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' FIVE-PART. Tenor about 15 cwt.

SAMUEL WATKINS .. Treble.	ROBERT MOY .. 5.
SAMUEL BROOKS .. 2.	WILLIAM EVANS .. 6.
JAMES E. GROVES .. 3.	WILLIAM HARGEST .. 7.
GEORGE HARDWICK .. 4.	DAVID PRICE .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

First peal by all the band except the conductor.

# NEW ROMNEY, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

GEORGE BILLENNESS .. Treble.	THOMAS A. VINCETT .. 5.
CHARLES TRIBE .. 2.	*ERNEST E. HUTCHINSON .. 6.
WILLIAM H. LAMBEET .. 3.	GEORGE JOHNSON .. 7.
CHARLES W. PLAYER .. 4.	GEORGE B. ANDERSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

\*First peal.

# BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS. (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qrs.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. 5.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 2.	*GEORGE W. MOSS .. 6.
WILLIAM LAMBERT .. 3.	JOHN FLINT .. 7.
THOMAS BETTISON .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. Tenor.

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

\*First peal in the method.

# FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

EDGAR HICKS .. Treble.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN .. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM .. 2.	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY .. 6.
GEORGE WHITING .. 3.	WILLIAM WIGHTMAN .. 7.
DAVID G. WIGHTMAN .. 4.	JAMES G. RUMSEY .. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by WILLIAM C. RUMSEY.

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## SHALFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob, and three of Bob Minor.

F. BENNETT* .. .. Treble.	E. LUCAS .. .. 4.
E. WORSFOLD .. .. 2.	R. CROWHURST .. .. 5.
T. STREETER .. .. 3.	W. TREWIN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. TREWIN.

\*First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to R. Crowhurst, who is leaving the parish.

## CARHAMPTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 17 cwt.

A. BELLAMY* .. .. Treble.	*J. WATTS .. .. 4.
J. STRONG .. .. 2.	S. BURGESS .. .. 5.
A. SULLY .. .. 3.	J. HAYDON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by S. BURGESS.

\*First peal.

## KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25½ cwt. in D.

CHAS. H. WOODBERRY .. Treble.	THOMAS J. SALTER .. 5.
THOMAS GRIFFITHS .. 2.	JAMES REYNOLDS .. 6.
JOHN BASS .. .. 3.	CHARLES BEAMAN .. 7.
ROBERT MATTHEWS .. 4.	*GEORGE COOK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

\*First peal.

## HARTLEBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TEN-PART. Tenor 22 cwt. in E.

GEORGE COOK .. .. Treble.	THOMAS J. SALTER .. 5.
ROBERT MATTHEWS .. 2.	JAMES REYNOLDS .. 6.
JOHN BASS .. .. 3.	CHARLES BEAMAN .. 7.
WILLIAM PAGE .. .. 4.	ALBERT THOMASON .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

First peal in the method by all except W. Page.

## GORTON, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SHIPWAY'S. Tenor 14 cwt.

ALFRED TOPPING .. Treble.	JOHN TOPPING .. 5.
CHARLES H. BLAKELEY .. 2.	WILLIAM BRAMMER .. 6.
EPHRAIM COLLINS .. 3.	CHARLES OLLIER .. 7.
HENRY WORTHINGTON .. 4.	RICHARD NEWTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES OLLIER.

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## DISS, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 31, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

T. CHINERY* .. .. Treble.	G. ARCHER .. .. 5.
W. WISKINS .. .. 2.	†W. BASON, JUN. .. 6.
C. MORE .. .. 3.	W. CHINERY .. .. 7.
E. HAYWARD .. .. 4.	J. SOUTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by J. SOUTER.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method.

## PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 1, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

FRANCIS A. SMITH .. Treble.	HENRY HODGETTS .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. 6.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 3.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 7.
WILLIAM HODGETTS .. 4.	HARRY A. HORREX .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.

On Tuesday, November 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM MOTTS .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. 6.
FREDERICK W. WATLING .. 2.	WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 7.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. 8.
HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 4.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. 9.
EDGAR PEMBERTON .. 5.	EDWARD EVANS .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged and rang to oblige F. W. Watling.

## Handbell Peals.

## OXHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

IN THE PARISH ROOM,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART.

HENRY HODGETTS .. 1-2.	WILLIAM HODGETTS .. 5-6.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. 3-4.	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 7-8.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

Umpire—Hubert Eden. Witness—Thomas Pelling. The above ringers are all members of the local company. It is the first peal of Stedman Triples on handbells rung by a band resident in the county.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, October 27, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

[AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

LOUIS J. FLINT .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by J. BARKER and Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Umpire—L. Watson.



**Miscellaneous.****THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**LEEDS.**—On Tuesday, September 13th, for practice, three courses of Superlative and London Surprise and Double Norwich. T. Flint, P. Johnson, W. C. Hunt, H. Williams, W. Wood, B. Shaw, H. Lindsay, A. Haste. At St. Matthew's Holbeck, after an attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. C. Hunt conductor, H. Tomlinson, W. Ash, P. Johnson, H. Williams, H. Lindsay, G. McHale, W. Wood. On Sunday, September 25th, for evening service, 1024 Double Norwich Court Bob. T. Flint, W. O. Talbot, R. Thomas, H. Williams, W. C. Hunt, B. Shaw, H. Lindsay, W. Wood.

**THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**TARRINGTON.**—On Wednesday, September 14th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins. R. Griffiths, J. Edwards, H. Young, J. Edwards, sen., C. Edwards, R. Lewis.

**WOOLTHORPE.**—On Saturday, September 17th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 55 mins. R. Griffiths, J. Edwards, C. Edwards, J. Edwards, sen., H. Young conductor, R. Lewis. Longest length on the bells.

**STOKE EDITH.**—On Friday, September 23rd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins. J. Edwards, H. Young conductor, H. Longville, J. Edwards, sen., C. Edwards, R. Lewis. First quarter-peal on the bells.

**THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**FAREHAM (Hants).**—On Sunday, September 25th, for the Harvest Festival at St. Peter's, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 39 mins. S. Churcher, G. Grant, G. Privett, C. Privett, H. Privett, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting conductor, A. Cummings. 504 Grandsire Triples. H. Dicker, H. Privett conductor, G. Privett, C. Privett, F. Saunders, J. W. Whiting, G. Grafham, G. Grant.

**CHERTSEY.**—On September 15th, 2520 Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. J. Emery, J. H. B. Hesse, A. Woodrow, A. J. Redman, C. Hamblin, F. J. Shepherd conductor, G. Woodis, W. Shepherd. The original attempt was for a peal, but owing to the bad "go" of the tenor the bells were brought round after ringing 1 hr. 33 mins. All these bells sadly need rehanging.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**ISLEWORTH.**—On Sunday evening, September 18th, at the parish church, the Editor's quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom, J. Basden conductor, F. C. Goddard, T. Beadle, A. Folkard, L. Copsy, A. Sheard.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

**EYNSFORD.**—On Sunday evening, September 18th, for Divine Service at the parish church, the last 742 of Holt's Original. W. West, E. N. Howard, T. Booker, S. Smith, T. Collier, R. Baldwin, R. Brett conductor, R. Slade longest touch.

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

**TAUNTON (Somerset).**—At the church of St. Mary Magdalene on August 21st, 504 Stedman Triples. S. Wyatt, E. A. Pooie, E. Lloyd, J. Fowler, F. Sadd, E. Wyatt, J. Burge conductor, P. Merson. On August 27th, 285 Stedman Caters. W. A. Fowler, S. Wyatt, J. Routley, F. Millard, P. Merson, J. Maddock, J. Burge conductor, E. Burgess, A. Evans, E. Harris. September 25th, 336 Stedman Triples. E. Lloyd, W. J. Bowden, J. Routley, J. Fowler, P. Merson, W. Fowler, J. Burge conductor, J. Maddock. October 1st, Harvest Festival, 526 Stedman Caters. S. Wyatt, J. Routley, E. Lloyd, G. W. Stokes, P. Merson, J. Maddock, J. Burge conductor, F. Sadd, W. White, J. Fowler. 503 Grandsire Caters. S. Adams, W. Fowler, E. Lloyd, J. Routley, P. Merson, J. Burge conductor, F. Sadd, J. Fowler, E. Wyatt, W. White. 285 Stedman Caters. S. Wyatt, J. Routley, E. Lloyd, E. A. Poole, P. Merson, J. Fowler, J. Burge, W. Fowler, E. Wyatt, W. White.

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**BUNWELL (Norfolk).**—On Sunday, September 26th, for Divine Service, 540 Oxford Treble. R. Hutton, A. Sturman, G. Smith, sen., F. Housego, W. Chandler, J. Hilling. After service 720 Bob Minor. R. Skinner, A. Sturman, F. Housego, G. Smith, sen., W. Chandler, R. Hutton. And 360 in the same method. R. Hutton, B. Manser, A. Sturman, G. Smith, F. Housego, W. Chandler. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

**PULHAM ST. MARY.**—On Sunday, September 18th, for Divine Service in the evening, 924 Oxford Treble Bob Major. F. Borrett, A. Roope, E. Borrett, W. Roope, jun., C. Roope, F. Roope, J. Allen, W. Roope. On Thursday, September 15th, an attempt for a peal of Superlative Surprise Major came to grief after ringing 2500 changes. F. Surridge, C. Baker, E. Borrett, E. Poppy, J. Souther, F. Borrett, C. Borrett, N. J. Pitstow.

**THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**

**BRISTOL.**—On Sunday, September 25th, for Harvest Festival at St. John's-on-the-Wall, 720 College Single. A. Jones, C. Isaacs, G. Thomas, E. Stevens, S. Thomas conductor, W. H. Thomas. At St. Michael's church, 360 College Single Minor. A. Jones, C. Isaacs, S. Thomas conductor, E. Stevens, A. E. Lea, G. Thomas.

**BRISLINGTON (near Bristol).**—On September 4th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. C. Tomkins, C. Gordon, W. Apperley, S. Phillips, J. Thomas conductor, J. Burford. Also 360 College Single. A. E. Lea, G. Thomas, S. Thomas, E. Stevens, C. Isaacs, F. Madge conductor, S. Thomas.

**THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

**EWELL.**—On Sunday, September 25th, for evening service, 672 Stedman Triples. C. E. Read, J. Beams conductor, S. Wilson, H. Pederick, E. T. Grove, H. Greenhill, H. G. Beams, F. Laurer. This is the longest touch in the method by the local company.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**

**LITTLE COMBERTON.**—On a recent Sunday, for the Harvest Festival at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. G. Dolphin, E. Gibbs, C. Gibbs, H. Salisbury, T. Holmes, H. Middleton conductor. And a 6-score of Stedman Doubles. P. Gibbs, C. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, H. Middleton, H. Salisbury, J. Godfrey. And a 720 of Canterbury Pleasure Minor. J. Godfrey, E. Gibbs, P. Gibbs, H. Middleton, C. Annis, H. Salisbury conductor.

**THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

**WOBBURN (Beds).**—On September 14th, 672 Bob Major. W. Janes, D. Harris, E. Herbert, Rev. Rust, M. Matthews, Cyril Herbert conductor, Rev. W. W. C. Baker, M. Lane. A 336 of Grandsire Triples and 1008 Double Norwich. Cyril Herbert, D. Harris, W. Brown, M. Matthews, M. Lane, W. Smith, E. Herbert, W. Chibnall conductor. The above touches were rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Avis (a member of the company) to Miss Phillimore, of this town, having previously presented him with a striking clock, as a token of their good wishes. On Monday, September 5th, 336 Stedman Triples. E. Herbert, D. Harris, S. Avis, M. Matthews, W. Chibnall, M. Lane, Cyril Herbert conductor, W. Smith.

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**CORRINGHAM (Lincs).**—On Saturday, September 24th, at the church of St. Lawrence, 720 Bob Minor. E. Smithson, F. S. W. Butler, W. D. Tinker, J. E. Tinker, J. T. Ladd, P. O. Bixby conductor. Also 720 Bob Minor. J. C. Tinker, E. Credland, A. H. Wheeler, Rev. J. F. Flowers, J. T. Ladd, P. O. Bixby conductor.

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

**MORTIMER (Berks).**—On Sunday, September 25th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival at St. Mary's, for morning service, 336 Grandsire Triples. W. Long, T. Neville, W. Ballard, F. Hopgood, H. Austin, W. Ford, C. Giles conductor, F. Punter. After morning service, 504 same method. G. Eatwell, W. Long, W. Ballard, T. Neville, F. Hopgood, W. Ford, C. Giles conductor, A. Pye. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins. G. Eatwell, T. Neville, W. Ballard, H. Austin, F. Hopgood, W. Ford, C. Giles conductor, F. Punter. The collections at both services, amounting to £27 5s. 11d., was in aid of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading.

**BULWELL (Notts).**—On Thursday, September 29th, Harvest Festival, for evening service, 600 Bob Minor. T. Mellor, A. Harrison, E. Foster, G. Clark, T. H. Hind, W. Wadsley conductor. On Sunday evening, October 2nd, 360 Kent Treble Bob. G. Clark, T. H. Hind, W. Spencer, E. Foster, W. Bellamy, W. Wadsley conductor.

**CROYDON (Surrey).**—On Wednesday evening, 28th September, for Harvest Thanksgiving, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples at the parish church. J. Rumble, F. Pates, A. Jones, E. Dank, E. Bray, A. Clark conductor, W. Graves, W. Mead.

**GORLESTON (Suffolk).**—On Tuesday, September 14th, at St. Andrew's church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. H. Wright, W. A. Arnot, A. Cutmore, G. Offord, J. Godfrey, C. Charge conductor.

## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—The 267th Anniversary Dinner will be held to-day, Saturday, Nov. 5th, at The Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, S.E., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. 6d. each) may be had of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, F. E. Dawe, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, H. P. Harman, J. H. B. Hesse, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, J. C. Jackson, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, J. Pettit, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, or of W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.* "Frodingham," *Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, will be open for ringing from 4 to 6 o'clock. Meeting for practice will be held at St. Giles', Cripplegate on Tuesday, November 8th, and St. Magnus on Thursday, November 17th. Election of officers for the ensuing year also on November 8th.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Unitarian's, Todmorden, to-day, Saturday, November 5th. Bells ready at 3.30 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Leek to-day, Saturday, November 5th.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

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**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Bulwell on Saturday, November 12th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m. REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their next quarterly meeting on Saturday, November 12th, at St. George's church, Heaviley, Stockport. Bells will be available at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers invited. CHAS. BOWER, *Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bootle on Saturday, November 12th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Central Northamptonshire Association.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough on Saturday, November 12th. Usual ringing arrangements.

T. R. HENSHER, *Hon. Sec.*

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**The Winchester Diocesan Guild.**—Winchester District.—The Annual Meeting of this district will be held at Alresford on Saturday, November 12th. Tea and meeting at Mrs. Brazley's, West Street, at 4.30. Bells available from 1.30, and Winchester Cathedral bells at 8 p.m. JAMES W. ELKINS, *Dist. Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Eastern Division.—The next meeting of the above will be held at West Ham on Saturday, November 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 o'clock. Pevensey tower will also be open in the evening. The secretary will be glad to know by Thursday morning, 10th inst. how many intend to be present.

S. SAKER, *Hon. Sec.*

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**St. Nicholas, Deptford.**—The re-Dedication of the tower and bells, by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, takes place at 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 12th. Bells available for two hours after service. Intending visitors will kindly communicate without delay with

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**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Ossett on Saturday, November 12th. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock; meeting-house, The Red Lion.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Stretford Road, Manchester, on Saturday, November 19th. Bells ready at 5.30; meeting at 7.0. A good attendance requested. J. SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Colchester on Saturday, November 19th. The bells of St. Peter's will be available for ringing during the day. Tea will be held at 5 o'clock in the Co-operative Assembly Room, Lion Walk. Members intending to be present must give notice by Tuesday previous.

ERNEST W. BECKWITH, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

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**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held on Saturday, 26th November, at Christ Church, Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. E. J. Beardall. The bells will be raised about 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, on the usual terms, at The Cherry Tree hotel. The hon. secretary requests the attendance of all who can conveniently come, and to be notified of their intention. ARTHUR T. KING, *Hon. Sec.* 18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Herts Association.**—A district meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, November 26th. Bells available from 4.30. Free tea to all who inform me they are coming. H. EDEN, *Hon. Sec. Western Div.*

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## NOTES TO PEALS.

**THE PEAL AT SHIPLEY.**—This is the conductor's 200th peal:—Stedman Cinques 4; Caters 17 conducted 3; Triples 16 conducted 11; Treble Bob Royal 8 conducted 1; Major 35 conducted 23; Bob Royal 1; Major 23 conducted 19; Superlative Surprise Major 6; Double Norwich Major 3; Yorkshire Court Major 2 conducted 2; Grandsire Caters 5 conducted 5; Triples 78 conducted 66; Major 1 conducted 1. On handbells: Grandsire Triples 1 conducted 1. Total 200, conducted 132. Also three false compositions in addition to the above.

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## LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

The monthly ringing meeting of this Society was held at Tong on September 24th. The bells were started during the afternoon and touches of various Minor methods were rung. Thanks to the generosity of the Tong company, a splendid tea was provided in the schoolroom at 6.30 p.m., upwards of 40 members being seated. Tea over, the business meeting followed, Mr. T. Maude in the chair, supported by upwards of 40 members representing the following towers:—Armley, Barnsley, Burley, Balton, Bradford, Calverley, Drighlington, Headingley, St. Chad's and St. Michael's, Huddersfield, Liversedge, Pudsey, Shipley, and the local company.

The minutes of the previous meeting (Calverley) were proposed as read by Mr. G. Bolland, seconded by Mr. T. Kendal, and carried. Two new members were elected. Other important business having been brought before the meeting, a vote of thanks to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the local company for the kind way in which all present had been received, was proposed by Mr. J.W. T. Holgate, seconded by Mr. J.

Broadley, and carried. Mr. G. Bolland suitably responded on behalf of the local company.

Mr. G. Bolland proposed, and Mr. J. Peacock seconded, a vote of thanks to the President for presiding. The President briefly responded. Touches of various methods on handbells were then rung, other members again visiting the tower, where the bells were kept going in various Minor methods. This enjoyable and successful meeting terminated at a late hour.

## ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, DUDLEY.

A quarterly meeting of this Guild was held on October 1st at the parish church, Smethwick. A service was held in the church at 5 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. George Astbury, Vicar, who also delivered an address from 2 John ii. 14. From the church the members adjourned to the church house, where a free tea, provided by the Vicar, awaited them. The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. At the commencement a vote of sympathy with the secretary, Mr. Wm. Micklewright, was passed expressing regret that illness prevented his attendance. The minutes

of last meeting were read and confirmed. Eight new members were enrolled. It was arranged that peals be attempted during the next quarter at different churches. Netherton was selected to hold the next quarterly meeting. A vote of thanks to the Vicar for providing the tea, the service in the church, the use of the church house and bells—to which he suitably responded—brought the business to an end.

During the afternoon and evening touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Minor were rung on the tower bells, the young members of the Smethwick band, who are making good progress under the tuition of Mr. E. Brown, taking part.

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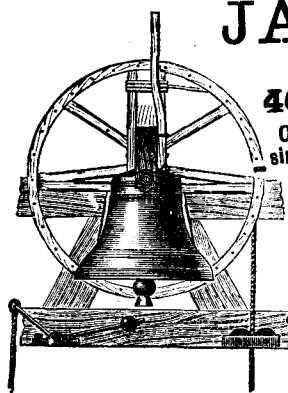
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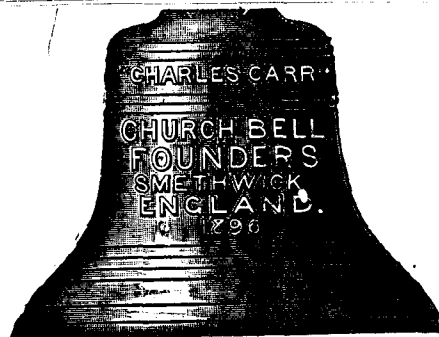
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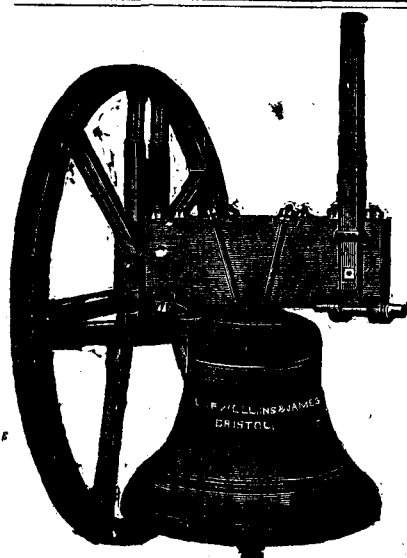
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**TAMWORTH** (Staffordshire). St. Editha. Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Eight bells; treble, 2nd, 3rd and tenor by Taylor 1884; 4th, 1621; 5th, 1629; 6th, 1628. Founders unknown; tenor by Eldridge 1656. Tenor 22 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 1 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Thoroughly overhauled by Taylor 1897. A floor to deaden sound in ringing-chamber required, but there are no funds. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.30.

**TANFIELD** (Durham). St. Margaret. Durham and Newcastle Association. Eight bells; all by Warner; the two trebles 1894; date of the rest not stated. Tenor 13 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Ropes fair. Methods: Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday and Thursday, 7.

**TARPORLEY** (Cheshire). Eight bells. No return.

**TAUNTON** (Somersetshire). St. James. Bath and Wells Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Mears 1897; 3rd by Llewellyns 1874; 4th by Wroth 1721; 5th by Taylor 1891; 7th by Bilbie 1749; 6th and tenor 1626, no founder stated. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor, date not given. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Thursday, 7.

**St. Mary.** Bath and Wells Association. Ten bells; 3rd, 4th and 8th by Mears 1840; 5th, 6th and tenor by the same 1816, 1866 and 1861; 9th by Bilbie 1748; the rest by Taylor 1885. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 8 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor 1885. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Oxford Bob. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Saturday, 7.

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## HONITON CLYST, DEVON.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese paid his first visit to Honiton Clyst, the occasion being the dedication of the church bells, which have just been re-hung. The work was entrusted to Mr. H. Stokes, of Woodbury, and has been most efficiently executed. A solid cast iron frame has superseded the old wooden structure, and fittings have been supplied, and there are covered lubricators to the bells. An Ellacombe chiming apparatus has been placed in the porch.

The service was of the usual dedicational character, and was largely attended. In addition to the Lord Bishop, the clergy present were the Revs. A. R. Hockley (vicar), A. Gill (Farringdon), H. M. Burdett (Poltimore), A. P. Swindell (Broadclyst), O. Puckeridge (Pinhoe), G. F. Molineaux (Harpford, and hon. secretary of the Devon Guild of Ringers), and S. T. Serle (Sowton).

The Lord Bishop preached from the 18th verse of the Epistle to the Romans, "Their sound is gone out into all lands."

Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were then rung on the bells by a band from St. Sidwell's, Exeter, under the leadership of Mr. E. Shepherd after which the "go" of the bells were tried by ringers from Woodbury, Whimble, Rockbeare, Bradninch, Broadclyst, and other neighbouring parishes.

The Bishop subsequently attended a public tea in the schoolroom, and expressed the hope that that would not be the last occasion on which he would visit the parish.

Owing to the generosity of friends the entire cost of re-hanging the bells—£204—has been raised, and the bells are entirely free from debt.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Portsmouth District was held on Saturday, October 29th, at the Institute, Portsea, when the following towers were represented: Fareham, Ryde (I.W.), Havant, Portsea, Wickham and Swanmore. Thirty members sat down to tea, after which the business meeting was held. The Rev. C. W. Scott was unanimously elected to the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and passed; Mr. J. W. Whiting was again unanimously elected district secretary, and Mr. J. Harper (Portsea) and Mr. Coombs (Ryde) were again elected to serve on the Central Committee. The Rev. C. W. Scott was elected an hon. member. The places for the quarterly meetings are as follows: Gosport, Soberton and Shanklin, the annual meeting to take place again at Portsea, it being considered the most central and most convenient.

It was decided to continue the quarterly peals in connection with the meetings, the district secretary to arrange for same. The district balance sheet was read and passed, and votes of thanks to the secretary, the Rev. C. W. Scott, and the Vicar closed the proceedings.

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## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

After a lapse of eleven years Rochdale was again visited by the Association as a body in its annual meeting on Saturday, October 1st. The parish church formed the headquarters for the day, but the towers of St. Alban's (8), Balderstone (8), Milnrow (8), Hamer (6), and Healey (6), were also open for ringing. Ringers attended in good numbers from all parts of the county, except perhaps the extreme north. Some people imagine that there is nothing beautiful in Lancashire, at all events in its manufacturing districts; but the wide view of the moors and hills encircling Rochdale, when lit up by the sunshine, is certainly one upon which the eye likes to rest, and it looked its best that afternoon. Rochdale itself, too, has one or two features which attract the notice of visitors, notably its fine Town Hall, and the long flight of steps leading from the Town Hall Square to the parish church of St. Chad. As seen from the north the church occupies a remarkable position on the top of its hill.

Ringers began to arrive about two o'clock, and the bells of the parish church and St. Alban's were soon in motion. The Committee met in good strength in the Vicar's parish room at 3.30, but found themselves in the strange predicament of having neither of the Secretaries present. Mr. Wreaks was unfortunately kept at home through indisposition—it did not seem like an annual meeting without him—and Mr. Shepherd was absent on account of a family bereavement. So the formal Report could not be presented, but the President was instructed to make a sufficiently full statement of the position and work of the Association during the year.

The annual service was held in the parish church at 4 o'clock, and it was pleasant to see such a full muster of members for worship. The lesson was read by the President, and the preacher was the Rev. F. P. Wright, Vicar of Milnrow, an old member of the Association, who took as his text Col. iii. 23: "Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." Looking back to his own earlier connection with that tower, twenty-six years ago, he spoke of the improvement that had since taken place in the position of ringers, while they still needed to keep before them the advice of the text, and to bear in mind the religious side of their work. The kindly help of the organist and a full choir made the service a very bright one.

A part of the proceedings which is always much appreciated followed, namely, tea in the school. Some inconvenience was caused by the fact that only about half of those who presented themselves for the meal had sent in their names beforehand. But the excellent arrangements made by the local committee proved equal to the strain, and after a little delay the wants of all were more than satisfied. 115 ringers sat down to tea, besides members of the choir and other invited guests.

The business meeting was held in the same building at 6.15. The Rev. H. J. Elsee (President), took the chair, and supporting him were the Vice-President (Mr. J. Eachus), the Treasurer (Mr. H. W. Jackson), the Revs. F. P. Wright and F. L. Edwards, Messrs. H. Chapman, S. Wood, J. Barratt, R. Ridyard, and many other leading members of the Association. In the absence of the two Secretaries owing to the regrettable causes mentioned above, a short statement of the past year's work was given by the President. The Committee had met twice during the year, at Ormskirk and Burnley, a well-attended meeting of the local branch being held on each occasion

at the same place. At the half-yearly meeting, held at Lancaster, the suggestion of forming a branch for the extreme northern part of the county had been well received, but no definite steps toward this appeared yet to have been taken by the local ringers. In response to frequent requests, the Committee had decided to revise and re-issue the rules and diagrams for the instruction of beginners in the simpler Triples and Major methods, and this work was in hand. Copies would be given free to new members, while to others a charge of 3d. would be made. The peal list for the year was lamentably small, including only twenty-six peals, and these, with two or three exceptions, not of very high merit in regard to method. Work in the branches had however gone on steadily, thanks to the zeal of the various secretaries, and it might well be that the lowering of the peal list was due to local and temporary causes. With regard to the last point the President added that the real cause for anxiety was not that just so many peals should be scored, but lest slackness in this should mean a poorer quality of ringing for service on Sundays.

The Treasurer's statement, which followed, shewed a satisfactory financial position. The income of the year had been £42 os. 9d., and the expenditure £40 14s. 2d. The total worth of the Association was now £96 2s. 9d.

The Ven. Archdeacon Wilson, D.D., Vicar of Rochdale, here came in to the meeting, having been previously engaged elsewhere, and was welcomed by the members. In the course of a short and most interesting address, after giving the Association a welcome to Rochdale, he spoke of the gradual improvement that had been going on for many years in matters about the Church, especially in the way of greater reverence. He instanced a Confirmation held at Rochdale 120 years ago, when 2700 candidates came from all the district round, were marched into the church to pass before the Bishop, and then straight out again. Such a proceeding was inconceivable now. So too in regard to ringers; and the time would come when the ringers of the future would smile incredulously at the statement that any of their body had rung for service without staying to join in worship. Especially the Archdeacon urged young ringers to begin their work on a high level; much easier to start well and keep up than to get to a higher standard after having become used to a low one. The Archdeacon's words were heartily applauded.

The election of officers followed, and the President, Treasurer and General Secretary were unanimously re-elected for a term of two years. The Ven. A. F. Clarke, Archdeacon of Lancaster, was elected an honorary member. Some discussion took place on a new rule with regard to the date before which all books and subscriptions should be sent in by the branch secretaries to the General Secretary. Then Wigan was selected as the place of the next annual meeting, Blackburn, Ashton and Bacup being other towns proposed. A cordial vote of thanks was given to the Rev. F. P. Wright for his sermon, and comprehensive but equally cordial votes to the organist and choir, the authorities for the use of the bells, the local committee and the ladies for their excellent serving of tea, and finally to the chairman for presiding, brought the meeting to a close. Members dispersed to the towers for a little more ringing, or to the trains that should take them home.

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**The Midland Counties Association—Nottingham District.**—The next meeting of this district will be held at Bulwell today, Saturday, November 12th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m. **REUBEN CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.**

**The Ashton-under-Lyne Society** will hold their next quarterly meeting to-day, Sat., November 12th, at St. George's church, Heaviley, Stockport. Bells will be available at 4 p.m. Business meeting at 7 o'clock. All ringers invited. **CHAS. BOWER, Sec.**

**The Lancashire Association—Liverpool Branch.**—The next meeting will be held at Bootle today, Saturday, November 12th. Bells ready at 5 o'clock. **WALTER HUGHES, Branch Sec.**

**The Central Northamptonshire Association.**—A quarterly meeting will be held at Irthlingborough today, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Usual ringing arrangements. **T. R. HENSHER, Hon. Sec.**

*Wellingborough.*

**The Winchester Diocesan Guild—Winchester District.**—The Annual Meeting of this district will be held at Alresford today, Sat., November 12th. Tea and meeting at Mrs. Brazley's, West Street, at 4.30. Bells available from 1.30, and Winchester Cathedral bells at 8 p.m. **JAMES W. ELKINS, Dist. Sec.**

**The Sussex County Association—Eastern Division.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at West Ham today, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 o'clock. Pevensey tower will also be open in the evening. **S. SAKER, Hon. Sec.**

*Arran, Baldslo Road, Hastings.*

**St. Nicholas, Deptford.**—The re-Dedication of the tower and bells, by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, takes place at 3 p.m. today, November 12th. Bells available for two hours after service. **FREDERICK W. THORNTON.**  
*Borough Hall, Royal Hill, Greenwich.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Ossett today, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Meeting to commence at 5 o'clock; meeting-house, The Red Lion.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus on Thursday, November 17th. At the meeting on November 8th, which was attended by a large number of members, the whole body of officers who acted last year were re-elected. Master, Mr. W. D. Smith; Treasurer, Mr. Arthur Hughes; Senior Steward, Mr. C. S. Burden; Junior Steward, Mr. A. B. Peck; Trustees, Mr. C. F. Winney and Mr. W. Prime. Mr. E. P. O'Meara and Mr. J. W. Rowbotham were elected auditors for the balance sheet to be presented at the meeting on the 22nd inst.

**W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.**

*"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

**The Lancashire Association—Manchester Branch.**—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Stretford Road, Manchester, on Saturday, November 19th. Bells ready at 5.30; meeting at 7.0. A good attendance requested. **J. SMITH, Branch Sec.**

**The Essex Association—North-Eastern District.**—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Colchester on Saturday, November 19th. The bells of St. Peter's will be available for ringing during the day. Tea will be held at 5 o'clock in the Co-operative Assembly Room, Lion Walk. Members intending to be present must give notice by Tuesday previous.

**ERNEST W. BECKWITH, Hon. Dist. Sec.**  
*Coggeshall.*

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—A meeting of the above Guild will be held at Rye on Saturday, November 19th. Ringing to commence at 3.0, service at 5, and tea at 5.30. All ringers heartily welcomed, and will all those intending to be present at tea kindly let me know on or before Wednesday, November 16th. **C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec.**

*British School Villas, Tenterden.*

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild—North and East District.**—The district annual meeting will be held on Saturday, 26th November, at Christ Church, Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. E. J. Beardall. The bells will be raised about 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, on the usual terms, at The Cherry Tree hotel. The hon. secretary requests the attendance of all who can conveniently come, and to be notified of their intention. **ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.**  
*18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.*

**The Hert's Association.**—A district meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, November 26th. Bells available from 4.30. Free tea to all who inform me they are coming.

**H. EDEN, Hon. Sec. Western Div.**  
*Chalk Hill House, Watford.*

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, November 26th, at St. Chad's, Far Headingley. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Peal will be attempted at 2.30. A good meeting earnestly requested. **F. R. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.**  
*29, Elsworth Place, Armley.*

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, November 26th. Tea in church schools at 5.30. Meeting afterwards.

**T. ALLIBONE, Sec.**  
*North Wingfield, Chesterfield.*

**The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.**—A meeting of the above for united practice and social intercourse will be held at the church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E., on Saturday, November 26th. Tower will be open from 4 to 8 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible.

**T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.**  
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## NOTE TO PEAL.

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### THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of this guild was held on Saturday, at Croston. About 70 members attended, and some excellent touches were performed on the tuneful old bells. Afterwards a cold collation, provided by the Rector and wardens of Croston, was partaken of in the Masonic Hall. The master of the guild, the Rev. W. T. Bulpit, presided at the business meeting. In the absence of Mr. J. Martin, of Liscard, the balance-sheet was read by Mr. W. Bentham, of Aughton. It showed £4 7s. 3d. to the good in the general account, and £4 13s. for the benevolent fund. The chairman explained that several grants of £5 each had been made to widows, and this had depleted the fund.

Mr. J. Taylor, of Aughton, proposed the adoption of the accounts. This being seconded by Mr. G. Brown, of Wigan, was carried. The trophies for best work were then awarded. That to the eight-bell tower was won by St. James's, Wigan. The trophy given to a six-bell tower was taken by the belfry of St. Luke's, Great Crosby, where thirty-seven peals in four methods had been rung. A peal of 5040 changes was announced as having been rung on the new bells at Rainford. Miss Margaret Harvey was elected as a ringing member, being the first Lancashire lady so initiated. Messrs. Harman and Palmer were elected as honorary members, and Messrs. T. Whittle, J. Hough, P. and J. Ascroft as performing members.

A social meeting was held in the evening under the presidency of Mr. John Ascroft. The performers were all members of the Guild, to whom a hearty vote of thanks was given for their services. This brought the meeting to a close.

### PRESENTATION TO A RINGER.

On Wednesday evening, October 12th after the usual weekly practice at St. John the Baptist, Leytonstone, the members adjourned to their meeting house—The Three Brewers—in order to bid one of their members farewell, and to make him a small present. Mr. S. Hayes, Master of the South-Western Division, occupied the chair, the vice-chair being taken by Mr. G. A. Black, of Woodford. Mr. Hayes, after congratulating Mr. Mardell on his new appointment, said how sorry they were to lose such a useful member, but wished him every success.

The chairman then called on Mr. W. Miller, captain of the society, to make the presentation, which consisted of the sum of £2 os. 5d. collected in the district of Leytonstone, Wanstead, Woodford and Loughton from ringers and friends; and also a silver bell pendant from the Leytonstone society with the inscription: "Presented to J. Mardell from the Leytonstone Ringers, October 1904."

Mr. Mardell suitably replied, and thanked one and all who had contributed to the presentation.

Short touches of Grandsire Triples on the handbells interspersed with songs brought the meeting to a close.

W. K.

### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

"All roads lead to Hammersmith:" this is what it appeared to be on Saturday, September 10th, when between fifty and sixty members and friends of the above Association, from the parishes of Fulham, Mortlake, Barnes, Wimbledon, Battersea, Chelsea, Southwark, Poplar, Hornsey, Willesden, Kensington, and Chiswick, gathered at the church of St. Paul, Hammersmith, for united practice and a little social intercourse.

The parish of Hammersmith is situate in the western part of

the metropolis, its main approach being that awful smoky sulphurous line, yclept "The Underground," now being changed into an electric tube. The electric trams run from the suburbs to a terminus near the church, and several of the company came by these conveyances. But what of our twopenny tube? "That was the way I came to Shepherd's Bush," said one from the East. Shepherd's Bush is indeed a growing neighbourhood. The Association has a large number of members residing therein, the latest rumour is that a great writer to this paper is on the look-out for a bachelor's flat within the area.

It is worthy of note that the society rang its first peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major in the old tower of Hammersmith church sixty-five years ago. This was rung on Sunday, May 5, 1839, and comprised 5120 changes, in 3 hrs. 9 mins., the ringers being Thomas Tolliday (conductor), Thomas Britten, John Fairburn, William Lobb, Thomas Burton, George Stockham, Charles Goozee, and A. G. Frost. Our old members will notice that in such a company were men of fame in the ringing world, whose names, with their records (which were not a few), will never be blotted out, but will live for ever and aye.

Well, our friends in the provinces will say, "How did the meeting come off?" We had to wait till evensong was over, and it was nearly 6 p.m. before a start could be made. The first touch was Grandsire Triples, with several of the locals standing in, with J. Baker (of Chelsea) as conductor; then under the direction of the Master (Mr. A. Jacob) and the Secretary (Mr. T. H. Taffender), some thirty or more touches were rung in various methods, all brought home in fine style. During the evening the tower, although not small, became overcrowded, the ropes could hardly be seen.

A room was engaged at The Six Bells close by, where members adjourned to have some touches on the handbells, but not much could be done as the noise of the two rings would not agree. At nine o'clock this ceased, then the company trooped into the room.

The Master took the chair, and Mr. W. Dean presided at the piano. Songs was the order, some old-time favourites coming out, Mr. R. A. Daniell being heard to great advantage in "Peter Gray" and "The Parson and the Sucking Pig," the other gentlemen who gave us a little of their lung power being Messrs. Matthews, Pittam, Chapman, and Baker.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the pianist (Mr. Dean), the chairman and secretary, and Mr. H. Carew Cox (the Association's local committee-man and district representative), for his arrangements, and hearty reception by the local band; also the incumbents for their kind permission. A course of Stedman Triples on the handbells brought this excellent meeting to a close.

T. T.

### Obituary.

#### JOHN WALKER.

A member of the Yorkshire Association since the year 1876, deceased was formerly an enthusiastic ringer at the parish church, Pontefract, but retired from active ringing about the year 1844. He had been in failing health for some few years, and died on Wednesday, November 2nd, and was interred in the cemetery on Friday, the 4th. On Friday evening the local company rang touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, with the bells muffled except the tenor at back stroke. The deceased was 77 years of age. There now only remains one surviving member of the old school of ringers (a good Grandsire band) which flourished at Pontefract about forty years ago, in the person of Mr. Henry Spurr, who is still a member of the present company at the age of 72.

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## Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## NOMENCLATURE.

SIR,—There are some points now under discussion which may be referred to in one letter.

1. *Tenor.* To complete what Mr. Papillon has so well explained, it is well to remember that in more monastic times boys' voices were not so much used as now. Therefore the best voices and those most easily recognised were the higher men's voices. So when part-singing began, they took the lead; and as their part "held" the melody for the congregation to catch up, it was called the tenor, or holding part. The other parts were said to "descant" upon this part. We still sing "Tallis's Responses" from music written in this way. Such singing must have given a very similar effect to the sound of bells when they began to be rung together. The tenor would give the principal sound, the smaller bells would be like the upper parts, and the music of the hum notes would resemble an accompanying ground bass.

2. *Names of Methods.* I gather from Mr. Trollope's letter that he considers it the work of the Classification Committee to apportion to the different classes of methods appropriate names. This seems to me to be exceeding their province. What we are looking for them to do is classifying certain scientific principles on which methods are founded: what ringers think constitutes a Surprise method (or any other method) cannot alter facts or principles one way or the other. The committee were chosen for their ability to do this, an ability which is of a mathematical or scientific turn: in order to apply correct and useful definitions and terms one looks for men of a classical or literary bent of mind. The two are rarely combined: and another committee will be required for this if the work is to be permanent.

3. *Original Methods.* While agreeing with nearly all of what Mr. Dains has said in his interesting series of letters, I must submit that it is impossible that the simpler methods should be the "original" ones as he states. One may roughly specify three periods in the history of method discovery (a) the *involved* or chaotic, when men were struggling to find some principles on which they could evolve some methods of cross changes from plain changes in a symmetrical and systematic manner. (b) *The simplified*: during which were introduced what Mr. Dains has called "original," but I should rather term "fundamental" principles: this culminated in—rather than began with—the discovery of Grandsire. (c) *The intricate*: during which methods are invented rather than discovered; and complications or ornaments are sought for to build up new combinations.

I may add that we are in the involved or chaotic stage of Surprise, or similar methods just now, but that there are some who see their way out; and we hope that the Classification Committee will lead us into the simplified stage that we may go on to another period of intricate or "beautiful" work, as a "descant" upon the principles thus laid down. H. DRAKE.

## MR. WAKLEY'S REPLY.

SIR,—I am very pleased that I have been able to put myself right with Mr. Snowdon and the Yorkshire Association. I must however again remind Mr. Snowdon that the question of allotting points for peals was not under discussion and was not alluded to by me in any way. I only wished to defend a resolution passed, I believe unanimously, by the Council in 1893, and it does not seem quite fair to say that my remarks to that end were "based on sentimentality." WILLIAM WAKLEY.

## LESS NOISE.

SIR,—One of your correspondents in last week's issue asks how the sound of bells may be made less noisy to those who live in the immediate neighbourhood, without interfering with the general effect. This can be done by bricking up the inside of the louvres to the height of or a little above the highest reach of the bells when set on end. In other words the entire absence

of openings below this level will have the effect of driving the sound upwards, and will not allow it to strike down on the neighbouring houses. I know of a case when the louvres were filled in with wood, but it was quite a failure.

JOHN H. B. HESSE.

## NEW CAMBRIDGE AT BUSHEY.

SIR,—The peal of New Cambridge rang at Buskey is not the first in Hertfordshire, as one was rung at Sawbridgeworth on May 5th, 1903, in which I took part, but I cannot say if this would be the first one or not.

WM. KEEBLE.

## INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—I have often been told that bells have had pieces chipped out of their lips, and in some cases have actually been cracked or split by using a one-man chiming apparatus, but the persons relating these stories have in all cases been unable to authenticate them. May I ask your readers if they will kindly inform me either through "THE BELL NEWS" or privately of any known instances of such a catastrophe happening, with full particulars. I should also like to hear the opinions of expert ringers, respecting the said chiming apparatus, also the chief objections to its use. The information I receive will either greatly assist or hinder change-ringing at an eight-bell tower in which I am deeply interested.

P. O. BIXBY.

Stedman, Ropery Road, Gainborough.

## THE EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—I think you are somewhat unfair in your strictures on the Dean and Chapter of Exeter concerning the use of the Cathedral bells in that city. Since the bells have been rehung the Chapter have readily granted permission to any band of competent ringers to ring on the bells. There have been at least six attempts to score a peal on them, two of which have proved successful. Permission has also been granted to the Devonshire Guild to have a practice in the Cathedral belfry on the second Wednesday in each month, the regular cathedral ringers having their practice on the first Wednesday. So it can hardly be said that the bells are mute. At the present time a ceiling is being placed underneath the bell-chamber floor so as to reduce the noise in the ringing chamber; so we cannot in justice accuse the Cathedral authorities of apathy in the matter. It should also be remembered that complaints have appeared in the local press of an exactly opposite character to that quoted by you, viz.: that the bells are rung too frequently and for too long a period, therefore we can understand that the Chapter feel bound to exercise some restriction concerning the ringing of the bells under their charge.

MAITLAND KELLY.

## TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS, ETC.

SIR,—In your last issue Mr. Dains gives us Norwich Delight as taken from Annable's note-book. Now, Sir, by referring to a very old book (which I am very sorry to say I have not got complete) and which was published previous to one I have in my possession, dated 1753, I find that Norwich Delight is there given on page 160 as College Bob the Fourth. College Bob is given in this work five different ways, therefore I think as this method was published some time previous to 1753 it should retain its name. On page 117 of this work is the heading—"Fifty-three London peals upon five, six, seven, and eight bells, composed by F. S. The missing pages of this work are from 1 to 5; 12 to 19; 192 to 195, and all from 206; and on page 150 is written "S. Grimwood, his book, April 7, 1773, Benham, Suffolk."

H. J. TUCKER.

SIR,—I heartily appreciate the trouble Mr. Dains has taken to place before the Exercise so many methods, some of which I had never heard of, but I hope Mr. Dains will explain if there is an error in Cambridge Treble Bob, because as it appears in "THE BELL NEWS" the 4th has a regular duty and never enters the lead either at a plain lead or bob lead. If there is no error will he kindly tell me how to produce the 720. I also notice that what is given as London Single is nothing more or less than the bob leads of College Single, and which Snowdon gives in Standard Methods as Single Court.

W. J. GOSS.



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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1904.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A District Meeting of the Hunts. Archdeaconry took place on a recent Saturday in the Church Room, Whittlesey, the Vicar, the Rev. C. E. Bell, occupying the chair. Service was held in St. Mary's church at 4 o'clock, and was followed by a tea, members being present from Cambridge, Ramsey, St. Neots, Whittlesey, Stamford, etc. After tea the Chairman gave a cordial welcome to the members, and expressed the interest he felt towards ringers, and hoped the Association would again visit his parish.

The Rev. H. B. Walters, Vicar of St. Andrew's, added a few kindly words. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the district secretary, which were adopted. Four honorary and three ringing members were elected.

After discussion it was proposed that the next meeting be held at Yaxley in January next. A vote of thanks to the chairman, and to the clergy for the use of the bells, and to the ladies for presiding at the tea tables, terminated the proceedings.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt.

JAMES SAXBY .. .. Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 5.
GEORGE B. LUCAS .. .. 2.	HENRY DAINS .. .. 6.
ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE PAICE .. .. 4.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by E. WIGHTMAN.

J. D. Matthews was elected a member of the above society previous to starting.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT.. .. Treble.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 6.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 7.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

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### The Provinces.

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On Friday, October 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

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F. TOWNSEND .. .. 2.	W. TOWNSEND .. .. 7.
J. BALLINGER .. .. 3.	W. DYER .. .. 8.
W. T. PATES .. .. 4.	T. PENDRY .. .. 9.
G. PEARCE .. .. 5.	*R. HEMMING .. .. Tenor.

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On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM JONES.. .. Treble.	WILLIAM ROBINSON.. .. 5.
FRANK BOSWELL .. .. 2.	SIDNEY SMITH .. .. 6.
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#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

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J. M. BROOK .. .. 4.	*ED. ROSE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. WATKINSON.

\*First peal.

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#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

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Conducted by ALBERT G. WARNES.

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#### THE NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 1, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

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Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

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## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE BEDFORDSHIRE ARCHDEACONRY.)

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire Minor, Oxford Bob, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

CHARLES R. LILLEY .. Treble.	SIDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 4.
THOMAS SCOTT .. .. 2.	FRANK YORK .. .. 5.
JOHN HARE .. .. 3.	FREDK. WELLS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. WELLS.

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## GLDOWICK, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

EDWARD B. SHAW .. Treble.	JAMES BAILEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE H. BEEVER .. 2.	FRED H. BUCKLEY .. 6.
ISAAC SCHOFIELD .. 3.	JAMES W. TAYLOR .. 7.
JAMES LEES .. .. 4.	ALBERT CLEGG .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. H. BEEVER.

## OTLEY, YORKSHIRE.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

JAMES BARRACLOUGH .. Treble.	FREDERICK W. DIXON .. 5.
JOHN E. JENKINSON .. 2.	WILLIAM B. FIRTH .. 6.
BERTIE COWLING .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WOMERSLEY .. 7.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 4.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN G. HOLROYD, and Conducted by B. F. LAMB.

## WEST HARTLEPOOL, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM T. ROBSON .. Treble.	*JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. 6.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 2.	WILLIAM STORY .. .. 7.
JAMES BAXTER .. .. 3.	*FREDERICK P. HOWCROFT 8.
ROBERT S. STORY .. 4.	*THOMAS METCALFE .. 9.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 5.	*WILLIAM WALAND .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters. Further reference elsewhere.

## STOKE, COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM MAUND .. Treble.	JOHN FENNELL .. .. 4.
WILLIAM BUSLEY .. .. 2.	JOSEPH H. WHITE .. .. 5.
ARTHUR W. FLOWERS .. 3.	THOMAS BLOXHAM .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH H. WHITE.

First peal on the bells, and the first by all except the ringer of the treble.

## NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE D. WARBURTON* Treble.	FRED HOLT .. .. 5.
JAMES L. ROBINSON† .. 2.	REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 6.
WILLIAM LOWERY .. .. 3.	JOHN W. BAYLEY .. .. 7.
HIRAM MEAKIN .. .. 4.	EDWARD READER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by E. READER.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell.

## MANCHESTER.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 25 cwt.

FRANK SMITH .. .. Treble.	JOHN POTTER .. .. 6.
ALFRED BARNES .. .. 2.	JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 7.
JOHN SMITH .. .. 3.	RICHARD RIDYARD .. 8.
JOHN EACHUS .. .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. 9.
WILLIAM BRAMMER .. 5.	JAMES GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOSEPH POTTER.

## STEDHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 720 of Woodbine, and two 720s of Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM WERRY, JUN. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM NEW .. .. 4.
HERBERT R. WEEKS .. 2.	ALBERT J. RAMSEY .. 5.
WILLIAM R. MADGWICK .. 3.	THOMAS STROUD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS STROUD.

\*First peal of Minor.

## HALIFAX, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 26 cwt.

HENRY REYNOLDS .. Treble.	CHARLES E. STEWART .. 5.
JAMES COTTERELL .. 2.	FRED SALMONS .. .. 6.
JOSEPH BROADLEY .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 7.
JONAS S. AMBLER .. 4.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by J. COTTERELL.

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

LOUIS PRICE* .. .. Treble.	*PERCIVAL PRICE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD .. .. 2.	*EDWARD J. BOOT .. .. 6.
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS .. .. 3.	FREDERICK S. PRICE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD, SEN... 4.	REUBEN CLIFFORD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HARRY WHITTLE, and  
Conducted by REUBEN CLIFFORD.

\*First peal of Bob Major.

## KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR E. PAYNE* .. Treble.	*MORRIS A. TURNER .. .. 5.
EDWARD CHAPMAN† .. .. 2.	*FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT.. 6.
WILLIAM PETTITT .. .. 3.	HERBERT J. JULIAN .. .. 7.
ROBERT F. TURNER* .. 4.	*DAVID I. NICHOLS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by T. HUGHES, and Conducted by DAVID I. NICHOLS.

\*First peal of Major. †First in the method. Rung as a welcome to William Pettitt, late of Irthlingborough, who is now residing at Kettering.

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.  
(NORTH-EASTERN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 22 cwt.

RICHARD POTTER .. Treble.	JOHN SADLER .. .. 5.
EDWARD P. BUCKINGHAM* 2.	CHARLES NORFOLK .. .. 6.
JAMES NEWMAN .. .. 3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH .. 7.
ERNEST RIDGEWELL* .. 4.	DAVID ELLIOTT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

\*First peal.

## LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

ALBERT J. LINCOLN.. Treble.	*EDGAR BAILEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES SAMSON .. .. 2.	*CHARLES WHITING .. .. 6.
ERNEST S. BAILEY* .. 3.	†JOHN W. BUTTON .. .. 7.
NORMAN BAILEY* .. .. 4.	*CHARLES BAILEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SHIPWAY, and Conducted by ALBERT J. LINCOLN.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal.

## HULL, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

CHARLES ARMITAGE.. Treble.	GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 6.
TOM STOCKDALE.. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE HALKSWORTH* .. 3.	†CLEMMENT GLENN .. .. 8.
ALFRED NAYLOR .. .. 4.	*FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 9.
GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. 5.	JOHN W. DALE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES JACKSON.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters. †First peal in the method.

## CHIPPING NORTON, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY MILES .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK WEBB .. .. 5.
THOMAS BOND .. .. 2.	WALTER LARGE .. .. 6.
FRANK WEBB .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN F. BARLOW .. .. 4.	FREDERICK G. CANDY .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung on the occasion of the annual meeting of the Chipping Norton branch of the Guild.

## HORLEY, SURREY.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SHIPWAY'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ARTHUR JENNINGS* .. Treble.	PETER ETHERIDGE .. .. 5.
NORMAN WAKEFIELD .. 2.	JOHN SHERLOCK .. .. 6.
JOSEPH KENWARD .. .. 3.	STEPHEN KENWARD .. .. 7.
ALBERT SONGHURST .. 4.	ROBERT CAWTE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by STEPHEN KENWARD.

\*First peal. Rung as a compliment to the ringer of the 6th upon the birth of a son and heir.

## Handbell Peals.

## ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 4, 1904, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. B. WITCHELL, NEW STREET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S.

CHARLES DICKENS.. .. 1-2.	HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 5-6.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL 3-4.	GEORGE F. SWANN .. 7-8.

Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The time occupied in ringing the peal of Grandsire Triples at Kidderminster and published in the issue of the 5th, was 3 hrs. 5 mins., not 3 hrs. 45 mins. as stated.

DEFECTIVE REPORTS.—The peal rung at Street, Somersetshire, has been sent without any date being given.—The peal at Copdock, Suffolk, has been sent without any conductor being mentioned.

## Date Touches.

SOUTHGATE (Middlesex).—On Sunday morning, October 9th, at Christ Church, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 10 mins. G. Bester, J. E. Miller, W. Pickworth, J. Armstrong, H. Miller, M. Fensom, S. Wade, A. Dodson. Arranged and conducted by S. Wade.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

DAYBROOK (Notts).—On Sunday morning, October 2nd, for Divine Service at St. Paul's church, 504 Grandsire Triples. E. H. Mitchell, J. A. Barratt, R. E. Clarke, V. Gosling, J. H. Clarke, S. Lawrance conductor, H. George, G. Sulley. On Sunday evening, October 2nd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. H. Mitchell, J. A. Barratt, R. E. Clarke, V. Gosling, J. H. Clarke conductor, S. Lawrence, W. Rhodes, H. George. First quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells, and first quarter-peal by all except the ringers of the 3rd, 6th and tenor. First quarter-peal as conductor.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR (Notts.) On Sunday evening, October 23rd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins.,

taken from Holt's Original. F. Hardy, J. Wilson, E. Cartwright, E. Abbott, C. Harriman, G. Wilson, H. Whittle conductor, J. Powell.

#### THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

FEERING (Essex).—On Wednesday, October 12th, 1008 Bob Major. P. Clark, G. Hnm, J. C. Newman, P. Langston, W. Elliott, A. Everitt, W. E. Hnmwick, J. Newman conductor. Rung on the occasion of the 85th birthday of Mr. Robert Harvey.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ANDOVER (Hants.)—On Sunday, October 2nd, at St. Mary's church, 546 Grandsire Triples. A. Barber, T. Stevens, O. Smart, R. C. Mayo conductor, H. Smart, G. Samway, E. Mills, F. Padwick. For evening service 504 in the same method. W. Povey, T. Stevens, E. Mills, O. Smart, H. Smart, G. Samway, R. C. Mayo conductor, W. Butt.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday morning, September 25th, for Divine Service, 1260 Bob Major. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., A. Woodrow, F. J. Shepherd, G. Woodiss conductor. C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, W. Shepherd. On September 29th, for Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., W. Shepherd conductor, A. Woodrow, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, F. J. Shepherd, R. J. Polley. On October 4th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. \*G. Edser, sen., J. S. Goldsmith conductor, G. Woodiss, W. Shepherd, \*C. J. Hamblin, F. J. Shepherd, \*J. Emery, R. J. Polley. \*Longest length of Stedman.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MARGATE (Kent).—On Thursday, October 13th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. A. Smith, S. G. Twyman conductor, W. Trusler, E. Burgess, A. Taylor, A. H. Saxby, J. Blytheman, G. Enderby. After service another quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. A. Smith, W. Trusler, E. Burgess, J. Blytheman, A. Taylor, S. G. Twyman, G. Willshire conductor, A. H. Saxby.

LEWISHAM.—On Sunday, October 2nd, for morning service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins. H. Warnett, jun., H. Barrett, T. G. Deal, G. King, T. Taylor, C. H. Walker, H. Warnett conductor, W. Keates.

BEARSTED (Kent).—On Sunday evening, September 25th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor in 25 mins. G. Wratten, W. Cheesman, G. Foster, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor, C. Smith. On Sunday, October 2nd, for Divine Service, 360 Bob Minor. F. Pound, W. Cheesman, G. Foster, E. Pollard, J. Shorter, G. Burbridge. For evening service 720 Bob Minor. G. Wratten, W. Cheesman, G. Foster, E. Pollard, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor.

#### THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

EAST RETFORD.—On Sunday, October 2nd, for Divine Service in the evening, on the occasion of the Dedication Festival, 1257 Stedman Caters, in 50 mins. A. Swannack, E. Collingburn, G. R. Winter, G. F. Clarke, A. T. Winger, R. Miles, H. Haigh conductor, H. Warburton, J. B. Joynes, G. W. Metcalfe. On Sunday, October 16th, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. H. Warburton, A. T. Winter, G. W. Metcalfe, R. Miles, J. B. Joynes, E. Collingburn, G. R. Winter, H. Haigh conductor.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

GREAT COMBERTON (Worcestershire).—On a recent Wednesday for practice at St. Michael's church, four 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. L. Portman, C. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, P. Gibbs, C. Young, A. Moore. Also 360 Oxford Bob Minor. A. Moore, C. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, P. Gibbs, C. Young, H. Salisbury. And a 6-score of Stedman Doubles. P. Gibbs, C. Gibbs, E. Gibbs, C. Young, H. Salisbury, L. Portman. The above is the first Oxford Bob Minor on the bells.

#### THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

STAUNTON-ON-ARROW (Herefordshire).—On Thursday, October 6th, at the parish church, for the Harvest Festival. 840 Grandsire Doubles. E. Gregory, H. Cook, E. Phillips, J. Griffiths. G. Phillips conductor, W. Powell. These are believed to be the first changes rung on the bells. The band were afterwards entertained to supper by the Vicar, and it is to be hoped their visit will lead to the formation of a branch of the above Guild.

#### CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

EAST WITTON.—On Sunday, October 9th, at the parish church, 404 Oxford Treble Bob, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Duke of York. R. Peacock, J. Shields, J. M. Croft, J. Jaques, W. Peacock, C. Buckin conductor.

ALTON (Hants.).—On Wednesday, October 12th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 mins. C. Forder, A. W. Evans, R. Applegath, F. Healey, A. Hardiman, W. H. Perry, W. J. Brambley conductor, F. Noakes. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

CHELSEFIELD (Kent).—On Sunday morning, October 9th, for Divine Service, 120 Bob Doubles. H. Pettit, H. Wilkes, R. Hims, W. J. Browning, F. Fraser conductor. Also 120 Grandsire Doubles. H. Wilkes, jun., H. Wilkes, R. Hims, F. Fraser, W. J. Browning conductor. And 120 Canterbury Pleasure. H. Wilkes, jun., H. Wilkes, R. Hims, F. Fraser conductor, W. J. Browning.

GREAT YARMOUTH.—On Sunday, October 9th, at the parish church, for Divine Service, 672 Grandsire Triples. F. Pestell, H. Wright, E. R. Todd, J. Godfrey, — Cole, J. Matthews, D. Hayward conductor, C. Harding. On Tuesday, October 11th, several touches of Grandsire Caters. C. Harding, H. Wright, W. Arnott, E. R. Todd, W. Blyth, J. Godfrey, R. Tooley, Rev. J. F. Hastings, D. Hayward conductor, W. Harwood. Also Bob Major in 52 mins. H. Wright, E. R. Todd, W. Blyth, W. Arnott, J. Godfrey, R. Tooley, Rev. J. F. Hastings, D. Hayward conductor. Tenor 30 cwt.

HAVERHILL (Suffolk).—On September 24th, 720 Superlative Surprise. H. Symonds, T. Hollocks, A. Hollocks, H. Gladwell, J. Fayers, W. Hollocks conductor. 720 New London. W. Hollocks, H. Gladwell, A. Hollocks, J. Fayers, T. Levitt, A. Symonds conductor. 720 Kent. A. Symonds conductor, A. Hollocks, T. Hollocks, T. Levitt, H. Gladwell, A. Avis.

LAVENHAM.—On September 24th, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. H. Gladwell, W. Hollocks, A. Hollocks, T. Levitt, E. Simpson, J. Fayers, L. Leeks, A. Symonds conductor.

LONDON.—On Sunday morning, October 2nd, at the church of St. John-at-Hackney, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 46 mins. \*A. A. Hughes, F. Rumens, W. B. Manning, T. Page, W. D. Smith conductor, A. Coles, H. C. Alford, Albert Coles. Composed by John Cox. \*First quarter-peal.

NUTTALL (Notts).—On Wednesday, September 28th, for evening service, 480 Chace Doubles. W. Beardsmore, A. Harrison, E. Wilcox, F. Beardsmore, G. Clark conductor. On Sunday, October 2nd, for morning service, 360 Grandsire. W. Beardsmore, G. Clark, A. Harrison conductor, F. Beardsmore, E. Wilcox.

ROMSEY (Hants.).—On Sunday, October 2nd, for the Children's Flower Service, 434 Grandsire Triples. C. Hayter, F. Paskins conductor, J. Chalk, J. Elcombe, A. Paskins, J. Walker, W. G. Fowler, F. Hand. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 40 mins. \*C. Hayter, F. Paskins, J. Chalk, J. Elcombe, A. Paskins, J. Walker, W. G. Fowler conductor, F. Hand. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival. \*First quarter-peal.

WIDFORD (Essex).—On Thursday, September 29th, at St. Mary's church, an attempt was made for Parker's twelve-part peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells deeply muffled in respect to the late Mr. Arthur Pryor, J.P., D.L., who in 1863 rebuilt the above church, but after ringing 1 hr. a change-course occurred. W. Emery, A. Tarbun, H. F. Cooper, W. Newman, R. Edwards, H. W. Kirton conductor, T. Lincoln, R. H. Dines. Also a quarter-peal in 44 mins. A. Tarbun, A. Speller, H. F. Cooper conductor, W. Newman, R. Edwards, H. W. Kirton, T. Lincoln, R. H. Dines.

WOODSTOCK (South Africa).—On Tuesday, September 27th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. H. Cock, J. Murray, L. Green, F. C. Oakes, J. F. Priest, F. P. Powell conductor. This is the first 720 in the method by the ringers of the treble, 2nd and 4th, and the first in South Africa. Rung to commemorate the birth of a son to J. F. Priest.

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## Ringers' Outings.

THE PRITTLEWELL AND RAYLEIGH SOCIETY.—Wednesday, September 28th, was a great day in the affairs of the nation. The above ringers to the number of eighteen gambled over Kent for their annual. Joined at Pitsea by Mr. G. F. Margetson (an old-time Cumberland), after getting lost in the fog at Tilbury. they arrived safely at Sittingbourne, where, after the Rayleigh fiend had worked his wicked wife, St. Michael's tower was ascended and several good touches rung in standard methods. Met in the tower by Dr. Frank Grayling, ringing reminiscences were indulged in, followed by dinner at The Fountain hotel, voted a great success. Next a drive to Borden, the touches there being short, owing to the rosy attraction of the apple-orchard being too strong for the younger and more frisky section of the party. Back to Sittingbourne to tea and a well-struck 1152 of Kent at the Harvest Festival. Back into England with various stoppages concluded a very happy day. The participants were:—G. Smith, H. Smith, G. Cornish, S. Bingham, Brother Macey of Rayleigh and W. Dowsett, W.

Dudley, W. Hunt, W. Bedwell, Brothers Wilson, C. Collinge, J. Smith, J. Perry and W. H. Judd, Southend. The ringers wish to thank the Vicars of Sittingbourne and Borden for the use of the bells, and the local men for their welcome.

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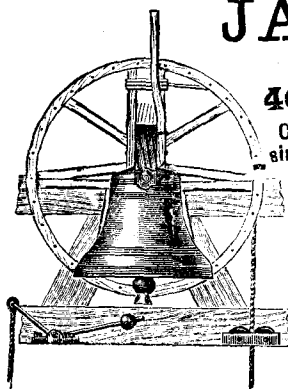
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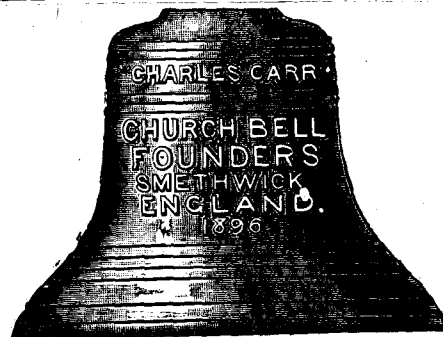
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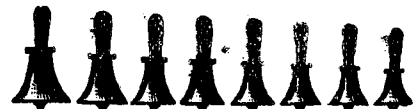
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

TAVISTOCK (Devon.) St. Eustachius. Eight bells; all by Bilbie, 1769. Tenor 29 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Stokes, 1885. Ropes new 1897, good. No half-pull or Sunday ringing. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

TAWTON, NORTH (Devon.) St. Peter. Eight bells; the two trebles by Mears, 1899. Tenor 18 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 10 in. by Pennington, 1770; the rest by the same 1765. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Stokes 1899. Ropes fair. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 5.30 to 6.15. Practice: Wednesday and Saturday, 7.30.

TEIGNMOUTH, WEST (Devon.) Eight bells. No return.

TENTERDEN (Kent). St. Mildred. Kent County Association. Eight bells; 3rd by Lester 1751; 4th by Pack 1774; 5th by Mears 1826; the rest by Warner 1884. Tenor 30 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 9 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Warner 1884. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman and Plain Bob. No Sunday ringing. Practice: Monday, 7.30.

TETBURY (Gloucestershire). St. Mary. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells; all by Rudhall 1722. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Gillett 1893. Ropes new 1893, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.45. Practice: Wednesday, 7.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Annual Meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries' Branch of the above Guild was held at Ducklington on Saturday, October 29th. The towers of Ducklington and Witney were open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Service was at 4.30, and was very well ordered and rendered. The Rector (Dr. Macray) intoned the prayers, and Miss Macray presided at the harmonium, the singing being most ably led by the

members of the Ducklington choir. About thirty ringers were present, the choir and congregation being further augmented by several clergy, including the Revs. F. E. Robinson (Master of the Guild), A. C. Freeborn (President of the Branch), W. M. Birch, C. W. O. Jenkyn, A. S. C. Austen, Hon. N. Campbell, and E. C. Dermer. The meeting was also honoured by the presence of the Bishop of Reading, who came at Dr. Macray's request to address the ringers; his words were listened to with great attention, and were full of interest and help to all those present.

An excellent tea was subsequently served in the school-room under the management of Miss Macray; after which the business meeting was held. Mr. W. Bennett, the Secretary, read his report and produced his balance-sheet, both of which were of a satisfactory nature.

A 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung on the Ducklington bells, and later in the evening a touch of Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. Judge, and a 504 of Stedman Triples conducted by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn on the Witney bells, brought a successful meeting to its close. A peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Burford on the previous evening, conducted by the Master of the Guild, to mark the occasion, due notice of which has appeared in these columns.

## STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting was held at Leek on Saturday, November 5th, when about fifty members attended from various towers in the Archdeaconry. Touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob were brought round. At 5.30 an adjournment was made to the schoolroom, where a capital tea was provided by the local ringers. The business meeting was presided over by the Rev. H. P. P. Barchard (Clerical Secretary), who also presented certificates of proficiency to Messrs. Lawrence and Taylor, of Norton.

The monthly meetings for 1905 were arranged, and a vote of sympathy was passed with the family and relatives of the late Rev. T. H. B. Fearon, Vicar of Leek, who had been a member of the Association since its formation.

A vote of thanks to the Leek ringers for providing tea, and to the ladies who assisted at the tables, concluded the meeting. Ringing was continued till about 9 p.m.

## PEVENSEY, SUSSEX.

On Friday, October 28th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Doubles in 42 mins., being 8½ six-scores of Grandsire and two of Plain Bob, each called differently. This was rung in honour of the Right Rev. Dr. Welsh, who was on this day consecrated Bishop of Trinidad in St. Paul's Cathedral. Dr. Welsh was a frequent and welcome visitor at Pevensey, and was a subscriber to the bell fund, and was himself a ringer, and took great interest in the west of England while he was Principal of Warminster Missionary College. The ringers all wish him God-speed in his new and important office.



## THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY).

### THE RECENT DEMONSTRATION AT ST. CLEMENT'S.

It can well be called "a demonstration." Never anything like it happened before. It assuredly marks the commencement of an epoch which bodes increased interest in the doings and objects of our Exercise; the kind and character of interest which is wanted and which is necessary to the progress and healthy popularity of the Art of Ringing. And this demonstration has been chiefly brought about, we are happy in believing, by a valued contributor to this paper, an energetic ringer whose influences and connections give some assistance to his energies in working hard in the interests of bellringers and bell ringing. Below is a *resume* of the sermon preached by the Lord Bishop of London on the occasion, which we promised the other week.

His lordship took his text from the book of the prophet Daniel, chap. iii. 24-25: "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O King. He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. The Bishop said:—

I have come here dear brethren to-night to remove, or partly with the object of removing, two misunderstandings, one an ancient, and one modern. The first was that there was some kind of gulf between the belfry, steeple, and church. He (the Bishop) said he had read Mr. Daniell's articles in "THE BELL NEWS" on the history of change-ringing, and had been greatly interested in what was said in them with regard to the origin of change-ringing. That it had a secular origin, if that was so, it is no wonder that there should grow to be some sort of distinction between the belfry and the church. That gulf we bridge over to-day. I come here as Bishop of London to show that I consider and value all those who work in the belfries and steeples of the diocese as my fellow-workers in the work of the Church, and to say whatever may have been the history of these things, now we are all working together with the one object. The belfry, the steeple is consecrated as well as the body of the church. He also said that we all knew that John Bunyan looked upon change-ringing as almost a temptation of the devil; we look upon it as a sacred glory to God. The other misunderstanding was quite a temporary one. When, some few months ago he had the pleasure of meeting the workers in the belfry at Fulham, what he meant to do and hoped to do, and meant and hoped to do to-night, is to make it perfectly clear that I count all the societies as fellow-workers, and I welcome them all. We have here to-night members representing the Oxford Diocesan Guild, Sussex County Association, Ancient Society of College Youths, Royal Cumberland Youths, London County Association, Essex County Association, and the Middlesex Association. I want you all to feel, but no matter to what Association you belong to—and I speak on my own behalf and on that of my brother Bishops—that we recognise your work in the very spirit I have already spoken. I am not quite sure that I quite believe in special sermons to special classes, but I wish to say a word about the trials, temptations and persecutions of the life which we are living to-day. It was useless to underrate the trials

with which we were daily in contact. He said that he was thinking of when only a week ago he was speaking at St. Pancras, and how afterwards he heard that eight people had been burnt to death in that neighbourhood; perhaps some had even been listening to him. Again, he had occasion only the previous Saturday to go to one of our district churches to lay a foundation-stone of a chancel, when he saw a lad going out on a bicycle for Saturday, and the bicycle skidding on the slippery road the lad was crushed under an enormous waggon. Of course, he said, these are only illustrations to show us that we are always face to face with death. The Bishop also spoke of the fiery furnace of trials and temptations which beset us all in our and among our associates. He also said that we were placed in this fiery furnace by a wise hand and for a wise purpose. He said that his listeners ought to know better than anyone else, that it is necessary for the metal to first endure the fire in order that the bell might be turned out without a flaw; and so with our lives, we were passed through the fiery furnace of temptation, in order that we might ring out a true bell. Time after time in life, the Bishop said, we had to choose between entering the fiery furnace and worshipping the golden image. Take Jesus Christ with you into your belfries, take him with you into the steeples and towers where you ring, and we shall never hear of anything being done or said in that belfry which would be a disgrace to the Church of God. Take him into your personal lives, unite yourselves with him before the trial comes, then whatever the trial be, I shall have no fear but that will come through the fire like those three men; the smell of the fire did not pass on them, their hair was not singed, nor their coats changed.

### THE MEETING AT THE PARISH HOUSE.

After the service a reception was held in St. Clement Danes parish room, Clare Market, at which members and friends, numbering about 200, attended. There were present, besides the Bishop, the Archdeacon of Middlesex, the Rev. J. H. S. Pennington, Rector of St. Clement Danes, the Master and Secretary of the College Youths, the Master of the Cumberlands, and the churchwardens of St. Clement Danes. The Bishop, on entering the room, was loudly cheered.

Mr. W. D. Smith, Master of the College Youths, proposed "That the members of the London County Association hereby express their loyalty to the person and office of the Lord Bishop of London, and tender him their best thanks for his visit and sermon to-day."

Mr. T. H. Taffender, Secretary of the London County Association, seconded the above proposal.

Then followed a course of Grandsire Caters on the handbells.

The Bishop, in replying, said that his audience need not be afraid of another sermon. There were some people very keen about "one man one vote," and he was equally keen about one evening one sermon; but he did want to say that part of his purpose in coming to speak there was to let his hearers know that they had a real friend in their Bishop. If one traced his career they would find that he had always chosen places where there were good bells. He thought nothing expressed joy or sorrow more than bells. He remembered when he was junior Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral how he got permission for the bells to be

rung on the relief of Ladysmith, and he walked round the tower thinking how they expressed the feelings of the nation, much more than the Mafeking horseplay. He had come there and met with such a hearty welcome, and had received such a hearty vote of thanks, that he could only say to his hearers "May the music of your lives be as beautiful as that of your bells."

Mr. R. A. Daniell, Master of the Cumberlands, in proposing the second resolution—"That the members of the Association tender their warmest thanks to the Rector and churchwardens of St. Clement Danes, and all others who had so kindly assisted the Master in promoting that day's service," said that he wished to thank the Rector of St. Clement Danes for his kindness in letting the ringers use his tower so often, and wished to point out that the Rector recognised anything that the ringers did in return for his kindness. He was sure that the ringers were all very grateful to the Rector for letting them have the tower as much as possible, and especially for letting them have his church for the service which they had all enjoyed. He wished also to thank the churchwardens for all they had done, and for the great courtesy they had shown. He also thought they ought not to let the occasion pass without thanking the steeplekeeper for the courtesy which always distinguished his actions. He must also couple with the above the name of the Archdeacon of Middlesex, and wished to thank him for being present.

Mr. W. T. Cockerill, Secretary of the College Youths, in a few suitable words seconded.

The Archdeacon said that the only idea that he had in his head was that beautiful poem, he did not know whether it was from Browning, or whom—

Oranges and lemons,  
Says the bells of St. Clement's.

He was very pleased to come down to this meeting to help bring about a reconciliation, which appeared to him (looking at the bright faces in the room) to have been brought about, between the various sections of bellringers. He supposed they were now one happy family, with the Bishop as father and himself, should he suggest, as step-mother, or perhaps it would be better to say elder brother.

The Rector (Rev. J. J. Septimus Pennington) said that he was only too pleased that the ringers had chosen the old church of St. Clement Danes to hold this service in. He thought that the church was the oldest in London; it certainly was the oldest in the Metropolis. He thought it was a charming thing that his hearers had come to this reconciliation, but they could scarcely imagine the number of insults, and he might say unkindness, because he had not prevented these glorious bells from being rung. He had always tried to please as many people as possible, but he really did not see why, during certain hours of the evening, the bells should not be rung. It was an extraordinary coincidence that this service was being held on the very day of the nuptials of Mr. Astor's daughter, and he was a gentleman who very strongly objected to the bells being rung. He (the Rector) wondered if Mr. Astor took it that the bells were being rung in celebration of that event. The Bishop, he said, had just come away from officiating at this wedding, which showed what a broad-minded man we had in our Bishop. The above was only a single instance of the opposition he met with in the ringing. He had even had people offer him small sums of money if he would stop the bells. He thought that the ringers were quite right in coming to ring these bells,

because he thought there was no better peal in London. They are the same as those that used to ring in Falstaff's time. In conclusion he hoped that when his listeners no longer heard earthly bells, they would hear those beautiful bells of heaven.

After the Bishop had inspected the various properties of the Societies present, the meeting was declared closed.

### THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The social and ringing meeting was held on Saturday, October 22nd, at the Institute, Exeter. Tea was provided at 5 o'clock, at which 100 members were present, including the Rev. Maitland Kelly (President); Revs. F. Molineux (Hon. Secretary); J. E. Gardiner and E. S. Powell; Messrs. S. G. B. Wollaston, J. D. Manley, J. T. Williams, A. W. Brighton, E. Shepherd and representatives from St. Sidwell's, St. Thomas (Exeter), Heavitree, Tiverton, Clyst St. George, Thorverton, Ottery, Upton, Lympstone, East Teignmouth and Withycombe Raleigh. On the proposition of the President the members resolved to make a grant of £2 from the Guild funds towards the rehanging of Cruwys Morchard bells as a memorial to the late G. J. Cruwys, Esq., who had been a member of the Guild for thirty years, and represented the honorary members on the Committee. He personally took a great interest in ringing, and used to take his place with the local company in the ringing on Sundays.

The Secretary introduced to the notice of the members the articles published in *The Guardian* on "Bells and Bell-ringing," now issued in the form of a pamphlet, and advocated the wide distribution of copies, as showing the advantages of change-ringing as well as diffusing information in respect of the bellringers' art. A large number of copies were ordered. Mention was also made of the Rev. F. E. Robinson's book on Bells. Several new members were elected. Touches of Grandsire Caters were well struck on the Cathedral bells both before and after the meeting by mixed bands. Unfortunately the bells at St. Sidwell's and St. David's were silent owing to illness near the churches, but the bells of the other city churches were in constant requisition.

A vote of thanks to Miss Woolcombe for kindly catering for the tea, and also to the Dean and Chapter and the Vicars of the respective churches for the use of their bells, brought a successful meeting to a close.

NUTTALL (Notts).—On Wednesday, September 28th, for evening service, 480 Chace Doubles. W. Beardsmore, A. Harrison, E. Wilcox, F. Beardsmore, G. Clark conductor. On Sunday, October 2nd, for morning service, 360 Grandsire. W. Beardsmore, G. Clark, A. Harrison conductor, F. Beardsmore, E. Wilcox.

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## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The Two Hundred and Sixty-Seventh Anniversary Dinner of this society took place at the Bridge House Hotel, Southwark, on the 5th inst. The Master, Mr. W. D. Smith, presided over a large company, among whom were the Archdeacon of London, Miss Rosa Macalpine-Leny, Major-Gen. Mackinnon, the Rector of St. Clement Danes, the Rector of Whitechapel, the Vicar of Barking, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, R. A. Daniell, esq., Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun. (Loughborough) and Messrs. M. A. Wood, J. Pettit, E. A. Davies, A. Hughes, E. P. O'Meara, C. F. Winney, W. T. Cockerill, F. E. Dawe (vice-chairman), etc.

The Master, having read several telegrams containing regrets at inability to attend,

The vice-Chairman proposed "The Church, King, and Royal Family." They were glad to have among them the Archdeacon of London. As ringers they were delighted also to see so many of the clergy present, but there was one absence he regretted. Wherever one went they were sure to hear of Bow bells. The very name itself appealed to every one. If the Rector of that church in which hung Bow bells had been present he should not have hesitated to have told him that if some one would come forward and make an appeal for funds to restore the celebrated Bow bells, that the inhabitants of London would come forward with their copper, silver, and gold, sufficient to raise the necessary amount for putting this ring of bells into proper order, and thus, to the delight of all, Bow bells would once again be heard. With regard to the latter part of the toast, in King Edward VII. we had the right man in the right place, who would do the right thing at the right time. In Queen Alexandra they had one who had done so much for suffering humanity, that she was admired throughout the world.

The Archdeacon in replying said that he was pleased to be once more with the members of so ancient a society, which had for 267 years done such excellent service for the National Church. He could not help thinking but that such honest and true-hearted churchmen exercised a deal of good in the country. He was pleased to hear the cheering words which the Bishop of London spoke to them as ringers the other week at the church of St. Clement Danes. The Bishop had two eyes—one the Archdeacon of Middlesex, and one the Archdeacon of London. He had no doubt but that the good Bishop, having turned his eyes in one direction would be pleased to turn them in another, and so learn more of the high character and efficiency of the College Youths.

The Chairman, in proposing "The Ancient Society of College Youths," said that the society having existed ever since 1637 was sufficient to show it was no new society. They were still proud to have with them such men as Matthew Wood, from whom some of them would remember the cry "Why don't you strike her!" There was also Mr. Pettit, who had taken part in some marvellous performances, thereby setting an example to the younger members. In Mr. Winney they had one who had rung a large number of peals which helped to keep up the good name of the society. The society had taken root in some of the colonies, and might be regarded as a universal society. It not only embraced ringers, but there were in its ranks bellfounders, as in the case of the old firm dating from 1570; they had also Mr. J. W. Taylor, whom they were pleased to include in their membership. Among the younger section were members such as Pasmore, Golding, and Langdon, all going on in the right way, admired by all, and who were undoubtedly doing much to keep up the high standard of the society. The society had during the year broken away from its conservative role, and gone out into some of the districts where there were members. Such visits as that paid to Kingston and Barking did much good, and he hoped more visits of the kind would be made. Those who knew Mr. E. Gibbs would be pleased to hear that after his long illness he was able to take part in a touch the previous Sunday.

Mr. E. A. Davies, whose name was coupled with the toast, said the College Youths were worthy of the support of the clergy, churchwardens, and other church authorities. As ringers, their love for their king and country stood foremost. The society welcomed all ringers into its ranks, provincial or otherwise. Mr. Cockerill, their energetic secretary, had recently told him it would be somewhat difficult to tell how many members there were in the society. Since the last anniversary 37 new members had joined; thus it would be seen that the

society was still adding to its ranks. It would be interesting to them to know that during the year 63 peals had been rung, as follows: Grandsire Triples 5, Caters 1; Stedman Triples (one on handbells) 11, Caters 1, Cinques (three on handbells) 4; Bob Maximus (rung on handbells at Cambridge University) 1; Treble Bob Major 1, Royal 3, Maximus 1; Double Norwich Major 4, Royal 1; Superlative Surprise 7; Cambridge Surprise 5; London Surprise 18. Among these there were some notable performances, such as the three peals of Stedman Cinques in hand, conducted by Mr. H. R. Pasmore, also the peal of Bob Maximus at Cambridge. To these could be added the peal of Treble Bob Maximus at St. Paul's with Mr. H. Newton on the tenor, and the peal of Superlative rang on the back eight of St. Saviour's, in which the tenor was also rung by Mr. Newton; while the eighteen peals of London Surprise made up one of the best records known. He desired on behalf of the society to thank the many church authorities for the use of the bells where these many performances had taken place, and it was to be hoped that such authorities would use their influence in securing the use of other towers in which there might be one or two practices weekly. He remembered that upon a former occasion when he had the pleasure of responding to this toast he made some remarks about a gathering of ringers in London. Mr. "Plain Speaker," who referred to the matter, thought he (Mr. Davies) was suggesting some kind of Jubilee gathering. But that was not his idea. The proceedings of the previous week at St. Clement Danes was more on the lines of his suggestion. He trusted that now the Bishop had taken the matter in hand, they might look to something on similar lines in the future; if so, he believed ringers had a brilliant time in store.

The vice-Chairman proposed "The Army, Navy, and Auxiliary Forces," and Major-General Mackinnon replied.

Mr. Hughes proposed "The London and Provincial Ringing Societies," which was humorously replied to by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, and also acknowledged by Mr. R. A. Daniell, whose names were coupled with the toast.

The Chairman proposed "The Visitors," which was replied to by the Rev. A. J. Ponter.

Mr. E. P. O'Meara proposed "The Officers of the Society," and Mr. W. T. Cockerill replied.

During the evening a well-struck touch of Stedman Caters was rung on the handbells by Messrs. Winney, 1-2; H. P. Harman, 3-4; H. R. Pasmore, 5-6; H. Langdon, 7-8; W. S. Wise, 9-10. The whole of the proceedings were of a most pleasant nature; the gathering one of the most successful it has been our pleasure to attend since the first occasion we had the privilege of meeting members of the Society when the anniversary was held at Barking in the year 1874.

## THE GAINSBOROUGH SOCIETY.

The members of the above Society were, through the kindness of Miss Becket, of Somerby Hall, and the Rev. J. F. Flowers and Mr. Ellis Smithson, Vicar and churchwarden of Corringham respectively, enabled to spend a most enjoyable afternoon on Saturday, September 24th. Starting from Gainsborough in a pair-horse brake at 2.15 a drive of about thirty minutes' duration brought the party to Corringham. The bells were raised and touches of Doubles, Bob Minor and Kent Treble Bob Minor were rung. Also 720 of Bob Minor in which Mr. Smithson rang the treble, being his first 720. A visit to the reading room, where various games were indulged in, and a stroll round Mr. Smithson's garden amid fruit trees and flowers occupied the time till 5 o'clock. Tea, which was generously provided by Miss Becket at the house of Mrs. Smithson, which adjoins the churchyard, was announced, and the sixteen persons who sat down, and whose wants were thoroughly supplied by the attentions of Mrs. and Miss Smithson and Mrs. Bixby, did ample justice to the good fare provided. Mr. F. F. Linley, the genial and popular treasurer of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, now joined the party. After the cloth had been removed Mr. Bixby expressed regret at the unavoidable absence of the Vicar of Corringham, who had been obliged to attend to some important duties in a village twenty miles distant, but who hoped to reach Corringham later and join them; and of the Ven. Archdeacon of Gainsborough, who was unable to attend. Pipes were

lit, and touches of Bob Major were rung on the handbells by Messrs. Bixby, Butler, Wheeler and Wilson.

Mr. F. F. Linley, in warm terms, asked Mr. Smithson to convey to Miss Becket the hearty thanks of all who had enjoyed her hospitality. He also thanked Mr. Smithson for placing his house at their disposal; Mrs. Smithson for providing such excellent fare, and the ladies for the great pains they had taken to make everyone happy and comfortable.

Mr. Smithson, in responding, said that nothing gave him so much pleasure as welcoming ringers to his parish church and his home. The more often ringers visited his parish the greater pleased he was, and hoped that the Gainsborough ringers would never allow their annual visit to drop.

Mr. Flowers now appeared on the scene, dusty, tired and hungry, after a cycle ride of twenty miles. After refreshing the inner man he, accompanied by five others, paid a visit to the tower and rang a 720 of Bob Minor. Good byes were now said, and after a most enjoyable day Gainsborough was reached about 9 p.m.

The party take this opportunity of offering to Mr. Flowers, who is about to leave Corringham, having accepted the living of Cherry Willingham, near Lincoln, their hearty thanks for his great kindness in placing the bells at their disposal, and their warmest wishes for his future welfare in his new sphere of labour to which he will shortly go, although they greatly regret the loss sustained by the removal of one who has always been a ringer's friend, and who has done much to forward the Art in his own parish.

It may here well be mentioned that Mr. Flowers, who is the Hon. Secretary of the Lincoln Guild, takes a great interest in his ringers and bells. He takes part in the ringing for Divine Service every Sunday; he attends the ringing practice every Thursday evening, and also holds a practice for handbell ringing for lads every week when possible. Ringers visiting his church on Sundays or practice nights receive a very warm welcome from him; and last, but not least, he very often mounts a ladder or two ladders (not stairs),—for the bells are rung from the ground floor—and oils the bearings of the bells. What an example for Incumbents!

### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—The date of ringing for the local band was the last (not first) Wednesday in the month at 7 p.m., as announced by Mr. Shepherd in "THE BELL NEWS." Three times out of five that I have stayed at Exeter to hear them I have been disappointed. The last time, in May, the feeble excuse for not ringing was made that the Birmingham band had rung a few days before! and although "7 sharp" is announced, they are seldom (in my experience) raised before 7.30. The chiming apparatus (for daily service) is in bad order. I was told there are no funds. According to "Crockford" the Dean and Canon's income is £6000 with residence. The Birmingham band, on Whit-Monday, rang over 2500 Treble Bob Royal, in 2 hrs. 13 mins., a feat, I think, as so experienced a ringer as Mr. Lindoff told me he considered Treble Bob impossible. One man rang the tenor (72½ cwt.) for 2 hrs.

AN OLD RINGER.

#### OLD BOOKS ON CHANGE-RINGING.

SIR,—Would it not be interesting to your readers if Mr. Daniell or some one else interested in the matter would compile and publish in your pages as complete a list as possible of the 17th and 18th century works on change-ringing? giving their title, a short summary of their contents, and the date of publication of different editions, etc. Also a similar account of any old ringers' ms. note books of the same period. Some systematic enquiry in this direction may result in bringing to light much valuable information, e.g. the original authors of various methods, etc., etc. It is possible the Central Council may think it worth while to take the matter up. Also some early publication may be discovered which you may think it

worth while to reprint, as you have already done in the case of Stedman's Tintinnalogia, Monk's book, which appears to have been an enlargement of Stedman's, and to have run through several editions, the Clavis, of which there were more editions than one, and Shipway's work. I was much interested in learning from Mr. H. J. Tucker's letter in your last issue that he possesses two old works on ringing, one dated 1753, and one earlier, and should like to hear further particulars of them. I presume old editions of the Clavis are not so very uncommon. I possess one dated 1788, and another printed subsequently, but without date, at Ipswich; also the 1816 edition of Shipway's work, and shall be glad to purchase any other old books upon the subject that any of your readers may have for sale.

Henley Vicarage.

WM. C. PEARSON.

#### INFORMATION WANTED re ELTHAM BELLS.

SIR,—If any one can give me any information about the above bells I shall feel very much obliged, for I cannot find that there ever were more than six bells at Eltham, Kent, but according to the following from James Barham's peal book, a peal of Treble Bob was rung at the above place, viz.: "Tuesday, 9th June, 1772, was rung at Eltham 5088 complete changes of Oxford Treble Bob, in 3 hrs. and 16 mins. The peal was never rung before. William Tilly, *Treble*; Richard Masters, 2; William Cook, 3; John Freeland, 4; William Davis, 5; Thomas Austin, 6; James Barham, 7; Thomas Lacy, *Tenor*." The treble ringer is given as "Tilly" in this and former peals, but after 1785 it is "Tilby," which appears to be correct, according to tablets in Leeds and Harrietsham belfries. Now, Sir, I am very much inclined to think Eltham is misunderstood for Elham, near Canterbury, where there has been a ring of eight bells ever since 1763, and no doubt this is the very place where the above peal was rung, being almost the same name, only the "t" left out. If this will prove of any interest to the Exercise I shall be much obliged.

Headcorn, Kent.

PHILIP HODGKIN.

#### ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD.

SIR,—With your kind permission I wish, through "THE BELL NEWS," to offer my grateful and sincere thanks to the large number (nearly forty), of my brother-ringers who so kindly attended and assisted at the opening of the bells of the above church on Saturday last, and also helped me in the ringing for the services on Sunday. The whole proceedings passed off without a hitch; old friendships were renewed and cemented, and new ones instituted, whilst the ringing was, under certain circumstances, of a most creditable character. I heartily thank all who took part.

FREDERICK W. THORNTON.

### Obituary.

#### JAMES EASTON.

We regret to record the death, on October 29th, of James Easton, at the age of 68, for nearly fifty years one of the St. Martin's parish church, Epsom, band of ringers. Deceased was also a member of the Surrey Association, and included in the number of peals he took part in during his long connection with change-ringing, are eighteen, rung entirely by members of this Association. The interment took place at Epsom Cemetery, when several brother-ringers were present in token of the esteem and respect in which they held their old comrade, and as shewing their sympathy with his widow and family, who mourn his loss. At the parish church the usual whole pull and stand was rung after the funeral, but an attempt to ring a peal of Grandsire Triples, with the bells half-muffled, unfortunately came to grief after ringing 2 hrs. 47 mins., owing to the conductor missing a call.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1904.

THE remarks uttered by the vice-chairman at the College Youths' Anniversary on the 5th instant, relative to the bells of the church of St. Mary-le-Bow, London, will be read with surprise by some people. It is not long ago we heard that something very near £200 had been expended upon them, for the purpose of putting them in ringing order. Now it is affirmed that they cannot be rung!

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see this effected when they have been furnished with some data to work upon, so that any failure will be impossible in the future. To this end necessary expert counsel in such an important matter will be at their command. We hope to be able in a short time to say that the necessary restoration has commenced under modern conditions, by those whose experience enables them to guarantee efficiency.

Accompanying our issue in an early week in December will be a well-executed illustration of Warnham church, in Sussex, drawn specially for us by Mr. Fussell, of Slough, having an application to the recent successful tour in that county, during which the company scored nine peals, which will be found recorded in the usual place. We shall give further notice of this.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, CLERKENWELL,

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Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\*First peal. Rung to celebrate the return of the Vicar, the Rev. C. J. Parker, to active work after a prolonged period of illness. The above is the first peal on the bells since the recasting of the 3rd.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, HAMMERSMITH,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM PICKWORTH .. Treble.	SIDNEY WADE .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 6.
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#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LAMBETH,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 5.
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On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BOW,

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SAMUEL HAYES .. .. Treble.	SAMUEL E. JOYCE .. .. 5.
YORK GREEN .. .. 2.	HENRY SPRINGALL .. .. 6.
EDWARD J. WEBB .. .. 3.	EMANUEL HALL .. .. 7.
WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. 4.	HENRY TORBLE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by THOMAS DAY, and Conducted by HENRY SPRINGALL.

#### SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES. Tenor 23 cwt.

ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 6.
FRANK SMITH .. .. 2.	RICHARD BEVAN .. .. 7.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM BERRY .. .. 8.
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THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 5.	GEORGE CHESTERMAN .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Berry.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS, (CHISWICK PARISH CHURCH GUILD.)

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, CHISWICK,

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VERE HUNTER* .. .. Treble.	HENRY W. WILKES .. .. 5.
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HAROLD S. BURTON .. .. 3.	GEORGE J. WHITE .. .. 7.
CHAS. E. ST. G. CAULFIELD* 4.	THOMAS TINKLER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY W. WILKES.

\*First peal.

### The Provinces.

#### BROMHAM, BEDS.

#### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

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Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 22 cwt.

ARTHUR MORTIMER .. .. Treble.	ERNEST J. GALE .. .. 4.
WILLIAM STAPLETON .. 2.	JOHN W. BARKER .. .. 5.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 3.	DENNIS CARRIER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by DENNIS CARRIER.

First peal as conductor.

#### COPDOCK, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being a 720 of Double Bob, two of Double Court, and four of Bob Minor, called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

FRED LONG .. .. Treble.	JESSE ARBON .. .. 4.
ARTHUR A. GIRLING .. 2.	CHARLES CATCHPOLE .. 5.
EDGAR RIVERS .. .. 3.	ALFRED G. RIVERS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by EDGAR RIVERS.



## STREET, SOMERSETSHIRE.

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On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 23 cwt.

MAURICE STAGG* .. .. Treble.	CRISPIN J. WEBB .. .. 5.
HARRY PARISH .. .. 2.	JOHN H. TRIMM .. .. 6.
JOSEPH A. BARNES .. .. 3.	ARTHUR W. WEBB .. .. 7.
FREDK. MARSH, JUN. .. 4.	SAMUEL HAWKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR W. WEBB.

\*First peal.

## SKIRBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE EAST LINCOLNSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 6-scores of Sunshine and Canterbury, three of Hudi-bras, Dream, Lincolnshire Singles, St. Dunstan, Grandsire and Earl Soham Delight, and five of Plain Bob, Old Doubles, Primrose and April Day. Tenor 18 cwt.

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ARTHUR H. PALMER .. 3.	JAMES KIRK .. .. }

Conducted by H. PALMER.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Kirk.

## ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

GEORGE MARRINER* .. Treble.	ARTHUR C. OTWAY .. .. 5.
JOHN HOYLE .. .. 2.	EDWARD HULL .. .. 6.
JOHN HARDING† .. 3.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 7.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. 4.	WILLIAM CROPLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

## APPLETON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

W. HOLIFIELD* .. .. Treble.	F. BARRETT .. .. 6.
HON. A. ERSKINE* .. 2.	N. SPINDLOW .. .. 7.
A. FAWDREY* .. .. 3.	G. HOLIFIELD .. .. 8.
A. CLAYTON .. .. 4.	R. WHITE .. .. 9.
H. HOLIFIELD .. .. 5.	F. WHITE, JUN. .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD.

\*First peal of Grandsire Caters.

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On Tuesday, November 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores of Grandsire and Plain Bob.

ARTHUR POWELL .. .. Treble.	*EPHRAIM MARKS .. .. 4.
HARRY SEAR .. .. 2.	FRANCIS HEDGES .. .. 5.
THOMAS HENRY .. .. 3.	*HENRY THURLOW .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. HEDGES.

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GEORGE PLUMMER† .. Treble.	WILLIAM CAVILL .. .. 5.
CHARLES MATTHEWS .. 2.	HENRY G. ROWE .. .. 6.
JESSE PUPLETT .. .. 3.	GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 7.
ARTHUR CAINS* .. .. 4.	†CHARLES RAINBIRD .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE HENRY ROWE.

†First peal. †First peal away from the tenor. \*First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Matthews and Rainbird.

## GUILDFORD, SURREY.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 8, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

ERNEST MARSH* .. Treble.	FRANCIS T. HOAD .. .. 5.
SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 2.	RALPH WOOD .. .. 6.
HENRY GARFATH, JUN.† 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 7.
JAMES CAPP† .. .. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING .. Tenor.

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## REIGATE, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 CHANGES.

GEORGE THOMPSON† .. Treble.	WILLIAM ARGENT .. .. 6.
HENRY EWINS .. .. 2.	JOSEPH RICHARDSON .. 7.
GEORGE CROUCHER .. 3.	THOMAS SPARKES .. .. 8.
HENRY RICHARDSON .. 4.	HENRY REEVES .. .. 9.
JOHN ANSELL .. .. 5.	HENRY A. HOAD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HAROLD N. DAVIS, and Conducted by GEO. THOMPSON.

Rung in honour of King Edward's 63rd birthday. †First peal as conductor.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

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On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL 5040 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 24½ cwt.

WILLIAM J. THYNG .. Treble.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 6.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. 2.	BRAILSFORD C. HANDBY .. 7.
WILLIAM LAMBEET .. 3.	*GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 8.
THOMAS BETTISON .. 4.	GEORGE W. BEMROSE .. 9.
GEORGE HOLLIS .. 5.	†BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS.

\*First peal on ten bells. †First peal as conductor. Rung in honour of His Majesty's birthday.

## IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Three Hours Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-TOWER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5008 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

WILLIAM MOTTS .. Treble.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. 6.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON* 2.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. 7.
EDWARD SHERWOOD .. 3.	WILLIAM WOOD .. .. 8.
HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 9.
WILLIAM TILLET .. 5.	ALBERT E. DURRANT .. Tenor.

Composed by W. T. ELSON, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters and first attempt. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

The following nine peals were rung during a week's tour in the county of Sussex—November 5th to November 12th, 1904.

## CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
JOHN RICE .. .. 2.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. .. 7.
ALFRED D. MILLS .. .. 4.	KEITH HART .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

## CUCKFIELD, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 8, 1904, in Three Hours,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt. in E.

FREDK. W. RICE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	KEITH HART .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

## BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt. in E.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE SMART .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. FULLER .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. 7.
ARTHUR B. BENNETT* .. 4.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

First peal in the method on the bells. \*First peal in the method. This is the conductor's 250th peal. Rung in honour of His Majesty's birthday.

## HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 lbs. in G.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. FULLER .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

## STEYNING, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES TYLER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 7.
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On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

HUBERT EDEN .. .. Treble.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.
GEORGE F. ATTREE .. .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. FULLER .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

## HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt. in E.

EDWARD LINDUP .. .. Treble.	GEORGE A. KING .. .. 5.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 2.	KEITH HART .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY (OLD TOWN),

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.

GEORGE H. HOWSE .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 6.
ARTHUR A. FULLER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 4.	KEITH HART .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN THORP, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells. This is the 100th tower in which G. N. Price has scored a peal.

## BRIGHTON.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.  
Tenor 16½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. Treble.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 6.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	*ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 7.
GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. 8.
GEORGE A. KING .. .. 4.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 9.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 5.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters.

The following five peals are the result of a week's tour in Lincolnshire:—

## FULNEY.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 7, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qrs.

RUPERT RICHARDSON .. Treble.	*ARTHUR J. HOLMES .. .. 5.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON* .. 2.	GEORGE LADD .. .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE* .. 4.	G. WILLIAM SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells.

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On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN W. WOOD .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. 5.
JOHN T. HOLMES .. .. 2.	THOMAS B. WOOD .. .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
RUPERT RICHARDSON .. 4.	JOHN P. PALEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## HECKINGTON.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

THOMAS B. WOOD .. .. Treble.	*WILLIAM DICKENSON .. 5.
JOHN H. CLARKE* .. .. 2.	*JOHN R. GREEN .. .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. 4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman.

## EWERBY.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, November 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN T. HOLMES .. .. Treble.	THOMAS B. WOOD .. .. 5.
GEORGE LADD .. .. 2.	WILLIAM DICKENSON .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
RUPERT RICHARDSON .. 4.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

## SPALDING.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

RUPERT RICHARDSON .. Treble.	*ROBERT MARSHALL .. 5.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. 2.	ARTHUR J. HOLMES .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN T. BROWN* .. 4.	ARTHUR J. FARR .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

## Miscellaneous.

## BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRIDGWATER.—For Divine Service on Sunday morning, October 9th, at St. Mary's, church, 560 Grandsire Triples was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Richard Palmer, who had been for many years a ringer at this church, and was interred on Saturday, October 8th. C. Evans, A. E. Coles conductor, H. Kendal, F. G. Coles, Rev. W. M. K. Warren, H. Boobier, A. O. Major, G. Adams.

MELLS.—On Saturday, October 8th, at the parish church, 518 Grandsire Triples. H. Carver, W. J. Prescott conductor, J. Davies, H. C. Mounter, J. Hambleton, W. Bishop, J. Holman, J. Fellows, E. Baker.

BATHFORD.—On September 28th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, each 6-score called differently, in 40 mins. F. Neate, H. Pitman, F. Cannings, J. Taylor conductor, P. Pitman, T. Smith.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

RYDE (Isle of Wight).—On Tuesday, August 20th, for practice at

All Saints church, 546 Oxford Bob Triples. H. Fairall, J. Norris, H. Coombes, C. Stephenson, E. Hatcher, P. Long, H. Jennings conductor, W. Kemp. On Sunday, September 4th, 377 Grandsire Triples. C. Stainer, C. Stephenson, H. Coombes, J. Norris, E. Hatcher, P. Long, H. Jennings conductor, O. Coombes. Also 559 Grandsire Triples, standing as before.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BEARSTED.—On Tuesday, July 5th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. F. Bills, W. Cheeseman conductor, G. Poster, G. Burbridge, G. Draikes, J. Shorter. On Sunday, August 14th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor. G. Wratten, W. Cheeseman, G. Foster, E. Pollard, G. Burbridge, J. Shorter conductor. On Sunday, September 18th, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor. F. Pound, G. Burbridge, G. Foster, E. Pollard, C. Smith, J. Shorter conductor.

LINTON (Kent).—On August 13th, 720 Plain Bob. G. Hadaway, J. Shorter, G. Pound, G. Burbridge, G. Draikes, H. Sone conductor.

LEEDS.—On October 9th, for the Harvest Festival, 720 Bob Minor, in 28 mins., with 7-8 covering. G. Burbridge, G. Pound, J. Shorter, F. Sharp, E. Newman, H. Sone conductor, G. Hadaway, A. Page. Also another 720, in 27 mins., 7-8 covering. H. Sone conductor, E. Newman, G. Pound, F. Sharp, J. Shorter, G. Hadaway, T. Russell, A. Page.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

NORTHAMPTON.—On Wednesday, September 14th, for the Harvest Festival at St. Giles's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 54 mins. J. Freeman, H. Lawrence, W. Allen, S. J. Lawrence, F. Wilford, J. Mackey, J. Metherall, H. Howard, W. Rogers, E. James. On Tuesday, October 4th, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. W. Bradshaw and Miss A. Miller, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, in 52 mins. J. Freeman, H. Lawrence, W. Roberts, W. Rogers, J. Mackey, H. Key, F. Hopper, H. Howard, F. Wilford, E. James.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FAR HEADINGLEY.—On Thursday, October 13th, at St. Chad's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. L. Stokoe, F. Barraclough, D. Swift, J. Bennett, G. Barraclough, J. Walker, W. Child conductor, J. Moxon.

## THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

KENSINGTON.—On Tuesday, September 27th, an attempt for a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Caters unfortunately came to grief in the last course. This is much to be regretted, as it is seldom permission can be obtained for a peal on these bells. On September 29th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 1260 Stedman Caters. G. Brush, W. E. Garrard, E. G. Stibbons, A. V. Selby, H. Powell, A. E. Bradley, J. T. Kentish, H. G. Miles conductor, A. F. Harris, C. H. Phipps.

BRETON (Notts).—On Sunday, October 9th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. J. Paling, R. Bragg, S. Bragg, W. Clifford, sen., F. S. Price, W. Clifford, jun., R. Clifford conductor, E. J. Boot.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Monday evening, October 10th, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. W. Peabody, R. Gee, A. Barnham, J. H. Hickman, R. M. Blackwall, J. Woolley conductor, T. Horton, A. J. Hobbs.

MISTLEY (Essex).—On Sunday, October 9th, at St. Mary's church, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. F. Rush, W. Bridges, J. Tuppins, J. Sowter, W. Honeywood, T. Steward conductor. And 720 Bob Minor, in 26 mins. J. Tuppins, T. Steward, F. Chaplin, J. Souter, W. Honeywood conductor, W. Bridges.

WOODFORD.—On October 11th, at St. Mary's church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. H. Gowers, E. A. Bacon conductor, J. Rann, G. Carter, W. Clark, J. Mardell. Rung as a farewell compliment to J. Mardell.

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## Notices.

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**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Holy Trinity, Stretford Road, Manchester, to-day, Saturday, November 19th. Bells ready at 5.30; meeting at 7.0. A good attendance requested. J. SMITH, Branch Sec.

**The Essex Association.**—North-Eastern District.—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Colchester to-day, Saturday, November 19th. The bells of St. Peter's will be available for ringing during the day. Tea will be held at 5 o'clock in the Co-operative Assembly Room, Lion Walk. ERNEST W. BECKWITH, Hon. Dist. Sec.

Coggeshall.

**The Romney Marsh and District Guild.**—A meeting of the above Guild will be held at Rye to-day, Saturday, Nov. 19th. Ringing to commence at 3.0, service at 5, and tea at 5.30. All ringers heartily welcomed.

C. TRIBE, Hon. Sec.

British School Villas, Tenterden.

**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, November 22nd, and at St. Magnus on Thursday, December 1st, both at 8 o'clock.

W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held on Saturday, 26th November, at Christ Church, Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. E. J. Beardall. The bells will be raised about 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, on the usual terms, at The Cherry Tree hotel. The hon. secretary requests the attendance of all who can conveniently come, and to be notified of their intention. ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.

18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

**The Herts Association.**—A district meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, November 26th. Bells available from 4.30. Free tea to all who inform me they are coming.

H. EDEN, Hon. Sec. Western Div.

Chalk Hill House, Watford.

**The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, November 26th, at St. Chad's, Far Headingley. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Peel will be attempted at 2.30. A good meeting earnestly requested. F. R. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.

29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

**The East Derbyshire Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Clay Cross on Saturday, November 26th. Tea in church schools at 5.30. Meeting afterwards.

T. ALLIBONE, Sec.

North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.**—A meeting of the above for united practice and social intercourse will be held at the church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E., on Saturday, November 26th. Tower will be open from 4 to 8 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible.

T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.

91, Darwin Street, Southwark.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at

St. Mary's church, Bury on Saturday, November 26th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.

W. ASHWORTH, Branch Sec.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, at Christ Church, Ealing, by kind permission of the Rev. W. Templeton King. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting. Members intending to be present kindly give notice by Wednesday previous. J. J. PRATT, Dist. Hon. Sec.

Hillingdon.

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## Compositions.

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5120.

23456	4	5	6
42635	-	-	-
52436	-	-	-
62534	-	-	-
26435	-	-	-
24635	-	-	-
42536	-	-	-
62435	-	-	-
52634	-	-	-
25436	-	-	-
24536	-	-	-
26543	-	-	-
25643	-	-	-

Three times repeated.

This peal contains the 2nd twenty-four courses in 3rd and twenty-four courses at home, and is the first peal published on the plan in forty-eight courses only. Rung at St. John the Baptist, Erith, Kent, October 18th, 1903, conducted by its composer.

**FALSE TOUCH.**—The Date Touch of Bob Major by G. E. Symonds is false in the eighth course. Had it not been it would have run 2128 changes. I here send a date touch of Bob Major composed by myself:—

### DATE TOUCH OF BOB MAJOR.

By W. G. ELLIS, Birmingham

1904.

23456	W	M	H
64235	-	-	-
26435	-	-	-
42635	-	-	-
63425	-	-	-
46325	-	-	-
34625	-	-	-
62345	-	-	-
36245	-	-	-
23645	-	-	-
56234	-	-	-
25634	-	-	-
62534	-	-	-
53264	s	-	-
25364	-	-	-
43256	-	-	-
24356	-	-	-
23456	-	-	-

### A DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

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1904.

1234567

752634	1
237546	3
462753	2
534276	2
625734	1
536247	3
*235764	5

\*This is the 193rd lead of Holt's Original, from here the calling must be as it is in Holt's Original, until the plain course comes up, when it must be allowed to run out.

### ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

On Wednesday, November 2nd, the bells of the parish church were rung deeply muffled to the memory of the late Miss Mary P. Ryland, daughter of Thos. Ryland, Esq., J.P., donor of the bells, this being the first anniversary of her death. In order to take part in the ringing the full number of members assembled. After ringing the "whole pull and stand" recording the age of the deceased lady, 49 years, several 120s of Grandsire Doubles with 7-6-8 covering were rung very creditably, much to the satisfaction of the band. The following members took part in the "whole pull and stand"—Messrs. Thos. Russam, L. Stobart, W. P. Stobart, S. Jones, W. Hartwell, Geo. Jones, Chas. Cottrell, J. Preston. Conducted by Mr. Thos. Russam, instructor to the Guild. The bells, which are all by Taylor, have a splendid go.

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# THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

The second annual Bohemian Concert of the above took place on Saturday, Oct. 15th. Six peals were arranged to be attempted in the afternoon, one at St. Stephen's, Coleman Street, which had to be abandoned, the clappers having been taken away to be lightened; another, Stedman Triples, at Christ Church, Spitalfields, failed through a miscall after ringing forty courses in 2 hrs. 26 mins.; another, Stedman Caters, at St. Clement Danes, came to grief after an hour's ringing. The three others were successfully rung, i.e., Stedman Caters at St. George's, Southwark; Double Norwich Major at St. John's, Waterloo Road; Stedman Caters at St. Magnus, London Bridge; and have already been recorded. The spacious room at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, had been engaged for the evening; it may be noted that this room is specially adapted for concerts, having its side artistes' dressing room. An excellent programme had been arranged and the demand for them had been great: the officers previously had to partially stop their sale owing to the size of the room. Seating had been provided for 250, and

every particle of accommodation was monopolised. The company exceeded 300! "Standing room only" was the order as early as eight o'clock.

Mr. A. R. Jacob took the chair, whilst the vice-chair fell to the lot of Mr. John Pryor. A brilliant start was made by Mr. Frank Nooley, a thoroughly qualified pianist, who, with the large array of professional artistes who had been specially engaged, kept the audience in a continued state of merriment and excitement all the evening. Among the artistes were Mr. A. H. Winch, Mr. G. Nawkes, Mr. W. T. Walden, Mr. R. Cousins, and Mr. Fred Wilford, of Northampton, with "The Old Cathedral Bell," who all rendered their songs in first-class style.

A course of Stedman Cinques by Messrs. Winney, Pasmore, H. P. Harman, Golding, Langdon, H. and E. Wightman, was received with much appreciation, and later 3 leads of Kent Treble Bob Royal were rung by the same band. Mr. T. H. Taffender acted as musical director in a most perfect manner, and great credit is due to him for the way in which he carried through the entertainment. The concert was brought round soon after 11 p.m. by a vote of thanks to the chairman and vice-chairman.

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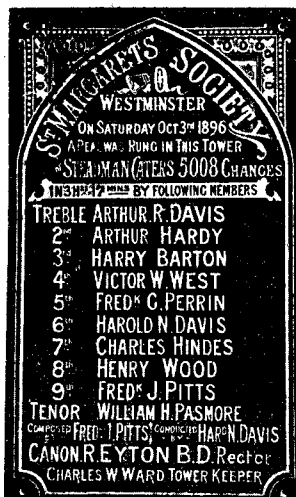
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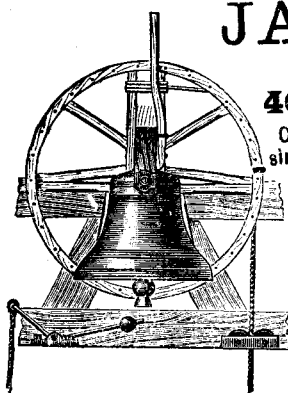
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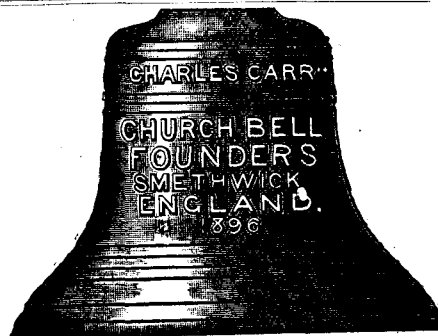
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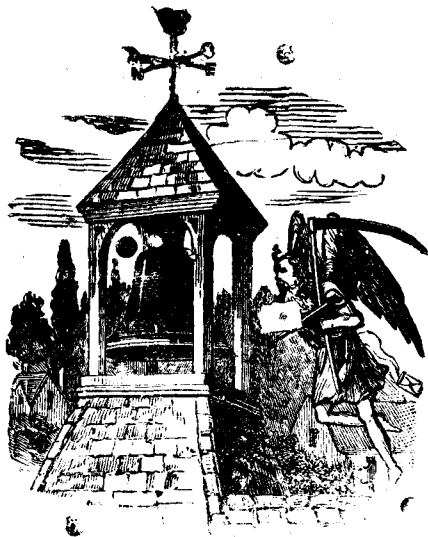
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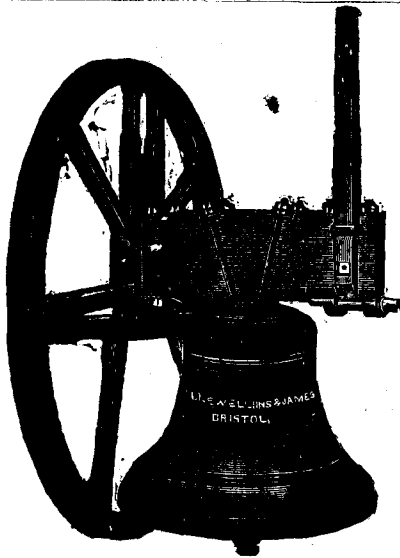
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**Tew, Great.** St. Michael. Oxford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells; 5th Taylor 1842; treble, date and founder unknown; 2nd by Rudhall 1785; the rest by the same 1709. Tenor 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Extensive repairs by White 1893. Ropes new 1897, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 10.50, and 6 to 6.20. Practice, weekly, 7: no day mentioned.

**Tewkesbury** (Gloucestershire). St. Mary. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells; 5th and tenor by Mears 1837; the rest by Rudhall as follows: 3rd, 4th and 6th, 1696; 7th, 1717; 2nd, 1725; treble, 1743. Tenor 23 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 3 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Cull 1837. Slight repairs by local tradesmen at various times since. Re-hanging and the addition of two trebles has been recommended to the church authorities, but no steps have been taken owing to want of funds and other reasons. Ropes good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Union and some Major methods. Sunday ringing: 10 to 11, and 5.30 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday or Thursday, according to interference of services. No hour mentioned.

**Tey, Great** (Essex). St. Barnabas. Essex Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Darbie 1682; 3rd by the same 1671; 7th by Graye 1626; tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. by the same 1629; the rest by Briant 1794. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Mears 1897. Ropes new 1897, not reliable. Methods: Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: alternate Sunday, 9.30 to 10.30, and 2 to 3. Practice: Saturday, 7.

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## ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD.

### RE-DEDICATION OF THE TOWER AND BELLS BY THE LORD BISHOP OF ROCHESTER.

Saturday, November 12th, was a notable day in the long annals of St. Nicholas, Deptford (which now forms part of the metropolitan borough of Greenwich). Nearly twenty years have passed since the last peal was rung on these bells; this was a muffled peal of Grandsire Triples in memory of John Cox, and rung on February 9th, 1885, under the auspices of the Society of Trinity Youths. Four of those who took part were present on Saturday, viz., Messrs. Weatherstone, Taylor, Deal and Thornton. The tower was shortly afterward condemned.

The exterior of the edifice has a most incongruous appearance, the nave in the degenerate style of the 18th century ill-assorting with the 12th century tower. St. Nicholas has many charms for the historian and antiquary; the antiquity of the tower is proved by the fact that part of the spiral staircase leading to the belfry is of Purbeck marble, a material authoritatively stated not to have been used for that purpose since the reign of Edward II. Tradition has it that the tower was also used as a light-house to guide vessels on the Thames at night.

On the dissolution of the monasteries by Henry VIII., the patronage of the living was granted by the King to Cardinal Wolsey. Later it was given by Charles I. to his Queen, Henrietta Maria. It subsequently became the gift of the Drake family, in whose patronage it still remains. It was in the sixteenth and succeeding two centuries, when ships built at Deptford yard were on voyages of discovery and plundering, commanded by officers and men who lived side by side on The Green and the Lower Watergate, that the church of St. Nicholas was the centre of much inspiration to those who set sail from and returned to Deptford Creek—the tributary which rising on Keston Heath, and flowing through Lewisham as the Ravensbourne, gave shelter to some of the most famous ships, captained by mariners going "Westward Ho!" The registers of the church contain the names of hundreds of these men, who, after years of fighting on the Spanish Main, came home, and found a resting-place in the almshouses of the Trinity Brethren, before finding their last home in the churchyard of their patron saint. Monuments in the church teach us "nation of shopkeepers" the names and deeds of the men who first discovered new paths in the waters, and founded settlements and colonies over the seas. "Peter Pett, Esquire, one who was the glory and bulwark of his country, and who first invented the frigate;" "Edward Fenton, who commanded the admiral's flagship against the Spanish Armada"; "Captain George Shelvocke, bred to sea-service under Admiral Benbow." Whether the gallant Admiral himself is buried in the churchyard has always been doubtful, some asserting that he was buried in Jamaica. It is not difficult to imagine the important part this parish and its church would play in the stirring days of Elizabeth. Sir Martin Frobisher, anxious to discover

the North-West Passage, Sir Francis Drake in his famous voyage in the "Pelican," known to all readers of Kingsley's "Westward Ho!"; Sir Walter Raleigh, on one of his plundering expeditions, all started from the dockyard. In later years many were the mariners, including Captain Cook and Vancouver, who started on historical voyages, the bells of St. Nicholas doubtless ringing out "God-speed." During these years the only entry of national interest in the parish registers (which date from 1561) is the record of the death of "Kit Marlowe"—"1st June, 1593, Christopher Marlowe, slaine by Francis Archer."

The bells are a peal of eight, tenor 21 cwt. Six were recast in 1701, and one in 1702. These have no inscription save the date and the letters S.N. They have now been quarter-turned and rehung in a new iron frame and fittings by Messrs. Warner and Sons.

There was a crowded congregation to witness the interesting ceremony of re-dedication, which was performed by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, a special form of service being used. A number of clergy were present, and the Mayor of Greenwich (Councillor D. McCall, J.P.) attended in state, the parish of St. Nicholas being within the boundaries of the borough of Greenwich, and there were also present many other influential residents from the surrounding neighbourhood. After the formal dedication of the tower and bells at the entrance to the tower, a plain course of Stedman Triples was rung by Messrs. W. Weatherstone, E. H. Nixon, J. J. Lamb, W. Foreman, J. E. Davis, H. Warnett, F. W. Thornton, and F. H. Gooch; during which the Bishop and clergy returned to the chancel.

The Bishop then gave an address, based on Psalm cxlv. 4; and at its conclusion all voices joined in the singing of "Lift the strain of high thanksgiving," during which the offertory was taken, amounting to £20 8s. 6d.

The Bishop having pronounced the Benediction, 336 changes of Stedman Triples were rung by the same company as before, when the tower was thrown open to visitors, who kept the bells going in various methods for over two hours. Upwards of thirty ringers were present from Greenwich, Woolwich, Lee, Lewisham, St. John's, Deptford, Bromley, Chislehurst, Rotherhithe, Bermondsey, Camberwell, Westminster, Poplar, Bow, Walthamstow, Hornsey, Tottenham and Wimbledon, and notwithstanding the "spring" of the ropes and other disadvantages, ringing throughout was of a very creditable character. It should be mentioned that unfortunately no opportunity was afforded the party chosen to ring the first touches of testing the bells beforehand, the bell-hangers' work not being completed until a few minutes prior to the service.

In the evening the whole company of ringers present were entertained at the Albany Institute to a substantial repast, by Mr. Churchwarden Frederick G. Skinner, who presided, Mr. Frederick W. Thornton occupying the vice-chair. At its conclusion, various songs, &c., were rendered by members of Mr. Skinner's family, and a course of Grandsire Triples rung upon a set of dilapidated and cracked handbells, which turned out to be the original peal belonging to the Ancient Society of Trinity Youths, its title being inscribed upon one of them. These bells mysteriously disappeared some twenty years ago or more (as did one or two peal tablets) from the tower, and were quite accidentally discovered for sale in a Deptford pawnbroker's shop by Mr. Skinner, who promptly secured them and intends having them repaired. By their present condition they must have experienced many trying vicissitudes.

Prior to the dispersal of the company, after a most

successful and enjoyable day, Mr. F. W. Thornton proposed the health of Mr. Skinner, and heartily congratulated that gentleman upon the completion of the great work, at which for many years he had laboured hard and continuously. Thirteen hundred pounds was an enormous sum to raise, especially in so poor a neighbourhood, but Mr. Skinner had spared no effort, and had that day reaped his reward in seeing the restoration brought to a complete and successful issue.

The toast was received with enthusiasm and accorded musical honours.

Mr. Skinner gracefully responded, and cordially thanked all for their presence that day to do honour to the occasion by sounding again the dear old bells of St. Nicholas'. He was rejoiced to say that after the substantial offertory only about £30 was required to wipe off the deficit. He hoped that, thanks to some of those gentlemen present, a band of ringers might soon be formed at St. Nicholas', and change-ringing flourish as it did in days long past.

On Sunday, 13th inst., the bells were again rung for the special services. Before evensong: a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans's) in 43 mins. by F. G. Perrin, E. H. Nixon, J. J. Lamb, W. Foreman, T. Taylor, J. E. Davis, F. W. Thornton conductor, F. H. Gooch. After service: 1152 of Kent Treble Bob Major by E. H. Nixon, T. G. Deal, J. J. Lamb, F. G. Perrin, T. Taylor, H. Warnett, J. E. Davis conductor, F. W. Thornton. This latter was rung as a birthday compliment to Frederick W. Thornton, to whom the Churchwardens had entrusted the whole arrangements for ringing on this important festival of re-Dedication.

It only remains to be said that the excellent "go" of the bells was the subject of general remark by the assembled ringers, and reflects great credit upon the firm of Messrs. Warner & Sons.

#### THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

It was a very pleasant gathering indeed that assembled at the parish church, Sheffield, on Saturday, November 5th, the occasion being the usual monthly meeting of the above society. The attendance was all that could be desired, over sixty members being present, including members from Bolsover, Bolsterstone, North Wingfield, Ranmoor, Treeton, Wortley, All Saints and St. Marie (Sheffield), and the local company. This grand old ring (tenor 41 cwt.), is the only twelve-bell peal in the district, and it is the first time the society has had the privilege of placing the tower amongst its fixtures, consequently, more than ordinary interest was centred on this meeting.

An early start was made, as not a few were on the spot in good time, all eager to be up and "at it" with a determination to go one better, and accomplish that which circumstances would not allow them elsewhere.

After the bells had been raised, they were immediately put into changes, and for four solid hours no rest was given them, each one being anxious to get in as much as possible, and utilise the time allowed to the best advantage, as unfortunately an all too early closure had to be made at 7 p.m., on account of a choir practice immediately below. The methods indulged in were College Single, Bob Royal, Grandsire Caters and Cinques, Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques, Treble Bob Royal and Maximus, Double Norwich Major and Royal, and London Surprise.

An adjournment was made to the headquarters of the

society, the necessary business transacted being the election of nine new members. A very pleasant evening was spent in harmony and touches of Grandsire and Plain Bob on the handbells, the meeting terminating with the customary votes of thanks to the clergy and the local company.

#### COLNE, LANCASHIRE.—UNVEILING OF PEAL TABLET.

The Blackburn branch of the Lancashire Association held a meeting at Colne on November 12th to celebrate the 72nd birthday of Mr. William Heaton. During the afternoon various touches were rung, after which Mr. Heaton entertained the local band and all the visitors to tea. At 6.30 a business meeting was held and several new members admitted. Then followed the unveiling ceremony, which was performed by Mr. Edward Carr, J.P. The whole of the proceedings were presided over by the Rector, the Rev. William Clifford, M.A. The tablet records the first peal rung by a local band on Whitsun-Monday last, particulars of which appeared in the "B.N." It is of marbette and the work of Caspar & Co., and is fixed in a frame of fumed oak with a plate glass front. It is the gift of William Hyde, Esq., churchwarden, and is much admired by all.

#### THE ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY, STOCKPORT.

A very interesting affair took place on Monday evening, November 7th, in the St. George's belfry, after a good practice of Grandsire Caters and Triples, Stedman Caters and Treble Bob Royal. Mr. J. W. Bayley, towerkeeper, opened the proceedings by saying he had a very pleasing duty to perform, and that was to ask Mr. T. Jackson, the treasurer of the company, to present Mr. George Astbury, one of the members who was about to enter the marriage state, with a handsome clock and ornaments, the gift of the ringers.

Mr. Bayley, in his remarks, said that he was very glad to find such a good feeling existing between them, and trusted that it would always remain so.

Mr. Jackson, on rising, said he was very pleased to be asked to make the presentation. A few other remarks, and then he asked that the company would join him in wishing Mr. Astbury and also the future Mrs. Astbury long life, health and happiness in their married life.

Mr. Astbury in response said that he was overcome by the wishes expressed by the speakers and also by the very handsome present they had given him. He could not find words sufficient to express his feelings but thanked them all very much for their kindness to him.

#### Marriage.

On Saturday, November 12th, at St. George's church, Stockport, by the Rev. J. H. Thorpe, B.D., Vicar, George Astbury, late of Flixton, near Manchester, to Miss Clara Todd, late of Oldham. A large number of friends assembled in church to witness the ceremony. The St. George's ringers rang for the service 399 Stedman Caters. J. Booth, H. Meakin, T. Jackson, C. Barber, T. Smithson, J. Mottershead, G. D. Warburton, J. W. Bayley, E. Reader conductor, G. Marshall. The bells were afterwards placed in the Queens position.

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#### REDRUTH, CORNWALL.

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#### ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

This, the 27th annual gathering, was held in Newcastle on Monday, October 31st, and the weather being all that could be desired, there was a goodly muster of ringers, most of the city and in Gateshead being kept busy in Treble Bob, Stedman, etc. all day long. In the evening short touches of Superlative and London Surprise were rung on the heavy eight at St. Stephen's. The committee had a long agenda, meeting at 12 and again at 5 p.m. At 1 o'clock the service was held in St. John's church, the Vicar (Rev. H. Greene) brought some of the choir boys to lead, and the organist (Mr. F. W. Wall), and altogether a bright evensong was the result. Canon Southwell read the lesson, and the address was given by the Rev. H. Robinson, Vicar of St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool from the text, "Do all to the glory of God (1 Cor. x. 31)."

Dinner followed at the Hotel Metropole. At the annual meeting the chair was occupied by the President (Mr. R. Story), supported by Canon Southwell, Revs. H. Greene, H. Robinson, H. H. Barff (Wylam), A. Jones (Winlaton), and E. Hudson (Gateshead): Messrs. E. Ferry, A. Field, E. A. Parker, W. Story, Gamlen, Astley, Routledge, etc. Mr. Moncaster (Darlington), was in the vice-chair, and was supported by Messrs. G. T. Potter, R. Alcock, and others. After the usual loyal toast, the President proposed "The Bishops and Clergy of the two Dioceses." He said they had always received great support from the clergy in the past. When they remembered the number who willingly lent their towers, and allowed the members to ring almost whenever they liked, they all felt immensely grateful to them. The members were always glad to see the clergy among them, it encouraged them in their duties as churchworkers.

Canon Southwell and the Rev. Arthur Jones (Rector of Winlaton) responded.

The Secretary (Mr. C. L. Routledge) presented the Committee's 27th annual report and balance-sheet. The latter showed a deficiency of £3 17s. 8d., owing to several extra items in the expenditure, and to arrears of subscriptions. The membership, 456, was much the same as last year. The results of "Ferry's list," a scheme awarding points for Sunday service ringing, were most satisfactory, and showed keen competition. There was no doubt the object of this scheme, that of raising the standard of excellence in Sunday ringing, the ringers' principal work, had been obtained. Whitley Bay secured the first certificate with 2112 points, North Shields 2nd with 1591, and Chester-le-Street 3rd with 883. Twenty belfries had made returns; six more than last year.

Fifty-four peals had been rung during the year, making a record, the previous highest total being 48 in 1892-3. They are as follows:—

Stedman Triples, 8; Kent Treble Bob Major (one on handbells), 8; Bob Major (one on handbells), 6; London Surprise Major, 5; Stedman Caters, 4; Superlative Surprise Major, 4; Double Norwich Major (one on handbells), 4; Seven Minor methods, 4; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 3; Kent Treble Bob Royal, 2; Seven Surprise Minor methods, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Royal, 1; Double Oxford Major, 1; Grandsire Triples (on handbells), 1; Bob Triples, 1. Total points, 1060; average points, 19.63. (Continued on next page.)

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These peals had been rung in 23 different towers, showing a much larger area than in any previous year.

Mr. Muncaster proposed, and Mr. Alcock seconded the adoption of the report, which was carried. Mr. G. T. Potter in very warm terms proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring officers, which being seconded by Mr. E. A. Parker, was carried with acclamation.

The election of officers for 1904-5 resulted in the election of the following: President: Mr. R. S. Story; vice-Presidents: Messrs. G. Pack (Darlington), and T. Hudson (Sunderland); Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. C. L. Routledge. Mr. W. T. Robson was elected Hon. Assistant-Secretary on the retirement of Mr. W. Holmes.

The President thanked the members for the renewal of their confidence, as also did the Hon. Secretary.

The chairman read letters of regret for absence from Mr. T. Hudson and the Rev. A. Allwork, Rector of Whickham.

The Rev. H. Robinson was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his excellent address, and in reply he assured the members he had felt it an honour and a pleasure to be called upon to address the members from the pulpit.

Mr. C. L. Routledge proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar of St. John's, Newcastle, for the warm welcome he had given the members to his church, and for the beautiful way the service had been rendered. The Vicar had always proved a warm friend of the ringers, and allowed the use of his bells as often as they were required, both for practice and peal-ringing.

This was seconded by Mr. Field, and the Rev. H. Greene in replying said it pleased him more than he could say to hear his bells so well rung. When he was first inducted to a benefice he was told to beware of "Ringers and Singers," but he could truthfully say his troubles in those respects had been nil. With other branches of church work he had to beg and pray people to come and help, but the ringers were not only anxious to come to the belfry, but actually thanked him for the use of the bells.

Mr. J. W. Parker (Sunderland), in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicars and wardens of the churches who had lent their bells for the use of the members, said the whole enjoyment of a ringers' meeting practically depended on the bells being placed at their disposal.

Mr. Titt seconded, and the vote was carried by acclamation.

The chairman announced that the meetings for 1905 were as follows: March 4th, Staindrop; Whit-Monday, North Shields; August 5th, Newton Hall; also that Messrs. R. Story, T. Gof-ton, S. O. Ferry and W. T. Robson had been appointed peal referees and adjudicators of Ferry's list.

The President proposed the Rev. H. Greene and the Rev. Canon Cosgrave, of West Hartlepool, as Honorary Members. Altogether some thirty-two new members were proposed at this meeting, including nine from the new tower of St. Oswald's, West Hartlepool.

Ringling was next on the list, and most of the towers were kept busy till about 9 p.m.

#### BARNESLEY, YORKS.

On Saturday, October 15th, from 80 to 90 ringers, all good men and true, assembled at St. Mary's, Barnesley, in order to try bells which have lately been overhauled and many parts renewed, especially the tenor, which is now safely housed in a new steel girder frame. The ringers invited were from such towns as Wakefield, Pontefract, Dewsbury, Wath, Darfield, Wortley, Ecclesfield, a large contingent from Sheffield being especially noticeable. The bells were set going at 2.30 p.m., and from then till 9.30, with the exception of a short respite for evensong, no rest was given the bells—the only peal in the town and of which it is justly proud. Many were the kind inquiries made by the natives as to this unusual stir. As usual with meetings of this kind much interest was manifest between brother-strings. Old associations were revived, and the passages of arms were the most honourable known to men.

But the Art of ringing is long and Time pursues its unchanging way. It is tea time before greetings and a turn at the ropes can be had. Mine host Booker at The Millstone inn had with cheerful readiness promised to make arrangements for providing a knife and fork tea. At 5 o'clock this was ready, and an attack on 25 pounds of English ham and haunches of prime

roast beef, etc., was commenced. The numbers being large and the room small several sittings-down were resorted to, but all were enabled to secure a good turn with pleasing results. After the fragments had been cleared away, an impromptu concert was commenced. Tunes on the handbells, songs and recitations by our Sheffield friends were given and enjoyed to the full. A vote of thanks to Canon Norris, R.D., M.A., clergy, church-wardens, for use of bells, and Barnesley ringers for tea, was unanimously carried and replied to by the Rev. Maker, curate. The proceedings then terminated with the usual and happy partings.

#### Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS, ETC.

SIR.—As Mr. W. C. Pearson wishes to hear a little more of the old books which I have. I give him an extract from the book as it is printed, beginning at page 157.

#### "FIVE COLLEDGE BOBS.

"In these five peals the Treble is the whole hunt, and hath a like dodging course in all of them. The general method of the five peals is as follows, viz.: Colledge Bob the first, when the treble moves down out of the fifth place, the two hind bells dodg until it comes there again. Every bell leads twice, and then hunts up into the fourth place, unless the dodging course of the Treble hinders it, where it lieth twice and then moves down again; except the bell that dodged with the Treble before, and also that which leads when the Treble lieth still behind, both which hunt directly up, when the Treble moves down from dodging in the third and fourth places, the bells that dodged there with it continues in those two places, lying twice together in each by turns until the Treble comes to dodge there with it again.

"Colledge Bob the second. Every bell when it comes to lead makes a dodg before, then it lyeth still one change, then it makes another dodg, and so moves up into the fourth place where it lyeth still twice, and then down again, except it dodgeth with the Treble in the fourth place, and then it hunts up behind. But when the treble moves down out of the third place, the two bells in the third and fourth places continue there until the Treble comes there again, during which time the two hind bells dodg.

"Colledge Bob the third. When the Treble leaves leading, the two first bells dodg until it comes to lead again; except when the Treble dodgeth behind, for then the two first bells lie still. When the Treble leaves the two hind bells they lie still one change, dodg the next, and so by turns until the treble comes there again, the two middle bells always dodg until the Treble hmdereeth them.

"Colledge Bob the fourth. When the Treble leaves the two hind bells they dodg until it comes there again; and then the two first bells dodg until the Treble gives way for the two hind bells to dodg again, and then the two first bells cease dodging.

"Colledge Bob the fifth. When the Treble leaves the two hind-bells, they dodg until it comes there again, and when it leaves the two first bells they lie still one change, dodg the next, and so by turns until it comes down there again; during which time the bells in the third and fourth places dodg except when the Treble hindereth them.

"By these methods each of them will go 120 changes, and by making of bobs they will go 240, 360, or 720. In the first of them the bell in the second place lieth still at the bob-changes, and in the other four the bell in the fourth place always lieth still.

"To ring 240. Every time the half-hunt dodgeth behind, a bob must then be made, as in these peals here prick, where in the first peal the 4. is the half-hunt, and in the other four peals the 2. is the half-hunt.

"To ring 360. Every time the half and quarter-hunts dodgeth behind, a bob must then be made.

"To ring a 720. Every time the half-hunt dodgeth behind

a bob must then be made, except when the quarter-hunt dodgeth there with it, and then not. In the 360 or 720 of each peal the 2nd may be the half-hunt, and 4th the quarter-hunt, or others at pleasure."

H. J. TUCKER.

[The figures of these methods sent by Mr. Tucker will appear next week.]

#### OLD BOOKS ON CHANGE-RINGING.

SIR,—With reference to Mr. Pearson's letter in your last issue I may at once give him a list of the books he wishes to hear of, so far as I know them. They are as under :—

Stedman *Tintinnalogia*, A.D. 1668.

do. *Campanalogia*, A.D. 1677.

J. D. & C. M. *Campanalogia Improved*, A.D. 1702.

These, I think, are really all that are necessary for Mr. Pearson's satisfaction; for books subsequent to the last named (such as Monk's Book), prior to the publication of *The Clavis*, are little more than reprints of the London Scholars' Book of 1702. Some, while since the Rev. H. Drake favoured me with an analysis of some of the earlier books, which appears to me a valuable foundation for what Mr. Pearson desires, but I do not think he included Stedman's "*Campanalogia*." I cannot refer to my notes in time for your next issue, and perhaps Mr. Drake will be so kind as to write to me *here* on the point.

As to manuscripts, there is Annable's Note Book, concerning which Mr. Dains has recently been enlightening us, and of the contents of which no one can be better qualified than he to furnish an analysis to your readers. Annable died February 1st, 1756, aged, it is believed, upwards of 60 years. I will look through Osborn's mss. again, but I do not think they contain much—if any—of the kind of information desired by Mr. Pearson.

Then there are the Mason note books among the Bowtell mss. In the Library of Downing College, which I commend to the attention of Mr. H. S. T. Richardson, of Trinity College. I have not myself seen them. The Oxford mss. which I examined last year do not help us to elucidate the growth of the scientific part of change-ringing.

I warmly welcome Mr. Pearson's suggestion. People too often seem to assume that change-ringing was, so to speak, born full grown; whereas it owes its origin to the fact that someone applied to ringing the fact that three bells can be arranged in six different positions. In order to grasp the truth of the growth of method as we now know it, an analysis of the early books seem to me indispensable; and whatever I can do towards accomplishing the object Mr. Pearson has in view, I shall be happy to contribute.

R. A. DANIELL.

20, Bucklersbury, E.C.

P.S.—Though it is of no assistance to scientific investigation, I may mention that I referred to the article on ringing in *The School of Recreation* in your issues of the 17th and 24th June, 1899.

#### EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—Would not "An old Ringer" have done better to sign his name? Do your readers think it a fair proceeding to mention others in a complaining manner without disclosing the complainant's identity? Do your readers think it a "feeble excuse" for not ringing in a tower that there had been more than two hours' ringing on so heavy a ring a few days before? Has your correspondent never heard of the disastrous results of "killing the goose"? Does your correspondent really believe that the sum he finds in "Crockford" represents anything like what the Dean and Canons have to spend on themselves? If so, he can know very little about Clerical "net" incomes.

R. A. DANIELL.

SIR,—Your correspondent, "An old Ringer," in your last issue is in error, as regards the ringing by the Birmingham band last Whit-Monday. We did not ring 2500 Treble Bob Royal in 2½ hours, but we rang over 3900 Plain Bob Royal, in 3 hrs. and 5 mins., Mr. Arthur E. Pegler turning in the tenor (72½ cwt.) single-handed, which I am sure, Sir, you will agree is a splendid performance, taking into consideration a midnight's long railway journey from Birmingham, and walking about Exeter over ten hours before we could start for the peal. I would like to add that we have had every consideration from the Dean and Chapter, whenever we have applied for the Cathedral bells.

ALBERT WALKER.

#### A QUESTIONABLE COMPOSITION.

SIR,—I should like to call your notice to the peal of Double Norwich published October 29th by F. Bennett, which I think is false, as by repeating the last twelve courses, omitting s, you get 4 B at 1 in succession.

WILLIAM SHORT.

#### THE DOUBTFUL DATE TOUCH OF BOB MAJOR.

SIR,—It is with very great surprise that I read Mr. Ellis's remarks concerning the above in your last issue, "that it is false, and had it not have been it would run 2128 changes." Now, Sir, what justification Mr. Ellis has for saying this I fail to perceive, for not only is it perfectly true, but it contains no more or less than 1904 changes. If Mr. Ellis will take my advice he will refrain from rushing into print about anything he does not thoroughly understand.

GEORGE E. SYMONDS.

[Other letters to the same effect have been received.]

#### DEFINITION OF A SURPRISE METHOD.

SIR,—About four years ago I criticised in these columns the now extinct Glossary definition of Surprise. I then framed my own, being well aware that condemnation without an alternative was very cheap. After the publication of "*The Glossary*" I gave up all interest in the matter till the appearance of Mr. Trollope's letter inviting suggestions on the subject. And now, Sir, with your permission, I venture to give my views and results. Bob Major consists of alternate changes shunted by the whole-pulls. Removing these whole-pulls to the interior the method becomes more difficult: therefore place-making is the foundation of a Surprise, the ordinary whole-pulls being essential in any method. I propose to ignore them, also 2nd and 7th, with the treble, counting only the interior places. All places of the Oxford and Kent type I count as one, both appearing of the same practical value. Now there is another peculiarity where whole turns occur, which will constitute a place when the ordinary course of a bell is turned at lead or behind. A fair solution seems 12 places for Surprise Major and 8 for Minor. Also do away with the foreign names of Exercises, Delights, etc. Oxford and Kent Major 8 places, Minor 6; Cambridge Surprise Major, 18 places, Minor 10; Superlative Surprise Major, 20 places, Minor 8; London Surprise Major 23 places, Minor 15.

F. DENCH.

#### AN OLD BOOK.

SIR,—I have an old book on change-ringing. It contains the pages from 19 to 176. It is entitled "*Campanalogia, or the Art of Ringing*." I should be pleased if any reader of "*THE BELL NEWS*" could tell me the author of this book. There are touches and peals in various methods by F. P. and J. D. I noticed a half-peal of Grandsire Triples. The writer remarks: "There is no certain method known whereby this peal (as to truth) can be rung, and that the number of changes contained therein, which being not only very tedious, but likewise tiresome for any person to ring a bell so long." I also have an old catalogue of bells cast by Rudhalls, of Gloucester, to Lady Day, 1788, the whole number being 3807. This catalogue is broad sheet form, 19 inches by 24 inches, and printed by Raikes, of Gloucester. The following peals are mentioned for the City of London: St. Bride's, 12; St. Giles's-in-the-Fields, 12; St. Dunstan's-in-the-East 8.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1904.

SOME interest is being taken just now in ancient ringing literature, both in print and manuscript. Mr. TUCKER'S contribution this week is, like others of the kind, very quaint, complicated, and sometimes difficult, perhaps impossible, to be understood. It would be a good thing if these ancient compilations were not allowed to become

defunct and unknown, for though there may not be much knowledge imparted by their perusal, they possess a great value to those who delight in the antique. The names of some of these ancient authors are unfortunately involved in obscurity, and we do not see how any search to discover their identity is possible now. But if these old worthies are to be discovered, or any other ancient feature connected with ringing, the attempt to do so, if made, will be in good hands.

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HENRY G. HILL† .. .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE† .. 2.	QR.-MASTER SGT. A. PYE 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHREYS† 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

†First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. J. Aldridge.

#### THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Thursday, November 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt.

FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 6.
FRANK SMITH .. .. 2.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 7.
FREDERICK RICHARDSON .. 3.	WILLIAM R. CROCKFORD .. 8.
EDWIN TURL .. .. 4.	EDWARD CHAPMAN .. .. 9.
WILLIAM H. PRIOR .. .. 5.	ARTHUR HARDY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY G. MILES, and Conducted by MARK WOODCOCK.

Rung in honour of the visit of the King and Queen of Portugal to the City.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANNE, HIGHGATE,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

RICHARD BEVAN* .. .. Treble.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 5.
MARK WOODCOCK† .. .. 2.	THOMAS TITCHENER .. .. 6.
FRANK SMITH* .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
THOMAS CARD .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung on the sixteenth anniversary of the conductor's wedding-day.

### The Provinces.

#### STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

#### THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

WM. GORDON, SEN. .. .. Treble.	*ALFRED GORDON .. .. 5.
ERNEST MORFEE* .. .. 2.	WM. GORDON, JUN. .. .. 6.
J. ALLAN GORDON .. .. 3.	ALLAN S. GORDON .. .. 7.
ALFRED BIRCH† .. .. 4.	*JOSEPH TULLETT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM GORDON, SEN.

\*First peal. †First peal away from tenor. Rung at the installation of G. Nelsitrop, Esq., as Mayor of Stockport.

#### SWINDON, WILTS.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

E. B. JAMES'S TEN-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

THOMAS LAWRENCE .. .. Treble.	CHARLES J. GARDINER .. 5.
ROBERT HYNTER .. .. 2.	OLIVER NORMAN .. .. 6.
ALFRED LAWRENCE .. .. 3.	THOMAS ROBINSON .. .. 7.
SIDNEY PALMER .. .. 4.	ALFRED HARRINGTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by ALFRED LAWRENCE.

Rung in honour of the King's birthday, and as a birthday compliment to S. Palmer, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

#### THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

#### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob, and 360 each of College Single and Oxford Bob.

CHARLES ROSE .. .. Treble.	HARRY SYMONDS .. .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	*JOHN MAYS .. .. 5.
ALPHAUS BERRY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROSE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

\*First peal in eight methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Berry, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

#### BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, November 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

EDWARD I. STONE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE ROBINSON .. .. 5.
WILLIAM J. SMITH .. .. 2.	LEONARD BULLOCK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY .. .. 3.	HARRY WAKLEY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH GRIFFIN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WAKLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WILLIAM WAKLEY

#### WATCHET, SOMERSETSHIRE.

On Friday, November 11, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DECUMAN,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES: Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qrs.

J. T. ORGAN* .. .. Treble.	C. GREEDY .. .. 4.
C. BINDING* .. .. 2.	*R. CHUBB .. .. 5.
H. G. ORGAN* .. .. 3.	*F. S. CHIDGEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. GREEDY.

\*First peal.

#### BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.

#### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Friday, November 11, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF COLLEGE SINGLE MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN DYSON .. .. Treble.	JOHN R. BREARLEY .. .. 5.
ARCHIE BRARLEY .. .. 2.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 6.
JAMES H. CHARLESWORTH 3.	REGGIE DYSON .. .. 7.
REV. A. T. BEESTON* .. 4.	WILLIAM HARRISON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by D. BREARLEY.

\*First peal of College Single Major.

## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

ARTHUR ROOPE* .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. 5.
FREDERICK BORRETT .. 2.	*FREDERICK ROOPE .. 6.
EGBERT BORRETT .. 3.	*JOHN ALLEN .. 7.
CHARLES BAKER .. 4.	*WILLIAM ROOPE .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by FREDK BORRETT

\*First peal in the method; and on the bells.

## SHEFFIELD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE ANCIENT  
SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 41 cwt.

WILLIAM BURGAR .. .. Treble.	ALFRED WINDSOR .. 7.
CLEMENT GLENN* .. 2.	†SIDNEY F. PALMER .. 8.
WILLIAM LOMAS .. 3.	*JOSHUA WOODHEAD .. 9.
FRANK BURGAR .. 4.	SAM SEED .. 10.
JOHN MULLIGAN .. 5.	FRANCIS WOODHEAD .. 11.
WILLIAM WOODHEAD* .. 6.	GEORGE HOLMES .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM LOMAS.

\*First peal of Stedman Cinques. †First peal of Stedman Cinques away from the tenor.

## SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

FRANK NAISBY† .. .. Treble.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. 5.
ROBERT W. LOVIE† .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 6.
ROBERT S. STORY .. 3.	WILLIAM STORY .. 7.
WILLIAM T. ROBSON .. 4.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

†First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

## WHITTLESEY, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

JOHN H. KING .. .. Treble.	THOMAS H. AVELING .. 4.
CHARLES GOAKES .. 2.	ARTHUR NEAL .. 5.
FREDERICK J. BARHAM .. 3.	WILLIAM J. GOSS .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. J. GOSS.

First peal on the bells.

## WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and 360 each of Duke of York, New London Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Kent, and Double Court.

CHARLES ROSE* .. .. Treble.	ALPHAUS BERRY .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS* .. 2.	*WILLIAM ROSE .. 5.
THOMAS DAVY* .. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLLE.

\*First peal in ten methods.

## FARNWORTH, LANCASHIRE.

On Wednesday, November 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
TAYLOR'S.

JAMES LEVER .. .. Treble.	THOMAS LEVER .. 5.
BARTLE HODGKISS .. 2.	WILLIAM LEVER .. 6.
ELLIS LEVER .. 3.	FRED BRINDLE .. 7.
FRED MORRIS .. 4.	WILLIAM SMETHURST .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM LEVER.

## ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE  
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
REEVES'S VARIATION OF HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

GEORGE ILSLEY .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH J. PRATT .. 5.
WILLIAM T. ELSON .. 2.	JOHN BASDEN .. 6.
FREDERICK G. GODDARD .. 3.	HENRY FOLKARD .. 7.
THOMAS BEADLE .. 4.	ARTHUR HARDING .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. T. ELSON.

It was intended to ring Stedman, but one of the band failing to shew up, Mr. Ilsley kindly took the vacant rope.

## HEREFORD.—THE HEREFORD GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 16, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 40 cwt.

RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN .. Treble.	JOHN CLARK .. 5.
ARTHUR J. WILLIAMS .. 2.	THOMAS LEWIS .. 6.
WILLIAM DAVIES .. 3.	JAMES E. GROVES .. 7.
WILLIAM SHORT .. 4.	RICHARD POWELL .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

Rung on the golden wedding day of Canon and Mrs. Palmer.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDWARD A. HERN .. .. Treble.	†JOHN T. HOGG .. 5.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 6.
THOMAS A. TEASDALE† .. 3.	†GEORGE W. DIX .. 7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON .. 4.	JOHN STEWART .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH E. R. KEEN.

†First peal of Stedman.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTAN'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 5.
THOMAS L. SIMMONS* .. 2.	FREDERICK WHITE .. 6.
WILLIAM MOORE† .. 3.	HENRY HODGETTS .. 7.
ARTHUR W. DIX* .. 4.	HUBERT EDEN .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

\*First peal. †First peal of Stedman. The above are all members of the local company.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.

**ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 14 cwt.

ARTHUR C. OTWAY† .. Treble.	FREDERICK G. GODDARD .. 5.
HARRY T. LAST .. .. 2.	†FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 6.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 3.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. .. 4.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and  
Conducted by FERRIS J. SHEPHERD.

†First peal of Major. †First peal of Major as conductor.

**IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;**

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15½ cwt.

CHARLES CLARKE .. .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 6.
FREDERICK C. CLARKE .. 3.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 7.
JAMES MOTTS .. .. 4.	GEORGE ABLITT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Arranged and rung to oblige Messrs. F. and C. Clarke and G. Ablitt.

**MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.**

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

Tenor 21 cwt.

F. MASON .. .. Treble.	C. SUMMERS .. .. 5.
G. ATKINS .. .. 2.	J. R. JONES .. .. 6.
R. HOLE .. .. 3.	H. MOORE .. .. 7.
G. GRABHAM .. .. 4.	SAM MASON .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by H. MOORE.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

**NORTON SUBCOURSE, NORFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

CHARLES HARDING .. Treble.	HARRY WRIGHT .. .. 4.
FREDERICK PESTELL .. 2.	JOHN GODFREY .. .. 5.
ROBERT SPALDING† .. 3.	DENISON HAYWARD .. Tenor.

Conducted by DENISON HAYWARD.

†First peal. First peal on the bells.

**ECCLES, LANCASHIRE.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION**  
On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRANCIS SMITH .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. .. 5.
ALFRED POTTER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM H. SHUKER .. 6.
JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 3.	RICHARD RIDYARD .. .. 7.
JOHN POTTER .. .. 4.	RICHARD NEWTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD RIDYARD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to James Barrett, of Eccles, and Harry Chapman, of Pendleton, the respected captains of their respective towers; also to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the conductor's first peal.

**HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.**—splendid Quality.—Purest Silk.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MATTHEWS, Change, Ringer, Macclesfield.

**CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**  
On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S TWENTY-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

J. FAYERS .. .. Treble.	DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. 5.
J. FLOWMAN .. .. 2.	C. DEAN .. .. 6.
T. TALBOT .. .. 3.	†A. CLARK .. .. 7.
W. GROVES† .. .. 4.	J. RUMBLE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by A. CLARK.

†First peal of Stedmaa.

**BUSHEY, HERTS.**

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, November 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

**A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,**  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT .. Treble.	BERTRAM PREWETT .. 5.
FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW .. 2.	ERNEST E. HUNTLEY .. 6.
FRANCIS A. SMITH .. .. 3.	HARRY A. HORREX .. 7.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by B. PREWETT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Ernest Huntley. This is E. E. Huntley's 200th peal.

**NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, STAFFORDSHIRE.**

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, November 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. in F.

ERNEST KING† .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. STEELE .. 5.
ARTHUR LATHAM .. .. 2.	JAMES TITTERTON .. 6.
SYDNEY CHURTON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. COLLISON .. 7.
GEORGE WOODS .. .. 4.	†SAMUEL TAYLOR .. Tenor.

Conducted by SYDNEY CHURTON.

†First peal.

**ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, November 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

ARTHUR SHEPHERD† .. Treble.	T. MYERS .. .. 5.
J. WASHBROOK, JUN. .. 2.	FERRIS SHEPHERD .. 6.
J. BLACK .. .. 3.	JAS. W. WASHBROOK .. 7.
A. TAILYOUR .. .. 4.	R. PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAS. W. WASHBROOK.

†First peal, aged 13 years. This is the quickest peal on the bells.

**WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.**

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, November 14, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
CARTER'S No. 10. Tenor 21 cwt.

JOSEPH POTTER .. .. Treble.	RICHARD RIDYARD .. 5.
JOHN POTTER .. .. 2.	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. 6.
GEORGE WAY* .. .. 3.	JAMES HY. RIDYARD .. 7.
FREDERIC DERBYSHIRE .. 4.	RICHARD NEWTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES H. RIDYARD.

\*First peal in the method. Rung in honour of Lord Brackley's birthday.

**Bell-Ropes.**—Ready-stretched, and in splendid condition. No springing while ringing. Pleasant to use and handle. Write to Ironmongers', Wolverhampton, for prices.



## PULHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 18, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT .. Treble.	CHARLES ROOPE .. .. 5.
ARTHUR ROOPE .. .. 2.	EGBERT BORRETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM STEGGLES .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROOPE .. .. 7.
ROBERT HAYWARD .. .. 4.	FREDERICK SURRIDGE .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

## Handbell Peals.

## OXHEY, HERTS.

## THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 15, 1904, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

IN THE PARISH ROOM,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. 1-2.	HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 5-6.
WILLIAM HODGETTS .. 3-4.	FREDERICK W. BRINKLOW 7-8.

Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

Umpires—Harry A. Horrex and Arthur W. Dix.

DEFECTIVE REPORTS.—The peal of Treble Bob Major rung at Horbury, Yorks., has been sent without the number of changes.—The peal at Trimpson, Bucks., has been sent without any date.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

## Date Touches.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STOCKPORT.—On Sunday evening, October 2nd, for Divine Service at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 70 mins. J. H. Mason, W. Gordon composer and conductor, T. Sale, A. Birch, A. Gordon, J. A. Gordon, A. S. Gordon, J. Tullett. Rung to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the public rejoicing which took place in Stockport at the news of the battle of the Alma, on its arrival at Stockport on October 2nd, 1854. Wm. Gordon, sen., is the last survivor of the band who rang at that time.

MILNROW (Lancashire).—On Sunday evening, November 6th, for Divine Service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 8 mins. L. Fielding, R. Buckley, J. Fitton, S. Fielding, W. Sutcliffe, H. Buckley, J. Harrison conductor, B. Greenwood. Tenor 20 cwt. Composed by J. T. Fielding, choirmaster of Milnrow parish church, and at one time a ringer at Waterford Cathedral Ireland.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Sunday morning, November 6th, for Divine Service at the parish church, 704 Kent Treble Bob. G. H. Sentance, W. Sadler, F. Webb, H. E. Hammond, C. H. Howard, S. R. Roper, E. Newman conductor, H. J. Collins. For evening service 800 Double Norwich. F. Webb, E. Newman, A. B. Wiffen, C. H. Howard conductor, H. E. Hammond, S. R. Roper, G. H. Sentance, H. J. Collins. On Monday, November 7th, 896 Kent Treble Bob. G. H. Sentance, C. H. Howard conductor, H. E. Hammond, H. N. Pilcher, G. R. Roper, A. B. Wiffen, H. J. Collins. Rung as a farewell touch to the Rev. R. K. Bennett, who has been officiating in the parish during the last three months, and is leaving for Hull much to the regret of the ringers in whom he had taken great interest, and during his short stay has learned to manage a bell and ring rounds and call-changes.

BOCKING (Essex).—On Saturday, November 5th, an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob came to grief after ringing 4900 changes in 2 hrs. 55 mins. N. Smith, S. R. Roper, S. Sargent, F. Rudkin, F. Warren, C. Bearman, W. Grimwade. W. Steele conductor.

## THE HEREFORD GUILD.

LLANGARREN.—On Wednesday, November 9th, at the parish church,

1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 44 mins. W. Partridge, L. Partridge, W. Short conductor, F. Voyce, H. Weale, T. Partridge. First quarter-peal by all except Messrs. Short and Voyce.

ALLENSMORE.—On Thursday, November 10th, at the parish church, 720 Grandsire Doubles. B. Taylor, W. Short conductor, A. Kitson, G. Preece, G. Harris, A. Harris. First 720 by all except the conductor.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PULHAM.—On Tuesday, November 8th, for practice, 1008 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. A. Roope, F. Borrett, A. Smith, C. Baker, C. Roope, F. Roope, J. Allen, W. Roope.

## THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday, September 25th, for morning service, 1264 Bob Major, in 45 mins. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., A. Woodrow, F. J. Shepherd, G. Woodiss conductor, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, W. Shepherd. On Thursday, September 29th, for the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 39 mins. W. Freeland, G. Edser, sen., W. Shepherd conductor, A. Woodrow, C. J. Hamblin, J. Emery, F. J. Shepherd, R. J. Polley. On Thursday, October 4th, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of sympathy for A. Woodrow (a prominent member of the local band) on the death of his mother, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins. G. Edser, sen., J. S. Goldsmith conductor, G. Woodiss, W. Shepherd, C. J. Hamblin, F. J. Shepherd, J. Emery, R. J. Polley.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

ICKLETON (Cambs.).—Recently at the parish church a touch of Kent Treble Bob. P. Webb, W. B. Kempton, J. Taylor, J. F. Penning, G. Taylor, F. Pitstow. Also 720 Bob Minor. A. Deau, F. Pitstow conductor, J. Taylor, P. Webb, W. B. Kempton, G. Taylor. On Thursday, November 3rd, 720 Bob Minor. P. Webb, E. Webb, F. Bowtell, A. G. Lilley, J. Webb, G. Lilley conductor.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

STOCKPORT.—On November 13th, on the occasion of the Mayor's coming to church, 1007 Grandsire Caters, in 40 mins. J. H. Mason, E. Morfee, W. Gordon, sen. conductor, T. Sale, J. A. Gordon, A. Birch, A. Gordon, W. Gordon, jun., A. S. Gordon, J. Tullett.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

CAYTHORPE (Lincolnshire).—On Wednesday, October 12th, for practice, 960 Kent Treble Bob Major in 34 mins. H. Haynes, J. P. Paley, sen., F. W. Stokes, J. Hoyes, J. P. Paley, jun., G. Scott, J. Cragg, J. Wood conductor. Longest length of Treble Bob Major by all except the conductor.

BRAMSTON NEAR RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, October 29th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. H. O. White, J. George, R. Brunsdon, F. Sear, J. B. Fenton, H. Sear conductor. First 720 on the bells.

RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Sunday morning, October 30th, for Divine Service at St. Andrew's church, 504 Stedman Triples. H. O. White, R. Watson, A. J. Hessian, H. Sear, J. B. Fenton, J. George, F. Sear conductor, A. Coleman. For evening service 512 Bob Major. H. O. White, R. Watson, A. Dubber, J. B. Fenton, A. J. Hessian, F. Sear, H. Sear, J. George conductor.

PENDLETON (Lancashire).—On Sunday morning, November 6th, for Divine Service at the church of St. Thomas, 504 Stedman Triples. F. Smith, J. Smith, J. Winterbotham, J. George conductor, A. E. Wreaks, S. Greenhalgh, H. Chapman, W. Gregory.

WILLOUGHBY NEAR RUGBY (Warwickshire).—On Saturday, October 29th, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. R. Brunsdon, A. Sear, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, J. George, F. Sear conductor. First 720 in the method on the bells.

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The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The district annual meeting will be held to-day, Saturday, Nov. 26th, at Christ Church, Southgate, by kind permission of the Rev. E. J. Beardall. The bells will be raised about 3.30 p.m. Tea will be provided, on the usual terms, at The Cherry Tree hotel. The hon. secretary requests the attendance of all who can conveniently come, and to be notified of their intention. **ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec.**  
18, Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

The Herts Association.—A district meeting will be held at Harpenden to-day, Saturday, November 26th. Bells available from 4.30. Free tea to all who inform me they are coming.  
**H. EDBN, Hon. Sec. Western Div.**  
Chalk Hill House, Watford.

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held to-day, Saturday, November 26th, at St. Chad's, Far Headingley. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Peal will be attempted at 2.30. A good meeting earnestly requested. **F. R. BARRACLOUGH, Hon. Sec.**  
29, Elsworth Place, Armley.

The East Derbyshire Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Clay Cross to-day, Saturday, Nov. 26th. Tea in church schools at 5.30. Meeting afterwards.  
**T. ALLIBONE, Sec.**  
North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—A meeting of the above for united practice and social intercourse will be held at the church of St. Dunstan, Stepney, E., to-day, Saturday, Nov. 26th. Tower will be open from 4 to 8 p.m. It is hoped as many members and friends will attend as possible. A social evening will afterwards take place at The British Prince, Bromley Street, near the church.  
**T. H. TAFFENDER, Hon. Sec.**  
91, Darwin Street, Southwark.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's church, Bury to-day, Saturday, November 26th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.  
**W. ASHWORTH, Branch Sec.**

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on December 1st, 15th, and 29th, and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, December 7th. A business meeting will also be held at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on Dec. 7th.  
**W. T. COCKERILL, Hon. Sec.**

"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, at Christ Church, Ealing, by kind permission of the Rev. W. Templeton King. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting. Members intending to be present kindly give notice by Wednesday previous.  
**J. J. PRATT, Dist. Hon. Sec.**  
Hillingdon.

The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, December 3rd.

Bells available 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at The Smyth Arms hotel at 5 p.m., 6d. each. Business immediately following tea. Members intending being present at tea kindly inform me not later than Tuesday, November 29th.  
**Bridgewater. A. E. COLES, Hon. Sec.**

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, on Saturday, December 3rd. Bells ready at 4.0; meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.  
**J. H. BASTOW, Branch Sec.**

The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The adjourned annual meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent on Saturday, December 3rd. Members intending to be present must give notice to Mr. S. Churton, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, not later than Wednesday, November 30th.  
**D. PRESTON, Hon. Sec.**  
High St., Bucknall.

The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Netherton on Saturday, December 3rd. Bells will be available at 4.0. Service in church at 5 p.m.  
**W. MICKLEWRIGHT, Hon. Sec.**

The Midland Counties Association.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Lawley on Saturday, December 10th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.  
**REUBEN CLIFFORD, Local Hon. Sec.**

St. Nicholas, Deptford.—The Churchwardens request that until further notice all communications respecting the use of the bells for attempted peals, etc., may be sent to  
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## Compositions.

### A DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

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763452	3
637452	4
436275	5
524736	1
435267	3
674523	2
356274	1
743625	2
567243	1
435726	2
354726	4
243567	3

Repeated three times, bob for single at 2nd and 4th part-ends.

WITHAM (Essex).—At the parish church on Tuesday, October 11th, 360 of Bob Minor. E. Chaplin, A. Chalk, H. Butter, B. Thompson, conductor, F. Chalk. 720 Oxford Treble Bob. E. Chaplin, A. Chalk, P. Sayers, E. C. Lambert, B. Thompson conductor, F. Chalk. On October 18th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. A. Evers, A. Chalk, P. Sayers, E. Chaplin, E. C. Lambert, F. Chalk conductor.

EXETER.—Every accommodation will be found for Ringing Cyclists at the headquarters of the Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club The Swan, 5, Catherine Street.

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Had gone without leaving a message for me.

Soon after the ringing we all made our way

To the Albany Institute over the way;

And with little commotion sat down to the dinner

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The welcome was warm, the collation was cold, We sat down about five-and-thirty all told.

We'd some splendid roast beef and some excellent ham,

And some heavenly tartlets all bursting with jam;

We had also some pickles—the latter in boats, And various drinklets to moisten our throats.

We were waited upon by some lovely young Hebes

Whose charms I'll remember from Deptford to Thebes,

And when we had finished and drank to the toast

We had a most cheery reply from our host.

He stated the pleasure it gave him to be

At the head of such very fine fellows as we.

(Fred Thornton had stated 'twould be his endeavour

To give to St. Nicholas' part of his leisure,

And said, with emotion, how oft he had planned

The formation, some time of a good local band.)

And then we'd some music and also some singing,

Some laughing and joking, and then handbell ringing;

Father Time called a "Stand!" at the "coming home single,"

And soon with strangers we all had to mingle.

I felt so delighted with such a good time

That I've altered my plans as to going to dine;

And as I grow older, or fatter, or thinner,

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As a farewell to the newly consecrated Bishop of Brisbane (late Rector of Hornsey) and the two curates who are accompanying him to Australia, a special service was held at the parish church, Hornsey, on Wednesday evening, November 2nd, conducted by the Lord Bishop of London. For this service six members of the above Association rang on the parish church bells 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor in 47 minutes: A. R. Glasscock, J. Armstrong, J. Miller, W. Pickworth, M. Fensom, S. Wade conductor. Also immediately after the service 720 Plain Bob Minor: F. Fensom, A. R. Glasscock, J. R. Sharman, W. Dixon, W. Pickworth, S. Wade conductor.

## UNVEILING A PEAL TABLET.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—On Thursday, November 10th, at the church of St. Giles, Reading, 560 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. F. Sweetzer, A. W. Reeves, A. E. Reeves, H. Tucker, F. Hopgood, C. Giles conductor, A. W. Pike, A. Osborne.

Also 336 Stedman Triples. C. Cox, A. W. Reeves, E. Haynes, A. Osborne, C. Giles conductor. J. Swain, A. W. Pike, A. Wheeler. The above were rung after the unveiling of a peal board, recording a peal of Superlative Surprise Major, 5056 changes, which was rung on the bells of St. Giles church on Monday, December 31st, 1900, in 3 hrs. 2 mins. The ringers were Frederick Sweetzer, Henry Tucker, Albert Reeves, Arthur Pike, Alfred Reeves, Charles Giles, Ambrose Osborne, Frank Hopgood conductor. The board was the work of Mr. J. Hunt, of Guildford, it giving every satisfaction. The Vicar, the Rev. R. W. Carew-Hunt, spoke a few words of encouragement to the ringers of the peal, and urged them to push forward and master higher methods. It is rather awkward at present for those who took part in the Superlative (as most of them are unattached members) to practise any higher methods, but they hope to have the pleasure in the near future to attempt another peal on the bells of St. Giles. After a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness, the ringers finished the evening by ringing some Double Norwich and Stedman.

## RINGER'S WEDDING.

SHIPLAKE (Oxon).—On Sunday morning, 6th November, the local ringers were astir early to give a peal for the wedding of Mr. W. Cook to Miss L. Porter, the sister of the worthy captain. The ceremony was over at 9.30, and whilst the contracting parties were doing the necessary signing, etc., in the vestry, the bells were raised in peal and a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples rung by W. Wenman, W. Wicks, P. Bartholomew, O. Porter, J. Hands, G. Irvine, R. T. Hibbert conductor, A. Shepherd. Also 350 in the same method for morning service. A. Hinstead, W. Wicks, R. T. Hibbert, J. Hands, G. Irvine, W. Wenman, O. Porter conductor, C. Prior. The bride and bridegroom left for Bourne-mouth, the ringers wishing them a happy and prosperous life.

POTTON (Beds).—On Sunday, Nov. 13th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor. H. Mason, L. R. Lilley (Bedford) conductor, H. Stubbings, S. Stubbings, W. Inskip, J. Carter. First 720 by all the local band.

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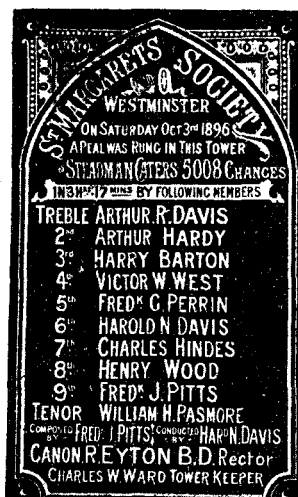
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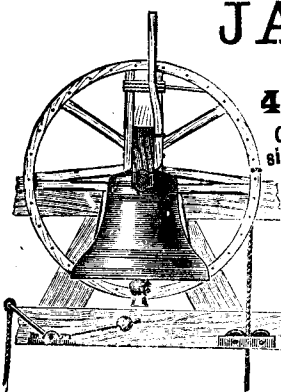
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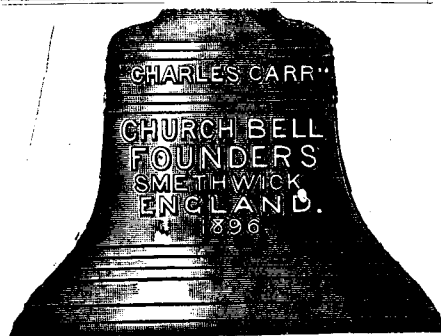
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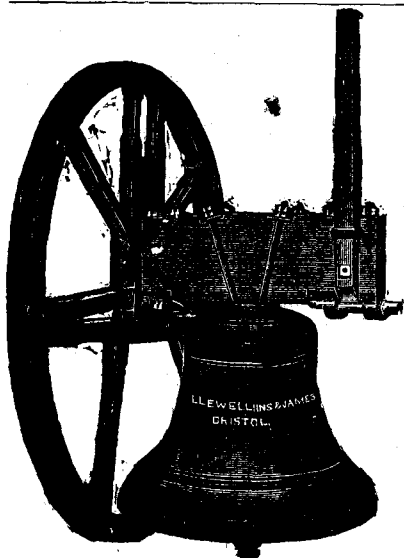
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

THAME (Oxon.) St. Mary. Oxford Diocesan Guild. Eight bells; all by Mears, 1876. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Warner about 1881. Ropes new 1897, fair. Half-pull ringing practised, but no method mentioned. Sunday ringing: 7.30 to 8, 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

THANET (Kent). St. Peter. Eight bells; 3rd by Swain, 1777; 4th by Gatlin, 1746; the rest by Mears as follows: treble and 2nd, 1892; 5th, 7th and tenor, 1887; 6th, 1882. Tenor 15 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears, 1887, and two trebles added, 1892. Ropes new 1892. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 10.45, and 6.30 to 7. Practice: Wednesday, 8.

THAXTED (Essex). St. John the Baptist. Eight bells. No return.

THETFORD (Norfolk). St. Peter. Eight bells; all by Osborn, 1790. Tenor 19 cwt. diameter 3 ft. 11 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. A chiming apparatus is fitted. Rehung by Day 1875. Ropes fair. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 1st in month, 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Friday, 8.

THIRSK (Yorks.) St. Mary the Virgin. Eight bells. No return.

### ST. KEW HIGHWAY, CORNWALL.

The ring of six bells at this village has been placed in the hands of Messrs. Llewellyns and James, Bellfounders, of Bristol, for complete restoration. This firm is very busy in various parts of the country, and is making itself a high name for most efficient work both in casting and hanging. At the place just referred to, Messrs. Llewellyns and James have been instructed to recast the 4th bell, and rehang the whole six with entirely new fittings, viz., wheels, stocks, gudgeons, slides, in fact every item neces-

sary for complete rehanging. In addition they are to provide and fix a new cast-iron frame of the most modern construction.

The work is expected to be completed early in the new year, and there is no doubt that such a bell-restoration as this, in a somewhat remote part of England, will affect for good the prospects of ringing "down west," and especially as it is in the hands of such an enterprising firm as Llewellyns and James.

### WENDENS AMBO, ESSEX.

The quaint little church of Wendens Ambo, almost within a stone's throw of Audley End railway station (Great Eastern main to Cambridge), is the second oldest church in East Anglia. Its history can be dated back as far as the year 1100. When the present Vicar (Rev. C. E. Barnes) accepted the living in 1892, the fabric was in a lamentable state of decay, but owing to his perseverance and help of parishioners and friends, it has now been completely restored. The bells have been attended to, and the upper part of the tower restored, which was necessary before the rehanging of the bells.

The five bells that have been in the tower since 1700 have not been rung for more than sixty years, owing to the fact that three of them were cracked, and the old frame and fittings were considered unsafe for those bells otherwise sound to be raised. The Vicar, in carrying out the restoration, wisely determined to augment the ring to six, and the work he placed in the hands of Messrs. Bowell, of Ipswich, the treble bell being the gift of the family of the late Mrs. J. T. Collin, a greatly-respected parishioner. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th have been recast and the 5th and tenor quarter-turned, and the cost, including the gift bell, amounted to £165, which sum has been raised.

A special service for the dedication of the new bell and the re-dedication of the old bells took place on Friday, November 11th, when there was a crowded congregation, and much interest was taken in the service. The Rural Dean (Rev. Canon Fisher), gave a short address, in the course of which he explained the proper uses for which church bells were instituted. Proceeding he said they were dedicating a new bell, and re-dedicating those that had been silent for so many years. The voice of the bells went forth sometimes in joy, sometimes in sorrow. Their voice spoke for the Church, and went outside the Church. They had even a greater voice than the man who spoke from the pulpit. They spoke to the whole of the parish, which pointed to the fact that they were the common property of the whole parish. Although the bells could not be touched without the joint consent of the Vicar and churchwardens, they belonged to the people of the parish, and were the voice of the Church to which they belonged. They not only spoke to the whole parish, but to those who came within the sound of their ring. The bells not only spoke of the joys and sorrows of their own parish, but of the joys and sorrows of the whole country. They were dedicated to the honour and glory of God. England was the only place where the bells were properly rung.

Might their harmony as they rang remind them of the harmony of grace that should abound amongst them. Another advantage of the bells was that when they were kept at home and could not get to church, they could, on hearing the bells, join themselves in communion at home with the service at church.

The choir and clergy then proceeded to the belfry singing the hymn "Our sainted sires with pious ardour filled." Following a dedicatory prayer the Rev. Canon Fisher proceeded to raise the new treble bell, and handed the rope to Mr. F. Pitstow. He then handed the second rope to Mr. H. Bowell, who raised the 2nd bell; then the third rope to Mr. Nevard to raise that bell; then the fourth rope to Mr. George Taylor (Cambridge), to raise the 4th bell; then the fifth to Mr. N. J. Pitstow who raised that bell; and lastly the tenor rope to Mr. A. F. James (Saffron Walden), who raised that bell.

A course of Grandsire Doubles was then rung, after which the choir and clergy returned to the chancel chanting Psalm ci., after which the Te Deum was sung. At the conclusion of the service two courses of Treble Bob Minor was rung, much to the delight of the parishioners present.

On the Sunday following at the evening service the bells were again rung by ringers from Saffron Walden and Stansted; and after service a 720 of Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung by five of the Stansted company, assisted by Mr. N. J. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (YORKTOWN DISTRICT.)

The annual meeting of this district was held at Bagshot on Saturday, October 29th, in delightful weather, when about thirty members attended from Staines, Bagshot, Ottershaw, Yateley, Farnborough, Sandhurst, Yorktown, etc. At 5 o'clock all sat down to tea in the Institute, when the chair was taken by the Vicar (Rev. W. H. Caldwell), supported by the Rev. E. C. Kirwan, of Yorktown, and Mr. J. Evans, churchwarden of Bagshot. After the tea the usual business meeting was held, at which the Rev. E. C. Kirwan took the chair. The minutes of the last annual and quarterly meetings were read, and the Secretary's report and balance-sheet was presented and passed. The election of officers for the year resulted as follows: Rev. E. C. Kirwan (President); Mr. G. Woodiss (Representative on Central Committee); Mr. C. H. Pearce (District Secretary).

Yateley was chosen as the next place for the Annual Meeting, and Ottershaw for the next quarterly meeting in February, 1905.

A vote of thanks to the Rev. W. H. Caldwell for the use of the bells; to the Rev. E. C. Kirwan for presiding; and to the Secretary for his services during the past year concluded the business.

It is sad to say that owing to the awful heavy "go" of the tenor there could not be many touches of Minor brought round, although several attempts were made. During the afternoon and evening the members had the pleasure of meeting their old friend of Debenham fame—Edgar Collins—who took part in the ringing.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (EASTERN DIVISION.)

A most successful meeting of the above was held at Westham on Saturday, November 12th. The tower

was open from 3 o'clock till 9, and Pevensey tower from 7 till 9. Tea was served at The Pevensey Castle hotel, at which twenty-four members were present, representing nine different towers.

Tea was followed by the usual business meeting, Mr. G. Watson, of St. Leonard's, taking the chair in the absence of the Rev. —. Hopley, of Westham. The minutes of the last meeting held at Rye were duly read and confirmed.

The Secretary briefly explained why no meetings had been held at Seaford and Chiddingley, and stated that upon writing to make arrangements for the meeting at Seaford he found that four of the bells recently retuned and rehung had had to be returned to the foundry for further tuning or recasting, they being so unsatisfactory, but the meeting will be held as soon as possible after the further work is completed. With regard to Chiddingley the Vicar had refused permission for the meeting to be held at his church without giving his reasons, and the matter was now being further enquired into.

Several new members were elected, and upon the proposition of Mr. Penfold, seconded by Mr. Howse, it was decided that the next quarterly peal attempt should be Stedman Triples, at Hailsham, with Mr. F. Bennett as conductor. Several names were given in, the remainder of the band being made up from those present.

The following votes of thanks were unanimously carried: To the Rev. —. Hopley for the use of the tower; to the Ven. Archdeacon Sutton for the use of Pevensey tower; to the Secretary for his trouble in making all the arrangements.

In returning thanks, the Secretary stated he had received a very nice letter from Lieut. Colonel Owen, who took a great interest in the ringers of Westham, expressing regret at his unavoidable absence.

Good practice was had in each tower in Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, and Plain and Treble Bob Minor.

#### THE EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting was held at Clay Cross on Saturday, November 26th. Members were present from Clay Cross, South Wingfield, North Wingfield, Swanwick and Blackwell. A splendid tea was provided by the Vicar and churchwardens, to which only twenty-three sat down, owing no doubt to the inclemency of the weather. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The President (Mr. R. Lloyd) read a letter of apology from the Secretary, regretting his inability to attend the meeting owing to illness. Messrs. T. Clough and F. Marshall were appointed auditors for the Easter accounts.

Votes of thanks were given to the Vicar and churchwardens for so kindly providing the tea; also to the ladies who waited at tea. The Vicar was also thanked for the use of the bells, and the President for presiding.

The bells, six in number, a nice little ring in A, are now in good order, the tower having been recently strengthened and the bells rehung some time previous, making ringing a pleasure. The visitors all thoroughly enjoyed themselves till nearly 9 p.m.

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## TRAGIC DEATH IN A BELFRY.

A correspondent, Mr. W. H. Marsh, of Plymouth, sends the following:—

On Wednesday, November 34th, a new parish room and memorial hall was opened in Charles parish, Plymouth, Devon. Mr. Sandover of Heavitree, who was in the town, wished to ring a peal with us, so we thought it would be a grand opportunity to commemorate the opening of the above hall. Consequently we started on Wednesday evening for Hubbards's peal of 5129 Grandsire Caters, standing thus: E. Taylor, W. Hiscot, E. W. Marsh, E. Hendy, H. Myers, M. Sandover, W. Ford, E. Manning, W. H. Marsh, J. Jordan.

All went well for over 3 hrs., the striking being excellent, when just five courses from home the 4th is called before. I watched Mr. Hendy make 3rds and lead, when he fell forward rope in hand and under him, straight into the middle of the belfry on his face. Soon all was confusion. We turned him over and rendered first aid, and sent for a doctor, who quickly came, but he was only able to announce that the vital spark had fled. Of our sorrow, of the sorrow of the relatives, I will say nothing, but leave your readers to imagine what this terrible sudden blow meant to us. Add to this, that the deceased, who was 68 years of age, was the dearest, most upright, lovable man it was our privilege to know, then you get some idea of our grief.

On Sunday morning we laid him to rest in the cemetery. Our company sent a beautiful wreath in the shape of a bell. The St. Andrew's company, who were fully represented, did the same. The morning was a lovely one, and as we bore our dear brother along the cemetery, the hoar-frost glistening like diamonds, we could not but remember that only the previous Sunday he rang with us at Emmanuel church for divine service. Numerous friends and ringers were at the graveside, among them dear old Mr. William Banister, who is 81 in February next. As we lowered him into the moss-lined grave, where his wife was resting beneath, the officiating clergyman poured forth a fervent prayer to Almighty God that we, standing near that open grave, might learn a lesson from the departed, who by the upright life he had lived in front of his comrades, and all with whom he had been brought into contact, had proven that his was not dying, but just falling asleep in Jesus.

We rang the bells at Charles church half-muffled (whole pull and stand) both before and after morning service, the preacher feelingly referring to our departed friend; the organist playing at the close of the service "O rest in the Lord."

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—I stated simple facts about my experience at Exeter. It is reasonable cause of complaint that an evening should be wasted in the vain expectation of hearing this glorious ring, when I even had a card from the principal person saying they would be rung as usual on the appointed evening by the Exeter men. It is a feeble excuse to say that another company had rung a few days before. Mr. Daniell does not know as much as I do about clerical incomes, or he would be aware that the Exeter Chapter (like St. Paul's) commuted their estates with the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and that thus their stipends (the Dean £2000 a year, and each of the Canons £1000) are paid to the day. I am sorry that (on the authority of a verger) I did not do full justice to the feat of the Birmingham company. Mr. Pegler's performance is equal to Mr. Wm. Pye's, who rang the tenor behind in a peal of Caters for just over four hours, he having rung in another peal the same day. My name will convey no more to Mr. Daniell than his does to me—that is *nil*.

University Club, Dublin.

W. H. M. ELLIS.

## REPLY TO MR. SHORT.

SIR,—If Mr. Short will kindly look at the peal in question he will see by the transposition of the course-ends that a bob at 6 has been omitted in the eleventh course. The peal is then perfectly true.

F. BENNETT.

## Obituary.

## WILLIAM BENNETT.

Possibly this may be the first intimation to many of the death of Mr. Bennett, of the well-known firm of Webb and Bennett, Bellhangers, Kidlington, who died November 20th, aged 46. It is but a month since he was present at Ducklington at a meeting of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, of which branch he was Secretary. He seemed then in good health and spirits, but there was some secret mischief at work, signs of which had made themselves evident from time to time, and which alas! had been disregarded. Not many days after it was found necessary to operate for appendicitis. In itself this was successful, but complications followed, and after nine days of great pain, bravely borne, he passed away. He had been a member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild from its foundation, having lived at Appleton, Berks., in the palmy days of the Appleton Society, where he took part in the following famous peals: 10,580 Double Norwich, 12,041 Stedman Caters, 13,265 Grandsire Caters, 15,041 Stedman Caters, all rung in the same year 1888. Although he continued to ring many peals, long lengths did not come in his way again until Whit-Monday, 1899, when he took part in the famous 17,024 Double Norwich at Kidlington, where he had then come to live. Those who rang with him can have but one opinion about him as a ringer, a good safe man; but the qualities that are essential to the makings of a good ringer were also exhibited by him in his ordinary life and work. A man of few words, unselfish, dogged and true, "Bill Bennett," as he was more familiar called, was a power for good among those with whom he was brought into contact. He leaves a loved and loving wife and five little ones to mourn his loss, but they are not alone in their sorrow, as was testified to by the numbers that assembled in Kidlington church on the day of the funeral, Thursday, November 24th. Besides relatives there were present ringers and personal friends from Oxford, Appleton, Witney, Woodstock, Ducklington, Yarnton and elsewhere, in addition to the members of his own belfry. The Rev. F. E. Robinson, Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn, and Rev. A. C. K. Freeborn (Vicar of the parish) were the officiating clergy. Previous to the funeral a touch of 504 Stedman Triples, conducted by the Rev. C. Jenkyn, and 168 Grandsire Triples, conducted by H. Judge, were rung with the bells deeply muffled. The service was choral, the musical portions being well rendered by the choir, of which the deceased had been a faithful member. The hymn "Now the labourer's task is o'er" was sung at the grave side in the snow-clad churchyard as the winter's sun sank towards the west, shedding "a ray of gladness o'er a work that's done." Then once more the mysteries of Stedman came floating in muffled tones from the old tower, symbolical surely of the Person in the Trinity Who clothed Himself in the sorrow of the world. And so we left "Bill Bennett" at rest until the day when "the Master of all good workmen shall put us to work anew." And if we are faithful, we, with him, shall find in the great hereafter the counter part of that bellringing we have "loved long since, and lost awhile."

C. W. O. J.

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## THE SUSSEX WEEK.

I need not be missed if another succeed me;  
To reap down those fields which in spring I have sown.  
He who ploughed and who sowed is not missed by the reaper  
He is only remembered by what he has done.

Brighton was made the headquarters for this week of county peal-ringing, and it proved to be an advantage over the practice of wandering from one parish to another, necessitating a frequent change of sleeping accommodation; consequently the company partaking of the ringing this week enjoyed a better rest at night and had more time for sociality after the peals. The programme was full and complete, sufficient to make the mouth of a "connoisseur of Surprise" visibly water, attempts being organised at the rate of two a day. In giving the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" a rough outline of our proceedings I omit the names of the churches and particulars of the bells, since the peal columns—with details of nine peals—gave this information. The Master of the Sussex County Association, Mr. G. F. Attree, and the Hon. Sec., Mr. A. B. Bennett, not only assisted in the organisation of the tour, but took a practical part in the work of ringing, and the success of the week is in a great measure due to them and the conductors—Messrs. Price and Williams—the latter gentleman proving to be in fine "peal form." As a centre Brighton is excellent, from a ringers' point of view. There are a great number of peals of eight within easy radius, affording two towers a day comfortably, and this transformed our tour of eight days into a series of day tours or outings.

HORSHAM, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5.—We arrived at 3 p.m., inspected and sketched the church, the north porch with side lancet windows making a pretty picture from the entrance gates. The church was rebuilt about 1231 with additions at later dates, and completely restored in 1865 by the Vicar, the Rev. Evan Daniel, M.A. A notice to the churchwardens dated May, 1904, informs me of this gentleman's decease and the sequestration of the living by the Bishop of Chichester. There are several handsome early tombs in the chancel, all the windows are stained glass, the east window being remarkable for its size and beautiful stonework tracery. On entering the west door one is struck by the simplicity of the marble tablet to the memory of one of our poets, fixed close beside the staircase door leading up to the belfry:—

"Percy Bysshe Shelley, born 4 August, 1792, died 8 July, 1822."

London Surprise was attempted here, conducted by Mr. H. R. Newton, who put the tenor along in fine style, but had to call stand after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins. owing to a change-course. We were indebted to Mr. C. Vaughan for the keys, and Mr. H. Mance, of The King's Head, the local Secretary, for a half hour's rest before starting for Warnham at 10.30 p.m. by waggonette, which we did accompanied by occasional loud reports of fireworks, etc., discharged by local rustics in the streets in commemoration of the Guy Fawkes plot.

WARNHAM, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6.—At 6.30 a.m. I found myself cosily lying in the best bedroom of host Farley's house—the churchwarden and late landlord of The Warnham hotel. Mr. and Mrs. H. Farley had given us a Scotch welcome the previous night, and made provision for our comfort over Sunday, excepting dinner, which, through an oversight, had not been ordered, and so we partly fasted, much to the good lady's distress. The remainder of our band were early astart, and after breakfast London Surprise was attempted at 7.30 a.m., but again failed for a similar reason in 1 hr. 45 mins. The belfry is well furnished, match-boarded walls, neatly-framed peal cards, good ropes, circle and draught, and a first-class ring of eight in excellent tune and good going order. An ancient oak ladder is preserved in the tower with the date 1669, which one would like to hear more about. Records of worthy performances were found in the tower, the Warnham band having won the county challenge bell in 1888 with the best aggregate of points for peal-ringing. There are no less than twenty members of the local society—a half dozen Charmans. With such a band and such bells, with a Vicar who shews such interest in change-ringing, we hope to see Warnham again to the front at no distant date. On reference to the illustration of this church (which will appear in due course) it will be seen that one of the prettiest views was selected, a large clump of evergreens in the foreground being omitted to show the west entrance, which is approached from

the main road through a bower of yew. The mildness of the season was evidenced by the roses clustering on the south west side, and other flowers in full bloom. I observed that the list of fees chargeable was displayed in the porch, a custom in Sussex, not so fully adhered to elsewhere:—

	s.	d.
Plain grave, 5 feet, and bell ..	5	6
Extra depth per foot .. ..	1	0
Bell 1 hour .. ..	1	0

The vestry is used by the Warnham Society for general and half yearly business meetings, their practice night, Wednesdays, and their fee for ringing at a wedding, £2 2, divided at the time. We left Warnham at 12.30 with the good wishes of the local men, a roomy four-tier waggonette, a relic of early Victorian coaching days, once the property of Warnham Court, being brought out for our use.

Crawley was reached after a beautiful sunny drive at 1.30, and at two minutes to 2 p.m. Superlative Surprise was in progress, peal No. 1 being the result. This belfry is similar to St. Clement Danes to enter. The peal cards gave evidence of the quality of the band that did good work here some ten years ago, familiar names such as Dench, Parker, Sharman and Ward, all Cumberlands then, appearing in excellent performances at that time, but the men are no longer at Crawley, we hear of them frequently with the bands of competing Middlesex Societies. We were joined by the brothers Rice and others, and had tea at The Temperance hotel previous to catching the 6.40 train for Brighton. There is an excellent clock in the tower erected in 1901 by public subscription at a cost of over £250—

In thankful commemoration of the long and glorious reign of Queen Victoria.

Crawley is about half way on the main road London to Brighton, and being a fine Sunday it was more than unusually busy with motorists and cyclists innumerable. One more memo. and then good bye to Crawley. The late Vicar, although most favourable towards peal-ringing, only allowed rounds and queens to be rang for the Sunday services, a custom which is still followed.

BRIGHTON, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7.—A dull, wet day, and a complete blank in the ringing, the Rector of Shoreham having to cancel our visit to his tower in the afternoon owing to several cases of illness near the church. In the evening we met for Stedman Caters at St. Nicholas at 6.30 p.m., evening service not being over till then, the congregation on this occasion consisting of one person. It was only a brief venture, a bob at 16 in the second course being wilfully omitted. The absence of Mr. King was commented upon, and an adjournment to The Windmill followed. The visitors during the day took advantage of their leisure to walk the parade for the sea air, inspect the Art Gallery and Library, and to sample October brewings at The Canteen, another rendezvous of the local ringers. The tower of St. Nicholas is in line with the centre of the nave at the west end. The ringing room is on the ground floor, with a large west door which forms the principal entrance to the church. The walls of the tower are crowded with stone tablets removed from other parts of the church at the restoration, which record the decease of many residents and visitors during Brighton's noted period of Georgian prosperity, but the ages of these departed ones are mostly young. Here are two:—

Near this stone is interred the body of William Gwyn, A.M., a principal of Brasenose College, Oxford, who died the 17th of August, 1770, aged 35 years.

Jane Brooks, of Egham, aged 27 years, July 11th, 1835.

There are also three large lead slabs rescued from a sale as old metal, and the melting pot, 1705, 1675, and one dated 1677. I give particulars of its lettering:—

Edward Lowe, Vicar; John Scras, Henry Smith, Richard Herman, Churchwardens. A.D. DOM N 1677.

St. Nicholas was the original home of the Brighton ringers and early change-ringing, some fine old tablets of wood testifying of the past. It was due to Churchwarden Attree's interest in the Art that four of these were replaced in this tower after nearly fifty years absence, mine host of The Running Horse, in King Street, refusing to give them up, as they made a fitting decoration to the walls of the ringers' meeting room, until gentle influence was brought to bear upon him by the brewers, the owners of the house. (To be continued.)

## Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on December 15th and 29th, and at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Wednesday, December 7th. A business meeting will also be held at The Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on Dec. 7th.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—South and West District.—The annual meeting of the above district will be held to-day, Saturday, Dec. 3rd, at Christ Church, Ealing, by kind permission of the Rev. W. Templeton King. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea at 5.30, followed by business meeting.

Hillingdon. J. J. PRATT, *Dist. Hon. Sec.*

**The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Long Ashton to-day, Saturday, Dec. 3rd. Bells available 2 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at The Smyth Arms hotel at 5 p.m., 6d. each. Business immediately following tea.

Bridgewater. A. E. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Oldham, to-day, Saturday, Dec. 3rd. Bells ready at 4.0; meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**The Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The adjourned annual meeting will be held at Stoke-on-Trent to-day, Saturday, Dec. 3rd.

D. PRESTON, *Hon. Sec.*

High St., Bucknall.

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Netherton to-day, Saturday, Dec. 3rd. Bells will be available at 4.0. Service in church at 5 p.m.

W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.**—Devizes Branch.—Next monthly meeting, Bishops Cannings, close to Devizes, 8 bells, to-day, Saturday, December 3rd, at 3 p.m.

Ferndale, Devizes. C. W. B. COBBE.

**The Midland Counties Association.**—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Sawley on Saturday, December 10th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

**The Archdeaconry of Salop Guild.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wem on Saturday, December 10th. Ringing at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4. Train leaves Shrewsbury at 1.53 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m.

J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

**The Kent County Association.**—Rochester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Rochester, on Saturday, 10th December. Tower will be open for ringing at 4 p.m. Committee meeting at 6.30.

A. OSBORNE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Burnley parish church on Saturday, December 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. A memorial tablet to the late Mr. John Pollard will be unveiled the same day.

T. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Heavy Woollen District Association.**—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Kirkburton, on Saturday, December 10th. Meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting house The George hotel.

WALTER IDLE, *Secretary.*

47, Vulcan Road, Dewsbury.

## KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Lewisham District was held at Dartford on Saturday, October 22nd, and may be considered a very successful one. By the kind permission of the Rev. Percy E. Smith, Vicar, the bells of the parish church were placed at the disposal of the members from 3.30 p.m., at which time Mr. J. Wheadon, of the local band, had things in readiness, and they were kept in motion by various bands till 5 p.m. An adjournment was then made to The North Pole restaurant for tea, to which 73 sat down, accompanied by the Vicar.

At the conclusion of the repast, the business meeting was held, the Vicar in the chair, but before this was proceeded with the Vicar rose and said that he should like to extend to the Association a hearty welcome to the ancient town of Dartford, and it gave him very great pleasure to meet such a large body of church workers. He also made some amusing remarks with regard to the name of the place and Mr. Franklin, the proprietor, and said it was not the first time he had met there with ringers.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed. Mr. J. Wheadon then proposed the following gentlemen as honorary members of the Association, viz., Rev. Percy E. Smith, Messrs. E. Parker, S. K. Keyes, A. J. Penney, J. Ambrose, J. H. Shaw (all of Dartford). Mr. R. Brett proposed the Rev. Cyril Reinold (Curate of Dartford). Mr. W. J. Browning proposed the Rev. E. Basil Spurgin (Vicar of Sidcup). These were seconded by Mr. E. Conyard and carried with applause. Nine members of the St. George's, Beckenham, band were elected members of the Association.

The District Secretary then read his annual report, and no questions arising therefrom the same was adopted. The retiring district secretary and district representative were unanimously re-elected to their respective offices. Beckenham was selected as the place of the next quarterly meeting on Saturday, January 28th, 1905. Mr. R. Brett then proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the Vicar for his kindness in joining the meeting at tea, and also for presiding at the business meeting. This was seconded by Mr. E. O. Masters, who fully endorsed Mr. Brett's remarks, and said he would also like to add a vote of thanks for the use of the bells. This, on being put to the meeting, was carried with loud applause.

The rev. gentleman, in reply, thanked them for their vote of thanks, and said it had been a very great pleasure to him to be present with them.

The members then returned to the tower, and the bells were kept going in various methods until 10 p.m.

It is with very deep regret the dis. sec.

has to announce that F. C. Dobbing, esq., of Calderwood, Chislehurst (who joined the Association at the commencement of the present year as an hon. life member), and who he announced to the meeting as being dangerously ill, passed away on Monday, Oct. 24th. A half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted at Chislehurst to his memory, but was lost after 2½ hrs. ringing.

The following methods were referred to by Mr. H. J. Tucker in his letter of last week:—

Colledge Bob the First.	Colledge Bob the Second.	Colledge Bob the Third.	Colledge Bob the Fifth.
123456	123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	214365	214365
124356	124356	124365	124365
213465	213465	214356	213465
231456	231645	241365	231456
324165	326154	423156	324165
321456	321654	241356	321456
234165	326145	423165	234165
243615	362415	243615	243615
426351	634251	426351	236451
462315	364215	423615	234615
643251	632451	246351	326451
634521	623541	423651	234651
365412	265314	246315	326415
356421	625341	243651	324651
534612	263514	426315	236415
543162	236154	246135	326145
451326	321465	421653	231654
453162	326145	246153	236145
541326	321654	421635	321654
514362	312564	412653	312645
153426	135246	146235	136254
513462	315264	412635	316245
154326	132546	146253	132654
145362	135264	142635	136245
B L	B L	B L	B L
53462	23564	64235	23645

P.S.—Colledge Bob the Fourth was published in "THE BELL NEWS" Nov. 5th, 1904, by Mr. Dains as Norwich Delight.

HENRY J. TUCKER.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1904.

OUR readers will remember that a fortnight ago appeared the record of nine peals rung in the county of Sussex by some tourists. One of the company—Mr. W. H. FUSSELL—commences in this number an account of the members' experiences and doings while on this tour. This will be continued week by week until concluded.

**The Metropolis.****THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes.*

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5392 CHANGES.**

Tenor 25 cwt.

G. BESTER .. .. .	Treble.	H. MILLER .. .. .	5.
A. R. GLASSCOCK .. .. .	2.	M. FENSOM .. .. .	6.
W. PICKWORTH .. .. .	3.	J. E. MILLER .. .. .	7.
J. ARMSTRONG .. .. .	4.	S. WADE .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by T. Lockwood, and Conducted by SIDNEY WADE.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Thursday, November 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WALWORTH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM PYE .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN MOULE .. .. .	5.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. .	2.	ERNEST PYE .. .. .	6.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. .	3.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. .	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. .	4.	HORATIO E. GUMMER ..	Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

(THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING.)

*On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Four Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, BARKING,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 22½ cwt. in E flat.

ALBERT C. HARDY .. .. .	Treble.	ALFRED J. CARTER .. .. .	5.
HENRY E. PARKER† .. .. .	2.	GEORGE FAULKNER .. .. .	6.
D'OILEY SIMONS .. .. .	3.	ROWLAND FENN .. .. .	7.
JAMES COTTIS .. .. .	4.	CALEB FENN .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by CALEB FENN, and Conducted by ALFRED CARTER.

†First peal. First peal as conductor. All are natives of Barking.

**THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES.**

Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. .. .	6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. .	2.	REUBEN CHARGE .. .. .	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. .	3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. .	8.
FRANK SMITH .. .. .	4.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. .	9.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. .	5.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

**The Provinces.****DISLEY, CHESHIRE.****THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes.*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720s each of Woodbine, Oxford, Kent, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 8½ cwt.

WILLIAM FOX* .. .. .	Treble.	FRED HOLT .. .. .	4.
SAMUEL BENNETT .. .. .	2.	SAMUEL FERNLEY .. .. .	5.
EGBERT STAMPER .. .. .	3.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON ..	Tenor.

Conducted by F. HOLT.

\*First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor

**HORBURY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 12, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE DRAKE .. .. .	Treble.	WILSON WOOD .. .. .	5.
JABEZ WHITELEY .. .. .	2.	FRED ROBINSON .. .. .	6.
FRED CROSSLEY .. .. .	3.	HERBERT COCKROFT .. .. .	7.
CHRIS. NIELD .. .. .	4.	HENRY MARSHALL .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by C. H. MARTIN, and Conducted by GEORGE DRAKE.

**BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.****THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

(BURTON BRANCH.)

*On Tuesday, November 15, 1904, in Three Hours Fifteen Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MODWEN,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

R. A. AUTY* .. .. .	Treble.	L. BULLOCK .. .. .	5.
W. J. SMITH .. .. .	2.	J. WALKER .. .. .	6.
P. WRIGHT .. .. .	3.	R. W. LOGIE .. .. .	7.
G. ROBINSON .. .. .	4.	JNO. CARVELL .. .. .	Tenor.

Conducted by W. J. SMITH.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells since being rehung by Messrs. Taylor.

**SEAFORD, SUSSEX.****THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 11 lbs.

WILLIAM PELLING .. .. .	Treble.	ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. .. .	5.
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GEORGE HOWSE .. .. .	3.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. .. .	7.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. .	4.	KEITH HART .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

First peal on the bells since they have been rehng, and the 5th and 6th recast by Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. First peal in the method on the bells.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.****THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, BOYN HILL,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 17½ cwt.

ARTHUR MARTIN* .. .. .	Treble.	JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. .	5.
JOSEPH S. HAWKINS† .. .. .	2.	WILLIAM WALKER .. .. .	6.
MAURICE SMITHER .. .. .	3.	JESSE ELDRIDGE .. .. .	7.
ARTHUR WALKER .. .. .	4.	GEORGE MARTIN .. .. .	Tenor.

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by ARTHUR MARTIN.

\*First peal of Major as conductor. †First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Walker, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

**BOCKING, ESSEX.***On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

HENRY E. HAMMOND† ..	Treble.	*FREDERICK WARREN ..	5.
FREDERICK RADLEY* ..	2.	*CHARLES BEARMAN ..	6.
SAMUEL SARGEANT† ..	3.	†WILLIAM GRIMWADE ..	7.
WILLIAM MOORE† .. ..	4.	†WILLIAM STEELE .. ..	Tenor.

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by W. STEELE.

First peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight. \*First peal. †First peal of Major. †First peal of Major as conductor.

## PUDSEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

RICHARD FARRER .. .. Treble.	JAMES W. BAXENDALE .. 5.
WILLIAM BIRKS .. .. 2.	JOHN W. CORDINGLEY .. 6.
J. CECIL BOOTH .. .. 3.	JOHN E. PROCTOR .. .. 7.
SAMUEL WARD .. .. 4.	HARRY WARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN BARKER, and Conducted by H. WARD.

## CALVERLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;  
IN THE LONDON VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

EZRA KEIGHLEY .. .. Treble.	*PRATT CORDINGLEY .. .. 5.
SAMUEL WHEATLEY .. .. 2.	CHARLES PRATT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HOLLINGS .. .. 3.	FRED PAGE .. .. 7.
WALTER POPPLEWELL .. 4.	ARTHUR WHEATER .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by WALTER POPPLEWELL.

\*First peal in the method.

## GARBOLDISHAM, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt,

SOLOMON MAULE .. .. Treble.	THOMAS FITZJOHN .. .. 4.
WALTER BLOOMFIELD .. 2.	WILLIAM BASON, JUN. .. 5.
JAMES BASON .. .. 3.	WILLIAM BASON, SEN. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM BASON, JUN.

## ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lbs.

HENRY G. MILES .. .. Treble.	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS .. 5.
HENRY W. WILKES* .. .. 2.	EKNEST G. STIBBONS .. 6.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. 3.	JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 7.
THOMAS BEADLE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. G. MILES.

\*First peal in the method.

## CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

## MIDLAND COUNTIES AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF PETERBOROUGH SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 24½ cwt.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Treble.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
REV. ARTHUR T. BEESTON .. 2.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 6.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 3.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 7.
JOHN FLINT .. .. 4.	SAM THOMAS .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by S. THOMAS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

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## WOKINGHAM, BERKS.

## THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

(THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM.)

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

HENRY SIMMONDS .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH HANDS .. .. 5.
EDWIN J. MENDAY .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. 6.
ERNEST W. MENDAY .. 3.	HARRY W. SMITH .. .. 7.
GEORGE ESSEX .. .. 4.	RICHARD T. HIBBERT .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

First Surprise peal on the bells. The band were kindly entertained to tea by the Rector, the Rev. B. Long, after the peal.

## HAWLEY, HANTS.—THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

THOMAS W. RADFORD .. Treble.	JAMES HUNT .. .. 5.
THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 2.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. 6.
E. CONOR O'BRIEN .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
JOHN J. JONES .. .. 4.	MAURICE STEER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Wyatt, wife of the late Rector. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. F. E. and Mrs. Godden for their generous hospitality after the peal; also for the use of the bells.

## ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

HENRY CORBETT* .. .. Treble.	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT .. 5.
ARTHUR B. CARPENTER .. 2.	JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 6.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 3.	HARRY LAST .. .. 7.
CHARLES DEAN .. .. 4.	HENRY R. NEWTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. H. E. BULWER, and

Conducted by DR. A. B. CARPENTER.

For the calling see the last peal on page 78 of Appendix 1895. After meeting one short for Superlative, Mr. Corbett kindly came at a moment's notice to complete the band. \*First peal of Double Norwich.

## HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HALEY'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 17 lbs.

HERBERT RAINBOW .. .. Treble.	*JOHN HENSMAN .. .. 5.
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 2.	ARTHUR STEWART .. .. 6.
JOSEPH WHITE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FAREY .. .. 7.
HENRY BLUNDELL .. .. 4.	ARTHUR CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. FAREY.

\*First peal. First peal of Stedman Triples by all except the ringers of the and and tenor First peal as conductor.

## OLD CHESTERTON, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

In the following nine methods: Earl Soham Delight, Lincolnshire Singles, Hudibras, Primrose, Court Bob, Crambo, Westminster, Stedman and Grandshire.

P. PIGG .. .. Treble.	F. BROWN .. .. 3.
H. MANSFIELD .. .. 2.	W. MANSFIELD .. .. 4.
W. EUSDEN .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by W. EUSDEN.

## EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11½ cwt.

GEORGE WOODISS .. .. Treble.	CHARLES E. READ .. .. 5.
JOHN BEAMS .. .. 2.	EDWARD T. GROSVENOR .. 6.
FREDERICK W. CHALLEN .. 3.	FERRIS J. SHEPHERD .. 7.
STEPHEN WILSON .. .. 4.	HARRY G. BEAMS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WOODISS

## KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,

5184 CHANGES. Tenor 25½ cwt.

NOAH DAVIS .. .. Treble.	*ROBERT MATTHEWS .. .. 5.
THOMAS J. SALTER .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PAGE .. .. 6.
WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 3.	*JOSEPH PIGOTT .. .. 7.
ALBERT WALKER* .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by THOMAS J. SALTER

\*First peal in the method. This is the first quarterly peal for the above Association.

## PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,  
AND THE ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS, GLOUCESTER.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

GARRIE MILES† .. .. Treble.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN. .. 6.
FRANCIS J. LEWIS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. SEVIER .. .. 7.
JOHN AUSTIN .. .. 3.	†SYDNEY M. LOXTON .. .. 8.
THOMAS BALDWIN† .. .. 4.	ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. 9.
JESSE GILLET .. .. 5.	ALBERT HANKS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

†First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

## SIMPSON, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores each called differently.

RICHARD NICHOLS .. .. Treble.	HARRY SEAR .. .. 3.
ARTHUR E. POWELL .. .. 2.	THOMAS HENRY .. .. 4.
HARRY HOPKINS .. .. Tenor.	

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

First peal on the bells.

## FINEDON, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb.

LEWIS CHAPMAN .. .. Treble.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. .. 5.
JOHN J. MAWBY* .. .. 2.	JAMES HOUGHTON, JUN. .. 6.
WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. 3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN .. .. 7.
JAMES GARRATT .. .. 4.	WALTER PERKINS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

\*Fiftieth peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Martin. For calling see page 113, 1895 Appendix. Further reference elsewhere.

## LANGDALE, WESTMORELAND.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 19, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Duke of York, two of Violet, two of Kent,  
and one of Oxford Treble Bob, Tenor 9½ cwt.

J. BACKHOUSE .. .. Treble.	R. SATTERTHWAITE .. .. 4.
W. NEVINSON .. .. 2.	J. HOLME .. .. 5.
F. WOODEND .. .. 3.	W. ROBINSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by J. BACKHOUSE.

## BANGOR, CARNARVONSHIRE.

## THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

WILLIAM CRANE, SEN. .. Treble.	GEORGE LORD .. .. 5.
ALBERT J. HUGHES .. .. 2.	JOHN H. GRUNDY .. .. 6.
JAMES H. MIDWINTER .. 3.	PHILIP W. DAVIES .. .. 7.
WILLIAM T. PEGLER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM CRANE, JUN. .. Tenor.

Composed by GEORGE WANKLIN, and Conducted by WM. T. PEGLER.

Rung as a compliment to Messrs. W. Crane and Midwinter on the anniversary of their wedding-day.

## HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

HAWKINS ENGLISH .. .. Treble.	†GEORGE W. MEE .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON† 2.	†ERNEST S. GOSTLING .. 6.
HARRY J. MEE† .. .. 3.	†CHARLES MEE .. .. 7.
FREDERICK SHIPP .. .. 4.	†FREDERICK MEE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by FREDERICK MEE.

†Members of the All Saints Society, Sproughton.

## PERRY BARR, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs.

FRANK FAY .. .. Treble.	ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 5.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 2.	HAROLD J. WITCHELL .. 6.
BERNARD W. WITCHELL .. 3.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 7.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by BERNARD WITCHELL.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## MANCHESTER.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DEANS GATE,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN EACHUS .. .. Treble.	GEORGE E. TURNER .. .. 5.
JOHN SMITH .. .. 2.	A. EDWARD WREACKER .. 6.
WALTER BROWN .. .. 3.	WILLIAM COOPER .. .. 7.
REV. H. J. ELSEE .. .. 4.	HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

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**DORKING, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 25 cwt.

EDWARD VENTHAM* .. .. Treble.	HENRY BOXALL .. .. 5.
ALFRED H. WINCH .. .. 2.	EDWARD HULL .. .. 6.
ARTHUR C. OTWAY .. .. 3.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 7.
JOHN WHITE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM LYNCH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR DEAN.

\*First peal. Rung a birthday compliment to W. Lynch. H. Boxall was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting.

**OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.****SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**

On Monday, November 21, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS'S FIVE-PART (7TH THE OBSERVATION).

WILLIAM R. SMALL .. .. Treble.	JOHN JAGGAR .. .. 5.
REUBEN HALL .. .. 2.	SAMUEL REEVES .. .. 6.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 3.	JOHN C. ADAMS .. .. 7.
HERBERT KNIGHT .. .. 4.	JAMES HARES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

Reference next week.

**ROMFORD, ESSEX.****THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Tuesday, November 22, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

Tenor 17 cwt.

WILLIAM KEEBLE .. .. Treble.	JOHN E. BAKER .. .. 5.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. 2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS .. .. 6.
WESLEY WATSON .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GEORGE CONYARD, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

†First peal in the method.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

**Date Touches.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

KELSALE (Suffolk).—On Sunday, October 23rd, for Divine service, a date touch of Double Norwich Court Bob Major in 1 hr. 7 mins. W. Fleming, C. Thompson, W. Drew, G. Berry, J. W. Avis, H. Thompson, F. G. Thompson conductor, W. Fisher.

**Miscellaneous.****THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKS ASSOCIATION.**

MIDDLEHAM.—On Saturday, 15th October, 360 Bob Minor. Chris Clarkson (churchwarden), G. Handley, H. Pauli, H. Jones, R. Borrows instructor and conductor, C. Bucktin. Also on handbells a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. A. Peacock, G. Handley, H. Pauli, H. Jones, R. Borrows 5-6. Also a course of Grandsire Triples double handed by Borrows, Handley, Jones and Pauli. On Sunday, 16th, an attempt for a 720 came to grief after ringing over 670 changes. W. Sykes, G. Handley, H. Parrish, H. Pauli, H. Jones, R. Borrows. Two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles and one of Bob Doubles with Harold Collinson treble. R. Borrows cycles from Richmond, 12 miles, to instruct this band.

**THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**

BOLSOVER.—On Monday, October 10th, at the residence of F. R. Kettleboro, 720 Bob Minor. F. R. Kettleboro, E. G. Baker, Wm. Lambert conductor. Umpire, Sylvanus Corfa. Believed to be the first 720 rung by a local band.

**THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

GARSTON.—On Monday, October 3rd, at St. Michael's church, 1008 Stedman Triples, from Lates's One-part. J. Aspinwall, J. Turner, T. Hammond, jun., E. Counce, G. R. Newton conductor, W. Hughes, J. Martin, J. W. Rawlinson.

**THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**

OXTON (Cheshire).—On Sunday, October 16th, for evening service on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, 1260 changes, in 46 mins. C. W. Owens, J. L. Grant, J. H. Owens, F. S. Barnes, G. R. Newton conductor, J. W. Evans, W. Hughes, S. Moston.

**THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**

INWORTH (Essex).—On Sunday, October 9th, being the Harvest Festival, several 6-scores of Grandsire, Old Doubles, Oxford, Cambridge and Stedman. F. Dale, H. Evers, W. Elliott, O. Elliott, E. Beckwith, J. Newman, F. Rudkin, A. Shufflebottom.

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

BRIGHTON.—On Thursday, September 29th, at St. Peter's for the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. H. Shephard, H. Rann, G. Ades, J. Farmer, R. J. Dawe, F. M. Bacon, F. Bennett conductor. E. Tugwood.

BEXHILL-ON-SEA.—On Saturday, October 15th, at St. Peter's, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. S. F. C. Saker, F. Bennett conductor, R. C. Ford, G. Penfold, W. H. Lambert, S. Saker, A. J. Turner, W. Burt.

**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**

LINCOLN.—On a recent Sunday evening for Divine service at the church of St. Peter-at-Arches, 1008 of Bob Major in 35 mins. G. Flintham, J. Wells, S. Tindall, C. W. P. Clifton, C. Chester, F. Pyle, T. Pyle, J. W. Watson conductor.

**THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

HATFIELD.—On Sunday, October 23rd, for morning service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 48 mins. J. Hollingsworth, J. J. Powers, J. Kentish, F. Cull, R. Shephard, H. S. Reeves, A. Shepherd conductor, G. Smith. For evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 minutes. F. Cull, H. Ellingham, J. Kentish, J. Hollingsworth, R. Shephard, A. Shepherd, H. S. Reeves conductor, H. Tharley.

**THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

WOOLWICH.—On Thursday, October 20th, for the 1171st Dedication Festival, for evening service, 1248 Kent Treble Bob Major in 50 mins. A. Sandiford, H. Hill, W. Watchorn, S. Thomas, Qr.-Mr. Sergt. A. Pye, E. Wills, H. Humphrey, W. Aldridge conductor.

**THE CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.**

NORTHAMPTON.—On Sunday, October 16th, at All Saints, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. A. Hensman, W. Farey, H. Blundell, H. Rainbow, J. Hensman, A. Stewart, W. J. Allen conductor, J. Wilkins.

CLIFTON (Beds).—On Saturday, October 15th, at the church of All Saints, 720 Bob Minor. E. J. Gale, W. J. Davidson, H. L. Harlow, C. W. Clarke conductor, G. Spicer, J. E. Croft. Also a course of Kent and a 6-score of Stedman Doubles, and at St. Mary's, Henlow, 720 Doubles, being three 6-scores of Stedman, two of Grandsire and one of Plain Bob.

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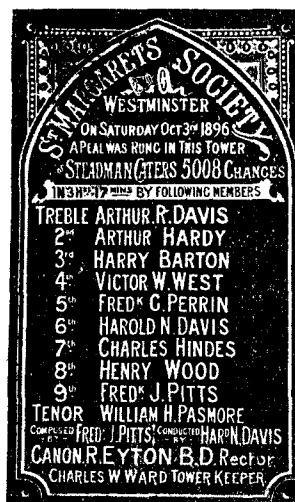
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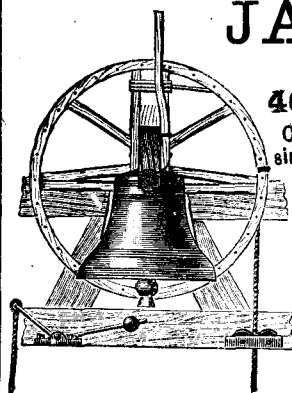
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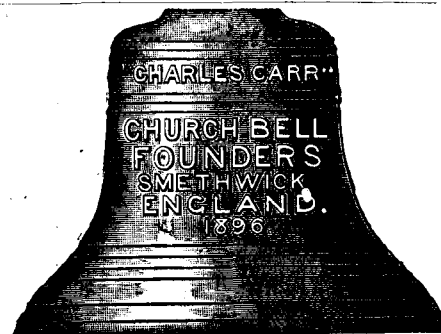
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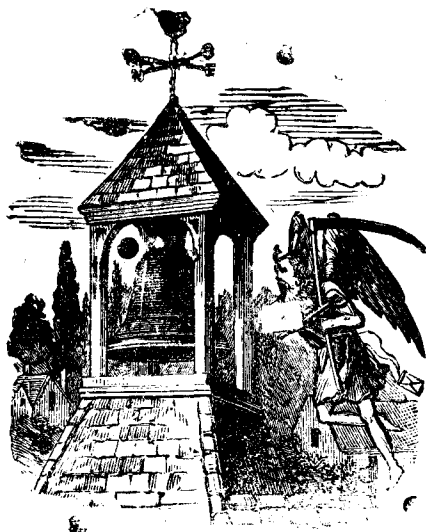
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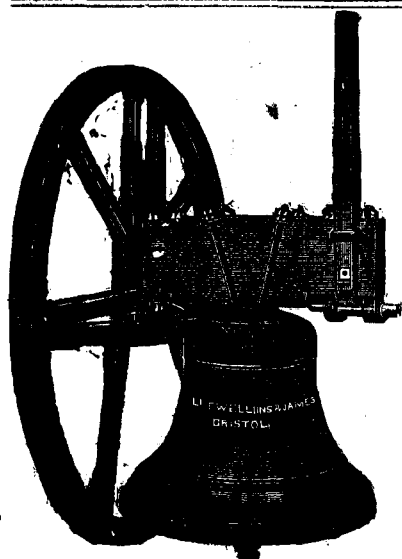
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

THORNABY-ON-TEES (Yorks.) St. Paul. Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association. Eight bells; all by Llewellyns, 1898. Tenor 10 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 5 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. No information as to ropes. Method: Plain Bob. Sunday ringing: 9.30 to 10.30, and 5.30 to 6. Practice: Wednesday, 7.

THORNBURY (Gloucestershire). St. Mary the Virgin. Gloucester and Bristol Association. Eight bells; treble by Llewellyns 1885; 2nd by Evans, 1760; the rest by Rudhall as follows: 3rd and 6th, 1828; 4th and 7th, 1698; 5th, 1788. Tenor 24 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in., 1717. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Blackburn, 1892. Ropes fair. Half-pull ringing given up; also Sunday ringing and practice.

THORVERTON (Devon.) St. Thomas. Eight bells; the two trebles by Mears 1894; 3rd and 4th by the same 1861; the rest by Pennington between 1662 and 1674. Tenor 17 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go very well. Clocking permitted. Rehung by Stokes 1892. Ropes good. Method: Grandsire. No Sunday ringing or regular practice.

THRAPSTON (Northants.) St. James. The Central Northamptonshire Association. Eight bells; all by Taylor 1897. Tenor 14 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 7 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. Ropes new 1903. Methods: Grandsire and Plain Bob. No regular Sunday ringing. Practice: Tuesday, 7.30.

### WITHYCOMBE RALEIGH, DEVON.

The peal of eight bells in this church have been recently thoroughly overhauled, and all new gudgeons and bearings put to them. The work has been done by Mr. Harry Stokes, of Woodbury, and the bells are now in first-rate going order.

**HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.**—Splendid Quality.—Purest Silks.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MATTHEWS, Change Ringer, Macclesfield.

## ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

Wednesday, November 30th (St. Andrew's Day), was the 1300th anniversary of the foundation of Rochester Cathedral and Diocese. The occasion was marked by a special service in the nave, which also served as the dedication of the new tower, spire and bells. The choir was augmented by members from St. Paul's and Canterbury Cathedrals. Mr. Luard Selby (organist), presided at the organ, trumpets and tympani from the band of the Royal Engineers assisting, the Rev. E. J. Nash leading the choir. Those taking part in the service were the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishops of Rochester, Salisbury, Southwark, and London in copes and mitres; the Archdeacon of Rochester (sub-dean), and the Dean of Canterbury, Canons and Honorary Canons of Rochester, etc. Among the congregation were the Mayor and Corporation of Rochester; the Mayors of Chatham and Gillingham; the Earl and Countess of Darnley; Earl and Countess Stanhope; Mr. Charles Tuff, M.P. for Rochester; Admiral Craigie; Mrs. Hole (widow of the late Dean); Sir Frederick Bridge, Hon. Mrs. Talbot, Mrs. Davidson, and about 150 clergy.

Three Psalms—46th, 84th and 87th were sung following the dedication of the tower, spire and bells by the Bishop of Rochester, and Bach's anthem, "Blessing, glory and wisdom" was sung. In his sermon the Archbishop of Canterbury dwelt on the salient features of the commemoration as affecting the Cathedral and diocese. Its first Bishop, Justus, was consecrated by Augustine, and King Ethelbert erected the Cathedral of St. Andrew, replaced some four centuries later by the present structure. A graceful reference was made to the gift of the tower and spire, which, said the Primate, would bear comparison with that built 500 years ago, and only replaced seventy-seven years ago by the less worthy structure so familiar to them all. In conclusion he drew attention to the great loss sustained by the death of Dean Hole.

At the close of the sermon thank-offerings were taken for the charity for the relief of clergy widows and orphans. Two hymns were sung while the collection was being taken. The Archbishop, Bishops and clergy took their places in the sanctuary; the Te Deum was sung, the Blessing following.

Previous to the service and after the dedication the bells were rung by the following members of the Kent County Association: W. Baker, J. Tullett, O. Sullivan, J. Kidd, W. Easter, A. Osborne, W. Haigh, J. Raynor; and Mr. Hughes, of Mears and Stainbank, Bell Founders, who have had the contract for the restoration of the bells. Several good touches of Grandsire Triples were rung during the afternoon. Great praise is due to the firm for the excellent splice, and the way they are hung leaves nothing to be desired. One thing only mars these bells, and that is the excessive noise in the belfry, which it is



hoped will be remedied. The tenor and 4th bell of the old peal have been retained; two trebles added, the old 4th is the present 6th. The weight of the tenor is 26 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lbs., thus making one of the finest peals of eight in the county. The cost of restoration of tower, spire, bells, clock and chimes, has been defrayed by Mr. Hellyer Foord, of Rochester.

### THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the East Dorset Branch was held at Blandford on August 13th. There was an excellent attendance, members coming from all quarters of the district. The chief business discussed was the election of a secretary, as Mr. Martin Stewart found the increasing claims of his business prevented him continuing the secretarial work of the branch. Mr. Grist consented to stand—provided he could rely on the assistance of one who had previously held the office, and he was unanimously elected. It was decided to suggest to the secretaries of subdivisions that they should try to arrange for informal combined meetings for practice, on fixed evenings in every month, in the towers of their respective neighbourhoods. An application for instruction from Lytchett Minster was discussed, and the Poole band undertook to see to it.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Corfe Castle on November 5th. This has since been postponed till to-day (December 10th) at Lytchett Minster.

It was remarked that in spite of the great care taken of the Blandford bells, they were not in such good going order as on the occasion of the meeting there two years ago. This, however, is not surprising, as they have never been examined by an expert since they were first hung about thirty years ago. It speaks well for the original work that the bells are so good as they are. It is believed steps are being taken to prevent any serious damage ensuing.

### HAWKHURST, KENT.

On Saturday last eight members of the Kent Association assembled at Cranbrook to attempt a peal of Bob Major, but the serious illness of a lady living near the church caused the abandonment of the idea. Rather than be disappointed, however, the band walked to Hawkhurst (about six miles) and received permission to ring on the grand eight there. After raising them in peal, a 1056 of Bob Major was rung, and then a quarter-peal of Grand-sire Triples, the bells being afterwards lowered in peal.

The band desire to record their thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Prebble for so kindly making them welcome.

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### Correspondence.

While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

#### EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—Your readers, who have to do with ringing in large towns, and the care necessary in view of complaints, will not be likely to be much impressed by Mr. Ellis's reiteration even though displayed in italics. The Exeter Exercise are not likely to have refrained from ringing on the occasion referred to without what they deemed good and sufficient reason, and if they are to be accused of discourtesy, they are at least entitled to the name of the person who brings the charge. I think your readers will agree with that. The commutation in the case of the Exeter Chapter does not affect what I said. Commuted or not commuted, the incomes of Ecclesiastical dignitaries in these days are subject to such serious deductions for matters either of necessity or conscience, which but for their being dignitaries would not impinge upon them, that figures in "Crockford" afford no information as to what the members of the Exeter Chapter have to spend on themselves.

R. A. DANIELL.

#### OLD BOOKS ON RINGING.

SIR,—Referring to the letters of Mr. Tucker and Mr. Bond in your issue of the 26th ult., I have now been able to compare the extracts they give with the old books in the British Museum Library, and as a result I am of opinion that Mr. Tucker's book is the remains of a copy of Stedman's *Campanalogia*, and Mr. Bond's book a copy of the London Scholars' Book, *Campanalogia Improved* by J. D. and C. M. The edition he has, so far as his extract enables me to judge, may be either the original of 1702, or a subsequent issue of 1705 or 1733, but not later than this last.

R. A. DANIELL.

#### A CORRECTION.

SIR,—Colledge Bob the Second. The 17th change should read 321645, instead of 321465, and Colledge Bob the Fifth the 2nd change should read 124356, instead of 124365 H. J. TUCKER.

#### AN ENQUIRY.

SIR,—Can any reader of "THE BELL NEWS" give me particulars and cost of fitting up a eight-bell tower with small bells for silent practice, and which would be the best, electric or mechanical, and what firm supply them.

S. G. HODGES.

Dorchester.

#### TREBLE BOB MINOR METHODS, ETC.

SIR,—I would hold up both hands to assist in carrying out the suggestion put forward by the Rev. W. C. Pearson, as old records are always interesting. I perused the elaborate rules to ring the College methods given in your issue of 26th ult., and may say these are not given by Annable. I have also compared the figures given in your issue of the 3rd instant with those copied from Annable, and find them exactly the same in each. But I find the methods given as First College Bob, Second ditto, etc. Mr. Tucker, I note, prefers the old name: well, I don't suppose the names will ever be removed. Why I termed 4th C. B. Norwich Delight is because it contains places made in 3-4 while the treble is dodging both up and down in 1-2 and 5-6, and is unlike the others, except 3rd C. B., which I should term Norwich Treble Bob. However I don't care a fig, and so will classify them by the new style and under the old title: First College Bob is a Delight method; second College Bob is a Treble Bob method; third College Bob is a Surprise method; fourth College Bob is a Delight method; fifth College Bob is a Surprise method. All this is, of course, subject to the views of the Classification Committee.

#### TREBLE BOB.

SIR,—It is under this simple plain title that Annable gives a lead of what we now know as Oxford Treble Bob, and so the method must have assumed the present title between the writing of this book and the advent of the *Clavis*. It could not have been suggested in Annable's time, or he would have mentioned it, one would think, as he gave Woodbine as Old Oxford Treble Bob. The three following methods belong to the Treble Bob class, but I give them under the title as found in Annable,

## EASTERN YOUTHS PLEASURE COLLEGE YOUTHS PLEASURE BRITISH YOUTHS PLEASURE

123456	123456	123456
214365	214365	214365
124635	124356	124635
216453	213465	216453
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261543	231645	261543
625134	326154	623154
621543	321645	621543
265134	236154	265134
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256314	263514	256314
523641	625341	523641
532614	652314	532614
356241	543241	356241
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365421	653421	532641
634512	564312	356214
643521	546321	365241
465312	453612	632514
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456132	435162	623154
541623	341526	261345
546132	345162	263154
451623	431526	621345
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415263	413256	612435
142536	142365	164253
412356	412356	614523
143265	143265	165432

P 134625 L  
B 134256 L

P 134625 L  
B 134256 L

P 164523 L  
B 156423 L

The first of the following methods belong to the Delights, and is therefore Royal Delight. The next belong to the Surprise class, but I give both under the title I found them in Annable.

ROYAL BOB.		LONDON T. BOB.	
123456		123456	
214365		214365	
124635		124356	
216453		213465	
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261435		231456	
624153		324165	
261453		321456	
624135		234165	
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642315		324615	
463251		236451	
643215		263415	
462351		624351	
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426531		264531	
245613		625413	
425631		652431	
246513		564213	
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264153		654123	
621435		561432	
264135		564123	
621453		651432	
<hr/>		<hr/>	
612435		615423	
164253		164532	
614523		614523	
165432		165432	
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P 156342 L		P 156324 L	
B 156423 L		B 156423 L	

SIR,—By some private correspondence I find I was misunderstood in reference to the impossibility of getting a double Treble Minor method. I was alluding to the Kent and Oxford methods that have a bell in the slow for a whole lead. I gave half a lead in your issue of Oct. 29th, illustrating my argument, and

a lead of the nearest approach I had seen to such a method. Some good examples of construction have been sent me for publication later on. I am obliged to my old friend Sam. Slater for his explanation of the history of Norwich Treble Bob alias Woodbine alias Victoria. I am also obliged to Mr. W. J. Goss for saying in your issue for Nov. 5th that London Single is nothing more or less than College Single (with bob leads for plain, and *vice versa*). Quite right, and that is one of several reasons why I put them side by side. One reason is if we turn to Shipway we find he gives London Single as Court Minor. Now Shipway never could have consulted Annable, and so simply removed the place from College Single and obtained Court Minor for his work. Another reason is to show the natural and best methods do not always survive. In further reply to Mr. Goss I may say there is a miss-print at the lead-end of the method he mentions. I am obliged for the note by the Rev. H. Drake, and while I have no doubt that changes were originally made upon three or five bells, and named Grandsire, I am also of the opinion that Grandsire Bob Minor and Grandsire Treble Bob are the original upon those respective plans—plain hunt and dodging hunt. In reference to Mr. H. J. Tucker's remarks upon College Bob methods I may say Annable gives all five of these. As regards the age of the work he mentions, 1753, probably an old work copied only three or four years before Annable's death, and considering that this note book contains nearly 250 closely-written pages of excellent penmanship, it was not written in a year or two. It seems to me to be the collection of a life time. H. DAINS.

P.S.—I never have heard yet, but shall be glad to know, of any reliable work published since Stedman till the time of Jasper W. Snowdon, *Clavis* for only what it is worth. I will try and give a list of the contents of Annable's note book.

## COLLEGE BOB THE FIFTH.

SIR,—In looking over the method given by Mr. H. J. Tucker in last week's issue, College Bob the Fifth is similar to the one I wrote out some few years ago, and which I sent to Mr. Dains, the only difference between the two methods being that I have 3rds place at the half lead instead of 5ths, which produces the plain lead ends and is a great improvement in the musical qualities. I am giving a lead of Minor and Major, but should like to know whether it is to be found in any book in this form.

JOHN CARTER.

MINOR.		MAJOR.	
123456		12345678	
214365		21436587	
124356		12435678	
213465		21346587	
231456		23145678	
324165		32416587	
321456		32145678	
234165		23416587	
324615		32461857	
236451		23648175	
234615		23461857	
326451		32648175	
236541		23684715	
325614		32867451	
326541		32684715	
235614		23867451	
325164		32876541	
231546		23785614	
235164		23876541	
321546		32785614	
312564		23758164	
135246		32571846	
315264		32758164	
132546		32571846	
135264		32517486	
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		23517486	
		32154768	
		31257486	
		13524768	
		31527486	
		13254768	
		13527486	

## THE SUSSEX WEEK.

(Continued from page 460.)

Bells in the northern valley ringing,

Could I but feel again, could I but know,

The charm that once such mellow notes were bringing,  
So long ago.

Tuesday, November 8th. Meeting at the central station at 10 a.m. cheap return tickets were taken to Hayward's Heath, a nice little run of fourteen miles out, and a two-mile walk brought us to Lindfield church, with its fine mellow peal and interesting ancient architecture, of which I hope to give an illustrated account at some future date. Double Norwich was attempted, and afterwards Stedman Triples, but without any settled peal striking, and as part of our band were not present till after mid-day, due to the non-delivery of a post card, we were unable to continue our attempts for a peal at this tower. Lunch at The Bent hotel and a delightful walk of four miles to Cuckfield, exactly the same distance from the station on the opposite side of the railway, splendid views were seen and a fine sunset effect witnessed as we neared the town of Cuckfield, where tea was taken at The King's Head at 5.30, with Mr. A. B. Bennett in the chair. Reinforced with two right hands from Brighton, a fine peal of Superlative was rang, the Rev. Canon Cooper, M.A., welcoming us in the belfry, and afterwards conveying his thanks to us by post, although the peal was not completed till ten o'clock.

Cuckfield belfry is a large, roomy apartment and interesting on account of the first peal by the Association being rung here on January 26th, 1885, conducted by the old "Brighton Bear," Mr. John Jay, sen., who I am glad to say is hale and hearty, and well on in his 72nd year. There are other older records too. These bells were cast in 1815 and cost £301 8s. with frame and hanging, a large board giving the names of the subscribers, and amongst them appear names of the ringers of a century ago, the first peal on the bells being rung on August 20th, 1816—Grandsire Triples. On Friday, April 15th, 1842, the very day on which the present local conductor, F. Hounsell, was born, three pairs of brothers scored a peal together—Grandsire—as follows, conducted by Ambrose Dumsday: 1-2, Knowles: 3-4, Bates; 5-6, Dumsday; 7, Knight; tenor by Hart, a namesake of our tenor-man on this occasion. Last year these bells were rehung by Mears and Stainbank, and an excellent piece of work it proves to be, thanks to the efforts of the Canon, who has spent sixteen years in the parish. Cuckfield churchyard is a place of rest and beauty, and is well laid out. Sloping south from the church, standing on rising ground, it affords extensive views of Sussex county, ending in the distant line of hills known as the Sussex Downs. There are some picturesque Sussex cottages beside the churchyard, and a pretty lych gate. The tower is very massive, and at a later date has been supported by a couple of huge buttresses on each of its three sides, and is surmounted by a shingle spire. The King's Head housed us till train time, and we managed to get home to Brighton to bed at 1 a.m., this being our latest night of the tour.

Wednesday, November 9th. Like yesterday the weather gave promise of a fine day, and being the 63rd birthday of His Majesty we hoped for right royal success. Meeting at the central again at 10 a.m. we booked to Burgess Hill, a rapidly growing place, with a modern red-brick church, tower and spire, the bells having recently been augmented, within easy distance of the station. Here we rang a peal of Double Norwich, first in the method on the bells, our guide and companion, Mr. Bennett, scoring his first in the method. We were joined afterwards by the churchwarden, A. F. Hardwick, esq., and escorted to an excellent meat tea, Mr. Hardwick taking the chair, and genially informing us of his trials and difficulties in obtaining an octave since the days when Burgess Hill had only one bell, and that a steel one. The ringing room here is extremely noisy, and if the clergy and churchwardens can see their way to do so, a great benefit will be done the local Society by arranging to ring on the ground floor. Mr. Smart's little "Manchester terrier" stayed in the tower and shewed his appreciation of the peal when rounds came up. Mr. Price, as conductor of his 250th peal, allowed us the benefit of his Canadian lung power. The clock was erected in 1897, and the bells are by Taylor. Mr. A. A. Fuller, a late pressman, of Brighton, joined us from Hurst-

pierpoint, and like the rest of our party was surprised that doubts should exist as to the complexion of "little Nellie," while partaking of our homely lunch at The Railway hotel. We began our return journey at 5.30 and trained to Hassocks, alighting here for a two-mile walk to Hurstpierpoint church, where we were joined by Mr. Geo. Williams. We knocked off a good peal of London Surprise in pretty smart time, starting at 6.50 p.m. A well ordered belfry here, large and carpeted, with centre table and a good pendant gas light, ropes in even circle, bells from the Whitechapel Foundry, going well. Mr. W. B. Davey, local secretary, met us, and had made all correct for the attempt, kindly sending on to me the accompanying lines from an old stone tablet in the tower, which I had not time to copy, our party having to catch the 10.49 train to Brighton:—

A.D. 1832. John Marchant, Samuel Goodman, Churchwardens.

The ringer's names at that time  
I thought no harm to book;  
The first that I shall mention  
His name is Thomas Rook;  
Henry and Stephen Pierce,  
Two Williams and John Wicks;  
Edward and Michael Harmes,  
And George and Thomas Cripps;  
Richard Davey, the parish clerk,  
Makes up in number eleven,  
I hope when they do ring their last,  
They all may go to heaven.

The third ringer, Stephen Pierce, mentioned in this record, is still living and in fairly good health. He is the only survivor of the men who rang Hurst bells upwards of seventy years ago, and he heard most of our peal with much delight. Mr. Gifford did the walk to Hassocks Station in fine style—sixteen stone weight—just catching the train, two of the party outmanoeuvring the rest by a surreptitious lift in a cab on the road. Our thanks were due to Mr. Fuller for a refresher before the peal, and a look in at the Chinese Tea Gardens, of which he is the owner.

Thursday, November 10th. Another fine day, and plenty of sunshine, our task beginning a little earlier. Booking by the 9.40 to Steyning, Stedman Triples was started at 10.43, the local member, Mr. Gatland, who is famous in the writer's memory for his home-made jam, kindly beating the "pace bell," whilst our young "Oxo" repeated his A.B.C.D. of Thurstan's four-part, the 5040 running out in exactly 3 hrs. We were much interested on the way down by an illustrated article on Bellfounding in the *Daily Mail*, which I would like to see reproduced in these columns. Observant ringers in visiting the county of Sussex cannot fail to have noticed the similarity of the county towers generally in their solid and compact appearance. Steyning is one of the largest of such, thus affording a very large and spacious belfry 19 by 18 ft. 9 ins. square, lofty and well lighted, clean and well kept; the walls matchboarded and varnished, good carpet and a centre table, the standard type of peal cards neatly framed in oak and placed evenly round the walls, and a fine coloured portrait of Her late Majesty. The band here were the first to gain the county challenge bell in 1887. The church has some handsome Norman work of the 11th century, the colonnade of massive piers and dental arches supporting the walls of the nave, shewing up grandly in the morning sunlight. Mr. Gatland packed us off back to Brighton by the 3.20 train, and on arrival at the Central Mr. A. B. Bennett took us under his secretarial wing to Emery's Temperance hotel close by the station, where we splashed in the water and gobbled the good things like a hungry brood of Sussex geese. The evening was devoted to London Surprise at St. Peter's, and the conclusion of the peal brought our respective bands together again at The Canteen till closing time. Although the Burton variation in Surprise methods was not attempted during the week, I must admit that a fair liking for another Burton variation was evinced, viz.: "No. 1 old Burton." *To be continued.*

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## Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on December 15th and 29th.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," *Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Nottingham District.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Sawley to-day, Saturday, December 10th. Ringing from 3.30 to 9 p.m.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*

The Archdeaconry of Salop Guild.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Wem to-day, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Ringing at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4. Train leaves Shrewsbury at 1.53 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m.

J. MACKAY, *Hon. Sec.*

*Holy Trinity Vicarage, Shrewsbury.*

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.—East Dorset Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Lytchett Minster to-day, Saturday, December 10th (5 newly-hung bells). Committee meeting at 4 p.m. Short service in Church, 4.15. Tea, followed by business meeting, at 4.30, 6d. each. A vehicle will meet the 3 p.m. train at Hornworthy Junction. This is the last opportunity for paying subscriptions for this year.

H. DRAKE, *Acting Branch Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Margaret's, Rochester, to-day, Saturday, 10th December. Tower will be open for ringing at 4 p.m. Committee meeting at 6.30.

A. OSBORNE, *Hon. Dist. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—The annual district meeting for the election of officers will be held at Chelmsford to-day, Saturday, December 10th. The bells of St. Mary's will be available for ringing during the afternoon. Tea, with meeting to follow, at The Dolphin.

H. T. WILSON,

36 St. Mary's Rd. *Pritlewell. Hon. Dist. Sec.*

The Heavy Woollen District Association.—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at Kirkburton to-day, Saturday, Dec. 10th. Meeting to commence at 5.30. Meeting house The George hotel.

WALTER IDLE, *Secretary.*

47, Vulcan Road, *Deusbury.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Burnley parish church on Saturday, December 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. A memorial tablet to the late Mr. John Pollard will be unveiled the same day.

T. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall on Saturday, December 17th. Bells will be at liberty from 3 o'clock till 7. Meeting at 7.0 p.m.

JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, December 17th, at Garston. Bells ready at 5.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

## CYCLES ! CYCLES !

CYCLE INSURANCE.—For no less than £100! See Huddleston's advt. on second page of this paper.

## Compositions.

## TWO PEALS OF STEDMAN CATERS

By JOHN CARTER, *Birmingham.*

5151.

231456 5 16

514362 x

2463 I

3264 I

315462 I I

2564 I

213465 I I

5364 I

4563 I

412365 I I

5263 I

3562 I

314265 I I

The above three times repeated, except the first course x 1-2-4-5-6-7-11. Second and fourth parts, 58-16. Third part, 1-7-8-138-158-18.

5041.

123456

512463 1-2-3-4-5-7-9-12

Instead of the first two courses. 6th twenty-four courses behind the 8th and 9th.

## DATE TOUCHES OF BOB MAJOR.

By JAMES GEORGE, *Rugby.*

1904.

23456 W 5 4 B M H

23645 - 2 -

62345 - -

36245 - -

24365 - -

32465 - -

43265 - -

35264 - - -

23564 - -

45236 - - -

24536 - -

52436 - -

43526 - -

54326 - -

35426 - -

42356 - -

34256 - -

23456 - -

1904.

23456 W H

52436 -

35426 -

42356 - -

54326 -

25346 -

34256 - -

53246 -

45236 -

32456 - S

53426 -

25436 -

43256 - -

54236 -

W H

23546 - -

52346 - -

45326 - -

23456 - S

## DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By JOS. WATHEN, *Tewkesbury.*

1904.

234567

752634 I

237546 3

462753 2

374562 I

573246 5

735246 4

547362 3

235647 I

352647 4

473265 2

274536 5

432765 3

The above three times repeated, with Holt's singles at end of the second and fourth parts. Contains Queens and tittums.

[Very glad to hear from our old friend again.—ED.]

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1904.

ON the next page will be found a notice of a very long  
peal attempt which is to supersede everything that has  
gone before it. The formalities now properly demanded  
have been complied with to the letter, we believe, though  
the distinguished composer might have extended his  
courtesy to ourselves. The following has been impressed  
upon us in relation to this attempt: The company mean

business; they rang 11,000 for practice; every man is a "stayer," none having rung less than 10,000 or 11,000 at one standing; one of the band has rung 16,000; three have rung thrice over 10,000; and Fort Kidlington is likely to fall.

South Wigston in on L.N.W.R. branch and Midland main line. Opposite the church is military barracks, with refreshments at canteen prices. All critics are welcome.

Such emphatic statements as the above indicate confidence in the attempted performance, and every ringer, while admiring the intrepidity which animates the conductor and his colleagues, will fervently hope that such confidence may not be rudely broken.

#### LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

Notice is hereby given to the Exercise, and to the OXFORD GUILD in particular, that on Tuesday, December 27th, eight members of the Midland Counties Association will (D.V.) attempt a world's record peal of 21,024 Double Norwich Court Bob on the bells of St. Thomas's, South Wigston, near Leicester. All being well, the band will stand as follows: J. Morris (Leicester), Treble; T. H. Tafender (London), 2; C. H. Fowler (Leicester), 3; T. R. Hensher (Wellingborough), 4; J. Houghton, jun. (Irthlingborough), 5; W. H. Inglesant (Loughborough), 6; A. R. Aldham (Barwell), 7; W. Willson (Leicester, composer and conductor), Tenor. The composition has been duly lodged with Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., President of the M.C.A. and of the C.C.; also with the Rev. F. E. Robinson, M.A., Master of the Oxford Guild, holders of the record. Time of starting 7.30 a.m.

#### The Metropolis.

##### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS THE MARTYR,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

HENRY G. MILES .. .. Treble.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS .. 6.
ALBERT V. SELBY .. .. 2.	JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 7.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. .. 3.	HERBERT BAKER .. .. 8.
REV. W. S. WILLETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL .. 9.
SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 5.	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by H. G. MILES.

##### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE SOCIETY OF TRINITY YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD,

##### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

WM. WEATHERSTONE .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 5.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 2.	WALTER INGHAM .. .. 6.
JOHN JAMES LAMB .. .. 3.	FREDK. W. THORNTON .. 7.
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On Monday, December 5, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS,

##### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

REUBEN CHARGE .. .. Treble.	JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 5.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 2.	SIDNEY WADE .. .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WM. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

##### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE SOCIETY OF TRINITY YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART (REVERSED.) Tenor 21 cwt.

SAMUEL JOHN BIRD .. .. Treble.	GEORGE HENRY DAYNES .. 5.
JOHN JAMES LAMB .. .. 2.	WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE .. 3.	FREDK. W. THORNTON .. 7.
WILLIAM JOHN JEFFRIES .. 4.	FREDK. H. GOOCH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE,

Rung to celebrate the festival of St. Nicholas.

#### The Provinces.

##### TUNSTALL, NORFOLK.

##### THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

##### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court and Plain Bob.

FRED CUTTING .. .. Treble.	JAMES STARLING .. .. 4.
HENRY PUTTOCK .. .. 2.	ROBERT SMY .. .. 5.
ALDERMAN LING .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SAWYER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

##### WESTERHAM, KENT.

##### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 23, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

##### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 23½ cwt.

HENRY J. SELBY .. .. Treble.	MORGAN WHATLEY .. .. 5.
JABVIS L. HARRIS* .. .. 2.	*ALFRED A. JARRETT .. 6.
GEORGE B. SELBY .. .. 3.	JOHN HEATH .. .. 7.
ARTHUR J. LEWIS* .. .. 4.	DAVID WRIGHT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by H. J. SELBY.

\*First peal of Grandsire.

##### BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

##### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, November 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MODWEN,

##### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

EDWARD I. STONE .. .. Treble.	GEORGE ROBINSON .. .. 5.
WILLIAM J. SMITH .. .. 2.	LEONARD BULLOCK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY .. .. 3.	HARRY WAKLEY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH GRIFFIN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WAKLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WILLIAM WAKLEY.

This is believed to be the first peal of Major on the bells.



## ASTON-JUXTA-BIRMINGHAM, WARWICKSHIRE.

## THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Thursday, November 24, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5077 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JAMES HYLAND* .. .. Treble.	*ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 6.
FRANK FAY .. .. 2.	*SAMUEL GROVES .. .. 7.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 3.	JOHN NEAL .. .. 8.
ALBERT WALKER .. .. 4.	ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 9.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 5.	SYDNEY J. JESSOP .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

On Friday, November 25, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

CHARLES PRICE .. .. Treble.	HENRY W. WILDE .. .. 5.
THOMAS H. HUXLEY .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWALL .. .. 6.
GEORGE JONES .. .. 3.	SAMUEL MEADOWS .. .. 7.
EDWARD ROWLANDS .. .. 4.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by T. Lockwood, and Conducted by CHARLES PRICE.

All the above are members of the College Youths except the ringer of the 2nd.

## BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PAK.

Tenor 21½ cwt.

WILLIAM PHIPPS* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. .. 5.
FRANK K. BIGGS .. .. 2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND .. .. 6.
JOSEPH HAWKINS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
GEORGE MARTIN .. .. 4.	JAMES W. WILKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples with a bob bell.

## WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

WILLIAM DENNER .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH POTTER .. .. 5.
ALFRED POTTER .. .. 2.	JOSEPH RIDYARD .. .. 6.
HARRY CHAPMAN .. .. 3.	WALTER C. HUNT .. .. 7.
JAMES HENRY RIDYARD .. .. 4.	RICHARD RIDYARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN R. PRITCHARD, of Eccles, and

Conducted by RICHARD RIDYARD.

## BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SUDEBURY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt. in D.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. Treble.	THOMAS KING .. .. 6.
HORACE F. MOORE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. .. 7.
GEORGE DEBENHAM .. .. 3.	HARRY R. MOORE .. .. 8.
ARTHUR SYMONDS .. .. 4.	LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 9.
JAMES CHINERY .. .. 5.	EDWARD EVANS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. T. ELSON, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rung on the anniversary of the first peal of Grandsire Caters on the bells, November 1901. First peal of Caters by the ringers of the 2nd and 5th.

## NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOSEPH E. R. KEEN .. .. Treble.	CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM STORY .. .. 2.	JOHN J. LEIGHTON .. .. 6.
ALFRED F. HILLIER .. .. 3.	ROBERT S. STORY .. .. 7.
WILLIAM T. ROBSON .. .. 4.	THOMAS T. GOFTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

## EDINBURGH.—THE ST. CUTHBERT'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

J. C. LEARMONTH* .. .. Treble.	J. S. McCULLOCH .. .. 5.
JAMES BALLANTINE .. .. 2.	†DAVID STOCKS .. .. 6.
JAMES LUCK .. .. 3.	W. C. S. HEATHCOTE .. .. 7.
R. J. C. THOM .. .. 4.	T. S. THOM .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and  
Conducted by W. C. S. HEATHCOTE.First peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells and by all the band on tower bells.  
\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

## CREWE, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REEVES'S VARIATION

Tenor 21 cwt.

ALBERT WALKER .. .. Treble.	RICHARD LANGFORD .. .. 5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 2.	*JOHN DENTITH .. .. 6.
JOSEPH KETTLE .. .. 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY .. .. 4.	ALBERT CRAWLEY .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. T. HOLDING, SEN.

\*First peal away from the tenor. Farther reference elsewhere.

## WORTLEY, SHEFFIELD.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOS. MCKEGG .. .. Treble.	JOHN THORPE .. .. 5.
ARCHIE BREARLEY .. .. 2.	*WALTER ALLWOOD .. .. 6.
SYDNEY F. PALMER .. .. 3.	CLEMENT GLENN .. .. 7.
JOHN R. BREARLEY .. .. 4.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. S. WILDE, and Conducted by DAVID BREARLEY.

\*First peal of Bob Major with a bob bell. This peal contains the 6th her extent wrong and right.

## SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.

## THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 16 cwt.

C. WILLIAM SMITH† .. Treble.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. .. 5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. .. 2.	RUPERT RICHARDSON .. .. 6.
JOHN T. BROWN† .. .. 3.	†RICHARD SMITH .. .. 7.
RICHARD MACKMAN .. .. 4.	GEORGE LADD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HUDSON, and Conducted by the REV. H. L. JAMES.

†First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells. See Snowden's Treble Bob, part II., page 27

**CALVERLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN WHITTAKER .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM BOLTON .. .. 5.
SYDNEY C. CLARK .. .. 2.	HENRY LINDSAY .. .. 6.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 3.	EDWIN WHEATER .. .. 7.
WALTER WOOD .. .. 4.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. .. Tenor.

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by E. WHEATER.

**BROXBOURNE, HERTS****THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

**A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.**

Tenor 20 cwt.

JESSE PUPLETT† .. .. Treble.	GEORGE H. BARKER .. .. 5.
JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 2.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 6.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
HENRY S. REEVES .. .. 4.	THOMAS CARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

†First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. T. Card was elected a member of the Association previous to starting.

**HALEWOOD, LANCs.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:**

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALFRED H. EDWARDS .. Treble.	GEORGE R. NEWTON .. 5.
FREDERICK THOMAS* .. 2.	EDWARD CAUNCE .. 6.
THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN.* .. 3.	WALTER HUGHES .. 7.
THOMAS HAMMOND, SEN. .. 4.	WILLIAM DAVIES .. Tenor.

Conducted by WALTER HUGHES.

†First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to ringers of 3rd, 5th and tenor.

**NORTHAMPTON.****THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.**

Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

HERBERT C. LAWRENCE .. Treble.	FRED HOPPER .. .. 5.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 2.	THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 6.
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 3.	WILLIAM ROBERTS .. 7.
WALTER PERKINS .. .. 4.	FRED WILFORD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON, and Conducted by FRED WILFORD.

It was intended to have rung Superlative, but meeting one short the above was the result.

**HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.****THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.**

BENJAMIN BASSETT .. Treble.	ARTHUR B. BENNETT .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 2.	JOHN E. BAKER .. .. 6.
SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 3.	ALFRED W. GROVES .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by GEO. WILLIAMS.

S Wright was elected a member previous to starting; for whom (with Mr. Baker) this peal was arranged.

**Peal-Boards**

made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.

**BIRCHINGTON, KENT.****THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION***On Saturday, November 26, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUXX PARK,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**

STANLEY HUTSON .. Treble.	ALBERT J. DAY .. .. 5.
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Conducted by RICHARD S. STAINES.

Rung as a farewell peal to the Vicar, who is leaving the parish.

**SUCKLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—THE HEREFORD GUILD.***On Sunday, November 27, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent, Oxford Bob, College Single and Plain Bob.

THOMAS PREECE† .. Treble.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 4.
HENRY PRITCHARD .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HADLEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES HORNE .. .. 3.	FREDERICK SMITH .. Tenor.

Conducted by ARTHUR HADLEY.

†First peal. First as conductor. First peal on the bells.

**NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.****DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, November 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**

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Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JOSEPH ROWELL .. Treble.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 5.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE .. 2.	EDWARD A. HERN .. .. 6.
EDWARD ASTLEY† .. .. 3.	JOHN FOREMAN .. .. 7.
ERNEST E. FERRY .. .. 4.	GEORGE WARDLE .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. L. ROUTLEDGE.

†First peal of Stedman.

**THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Monday, November 28, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Oxford, Kent, Woodbine and Violet; and 360 each of Duke of York, New London Pleasure, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

CHARLES ROSE .. Treble.	THOMAS DAY .. .. 4.
EDWARD YOUNGS .. .. 2.	GEORGE CATTERMOLLE .. 5.
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AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

THOMAS R. SCOTT .. .. Treble.	CHARLES R. LILLEY .. 4.
WILLIAM NEWTON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. MAYES .. 5.
FREDERICK WELLS .. .. 3.	FRANK YORK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Reference elsewhere.

## MIDDLESBROUGH, YORKS.

## CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 29, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILDA,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN WEDGEWOOD* .. Treble.	ALEXANDER MCFARLANE .. 5.
WILLIAM POLLARD* .. .. 2.	WILLIAM RUDD .. .. 6.
WILLIAM J. TITCHENER† 3.	JOHN H. BLAKISTON .. 7.
JOHN H. JONES .. .. 4.	JOHN W. PASSMAN .. Tenor.

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\*First peal in any method. †First peal away from the treble. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. H. Blakiston.

## Handbell Peals.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)

On Friday, November 25, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by J. BARKER, and Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Umpire—L. Watson.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

## Date Touches.

## THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

GRASSENDALE (Lancashire).—On Thursday, December 1st, at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Minor in the following methods: 104 Plain Bob, 360 Kent, and 720 each of Oxford and Woodbine Treble Bob in 1 hr. 9 mins. T. J. Morris, E. H. Lewis, R. H. Green, G. R. Newton conductor, J. F. Turner, J. Allan. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. J. T. Lowe. Mr. E. H. Evans is a member of the Cambridge University Guild.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(STOCKPORT AND BOWDON BRANCH.)

DISLEY (Cheshire).—On Friday, October 28th, at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Minor in 1 hr. 4 mins., being 464 Plain Bob, and 720 each of College Single and Oxford Treble Bob. \*R. Marsland, Rev. A. T. Beeston, \*A. Lomas, \*E. Bailey, \*J. Broome, F. Holt conductor. \*Longest length ever rung.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

HEAVITREE (Devon).—On Sunday evening, October 23rd, for Divine Service, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 15 mins., taken from Holt's Original. W. Hancock, A. W. Brighton conductor, R. Hamilton, W. Burrough, W. Lethbridge, W. Shepherd, J. Sandover, W. Nethercott. Longest length by Messrs. Hamilton and Lethbridge.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SEDBERGH (Yorks).—On Wednesday, November 9th, a date touch of Double Norwich Major in 1 hr. 5 mins. J. W. Pennington, T. Sisson, E. Pennington, J. E. Senogles, H. Haresnape, W. Pennington, S. Pile, G. F. Woodhouse composer and conductor. Longest length in the method by all. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SUDBURY BRANCH.)

PRESTON (Suffolk).—On Thursday, November 17th, at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Treble Bob Minor in 1 hr. 7 mins., in the following methods: 104 of Violet, and 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, New London, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. H. Crick, T. Hollocks, A. Hollocks, H. Gladwell, A. Symonds, W. Hollocks conductor. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. J. Fayers, of Preston, to Miss S. Levitt, of Bretenham, Suffolk.

STEEBING (Essex).—On a recent Wednesday at St. Mary's church, a date touch of Minor in the following methods; 240 Cambridge Surprise, 360 Double Court, 240 Double Oxford, 240 Kent Treble Bob, 504 Oxford Treble Bob, 300 Plain Bob, and 20 Grandsire Doubles. H. Young, E. Hynds, H. Ruffel, H. Emery, T. Barker, E. Claydon conductor.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Monday, November 4th, for practice at St. Michael's church, 1296 Double Norwich in 45 mins. F. Webb, W. Steele, B. Wiffen, H. E. Hammond, C. H. Howard conductor, F. Rudkin, G. H. Sentance, H. J. Collins.

BOCKING (Essex).—On Sunday afternoon, November 13th, for Divine Service at St. Mary's church, 672 Double Norwich. F. Webb, S. R. Roper, C. H. Howard conductor, H. E. Hammond, G. H. Sentance, A. B. Wiffen, E. Newman, W. Grimwade.

BEDFORD.—On Thursday, October 27th, at St. Peter's church, 1260 Grandsire Doubles in 40 mins. F. Litchfield, J. Bates, W. Stapleton conductor, P. J. Cooke, J. Pirkens, F. Austin.

## NOTES TO PEALS.

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## Obituary.

JOHN T. LOWE.

It is with deep regret we have to record the death of the above-named ringer, at the comparatively early age of 44, which took place at his residence, Russell Road, Garston, on Monday, November 28th. Our deceased friend was for several years past a prominent and highly-esteemed member of the St. Mary's (Grassendale) company, and it was in a great measure due to his energy and perseverance that this company were enabled to score the first 720 of Superlative in the diocese of Liverpool. He also acted as secretary, the duties of which office he discharged most efficiently. Our friend's loss to his colleagues will be very hard to estimate at present, as he always displayed such a keen interest in ringing. He was a man of the most amiable disposition, unselfish in all his actions and greatly respected by all who knew him. His remains were laid to rest in Garston churchyard on Friday, December 2nd, in the presence of his sorrowing relations and friends, and also his brother-ringers, who attended to pay their last respects to a departed comrade. On Thursday evening, December 1st, a muffled date touch

was rung on St. Mary's bells, and on the following Sunday the bells were rung half-muffled during the day to mark the sad event. He has left behind him a widow and eight children to mourn his loss. May their grief be lightened with the knowledge that they are parted but for a little while, when they may hope to meet him, where there is "No more sorrow, no more weeping, no more pain."

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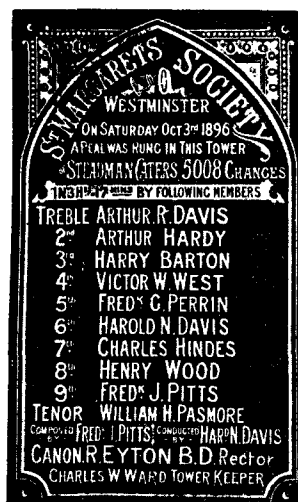
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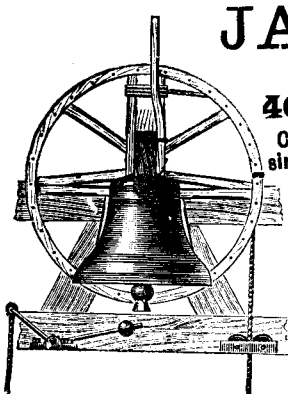
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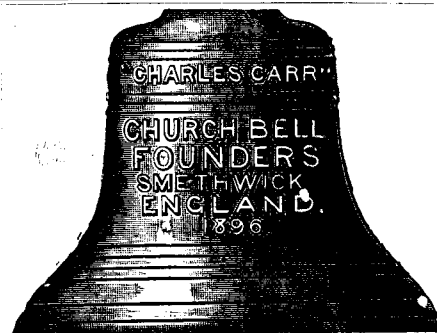
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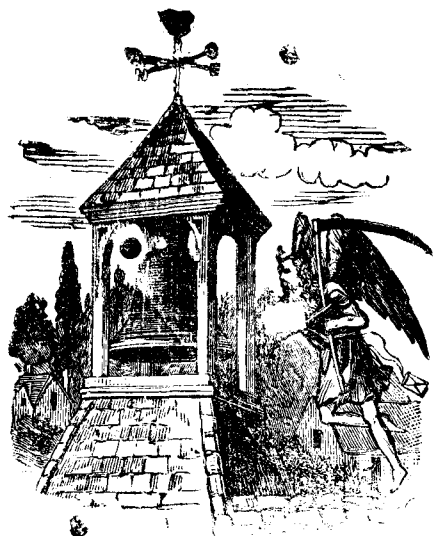
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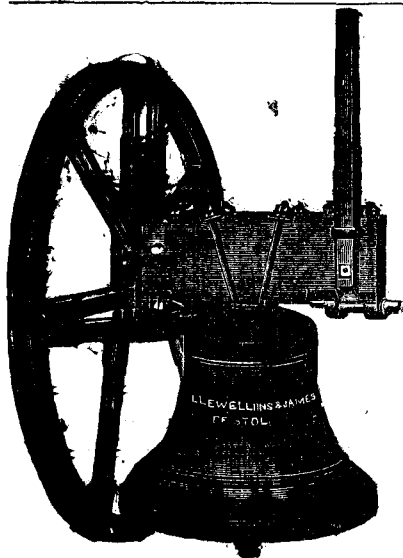
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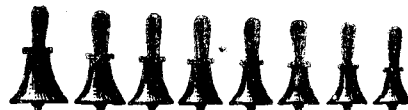
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## OUR CHURCH BELLS.

### THEIR CONDITION AND SURROUNDINGS:

*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

**TICHMARSH** (Northants.) St. Mary. The Central Northamptonshire Association. Eight bells; the two trebles by Taylor 1885; 5th, 1781, founder unknown; tenor (by Penn 1708) 21 cwt., diameter 4 ft.; the rest by Bagley 1688. Timber frame. Bells do not go well. Repairs recently by Thompson. Bells require new frame but funds are not obtainable. Ropes good. Methods: Plain and Oxford Bob, and Single Court. No Sunday ringing. Practice in winter 7; day not stated.

**TICKHILL** (Yorks.) St. Mary. Eight bells; treble and 2nd by Taylor 1896; 3rd and 4th 1726 (no founder stated); 5th and 7th by Harrison 1815 and 1796 respectively; 6th and tenor no date or founder stated. Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 8 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. The back six rehung by Barwell 1896. Ropes new 1898. Methods: "Oxford and Violet." Sunday ringing; 10 to 11, and 5 to 6. No practice mentioned.

**TILEHURST** (Berks.) Eight bells; no return.

**TIPTON** (Staffordshire.) St. Martin. Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Eight bells; all by Mears, the two trebles 1848; the rest 1798. Tenor 12 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Small 1887. Ropes new 1898, good. Methods: Grand-sire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Friday, 7.30.

**TIVERTON** (Devon.) St. Peter. Devonshire Guild. Eight bells; 6th by Bilbie 1791; 7th by Taylor 1868; the rest by Evans 1737. Tenor 28 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 4 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Gillett 1883. A chiming apparatus and dumb practice apparatus fitted, but not used. Ropes good; renewed as required from ringers' own funds. Methods: Grandsire and Stedman. Sunday ringing: half-an-hour before each service. Practice: Wednesday, 8; and at other times by arrangement.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Chipping Norton Deanery Branch held its annual meeting at Chipping Norton on a recent Saturday in November. In the afternoon shortly before 4.30, the time for evensong, there was a large attendance of ringers at Divine Service, the preacher being the Rev. J. E. Phillips (President of the Branch), who took his text from the 9th chapter of Ecclesiastes, verse 10: "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave whither thou goest." After service a meat tea was well served by Mrs. W. Simmons in the schoolroom.

The business meeting was subsequently held, at which the report was read by the President.

The Rev. J. R. Hearn seconded its adoption, which was agreed to. Captain Schofield (Chadlington), was elected as hon. member of the branch, and Messrs. J. Norwood and R. Ball (Charlbury), were elected probationers. Certificates of probation were given to the two last-named, and qualified certificates were given to Messrs. J. Cummings and J. Jarvis (Chipping Norton).

The Rural Dean said they were probably all aware that their President was leaving the Chipping Norton district, and they might be perfectly certain that he was going away for no reason of his own seeking. Mr. Phillips was going from them, and it was necessary to appoint a successor, and he felt they could not have a better man to succeed Mr. Phillips than the Vicar of Shipton, so that he had pleasure in proposing that the Rev. W. Collingwood Carter be asked to accept the presidency of that branch.

Mr. T. H. Burbidge, in a few eulogistic remarks, seconded the resolution, which was unanimously carried.

The Rev. W. Collingwood Carter said he realised the great honour they had conferred upon him, and he also realised the responsibilities of the position. However, with the help of Mr. Barlow he would endeavour to carry out the duties of the office.

The Rev. J. E. Phillips expressed the pleasure it gave him to know that his old friend, Mr. Carter, had been elected to fill the position which it was his sorrow to vacate.

The chairman then proposed the re-election of Mr. Barlow as Secretary and Treasurer of the branch. The Rural Dean seconded, and the resolution was carried. In response, Mr. Barlow said he should be delighted to serve the branch again.

On the proposition of the chairman, seconded by the Rev. A. Russell, Mr. T. Burbidge was unanimously re-elected auditor, and Mr. Burbidge briefly returned thanks.

The Rural Dean proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing chairman, and the Rev. J. E. Phillips responded.

Mr. Phillips also proposed a vote of thanks to the Rural Dean for allowing the annual meeting to be held at Chipping Norton, and to the choir and organist for their services in church that evening. The Rural Dean suitably responded.

A vote of thanks was then accorded to the Master of the Guild for his presence, on the proposition of the Rev. E. J. F. Johnson. In response, the Rev. F. E. Robinson said

he should like to see a little progress made in the art of change-ringing in this part of the diocese, and he regretted that there were only one or two towers where he could find a band competent to ring a peal.

It was decided to hold the spring meeting at Charlbury. A suggestion was thrown out that instead of the ringers going round for subscriptions at Christmas, the churchwardens might be requested to collect on their behalf, as the ringers are a band of churchworkers.

### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The members of the Winchester district of the above Guild held their first annual meeting, since the passing of the rule dividing the diocese into districts, at Alresford on a recent Saturday. Representatives were present from Winchester, Twyford, Eastleigh, Alton, North Stoneham, Upham and Fareham. Alresford has two splendid rings of bells, one of eight at New Alresford, and another of six at Old Alresford, and by the kindness of the Rectors both rings were available from 1.30 p.m. During the afternoon and evening touches of Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Doubles, and Grandsire Minor were rung, among them being a 504 of Stedman Triples conducted by Mr. W. H. George, and a 504 of Grandsire Triples conducted by Mr. G. Smith (Twyford). At 4.30 thirty-two members sat down to a capital tea which had been provided by Mrs. Beazley, West Street, Alresford, the Rev. Minor Canon Madge (Winchester) occupying the chair.

At the meeting which was held immediately after the tea, the minutes of the last meeting were read and signed. On the proposition of Mr. W. H. George, seconded by Mr. G. Smith, Mr. J. W. Elkins was unanimously re-elected hon. secretary, and Mr. Wilfred Andrews the representative for the district on the Central Committee. It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Winchester on the second Saturday in November, 1905. The names of three other places were suggested for consideration by the District Committee, at which to hold quarterly meetings, these being Romsey, North Stoneham and Southampton. The hon. secretary reported that during the past year North Stoneham and Upham had joined the Guild, and he had come prepared to ask them to admit another tower, namely, Kingsworthy. At present this tower has only a ring of four bells, but all members present sincerely hoped it would soon become a ring of six. The secretary proposed the Rev. E. Kenworthy-Browne (North Stoneham) and the Rev. R. T. Marshall (Kingsworthy) as honorary members, and Messrs. Mildon, Milton, F. R. Smith, Mower, Holdaway, Marsh, Brewer and A. Smith (Kingsworthy) as probationers, and these were all duly elected. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. F. T. Madge for the interest he has taken in the Guild, he being one of its vice-patrons, and for so kindly coming to preside at this meeting; also to the hon. secretary for his services during the past year; and to the Rectors of Old and New Alresford for their kind permission to use the bells.

As the last train leaves Alresford rather early, the Very Rev. the Dean kindly gave permission for the Cathedral bells to be used during the evening, and members from Fareham, Eastleigh, North Stoneham and Upham gladly availed themselves of the opportunity to have a ring on ten bells, this being the only ring of ten in the district. After some short touches of Grandsire had been rung, a start was made for a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, and

this was successfully brought round in fifty minutes. This was Mr. W. C. Lampard's first quarter-peal in the method as conductor.

All agreed that a very pleasant and instructive afternoon had been spent, and it is earnestly hoped all towers in the district will soon become affiliated to the Guild.

### GUILDFORD DISTRICT.

The annual meeting of this district was held at Guildford on a recent Wednesday, when over fifty members attended from the affiliated towers. During the afternoon the visitors to the town had the opportunity of ringing upon the fine peal of eight bells in Holy Trinity church, and afterwards were met by the Rev. G. Dandridge, Rector of St. Nicolas, who expressed his pleasure at the Guild's visit to the town, and congratulated them on their numerical strength and upon the work which the Guild was doing. He remarked that he was very sorry other business prevented him attending the meeting, but he wished the Guild every success.

The members then partook of tea in St. Nicolas' hall, and afterwards the business meeting was held, Mr. B. Chorley being voted to the chair. The hon. secretary, Mr. J. J. Jones, presented the report, in which it was stated that the strength of the district was 6 life, 23 honorary, and 120 ordinary members and 20 probationers, 17 towers being in union. The receipts amounted to £15 14s. 6d., and apart from the hon. members' subscriptions there was a balance of £3 in hand.

Mr. C. O'Brien (Guildford) was elected chairman of the District Committee, and Mr. Jones was unanimously re-elected hon. secretary. Messrs. Garfath (Farnham) and Whittington (Ewhurst) were re-appointed to represent the district on the Central Committee of the Guild, and Mr. A. H. Pulling (Holy Trinity, Guildford) was re-elected peal secretary. Mr. Pulling reported that of the four quarterly peals arranged during the past year, two were successfully accomplished.

The places selected for next year's meetings were:—February, Farnham; May, Shere and Albury; August, Cranleigh and Ewhurst; November, Guildford (annual meeting). It was also decided to hold an annual dinner after the November meeting.

Ten new members were elected, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Jones for the energetic and careful manner in which he had discharged the secretarial duties.

By the kindness of the Rectors at the respective churches the members then repaired to the towers of St. Nicolas and Holy Trinity and spent an hour in practice.

**BRAINTREE (Essex).—**On Monday November 4th, for practice at St. Michael's church, 1296 Double Norwich in 45 mins. F. Webb, W. Steele, B. Wiffen, H. E. Hammond, C. H. Howard conductor, F. Radkin, G. H. Sentance, H. J. Collins.

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The adjourned annual meeting of the above was held at St. Peter's church, Stoke-on-Trent, on Saturday, Dec. 3rd, when about eighty members attended from Stone, Leek, Uttoxeter, Wolstanton, Tunstall, Norton, Biddulph, Kids Grove, Lawton, Fenton, Longton and Crewe. Ringing began at 3.30 in various methods until 5.30, when an adjournment was made to the Church Institute for tea, which was provided by the Rector (the Rev. H. V. Stuart) who was present to welcome the association on their first visit to Stoke since his induction. He said that he was very pleased to see such a large gathering of ringers assembled there that day, and hoped that they would persevere in the art of change-ringing, for an art he believed it was, because he remembered once trying to manage a bell at Cannock and what a dismal failure it was. So he knew from experience that it needed a large amount of practice and patience to become proficient in the art of change-ringing, and he wished every member of the association health and prosperity in the coming new year.

Mr. S. Churton moved a vote of thanks to the Rector for so kindly providing tea and for honouring them by his presence, for they all knew the many engagements which he was subject to, both secular and in connection with the church, and he (the speaker) was sure the association felt proud to have the Rector amongst them. There was also present the clerical secretary, Rev. A. H. Barchard, and the lay secretary, Mr. D. Preston, and Mr. F. R. Williams, churchwarden.

A business meeting was afterwards held, the Rector in the chair. Mr. D. Preston read out the financial state of affairs, which showed that there was a balance in hand of £7 15s. 5½d, which was a substantial decrease on last year, mainly owing to the heavy expenditure in regard to the paying of half travelling expenses of members to places of meetings. In view of this fact it was decided to hold in future twelve meetings during the year instead of seventeen as heretofore. The proposition met with general favour. There were two new members elected, namely, Mr. J. Godber of Tunstall, and Mr. W. Grice of Newcastle. After the meeting the tower was again visited until 9.15, which terminated a very enjoyable meeting.

### THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above was held at Harpenden on Saturday, November 26th, when thirty-eight members of the Association were present. The bells were set going to Grandsire Triples at 4.30, but the first touch was speedily brought to an end by the treble rope breaking. A 360 of Bob Minor was rung during mending operations, followed by touches of Stedman, Grandsire Triples and Bob Major. At 5.30 the ringers were entertained to tea at Mrs. Chandler's refreshment rooms by Mr. Nevett, who is leaving the neighbourhood for another ringing centre.

BEDFORD.—On Thursday, October 27th, at St. Peter's church, 1260 Grandsire Doubles in 40 mins. F. Litchfield, J. Bates, W. Stapleton conductor, P. J. Cooke, J. Pirken, F. Austin.

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The annual meeting of the South-Eastern Division of this Association was held at Chelmsford on Saturday, December 10th, the Master (Mr. W. H. Judd), presiding. About twenty members were present, as many as could be expected, seeing that the bells of St. Mary's church were not available for ringing on account of repairs to the tower still in progress. The District Master and Secretary (Messrs. Judd and Wilson, of Prittlewell), having declined to seek re-election, Mr. H. Kirton, of Writtle, was elected Master, and Mr. B. Thompson, of Chelmsford, Secretary for the ensuing year. On the motion of the Rev. T. L. Papillon (Master of the Essex Association), seconded by Mr. Kirton, a unanimous vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring Master and Secretary of the District for their services since its formation three years ago. It was decided to hold the next district meeting in March at either Broomfield or Springfield, both six-bell towers.

### THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3rd, a peal-board was placed in the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Newport Pagnell, recording a peal of Stedman Triples (a variation of Thurstan's four-part), which was rung on the bells of the parish church on Saturday, July 9th, in 3 hrs. 18 mins.; also recording the first peal ever rung on the bells. The ringers were: Messrs. A. J. Hessian, F. Sear, J. George, C. W. Clarke, T. R. Hensher, H. Sear, Rev. F. E. Robinson conductor, V. Sear.

A special service was held in the church at 5.30 p.m., conducted by the Vicar (Rev. F. B. Gunnery), during which he delivered a most eloquent address relative to the duties and art of church bell-ringers. In addition to the local ringers, representatives came from Bedford, Olney, Rugby, Bletchley, Emberton and Chickley, and during the afternoon rang various touches of Grandsire and Kent Treble Bob Major.

At the conclusion of the service the Vicar joined the ringers and said he was sorry the Rev. F. E. Robinson was unable to attend, but expressed his delight in meeting those present, and hoped he should have the opportunity to welcome them again at some future time.

After a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness in allowing the use of his bells, the ringers rang some touches of Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire, and thus concluded a most enjoyable time shortly after 7 o'clock.

SEDBERGH (Yorks)—On Wednesday, November 9th, a date touch of Double Norwich Major in 1 hr. 5 mins. J. W. Pennington, T. Sisson, E. Pennington, J. E. Senogles, H. Haresnape, W. Pennington, S. Pile, G. F. Woodhouse composer and conductor.

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## LONG PEAL ATTEMPTS.

Notice is hereby given to the Exercise, and to the OXFORD GUILD in particular, that on Tuesday, December 27th, eight members of the Midland Counties Association will (D.V.) attempt a world's record peal of 21,024 Double Norwich Court Bob on the bells of St. Thomas's, South Wigston, near Leicester. All being well, the band will stand as follows: J. Morris (Leicester), Treble; T. H. Taffender (London), 2; C. H. Fowler (Leicester), 3; T. R. Hensher (Wellingborough), 4; J. Houghton, jun. (Irthlingborough), 5; W. H. Inglesant (Loughborough), 6; A. R. Aldham (Barwell), 7; W. Willson (Leicester, composer and conductor), Tenor. The composition has been duly lodged with Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., President of the M.C.A. and of the C.C.; also with the Rev. F. E. Robinson, M.A., Master of the Oxford Guild, holders of the record. Time of starting 7.30 a.m.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Boxing-Day, December 26th, ten members of the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, will attempt a record peal of 13,400 Kent Treble Bob Royal at St. Martin's church, Birmingham. Time of starting 9 a.m. prompt. The figures have been sent to Sir A. P. Heywood; to Mr. R. A. Daniell, as Master of the Cumberlands, who rang the last record peal at Shoreditch; and to the Editor of this paper. The names of the company will appear next week.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## OLD BOOKS ON RINGING.

SIR,—Mr. R. A. Daniell thinks the portion of my old book is part of a copy of Stedman's "Campanalogia." My own opinion is that it is an earlier print of the work of J. D. and C. M. previous to 1753. This is the one from which I have given the Colledge Bobs from, and as Mr. Daniell says there are no issues of this work later than 1733, I will just give it as printed on the title page of the complete work that I have in my possession:—

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The Minor method given by Mr. J. Carter in your last issue I find in this book on page 107 as Westminster Bob.

H. J. TUCKER.

## REPLY TO MR. HODGES.

SIR,—If Mr. Hodges, who enquires about a silent practice apparatus, will let me know his address I could tell him something about a "Seage's Apparatus."

Middleham, R.S.O., Yorks.

H. C. PAULI.

## COLLEGE BOB THE FIFTH.

SIR,—In looking through my "Campanalogia, or the Art of Ringing," 1702, on page 108 this method is given as Westminster Bob, by J. D.

W. D. CRICKMER.

## EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—Let me remind your readers that this correspondence arose from your quoting, with approval, an article (unsigned of course) from an Exeter newspaper, complaining of the bells being so seldom heard, although the inhabitants had spent so much on rehanging them and recasting the tenor—the Dean recast the 5th. I gave my own experience that on three out of

five evenings appointed for ringing, there was none: mentioning that the chiming apparatus was out of order, which the Dean and Chapter might well repair. My authority for the bells not being rung on May 29th, in consequence of a recent visit of a Birmingham company, was the steeplekeeper—a better one than Mr. Daniell, who knows so little about Capitular incomes and outgoings, and who (I am assured) represents himself only. Let us hope that in future the Devonshire ringers will keep better faith with their own townsmen and with visitors to their rather remote city.

W. H. M. ELLIS.

P.S.—Messrs. Taylor warned the ringers against letting heavy bells hang for long unring.

Many people, no doubt, share the omnibus driver's belief, that the Bishop of London gets £10,000 a year for reading the Lessons occasionally in St. Paul's Cathedral. The one bit of truth in the belief is the fact that his official income is £10,000, but he himself has told us how much of it comes to him for his personal use. It appears that the expense of maintaining his establishments at Fulham and London House, and of printing, stationery, and postage, runs away with £7268, and we will leave it to our readers to work out the subtraction sum if they wish to know what is left. Perhaps some people would say that the balance represents a very fair income. It does, of course, if one has the good fortune not to be a Bishop of London, but the present occupant of the See finds himself, at the end of three years, £5000 poorer than he was when he became the Bishop. It is evident that the Bishop of London's official income is not adequate to the demands made upon his purse.—Church Times.

## Miscellaneous.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BOLTON, BRADFORD (Yorks).—On Tuesday, October 18th, for practice at St. James's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. B. E. Howe, J. Palframan, J. Boddy, A. Benson, H. Good, A. Gill, T. B. Kendall conductor, S. Palframan. Longest length in the method by all except Kendall and S. Palframan. Longest length in the method as conductor.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WITNEY (Oxon).—On Wednesday, November 23rd, at quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells deeply-muffled, as a token of respect for the late William Bennett, of Kidlington, Secretary of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries branch of the Guild. A. Brooks, H. Brooks, F. Pounds, J. Monk, T. Bull, J. Brooks, Rev. C. W. Jenkyn conductor, J. Richards.

SOUTHWARK.—On Saturday, November 26th, at St. Saviour's Collegiate church, the bells were muffled and the usual whole pull and stand was rung as a last mark of respect to the late P. O. Perry, who was a ringer at the above church for fifteen years. He leaves a widow and five children to mourn his loss. H. Flowers, H. Pasmore, T. Mash, H. Flowers, jun., T. Mash, W. Mash, S. Merryfield, F. Lewis, W. Pasmore, A. Mash, G. Mash, L. Rayfield.

WALWORTH.—On Monday, November 28th, the usual whole pull and stand was rung as a mark of respect to the late P. O. Perry. H. Gummer, H. Flowers, L. Rayfield, S. Merryfield, F. Perrin, H. Dawkes, T. Mash, W. Blackerby.

WOODFORD.—On Sunday, July 31st. 720 Bob Minor, in 24 mins. E. Lebbon, G. Cornell, A. H. Doherty, F. M. Bressey, J. Marks conductor, B. Marks. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Cornell.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Giles's, Cripplegate, on Tuesday, December 20th, and at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on December 29th. It is earnestly requested that all members who can possibly do so, will attend the meeting on Tuesday, January 3rd, after ringing at St. Paul's, to discuss and if necessary, revise Rule VII.  
W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Lancashire Association.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Burnley parish church to-day, Saturday, Dec. 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. A memorial tablet to the late Mr. John Pollard will be unveiled the same day.  
T. DUXBURY, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Manchester Town Hall to-day, Saturday, December 17th. Bells will be at liberty from 3 o'clock till 7. Meeting at 7.0 p.m.  
JOHN SMITH, *Branch Sec.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held to-day, Sat., December 17th, at Garston. Bells ready at 5.  
WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next annual meeting will be held at All Saints, Newport on Boxing Day, December 26th, at 4 o'clock. Important business. The bells of All Saints and St. Woolos are available.  
REV. CANNOP L. PRICE, *M.A., Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

**The Beds Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Husborne Crawley on Saturday, January 7th, 1905, at 3 o. Aspley Guise bells (1 mile) also available.  
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**LIVERPOOL.**—On Friday, November 18th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, Tuebrook, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 44 mins. E. Caunce, W. Booth, J. Aspinwall, W. Davies, S. Stewart, A. Lovell, J. Martin conductor, S. M. Dodington. On Friday, November 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 45 mins. J. Dickinson, W. Booth, T. Hammond, sen., Rev. F. L. Edwards, J. Martin, E. Caunce, W. Davies conductor, S. Stewart. On Thursday, December 1st, at the Cathedral church of St. Peter, on the front six bells, for service, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor in 25 mins. T. Hammond, sen., W. Davies, T. Hammond, jun., E. Caunce, H. Lewis conductor, A. Lovell. Ringing is not permitted on the heavy bells owing to the unsafe condition of the tower.

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By JAMES GEORGE, *Rugby.*

1264.

23456	W	B	M	H
52364	-	-	-	-
35264	-	-	-	-
42356	-	-	-	-
34256	-	-	-	-
25346	-	-	-	-
32546	-	-	-	-
43265	-	-	-	-
24365	-	-	-	-
53246	-	-	-	-
45236	-	-	-	-
23456	-	-	-	-

## DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By JOHN HOWES, *Kingston-on-Thames.*

1904.

234567

532746	5
735624	5
637452	5
246537	1
542763	5
745326	5
527463	3
425376	5

Three times repeated.

## DATE TOUCH OF BOB MAJOR.

By GEORGE R. NEWTON, *Liverpool.*

1904.

23456	W	M	H
64235	-	-	-
26435	-	-	-
43265	-	-	-
24365	-	-	-
32465	-	-	-
54326	-	-	-
32546	-	-	-
53246	-	-	-
25346	-	-	-
34256	-	-	-
32456	8	-	-
43256	-	-	-
25436	-	-	-
42536	-	-	-
53426	-	-	-
45326	-	-	-
23456	-	-	8

## DATE TOUCH OF BOB MAJOR.

By C. WALLATER, *Wednesbury.*

1904.

23456	W	B	M	H
23564	-	-	-	-
45236	-	-	-	-
24365	-	-	-	-
32546	-	-	-	-
32465	-	-	-	-
43526	-	-	-	-
52436	-	-	-	-
52364	-	-	-	-

W B M H

43265	-	-	-	-
26354	-	-	-	-
25346	-	-	-	-
34256	-	-	-	-
23645	-	-	-	-
42635	-	-	-	-
63425	-	-	-	-
23456	-	-	-	-

## A DATE TOUCH OF BOB MAJOR.

By H. G. ROWE, *Cheshunt.*

1904.

23456 W M H

64235	-	-	-
26435	-	-	-
43265	-	-	-
42365	-	-	8
34265	-	-	-
26345	-	-	-
32645	-	-	-
63245	-	-	-
52634	-	-	-
65234	-	-	-
23654	-	-	-
62354	-	-	-
36254	-	-	-
25364	-	-	-
43256	-	-	-
24356	-	-	-
23456	-	-	8

## A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL.

By C. WALLATER, *Wednesbury.*

5040.

23456 W M H

42635	-	-	-
56234	-	-	-
23564	-	-	-
52364	-	-	-
35264	-	-	-
26354	-	-	-
32654	-	-	-

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This is Section II. of the undertaking, and comprises a  
great variety of peals in the methods dealt with. Copies  
may now be had from the publishers, Messrs. BEMROSE,  
of Snow Hill, or through any bookseller in the universe.

It is hoped, and with reason, that this latest of the Council's efforts will have a good sale among those for whose benefit it is intended, and thus the hard work of the compilers may be well appreciated.

The last part of "The Sussex Week" will appear in our next, with a picture of Warnham Church. We have several fresh items of interest to place before our readers. A Christmas tale, entitled "The Christmas Bells of Bettingham," has been written for this paper. Then our friend Mr. DANIELL has written a very interesting account of WILLIAM CORDER, who committed the Red Barn murder, and who was a ringer. Mr. ATTREE's Analysis also will meet with due appreciation. The Christmas number will be most interesting this year, and be published at the usual price.

Our friends in giving Christmas presents will not forget their brethren of the Exercise. Mr. MATTHEWS, of Macclesfield, has some splendid silk designs, very suitable. Mr. POWERS, of Hatfield, Herts., another worthy old ringer, would be pleased to do some business with his brethren at this festive season.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, WALTHAMSTOW,

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WILLIAM TRUSS.. .. Treble.	GEORGE PAICE .. .. 5.
GEORGE B. LUCAS .. .. 2.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 6.
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Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

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THOMAS MILES*.. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.
GEORGE RADLEY .. .. 2.	JAMES SAXBY .. .. 6.
HENRY DAINS .. .. 3.	JAMES PARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE PAICE .. .. 4.	THOMAS CARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by THOMAS CARD.

\*First peal of Major. †First in the method as conductor.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, WOOLWICH,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY G. HILL .. .. Treble.	ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 5.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. 2.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 6.
QR.-MR.-SGT. A. PYE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by J. R. SHARMAN.

It was intended to ring London Surprise, but meeting one short, Mr. Hill kindly took the vacant rope, and the above was substituted.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

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THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 2.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS.. .. 7.
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THOMAS TITCHENER.. .. 5.	ARTHUR JACOB .. .. Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by JAMES PARKER.

\*First peal of Royal.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

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#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATER, 5055 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWITT .. .. Treble.	†HENRY FOLKARD .. .. 5.
JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 2.	CHARLES H. MARTIN .. .. 7.
FRANK BENNETT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 9.
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Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by W. PYE.

†First peal in the method.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

LEWIS BENTLEY .. .. Treble.	JOSEPH BIRCH .. .. 5.
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JOHN C. ADAMS.. .. 3.	JOSIAH ELTON .. .. 7.
ALFRED TURLEY .. .. 4.	THOMAS J. ELTON .. .. Tenor.

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#### THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 29, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5075 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 2 qrs. 19 lbs.

C. G. WHITE .. .. Treble.	H. HOLIFIELD .. .. 6.
E. HOLIFIELD .. .. 2.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
F. WHITE, SEN.. .. 3.	G. HOLIFIELD .. .. 8.
F. BARRETT .. .. 4.	R. WHITE .. .. 9.
H. WOODWARDS.. .. 5.	F. WHITE, JUN.. .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD.

Rung by 10 members of the Appleton Band and with the bells muffled as a token of respect to the late William Bennett.

## STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 29, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY J. TUCKER* .. .. Treble.	JOHN LUCKEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. .. 2.	THOMAS J. WATTS .. .. 6.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 7.
HERBERT BAKER* .. .. 4.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

\*First peal in the method. This makes T. Jordan's fiftieth peal.

## SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, November 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, RANMOOR,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL Tenor 15 cwt.

SAM THOMAS .. .. Treble.	*CHARLES HAYNES .. .. 5.
JOSEPH ATKIN .. .. 2.	*ALFRED H. WARD .. .. 6.
FRANCIS WARD* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. 7.
LEONARD CHARLESWORTH* 4.	WILLIAM S. PLANT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

\*First peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

## BOLNEY, SUSSEX.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
DAY'S SIX-PART. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

WARDEN WALDER .. .. Treble.	†WILLIAM WHEELER .. .. 5.
THOMAS A. WALDER* .. .. 2.	DAVID D. DENMAN .. .. 6.
WILLIAM VINCENT .. .. 3.	GEORGE WALDER, JUN. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. PACKHAM .. 4.	GEORGE PACKHAM .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE WALDER, JUN.

First peal. \*First peal, age 15.

## HACKINGTON, CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Wednesday, November 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES W. BRETT .. Treble.	FREDERICK G. BRETT .. 5.
EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. 2.	CHARLES F. TURNER .. 6.
HENRY G. FAIRBRASS .. 3.	PHILIP H. PIERCE .. .. 6.
EDWARD G. BUESDEN .. 4.	GEORGE J. JENKINS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY G. FAIRBRASS.

The quickest peal on the bells.

## KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(THE KING'S NORTON GUILD.)

On Wednesday, November 30, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

HARRY WILLIAMS† .. Treble.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. 5.
JOHN WITHERS .. .. 2.	†SAMUEL GROVE .. .. 6.
FRANK WITHERS† .. .. 3.	JAMES BETTERTON .. .. 7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS† .. 4.	HARRY WITHERS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY HUBBARD, and Conducted by HARRY WITHERS.

†First peal of Major.

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## PUDSEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 30, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

PRATT CORDINGLEY .. Treble.	JAMES W. BAKENDALE .. 5.
WILLIAM BIRKS .. .. 2.	JOHN W. CORDINGLEY .. 6.
TOM LATIMER .. .. 3.	JOHN E. PROCTER .. .. 7.
SAMUEL WARD .. .. 4.	HARRY WARD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by HARRY WARD.

First peal in the method on the bells.

## BISHOPS STORTFORD, HERTS

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR .. Treble.	JOHN LUCKLY .. .. 5.
GEORGE JORDAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM WATTS .. .. 6.
WALTER PRIOR .. .. 3.	HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 7.
THOMAS JORDAN .. .. 4.	THOMAS NEWMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

This makes W. Watts's 50th peal as conductor. It was intended to have rung Cambridge Surprise, but meeting one short Mr. Newman kindly stood in and the above was rung instead. Rung in honour of the Queen's Birthday.

## CROSTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM DALTON .. Treble.	JOHN HOUGH .. .. 5.
THOMAS WHITTLE .. .. 2.	PHILIP ASHCROFT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM BANNISTER .. 3.	JOHN ASHCROFT, JUN. .. 7.
THOMAS DALTON, JUN. .. 4.	WILLIAM WALTON .. .. Treble.

Conducted by THOMAS DALTON, JUN.

First peal on the bells since they were rehung in 1896. First peal by all except the tenor ringer.

## WITNEY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART

ALBERT BROOKS .. Treble.	THOMAS BULL .. .. 5.
HARRY BROOKS .. .. 2.	JESSE BROOKS .. .. 6.
FRED POUNDS .. .. 3.	*REV. CYRIL JENKYN .. 7.
JOHN MONK .. .. 4.	JOHN RICHARDS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN.

First peal of Stedman by a band of Witney ringers. \*First peal in any method as conductor.

## CLIFTON, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being forty-two 6-scores, each called differently.

FREDERICK PRATT* .. Treble.	ALFRED PRATT .. .. 4.
HERBERT L. HARLOW .. 2.	JAMES BLOTT .. .. 5.
HERBERT J. HARLOW† .. 3.	*WILLIAM SHARP .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HERBERT L. HARLOW.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. The ringer of the treble is only 15 years of age. Rung in honour of Queen Alexandra's Birthday.

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**BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT GUILD.)*On Friday, December 2, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE LEWIS .. .. Treble.	JOHN R. BREARLEY .. .. 5.
ARCHIE BREARLEY* .. .. 2.	†GEORGE MERRIMAN .. .. 6.
SIDNEY F. PALMER .. .. 3.	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 7.
REGGIE DYSON .. .. 4.	WILLIAM HARRISON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM HARRISON, and Conducted by D. BREARLEY.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. †First peal of Treble Bob Major.

**CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.**  
**THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.**  
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)*On Friday, December 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOHN H. HAYNES† .. .. Treble.	JOHN P. PALEY, JUN. .. .. 5.
JOHN P. PALBY, SEN. .. .. 2.	GEORGE SCOTT .. .. 6.
FREDERICK W. STOKES .. .. 3.	JOHN CRAGG .. .. 7.
THOMAS CRAGG .. .. 4.	JOHN W. WOOD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JOHN W. WOOD.

\*First peal. First peal in the method by all except the conductor.

**KIDLINGTON, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Friday, December 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**  
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN MATTHEWS .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK WEBB .. .. 5.
HARRY MILES .. .. 2.	*HARRY BUTLER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM STONE* .. .. 3.	HARRY G. JUDGE .. .. 7.
WILLIAM THORPE .. .. 4.	FRANK WEBB .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY G. JUDGE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the late William Bennett, ringer at this church. \*First peal in the method.

**HENLEY, SUFFOLK.****THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE**  
**ST. MARY-LE-TOWER SOCIETY, IPSWICH.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,**  
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs in A flat.

ERNEST S. GOSTLING* .. Treble.	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.	JAMES MOTTE .. .. 6.
LEWIS W. WIFEEN .. .. 3.	EDWARD SHERWOOD .. .. 7.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

\*First peal in this method. This is the Vicar's fiftieth peal, and first peal in the method on an inside bell.

**CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.****WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

THOMAS J. SALTER .. .. Treble.	JOHN BARBER .. .. 5.
THOMAS GRIFFITHS .. .. 2.	ROBERT MATTHEWS .. .. 6.
JOHN BASS .. .. 3.	†CHARLES H. WOODBERRY 7.
GEORGE FOSTER .. .. 4.	ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by THOMAS J. SALTER.

†First peal of Treble Bob.

**HALIFAX, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;**  
WASHBROOK'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

JAMES COTTERELL .. .. Treble.	GEORGE HALKSWORD .. .. 5.
JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 2.	CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 6.
GEORGE T. MARSHALL .. 3.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 7.
GEORGE BARRACLOUGH .. 4.	FRED SALMONS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by C. JACKSON.

**DARLINGTON, DURHAM.****DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;**  
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10 cwt. 13 lbs.

JAMES BAXTER .. .. Treble.	FRANCIS CHARLTON .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BELL .. .. 2.	*HARRY LENTON .. .. 6.
ROBERT B. ROBINSON* .. 3.	*THOMAS WICK .. .. 7.
JOHN SMITH* .. .. 4.	MAURICE B. DALBY .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WM. HARRISON, and Conducted by JAMES BAXTER.

\*First peal in the method. W. Bell was elected a member before starting.

**CRADLEY, HEREFORDSHIRE.****THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob  
Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

FRANK PRITCHARD .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 4.
HENRY PRITCHARD .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HADLEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES HOENE .. .. 3.	FRED SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. SMITH.

**MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE.****THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE**  
**FRAMLAND SOCIETY.**

(MELTON BRANCH.)

*On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.**  
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 25½ cwt.

WM. SPIBY .. .. Treble.	WALTER JAMES .. .. 5.
GEO. W. MEAKINS† .. .. 2.	*THOS. H. MORRIS .. .. 6.
CHARLES DALBY .. .. 3.	RICHARD H. BARTRAM .. 7.
REV. C. B. HULTON† .. 4.	*RICHARD W. BAKER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by R. H. BARTRAM.

\*First peal on eight bells. †First peal of Grandsire Triples.

**BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.***On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.**

Tenor 20½ cwt.

CHARLES DEAN .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 6.
ALFRED J. TRAPPITT .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM GROVES .. .. 7.
JAMES RUMBLE .. .. 3.	ARTHUR J. PLOWMAN .. 8.
DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. 4.	FRANK HOLDER .. .. 9.
AMOS CLARK* .. .. 5.	THOMAS TALBOT .. .. Tenor.

Composed by EDGAR BENNETT, and Conducted by W. S. SMITH.

\*First peal of Stedman Caters.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19,  
Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.



## ARKLOW, IRELAND.—THE IRISH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART REVERSED.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

A SHEPHERD .. .. .Treble.	A. TAILYOUR .. .. .5.
J. WASHBROOK, JUN... .. 2.	J. BLACK .. .. .6.
ISAAC MYERS .. .. .3.	JAS. W. WASHBROOK .. 7.
FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. 4.	RALPH PRESTAGE .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by JAS. W. WASHBROOK.

Rung as a birthday compliment to A. J. Tailyour, President of the Irish Association, and Master of the Arklow Guild.

## TONG, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

## A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Primrose, College Trebles, London Scholars' Pleasure, Arnold's Victory and College Pleasure, Tenor 12 cwt.

PRATT CORDINGLEY .. ..Treble.	WILLIAM BOLLAND .. .. 4.
JAMES HOLGATE .. .. .2.	GEORGE BOLLAND .. .. 5.
TOM LATIMER .. .. .3.	HENRY ODDY .. .. .Tenor.

Conducted by GEORGE BOLLAND.

## GREAT MILTON, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

W. FINCH .. .. .Treble.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN .. 5.
H. MILES .. .. .2.	†W. STONE .. .. .6.
HON. A. ERSKINE .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
REV. G. H. RIDOUT* .. 4.	*J. ALLEN .. .. .Tenor

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal. †First peal away from the tenor.

## WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, December 2, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES .. ..Treble.	REUBEN HALL .. .. .6.
JESSE SCREEN .. .. .2.	THOMAS H. REEVES.. .. 7.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. .3.	WILLIAM DEVEY .. .. 8.
WILLIAM SMITH.. .. .4.	JAMES HARES .. .. .9.
JOSEPH WALKER .. .. .5.	RICHARD SPEAKMAN .. ..Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 3, 1904, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5408 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

LEWIS CHAPMAN .. ..Treble.	JOHN J. MAWBY.. .. .5.
ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. .2.	ALFRED H. MARTIN.. .. 6.
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. .3.	*WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. 7.
WALTER PERKINS .. .. .4.	JAMES GARRATT.. .. .Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JAMES GARRATT.

This is the first peal in the method by W. Rogers. Rung on the occasion of the Queen's birthday.

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## LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

IN THE BELLFOUNDRY TOWER,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

E. COULSON .. .. .Treble.	F. BURLEIGH .. .. .5.
THOMAS COLBURN .. .. 2.	A. ABBOTT .. .. .6.
W. T. BILLINGHURST .. 3.	R. F. LANE .. .. .7.
W. PERRIN .. .. .4.	W. CUMBERLAND .. ..Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD LANE.

Rung to commemorate the passing of John William Taylor, son of John W. Taylor, jun., of the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, and grandson of John W. Taylor, of Shelthorpe House, in the final examination for the degree of Bachelor of Science of London University.

## Handbell Peals.

## ST. NEOTS, HUNTS.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. NEOTS SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, December 1, 1904, in Two Hours and Five Minutes,

AT "LLANROCK," AVENUE ROAD,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

LOUIS J. FLINT .. .. 1-2.	GEORGE D. COLEMAN .. 5-6.
SYDNEY J. COLEMAN .. 3-4.	EDMUND C. CHASTY .. 7-8.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by G. D. COLEMAN.

Umpire—H. Fields.

DEFECTIVE REPORT.—The peal at Heanor has been sent without any date.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal at Old Warden, recorded in last week's issue, should have been credited to the Ely Diocesan Association.

A CORRECTION.—The peal of Bob Major rung at Christ Church, Old Southgate, on November 12th, was specially rung on the occasion of a new church being consecrated in this parish on date named by the Bishop of London, viz., St. John's, Palmers Green, and was also the first peal in the method by G. Bester.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

## THE CURFEW RINGERS, WINDSOR CASTLE.

The first of December being the 60th birthday of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Alexandra, the bells of the Castle were rung in the early morning and evening, and the date was selected by this Society to hold their annual dinner.

The tower bells were kept busy from 7 till 8 p.m. in call-changes by visitors, friends, and the local members. An adjournment was made to The Ship hotel where an excellent plain dinner was served by host and hostess Borlaise.

On the removal of the cloth the usual loyal toasts were given. His Majesty and the rest of the Royal Family; Her Majesty, and many happy returns; Sir Francis Barry, M.P., and Lady Barry; the Dean and Chapter of St George's. The chair was taken by Mr. A. Andrews, Mr. F. King, of St. John's, and Mr. W. H. Fussell, of Slough, being present, in all a comfortable little party of fourteen sitting down. During the evening some excellent songs, the majority of them of Irish humour, were sang, tune-playing and lapping on the handbells, concertina solo and pianoforte accompaniment made up a jolly little programme which one and all enjoyed, and the evening was brought to a close after thanking the vice-chairman and the steeplekeeper for their duties. It is just twenty-one years ago since Mr. Fussell first sat down with the Society.

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## Obituary.

G. A. HENSMAN.

It is with regret we record the death of the above ringer, which took place at his residence in Northampton, on Wednesday November 30th, at the early age of 25. By his death the All Saints company loses a much-valued member. Although he had not rung a peal he had made several attempts, and had rung several quarter-peals. The funeral took place on Saturday, December 3rd, the first portion of the burial service being read by the Rev. C. E. Simpson at All Saints' church, of which he had been a ringer for five years. His body was borne to the grave by four members of his own company. In the evening the bells were rung muffled, also the usual whole pull and stand, every belfry in the town being represented.

WILLIAM ROGERS.

On Tuesday, December 13th, William Rogers, of Earls Colne, Essex, was laid to rest in the peaceful churchyard of his native village. He had been a ringer at the parish church about thirty years, and the bells he so much loved were rung

deeply-muffled as the sorrowful procession wended its way to the church. His death at the comparatively early age of 50 has caused much grief amongst his fellow-ringers, of whom he was the recognised leader, and also his many friends in the neighbourhood. The Essex Association, of which he was a member, was represented by the District Secretary, and several other ringing friends were to be seen at the graveside. May God rest his soul and comfort the hearts of his sorrowing widow and nine children.

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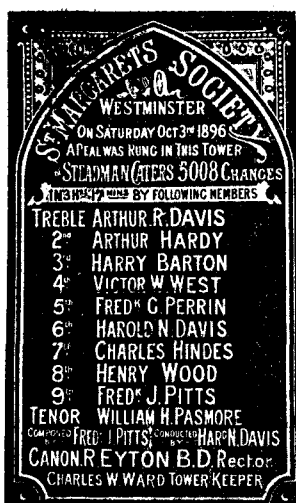
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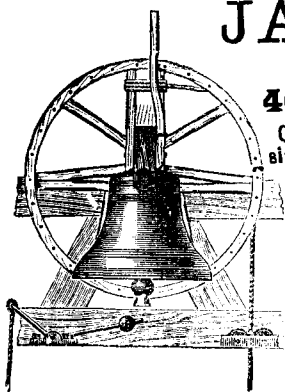
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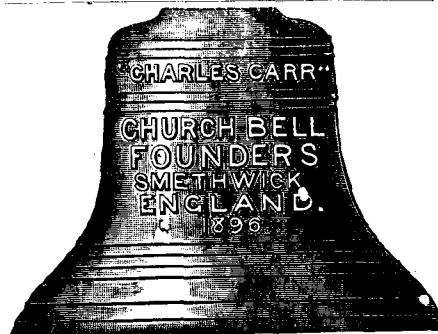
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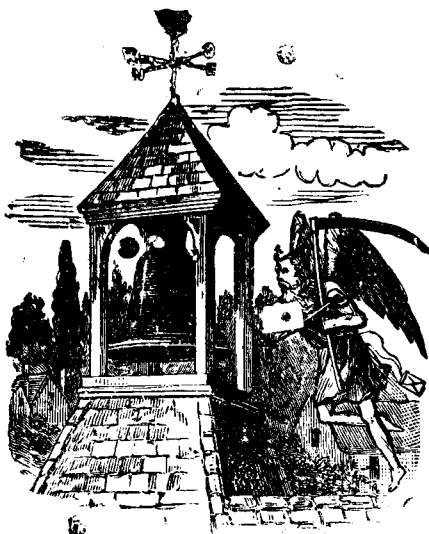
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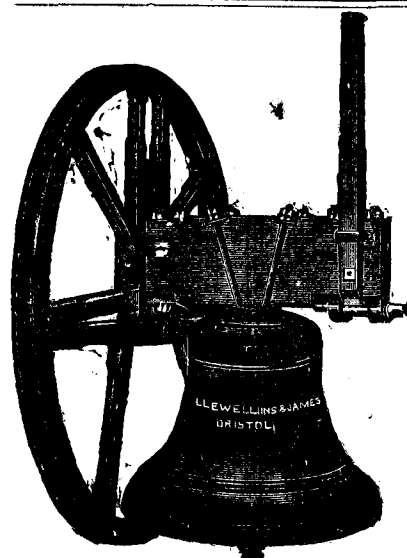
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*Being the Report of the Committee appointed by the Central Council to investigate the state of rings of 8, 10, and 12 bells in England, and to collect information calculated to promote the advance of change-ringing.*

In the following schedule, which will be continued week by week, the towers are placed in alphabetical order; the name of the place being put first, followed by the dedicatory designation of the church. It is earnestly requested that the omission of any tower, with the name and address of the representative ringer—also alterations required in the information scheduled, may be at once notified to Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., Duffield, Derby, with the envelope endorsed:—C.C.C.B.R.

### SCHEDULE (continued).

TODMORDEN (Lancashire). Christ Church. Lancashire Association. Eight bells; all by Taylor 1897. Tenor 23 cwt., diameter 4 ft. 2 in. Iron frame. Bells go well. No repairs since hung. Ropes new 1897, good. Method: Grandsire. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.30, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Wednesday, 7.

TOFTS, WEST (Norfolk). St. Mary. Eight bells; treble, 2nd, 3rd and 4th by Taylor, 1856; 5th by Draper, 1618; dates and founders of the rest unknown, Tenor 16 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 6 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Taylor 1856. Slight repairs at various times since. Ropes good; renewed as required. Method: Stedman. Sunday ringing: 10.30 to 11, and 6 to 6.30. No regular practice.

TONBRIDGE (Kent). SS. Peter and Paul. Kent County Association. Eight bells; all by Mears 1774 except the tenor recast by the same firm 1897, 19 cwt., diameter 4 ft. Timber frame. Bells go well. Rehung by Mears 1886. Ropes new 1897, good. Methods: Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob and Double Norwich. Sunday ringing: 10.15 to 11, and 5.45 to 6.30. Practice, 8.

TORQUAY (Devon.) St. Mary. Eight bells; all by Warner 1877. Tenor 20 cwt., diameter 3 ft. 10 in. Timber frame. Bells go well. Repairs by Stokes a few years ago. Ropes new 1892, bad. No half-pull ringing. Sunday ringing: 10 to 10.45, and 6 to 6.30. Practice: Tuesday, 8.

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## BELLS IN THE MIDDLE AGES.

BY THE REV. EDWARD J. G. FORSE, M.A.

(Hon. Secretary Oxford Diocesan Guild, East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch.)

In writing of Plantagenet London, Sir Walter Besant says "In truth, every city was an *Ile Sonnante*; and the greater, the richer, the most populous, the more powerful, was the city, the louder and the more frequent were the jinglings and the janglings, the sonorous clang, and the melodious peal, the chimings and the striking, the music and the jarring of the thousand bells. They rang all day long; they rang from the great Cathedral and from the little Parish Church; from the stately Monastery, the Nunnery, the College of Priests, the Spital, the Chantry, the Chapel, and the Hermitage. They rang for Festivals, for Fasts, for Pageants, for Processions, for Births, for Marriages, and Funerals; for the election of City Officers, for Coronations, for Victories, and for Daily Service; they rang to mark the day and the hour; they rang in the baby; they rang out the passing soul; they rang for the bride; they rang in memory of the dead; they rang for work to begin and for work to cease; they rang to exhort, to admonish, to console. With their ringing the City was never quiet. Four miles out of London, the sound of the bells rang in the ears of the downcast 'prentice boy who sat upon the green slopes of Highgate; the chimes of Bow struck merrily upon his ear above the tinkling of the sheep-bell, the carol of the lark, and the song of the thrush. To him they brought a promise and a hope. What they brought to the busy folk in the streets I know not, but since they were a folk of robust nerves, the musical, rolling, melodious, clashing, joyous ringing of bells certainly brought for the most part a sense of elation, hope, and companionship."

It may interest readers of "THE BELL NEWS" to have a few details of the ringing in the Cathedrals of the Middle Ages, extracted for the most part from the multitudinous information given in Prebendary Wordsworth's "Medieval Services in England." Dealing mainly with Lincoln, he tells us how Matins was said at midnight in summer and at daybreak in winter. Before this the ringers had their duty to perform. The first of the five "peals" began with the great bell knolling for half an hour, about an hour and a half before service. At Wells there were three peals of several bells (*turbæ*), and one tolling of the great bell (*classicum*). At Exeter, three warnings from the bells (*signa*) at intervals.

First and second peals went for half an hour each, the doors being opened, and lights lit, between the two; then the third and fourth for a quarter of an hour each; and the last for such a time as would allow a Canon to come from the most distant house in Minster Yard. It was the duty of the bell-ringer to provide lighted charcoal for the thurifers when there was incense to be burnt at *Te Deum*.

At Exeter, after the bell had rung for the "Lady Mass," while the Epistle was being read, the first bell for Prime was sounded, and at *Agnus Dei* the second bell. At Lincoln the day-bell was rung by the chaplain who said

the "Morrow-Mass," and after this, before the service, a great bell rang the Morning Peal (*peila*) in the south west tower (St. Hugh's).

At Lincoln the "Lady Mass" was said about 7 or 8 a.m., preceded by "tinkles" (*tinnitus*). It seems that this may have been the "Ave Bell" or *Angelus*. Folk were to say the "Hail Mary" three times at each tolling of this bell, at 6 a.m., at noon, and at 6 p.m. The late Sir C. Anderson recorded that the six "Lady Bells" in the great Rood Tower at Lincoln, were chimed in the belfry on Lady Day to a chant which was probably—

A	ve	Ma	ri	a:	o	ra	pro	no	bis
1	3	1	2	4:	1	5	1	5	6

After the office of Prime, "Prime out of Choir" rang out, and the choir adjourned in orderly procession to the Chapter House to receive instructions as to the morrow's services.

After this came the "Chapter Mass," the family devotion of the whole Cathedral body. If there were to be a procession at the following service, "High Mass," the Bell rang "to procession," and the service proceeded to the end of the Epistle. During the singing of the "Gradual" which followed this, it was the custom at Lincoln for a clerk in choir habit to go round with an invitation from the Celebrant to the deacons and all inferior ministers, including the two bellringers present, to bid them dine with him that day. After this, and before the Gospel, two or three bells were rung in the western belfry.

At the end of this Eucharist followed the services of Terce (if not said already) and Sext and Nones. Then came dinner, except on Fast Days.

An hour or more before Evensong the Dean (or Canon-in-course) went to wash his hands in the lavatory. This was the signal for the third bellringer (who held also the office of candle-lighter) to ring the first of the five peals, just as for Matins. These five "peals" (so-called) were rung at Lincoln thus:—i. various; ii.—two small bells; iii.—two large bells; v.—large and small together.

After Evensong had been concluded, two great bells sounded to Compline, or on minor festivals first one great bell for a while, and then a small one.

At Lincoln there were Lenten Readings (during Lent), in the evenings, for which the signal was the chiming of a little bell, and after a pause a great bell.

Then, at sunset in summer, and sometime after dusk in winter, the Curfew was rung. It was tolled on a great bell in choir-belfry or Rood Tower at Lincoln, or upon great festivals on all the bells, the canons sending their men, and a supply of drink, by way of assisting the regular ringers.

This done, the three ringers-in-chief, who also held the respective offices of lay-sacrist, watchman, and candlelighter, had to search the Cathedral before locking it up, to see all was right and well. After this, forty tolls or strokes on "Our Lady's Bells" in the belfry, and they retired to their supper of bread and beer in a wooden structure by the north-east aisle. Then the lay-sacrist and candlelighters took their well-earned rest; but the night-watchman had to keep awake, and it was suggested by the Cathedral statutes that if he had skill enough he might call the hours of the night upon a flute, until his duty ceased with waking the other two ringers that they might ring for the next day's (midnight) Matins.

Such is a rough sketch of the ringing of one day at a Cathedral Church; the ringing at a parish church, though somewhat less, still amounted usually to more than is now done in a busy parish on a Sunday. And when one remembers that Besant tells us there were 120 churches in the City of London, under the Plantagenets, we begin to realise what justification there is for his statement that the medieval city was a city of ringing, from early morning till late at night, every day in the year except at Passion-Tide, when wooden clappers were used.

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#### THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Long Ashton on Saturday, December 3rd, and was attended by over forty members from Abbots Leigh, Barrow Gurney, Bath, Bridgwater, Bristol, Burnham, Clapton, Easton, Huntspill, Long Ashton, Portishead and Street. The fine ring of eight bells was placed at the disposal of members from two o'clock, and were found in excellent condition: tenor 31 cwt.

A service was held in the parish church at four o'clock, and an excellent address given by the Vicar of Long Ashton, who took for his text, Exodus iv. 2: "What is that in thine hand."

A capital meat tea was provided at The Smythe Arms hotel at 5 p.m., and this was partaken of by forty-two members, Thos. Dyke, Esq., of Clifton, being in the chair. Needless to say this part of the programme was undertaken with much earnestness and satisfaction, this last being no doubt very largely due to the excellent service given by the host.

Immediately following the tea the business meeting was held, the Rev. H. S. Courtney taking the chair in the absence of the Master of the Association, who unfortunately could not be present.

On the proposition of the chairman a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar of Long Ashton for his kindness in granting his church and bells that day, and for his excellent address.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved, and in the course of business fifty new members were elected. Blagdon was chosen as the place of next quarterly meeting, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the chairman for so ably presiding. A course of Stedman Caters on handbells by five members and some excellent tune-playing by Messrs. J. Thomas and C. H. Horton, each holding four bells, were much appreciated, after which an adjournment was made to the tower, where the bells were kept merrily going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major until 9 p.m.

This meeting certainly was a very pleasant and successful one and thanks are due to the organist and choir who so kindly officiated at the service, and to Mr. G. Yeo, foreman ringer at Long Ashton, who made all arrangements.

#### THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division was held at Burgess Hill on Saturday, December 3rd, the towers represented being Brighton (St. Peter and St. Nicolas), Bolney, Balcombe, Cuckfield, East Grinstead, Horley, Henfield, Hurstpierpoint, Southover, Lindfield and Burgess Hill. Twenty-nine members sat down to tea at the Constitutional Club, the Master, Mr. G. F. Attree, in the chair. Mr. A. B. Bennett, hon. secretary, was also present. The hon. div. secretary, Mr. G. Williams, read the minutes of the last meeting, which were duly passed.

It was proposed by Mr. A. A. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Stenning, that the next quarterly peal be attempted at Hurstpierpoint. (Carried). Mr. Fuller undertook the necessary arrangements for the same.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells, etc., was carried unanimously on the proposition of the hon. secretary, seconded by Mr. Hornsall.

The bells were kept going in short touches from about 3.30 till 9 p.m. (except during the tea and business meeting), London and Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich, Treble Bob and Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples being brought round. It is hoped that this Burgess Hill band will shortly become affiliated as a branch of the Association. These bells are a fine modern ring by Taylor and Co., the three trebles having been added during the present year.

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## THE CHRISTMAS BELLS OF BETTINGHAM.

By F. C. LAMBERT.

The sweet-toned bells of Bettingham Abbey were ringing for Vespers on Christmas Eve in the year 1536, when a horseman urged his tired steed through the snow, which lay thick upon the country side. Arriving at the ponderous Abbey gateway, he sprang from his horse, and entering the hall, at once sought the Abbot.

"Father," he cried, "I bring you bad news from our Priory of Ribton. King Harry's men arrived this morning, and alas! are plundering our House of all they can lay hands on. They have orders e'en to take our bells from the tower, and on St. Stephen's Day, they say, a visit will be paid to the fat old Monk of Bettingham—meaning yourself, holy father—with the same intent. A murrain on them all!"

"Now may St. Felix, the patron of our Abbey, bless thee, my son," exclaimed the Abbot. "And they shall find but bare walls for their pains. Yet must I not forget thy needs. Surely thou art weary with thy journey; hie thee to the kitchen, where thou mayest find somewhat to cheer thee, and brother Anselm shall look to thy good steed likewise."

Vespers over the monks assembled in the great hall, and a council was held, it being decided to bury the sacred relics, plate and other treasures, rather than allow them to go towards enriching the coffers of bluff King Hal. The bells required long consideration. A peal of five, cast by Master William Dawe in 1384, they were noted in all the country round, and the Abbot and monks were very proud of them; for had not their ringing, again and again, frightened off evil spirits and averted thunderstorms which had threatened dire mischief to the neighbourhood. Many suggestions were offered, but for a while no suitable hiding place could be decided on. At length up spoke the Abbot: "My brothers, methinks that in one place only will our bells be safe, and that is at the bottom of the Abbey moat. The ice and snow will there conceal them, and with the help of our Patron, St. Felix, these thieving varlets shall go away empty, even as they came. To-morrow morn shall they usher in the Christmas-tide, and then we will hide them, for how long, alas! my brothers, we cannot tell. May all the Saints preserve them!"

On Christmas morning the Abbot's proposal was carried out, and the bells having been lowered from the tower, were sunk in the moat. A severe frost and another very heavy fall of snow completed the work of concealment, and when the King's men arrived on St. Stephen's Day, after a trying journey through the snowdrifts, not a trace of bells or treasure could they find.

"By my halidom," said Sir Walter Fitzherbert, the leader of the band. "But this is a cold and scurvy place wherein to spend Yuletide. We will return to Ribton Priory, where we know there is full store of good wine and venison. But mark you, Sir Monk, when the weather breaks we shall come again and drive you from your lair."

Time passed, and the monks were scattered, to return no more; but each had registered a solemn vow never to disclose the secret hiding place of their beloved Abbey treasures. So they passed away from this world's stage, and their knowledge died with them.

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On a certain evening in the first week of December in the year of Grace 1817, the bellringers of Blyfield, a little village situated in the heart of East Anglia, were practising in their steeple for Christmas, the music of the sweet peal of six bells resounding far and near over the fields and woods in the clear frosty air. About a mile away rose the ruined pile of Bettingham Abbey, with its background of stately trees, mellowed and soft in the moonlight. The ancient bell-tower yet stood, its bead above the hoary remains of pillar and arch and crumbling masonry, a lone sentinel guarding the remains of former greatness. The silver moonlight reflected on the placid waters of the moat, formed a perfect setting for an old-world picture of peacefulness and calm. The sound of the village bells was here soft and subdued by the distance, and that they were very sweet indeed was the thought of a young girl of some eighteen summers, who was stepping lightly along the lane leading from the Abbey Farm towards the village.

She was expecting to meet her lover, who was one of the

ringers of Blyfield church, at the conclusion of the evening's practice. As the bells stopped she quickened her pace, and after a while heard footsteps advancing from the direction of the village.

"That's Bill," said she to herself, and a minute afterwards a cheery voice asked: "Is that you, Nancy?" and a well-built young fellow of twenty appeared, hurrying up the lane.

The sweethearts greeted one another in the good old fashion, and arm in arm strolled back in the direction of the Abbey farm. Bill Tyrell's mother had died in his infancy, and his father had followed her, when Bill, their only son, was in his eighteenth year. He and Nancy Turner had become engaged a year before this story opens, and in the opinion of the villagers of both Blyfield and Bettingham were a right well-matched couple. William had succeeded to his father's business as the village blacksmith, and was anxious to set up housekeeping; but Nancy's father, old Farmer Turner, of Bettingham Abbey Farm, had vowed that his only daughter Nance should not marry a man without a hundred pounds in the bank. And what was more, he had a most capricious objection to bells and bellringers. Bill had come in for a few pounds at his father's death, but although he had worked hard he was still a good way short of the required sum that would enable him to call Nance his own. The departed Mr. Tyrell had for many years been the tenor ringer at Blyfield church, and in this also had been succeeded by his son, who was already noted as being one of the best heavy-end men in the district round. Nance, it may here be stated, loved Bill very dearly, and like many young ladies of her age considered her father's views on matrimony extremely unreasonable. As the lovers walked towards the farm the conversation naturally turned on the difficulties they had to encounter from a stern and hard-hearted father.

"Cheer up, sweetheart," said Bill, "the money shall be got somehow if I have to work all night as well as all day, and then we will get married as soon as possible." But at the same time William was much perplexed to know how to make the money grow fast enough. He knew it would take a long time to save out of what he could earn from his daily toil. Then again, he could not abandon bellringing. He had promised his father to stick to the ringing, as well as the business, for had not his grandfather and his great grandfather before him been ringers from the time they were able to hold a bell? It would have been almost heart breaking for him to give it up.

"Well," said Nance, "I have talked to father till I'm tired, and mother has also tried to turn him, but so far he will not give way. I told him you had got nearly forty pounds, and we thought that quite enough to start with. Mother said he ought to give us the other sixty, if he was so bent on its being a hundred, but he would not listen to reason. 'No,' said he, 'William must get that money, then he can have you, always providing he gives up that bellringing, for it's an old saying and true

'Ringers and singers

'Are no home bringers.'"

"Oh! those are his sentiments, are they?" said Bill. "Shows what a lot he knows about bellringers. Well, Nancy, dear, I've made up my mind to three things, and they are these: I'll have that money somehow, then I'll marry you, that is if you will have me, and lastly, I won't give up bellringing for all the future father-in-laws in England, so long as you don't object to it yourself."

"Why dear, you know I love the bells," said Nance, "and best of all one particular bellringer, but I must say good night now, as we are nearly home, and let us hope that all will come right in the end."

With a fond caress the young couple parted, Nance proceeding through the garden gate of the Abbey farm, and Bill retraced his steps down the lane towards Blyfield, softly whistling to himself a few leads of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, to keep up his spirits.

Christmas-tide grew on apace, and the Blyfield ringers met on several nights, and industriously practised, both on the tower and handbells. The latter came in for a good share of attention, as it was an old custom in those parts for the band boldly to sally forth a few evenings before Christmas, and display their skill on handbells to the appreciative ears of the gentry and farmers of the district, visiting them at their houses and ringing

a few tunes and touches; the said gentry and the farmers' wives responding by displaying their ability to produce mince-pies, hot punch and half-crowns, for the particular edification and delight of their ringing visitors. The ringers had manfully carried out these onerous duties for two nights, and the next day being Christmas Eve they decided to start earlier in the afternoon, as a long list of visits still remained to be paid. Bill Tyrell had accompanied the band in their night excursions, and enjoyed himself with the best of them, but still he could not help thinking now and again of the obstacle to his getting married, and considering various schemes for raising the money quickly, but all to no purpose. The afternoon was fine and frosty as they started out, the rays of the wintry sun glinting on the crystallised snow which had fallen the previous night, lighting up field and woodland with a dazzling sparkle of whiteness. The holly trees in the lane leading to Bettingham Abbey Farm were resplendent with their scarlet berries, while here and there a robin redbreast perched in the hedgerow, cocked his head and glanced askance at the ringers as they passed by, each with his pair of jingling handbells, and doubtless wondered what the unusual sounds could mean. It was a perfect winter afternoon, just the weather to cheer the hearts and brace the bodies of young and old.

"Shall we call and give 'em a tune at the farm, Bill?" said Harry Smith, the young fellow who usually rang the fourth, with a mischievous wink at his chums. "Perhaps the old chap is better tempered than he used to be, especially now he ought to be thinking of having a ringer for his son-in-law."

"I don't think it much good," said Bill, "but still I'm game: he can only tell us to clear off."

The shortest cut to the farm house lay through the Abbey ruins, so they decided to go that way, if the ice should be strong enough to allow of their crossing the moat. The lighter members made the attempt first, and crossed over safely, although the ice cracked now and again. Bill was the last to venture, and had just reached the centre of the moat, when suddenly, with a tremendous crack and groan, the ice gave way, and William was plunged in the deadly cold water. Although a decent swimmer, he could only just manage to keep himself afloat in his thick winter clothing, whilst his mates were doing their level best to assist him, by knotting their scarves together and throwing him one end to grasp. As he splashed and floundered toward the bank, his hand came in violent contact just beneath the surface of the water, with something which was solid and bore his weight, and at the same time his legs found the bottom, which was of soft mud. So he shouted to his friends to lend a hand quickly with the scarves, and at the same time grasped the substance with both hands, raising his head above water as far as possible. He thought at first he had clutched a submerged post, but on trying to get his legs around it, found that it widened out from the top, which was flat and round. He did not take much notice of this, however at the time, his chief thought being to reach *terra firma* as speedily as possible. The rescuers having at length succeeded in lassoing him with the scarves, now commenced to haul him ashore, and a pretty object he appeared, as dripping with water and partly coated with mud, they assisted him up the bank and into the grounds of the old Abbey ruins.

Farmer Turner, who had been having a look round with his gun that afternoon, was returning home, when he heard shouts and splashing in the direction of the moat, and appeared on the scene just as Bill was landed by his chums.

Now much as he disliked bells and ringers, the farmer was not a heartless man. "Yon do look well," said he, "but it's a funny place to be bellringing in, William; come along to the house and change those wet clothes, and get suffin hot to take."

Dick thanked the farmer, and despatched Dicky Brooks, the treble man, who was noted as a fast runner, post haste back to his own home in the village for another and drier suit of clothes. The party were soon recounting their misfortune before a roaring log fire in the old farm kitchen, Bill cutting a very comical figure, wrapped in a couple of stout blankets, thoughtfully provided by kind-hearted Mrs. Turner. In due course Dicky returned with the clothes, and Bill was himself again. Nance had busied herself in preparing the "suffin hot," which it is scarcely needful to add was duly consumed, and deeply appreciated by the company. Luckily Bill had pocketed his two handbells pre-

vious to crossing the moat, so the party were enabled to continue their rounds, after ringing a few touches for the entertainment of the ladies, Bill promising to meet Nance in the lane after church the following morning.

The next call was at the Manor House, about half a mile further on, and here resided Sir Robert Rose, a good old English gentleman, who owned most of the parish of Bettingham, including the Abbey ruins and farm. The ringers were here most hospitably entertained at supper by Sir Robert, who, among other tales, related to them a tradition handed down in his family, to the effect that the old Abbey bells had been buried somewhere in the neighbourhood many years ago by the monks who dreaded them being stolen. Said Sir Robert, as he concluded his story: "A hundred pounds will I give the man that finds them, if they should ever be discovered in my lifetime."

Bill Tyrell, with the rest, had listened with interest to this tale, and suddenly a thought crossed his mind—Was it possible that the bells had been sunk in the moat instead of buried? What luck for him if it was so, and he should be the man to discover them? Then what was it he had felt when hanging on in the water that afternoon? Surely not a post? No, there was something there out of the common. He would not speak till he was sure; so he made up his mind then and there to make a further search the following day.

Bill could think of nothing else all that night but the story of the buried bells, and when he fell asleep his brain was filled with confused visions of Nance Turner, church bells and hundred pound notes. The next morning the Blyfield ringers met at five o'clock in their tower, and welcomed in the joyous season of Christmas in their own old-fashioned English way, striking the bells clear and true, and awaking the country side with the silver melody. It was still freezing hard at seven when the ringers adjourned to the rectory for breakfast, which consisted of large bowls of "Frummity," prepared and served up by the worthy Rector and his wife.

Bill met Nance in the lane as he had promised after the morning service, and greatly astonished that young lady by an earnest request for a birch broom.

"Whatever do you want a broom for?" said she, and then William, begging her not to laugh at him, confided to her the tale of the buried bells, and his idea of the possibility of their having been sunk in the moat. "The water was never so low as it has been this year," said he, "and I want to sweep the snow off the ice a bit, and have a look. I am sure it will be all right this morning after this last sharp frost, and I am greatly minded to see what it was I hung to in the water yesterday."

Nance fetched a broom from the farm, and Bill got to work on the ice. He soon cleared a good portion of the snow away, and kneeling down gazed intently into the water near the spot he had broken in. Nance was fully interested in the search, and venturing on the ice, was quickly down on her hands and knees also, peering through its crystal screen into the bed of the moat.

An excited exclamation brought William to her side. "Oh, look, Bill," cried she. "I see the bells, there's the top of two just here, sticking out of the mud." "Yes, and here's another," shouted Bill. "I can see the lip, it's lying sideways, partly buried, and here's the one I clung to. I can see its cannons and crown quite plain. Hurrah, Nance, now we shall be able to get married." And Bill there and then kissed her, as she afterwards said, a score of times without stopping, whilst Nance laughed and cried all in one breath.

Little more remains to be told; Bill and Nance proceeded straight to Sir Robert Rose's residence, and Bill informed him that they had discovered the long-lost bells. The baronet was mightily pleased, and at once said that if it really was as stated, his offer of the reward certainly held good.

Ordering his carriage, they drove forthwith to the Abbey moat, and there Sir Robert saw the bells for himself. The news soon spread, and before the day was over, scores of villagers had gathered and viewed them as they lay in their submerged prison. The young couples were the heroes of the hour, and many were the congratulations they received on all sides. Two fifty pound notes, one each for Bill and Nance, arrived during the Christmas afternoon from the manor-house, and the sight of these seemed to change Farmer Turner's ideas about bell-ringers. Anyhow he raised no more objections to the wedding. A happy and jovial Christmas party assembled that night at the old

Abbey farm; all the ringers being present, and several of Nancy's young lady friends.

Many were the handbell touches rung, toasts drunk, songs sung, and kisses given and received beneath the mistletoe. Light and gay were the hearts of the young lovers, for now they felt sure their troubles were over.

The moat was drained in the course of a few weeks, and the entire peal of five dug out, none the worse for their long imprisonment.

The old abbey tower being considered unsafe, Sir Robert had the bells hung in the steeple of Bettingham church, which up to that time had only possessed one. This was recast for a treble, thus forming a fine peal of six. A pretty wedding took place the following spring, Bill Tyrell and Nance Turner becoming man and wife, and on that occasion the long-lost peal was rung for the first time by the Blyfield band. Ringers attended from far and near, and never more was Farmer Turner heard to refer to the couplet—

"Ringers and singers  
Are never home-bringers."

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Years have passed since the bells were found, and still each Christmastide their music proclaims the joyful message to all the countryside, when from the circumstances of their finding, they are still known as

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### Date Touches.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

PETERSFIELD (Hants).—On December 12th, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 13 mins. W. Perrin, W. Butler, A. Butler, W. W. Wilkinson, G. Barnes, W. J. Read conductor, J. Arthur, W. Downs. Composed by G. E. Symonds. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Arthur.

#### THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWMARKET.—On Saturday, December 10th, at All Saints', in 1 hr. 7 mins., a date touch of Bob Major by James George (see "B.N.", December 10th, No. 2). E. V. Cox, J. Taylor, Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, F. S. Poole, H. S. T. Richardson conductor, W. B. Kempton, W. Taylor, G. Taylor.

BLACKPOOL.—On Thursday, December 15th, at St. John's church a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 6 mins. G. Wright, J. Bolton, J. Eckley, W. Wilkinson, H. Threfall, J. Smith, T. Crook all conductor, J. Winter, sen. Composed by H. G. Rowe.

CLARE (Suffolk).—On Sunday, November 27th, a date touch of Bob Major in 1 hr. 15 mins. W. Underwood, H. Thompson, W. Atkinson, G. Rice, A. Richardson, B. Francis composer and conductor, R. Gowers, G. Moore.

KNARESBOROUGH (Yorkshire).—On Tuesday, December 6th, for practice at the parish church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 77 mins. W. Morrel, F. Thompson, F. Smith, F. Sewell, J. Lee, W. Swires conductor, F. Heacotte, M. Styles.

STANSTEAD (Suffolk).—On Thursday, November 17th, at the parish church, a date touch in 1 hr. 10 mins., consisting of 464 Bob Minor, 720 Kent Treble Bob and 720 Oxford Treble Bob. S. Slater, T. Garwood, P. Garwood, B. Maxim, T. E. Slater, A. J. Clarke conductor. Longest touch by ringers of 2, 3, 4 and 5

### Miscellaneous.

#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SWINDON.—On Sunday, June 5th, for morning service, 742 Grandsire Triples. T. Robinson, R. W. Hyner, A. Lawrence conductor, C. Norman, C. Gardiner, L. A. Wilson, S. Palmer, A. Harrington. On Sunday, July 3rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. S. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, A. Lawrence conductor, S. Palmer, C. Gardiner, C. Norman, T. Robinson, A. Harrington. On Saturday, September 3rd, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. W. Hyner, C. W. Layng, A. Lawrence, T. Robinson, L. A. Wilson, C. Norman, C. Gardiner conductor, A. Harrington. On Sunday, Sept. 18th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. O. W. Layng, F. S. Wilson, A. Lawrence conductor, R. W. Hyner, C. Gardiner, O. Norman, S. Palmer, T. Robinson. On Sunday, October 2nd, for the harvest festival, a half-peal of Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 27 mins. T. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, A. Lawrence conductor, T. Robinson, C. Gardiner, O. Norman, L. A. Wilson, A. Harrington. For evening service three courses of Bob Major. S. Lawrence, O. W. Layng, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, C. Gardiner, O. Norman, T. Robinson, E. Bishop conductor.

#### ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWMARKET.—On Saturday, December 10th, at the church of St. Mary, 120 Stedman Doubles, first Stedman on the bells, a very good minor peal of five.

#### THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BASINGSTOKE.—On Sunday, October 18th, for afternoon service, 504 Grandsire Triples. L. Matthews, E. Ham, G. Paice, C. F. Hansford, J. Ward, F. Redgate conductor, H. White, G. Martin. For evening service 504 in the same method. G. Paice, Dora White, C. Holdaway, F. Mills, H. White, F. Redgate conductor, A. Burgess, L. Matthews.

WINCHESTER.—On Wednesday, October 5th, for practice in the Cathedral, 504 Stedman Triples. G. Noice, E. G. Lampard, W. Andrews, W. C. Lampard, W. H. Loveland, W. T. Tucker, W. H. George conductor, L. Lampard. Also 168 Grandsire Triples, with C. Fray 3rd.

OAKLEY (Hants).—On Thursday, October 20th, 720 Bob Minor. Rev. F. G. Hume, Dora White, H. White conductor, F. Hansford, Y. Ballard, W. Hunt. This is the Rector's first 720 of Minor, rung on the occasion of a quarterly meeting of the district committee at a combined practice.

#### THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

CROSTON.—On October 25th, for practice at the parish church, the first half of Holt's 10-part Grandsire Triples in 1 hr. 34 mins. W. Dalton, T. Whittle, T. Bannister, T. Dalton, jun. conductor, J. Hough, P. Ashcroft, W. Bannister, W. Walton.

BAMPTON (Oxon).—On Friday, October 14th, for practice, 720 of Grandsire Minor, and also same on Tuesday, October 18th. C. Ponder, G. Plaster, W. Tanner, N. Spindlow conductor, J. Rose, J. Larneder.

GLEMSFORD.—On Monday, October 31st, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. S. Slater, G. Smith, P. Garwood, B. Maxim, T. E. Slater, A. J. Clarke conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. E. Slater, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

STONY STRATFORD (Bucks).—On Sunday morning, September 4th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor. A. Giles, R. Plumb, H. J. Tucker, W. Bonham, C. Valentine, W. T. Tucker conductor.

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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1904.

To all our readers all over the world we sincerely wish "A MERRY CHRISTMAS," and at the same time we thank the great number of our friends who have so cordially conveyed to us the same sentiment, coupled with wishes for "health and prosperity." Ever since this journal has been in existence, we have at each recurring Christmas had the satisfaction of receiving many indications of this

character. The number of those small missives, or articles, known as Christmas cards, have been legion, so to speak. But year after year it is surprising what such things as these show. Many of our dear friends whose seasonable greetings in this way were valued, have dropped off, one by one; and gone over to the great majority. But new ones never cease to appear, we are glad to say. And there are two revered friends especially—it would be invidious to mention their names—who from the beginning have continued till now to send us tokens of their regard in this kindly manner. From these we still possess, happily, some souvenirs of past times which are highly esteemed.

The climatic conditions as we write are of the cloudiest and foggiest. Yet through such unpleasant circumstances we shall not fail or halt in our duties on Christmas-day. To us belong the honour of announcing to the world the anniversary of the appearance of the heavenly host who announced the birth of a Redeemer. We shall enter devoutly into the spirit of the occasion while we are so occupied.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

(THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.)

On Tuesday, December 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS, 5004 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

ARTHUR CUTMORE .. .. Treble.	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS .. 6.
HENRY G. MILES .. .. 2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS .. 7.
ALBERT V. SELBY .. .. 3.	JOHN T. KENTISH .. .. 8.
SIDNEY A. WRIGHT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD .. 9.
JOHN C. JACKSON .. .. 5.	JOHN JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

This is the first 5004 rung in the method; the previous peals being 5093.

#### THE WATERLOO SOCIETY, LONDON, AND THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Thursday, December 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

JOHN W. GOLDING .. .. Treble.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY .. .. 2.	FREDRICK RICHARDSON .. 7.
ALBERT COLES .. .. 3.	WILLIAM WOODHEAD .. 8.
FREDERICK PERRIN .. .. 4.	EDWARD CHAPMAN .. .. 9.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 5.	WILLIAM CROCKFORD .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by JAS. E. DAVIS.

Rung as a farewell peal to W. Woodhead, who is leaving London.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION, LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, CHELSEA,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

HENRY TURNER* .. .. Treble.	MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 6.
RICHARD BEVAN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM CROCKFORD .. 7.
WALTER G. MATTHEWS† .. 3.	WILLIAM DEAN .. .. 8.
JOHN PRYER .. .. 4.	FREDERICK RICHARDSON .. 9.
EDWARD CASSELL† .. .. 5.	*FREDERICK SKINNER .. Tenor.

\*Composed by HENRY G. MILES and Conducted by M. WOODCOCK.

\*First peal. †First peal on ten bells.

#### THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BERMONDSEY,

#### A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION.

Tenor 25 cwt.

ARTHUR R. JACOB .. .. Treble.	HENRY DAINS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. DORAN .. .. 2.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 7.
EDWARD N. PRICE* .. .. 3.	JOHN MOULE .. .. 8.
WILLIAM BERRY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM SHIMMANS .. 9.
THOMAS TITCHENER .. .. 5.	EDGAR WIGHTMAN .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

\*First peal of Royal.

### The Provinces.

#### NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 5, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS* .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. 2.	*JOHN P. TARLTON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM J. THYNG* .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
WILLIAM BUTLER* .. .. 4.	*JOHN T. BUTLER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal of Triples on the bells.

#### CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

WILLIAM LAMBERT* .. .. Treble.	JOHN FLINT .. .. 5.
GEORGE HOLLIS .. .. 2.	*GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 6.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
SAMUEL PRICE .. .. 4.	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal in the method. First peal of Stedman Triples on the bells.

#### BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

#### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN FLINT† .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM LAMBERT .. .. 5.
GEORGE W. BEMROSE* .. 2.	GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM J. THYNG .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
THOMAS BETTISON .. .. 4.	*FREDK. R. KETTLEBORO .. Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. F. E. ROBINSON.

\*First peal of Stedman Triples. First peal of Triples on the bells. Fiftieth peal.

#### HILLINGDON, KENT.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

JOSEPH J. PRATT .. .. Treble.	JOHN BASDEN .. .. 5.
EDGAR HANCOX .. .. 2.	HENRY H. CHANDLER .. 6.
HENRY WAITE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM H. JOINER .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM FOSTER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 6, 1904, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE HARDWICK† .. Treble.	†WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. 5.
FRANK HILL† .. .. 2.	†WILLIAM H. FROST .. 6.
HERBERT DAY† .. .. 3.	†GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. 7.
JOSEPH BOURNE† .. .. 4.	*HENRY GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY GEORGE.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor. First peal of Major on the bells.

## KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

## WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 7, 1904, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

JOHN WOODBERRY* .. .. Treble.	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY .. 5.
THOMAS J. SALTER .. .. 2.	CHARLES BEAMAN .. .. 6.
NOAH DAVIS .. .. 3.	ERNEST C. HUNT .. .. 7.
THOMAS GRIFFITHS .. .. 4.	GEORGE COOK .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS J. SALTER.

\*First attempt for a peal away from the tenor.

## SWANSEA, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

## THE WEST WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

Tenor 20 cwt.

EDWARD SERLE .. .. Treble.	*JOHN DAVIES .. .. 5.
LLEWELLYN BROOKS .. .. 2.	JAMES HOARE .. .. 6.
CHARLES HOARE† .. .. 3.	*WILLIAM REES .. .. 7.
ALLAN RHEAM† .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM JONES .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JAMES HOARE.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Arranged for L. Brooks, who was elected a member before starting.

## CRAYFORD, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 8, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HERBERT WOOD† .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM SPICE .. .. 5.
HENRY W. AUDSLEY† .. .. 2.	EDWARD AUDSLEY .. .. 6.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN .. .. 3.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE .. 7.
GEORGE CONYARD .. .. 4.	†WILLIAM SAUNDERS .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN H. CHEESMAN.

†First peal of Stedman Triples.

## BRISTOL.

## GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 8, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRED G. MAY .. .. Treble.	GEORGE T. DALTRY .. .. 6.
ALFRED PEARCE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM KNIGHT .. .. 7.
ALBERT STOWELL .. .. 3.	CHARLES GORDON .. .. 8.
WALTER APPERLEY .. .. 4.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 9.
CHARLES TOMKINS .. .. 5.	URIAH BRAVEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE T. DALTRY.

Rung with the bells muffled in memory of the death of Mr. W. H. Whippy, formerly sidesman at this church.

## MATLOCK, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 9, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

REV. A. T. BRESTON .. Treble.	BENJAMIN GREATORIX .. 5.
JOHN H. PAULSON .. .. 2.	JOHN MILLETT .. .. 6.
WILLIAM TAYLOR† .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FOX .. .. 7.
J. SIDDALL* .. .. 4.	*J. W. DERBYSHIRE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by the REV. E. B. JAMES, and

Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATORIX.

\*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. First peal of Triples on the bells.

## HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

WM. HOPKINSON, JUN. .. Treble.	FRANCIS H. KAY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BUTLER .. .. 2.	THOMAS CLOUGH .. .. 6.
JAMES THOMPSON .. .. 3.	JOHN THOS. BUTLER .. 7.
HUBERT DAY .. .. 4.	JOHN PHILIP TARLTON .. Tenor.

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by J. T. BUTLER.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. F. Corfield, brother to the Rector of Heanor; also to the late Mr. C. Sebastian Smith, manager of Shipley colliery.

## BATH, SOMERSETSHIRE.

## THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, BATHWICK,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL

Tenor 20 cwt. 1 qr.

WALTER APPERLEY .. Treble.	CHARLES COLLIER .. .. 5.
JOHN HOLMAN .. .. 2.	HERBERT E. HOLDER .. 6.
WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT .. 3.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. 7.
ALFRED RICHARDSON .. 4.	*ALFRED W. HARRINGTON .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

\*Elected a member previous to starting. Rung to commemorate the thirty-three years faithful services rendered to the above church by the Rev. Prebendary George Tugwell, who has lately resigned the living.

## MANCHESTER.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, DEANSGATE,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM BRAMMER .. Treble.	*WILLIAM H. COOPER .. 5.
WALTER BROWN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. SHUKER .. 6.
A. EDWARD WREAKS .. 3.	RICHARD RIDYARD .. 7.
JOSEPH RIDYARD .. .. 4.	WALTER C. HUNT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by RICHARD RIDYARD.

\*First peal in the method. It is nearly seventy years since the last recorded peal in this method was rung on these bells.

## CLIFTON, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

FREDERICK PRATT .. Treble.	ALFRED PRATT .. .. 4.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 2.	HERBERT L. HARLOW .. 5.
HERBERT J. HARLOW .. 3.	JAMES BLOTT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

First peal of Minor by all except the conductor.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.

**BETCHWORTH, SURREY.**  
(THE ST. MICHAEL'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,  
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
HOLT'S TEN-PART Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS ARROW .. .. Treble.	HENRY HUNTLEY .. .. 5.
ROBERT BOTTING .. .. 2.	WILLIAM FULLER .. .. 6.
JAMES JUDD .. .. 3.	JOHN ANSELL .. .. 7.
CHARLES WEBBER .. .. 4.	JAMES SHORT .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT BOTTING.

**HARPENDEN, HERTS.**

**THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS, AND  
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY .. Treble.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM G. WHITEHEAD .. 6.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 3.	EDWARD WHITEHEAD .. 7.
FREDK. T. C. NEVETT .. 4.	*GEORGE NEWSON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

\*First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung as a farewell peal to Mr. Nevett.

**MOSSLEY, LANCASHIRE.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours,  
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
IN THE KENT VARIATION.

RALPH TAYLOR .. .. Treble.	JOHN GREAVES .. .. 5.
WM. BENTLEY .. .. 2.	*HERVEY BRIERLEY .. .. 6.
SAMUEL H. COOPER .. .. 3.	SAMUEL WHIGLEY .. .. 7.
HERBERT MAYALL .. .. 4.	JOHN T. DICKEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by S. H. COOPER.

\*First peal.

**HUNTSPILL, SOMERSETSHIRE.**

**THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Being forty-two 6-scores each called differently.

W. SELICK, SEN. .. Treble.	H. PARKHOUSE .. .. 4.
F. ILEY .. .. 2.	C. HANCOCK .. .. 5.
W. SELICK, JUN. .. .. 3.	W. HOOPER .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by F. ILEY.

First peal on the bells. First peal by the local band.

**MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.**

**THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, BOYN HILL,  
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,  
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 17½ cwt.

ARTHUR MARTIN .. Treble.	JOHN EVANS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 2.	HARRY R. PASMORE .. 6.
THOMAS FAULKNER .. 3.	GEORGE MARTIN .. .. 7.
FRANK BOREHAM .. .. 4.	JOHN C. TRUSS .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by H. R. PASMORE.

\*First peal of London Surprise with a bob bell.

**Bell-Ropes.**—Ready-stretched, and in splendid condition. No springing while ringing. Pleasant to use and handle. Write to Ironmongers', Wolverhampton, for prices.

**WALDRON, SUSSEX.**

**THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.  
Tenor 11 cwt.

HARRY ADES .. Treble.	GEORGE ADES .. .. 5.
HERBERT RANN .. .. 2.	ALFRED J. TURNER .. 6.
ALBERT HOBDEN .. .. 3.	ALBERT REED .. .. 7.
R. EADE* .. .. 4.	EDWARD UNSTED .. Tenor.

Composed by the Rev. E. B. JAMES, and Conducted by H. RANN.

\*First peal.

**FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.**

**THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE PERRY .. Treble.	WILLIAM RUMSEY .. .. 5.
JAMES RUMSEY .. .. 2.	†WILLIAM LAST .. .. 6.
WILLIAM BALLS* .. .. 3.	JOHN CREASEY .. .. 7.
GEORGE THURLOW .. .. 4.	WILLIAM GROOM .. Tenor.

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by WILLIAM RUMSEY.

\*First peal in the method with a bob bell. †First peal in the method.

**MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. Treble.	ALBERT CALVER .. .. 5.
JAMES D. DREWETT .. .. 2.	*THOMAS STEERS .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. 7.
JOSEPH FAYERS .. .. 4.	LEWIN C. FERRIGE .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

\*First peal with a bob bell.

**SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.**

**THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALPHEGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Tenor 19½ cwt.

HARRY WITHERS .. Treble.	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. 5.
ROLAND BRAGG† .. .. 2.	SAMUEL BRAGG .. .. 6.
JOHN BRAGG .. .. 3.	STANLEY BRAGG .. .. 7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 4.	SYDNEY JESSOP .. .. Tenor.

Composed by THOMAS THURSTANS, and Conducted by H. WITHERS.

†First peal with a bob bell.

**HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.**

**THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,  
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 17 lbs.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN .. Treble.	LEWIS CHAPMAN .. .. 5.
ALFRED EVERITT .. .. 2.	†WILLIAM PETTIT .. .. 7.
WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. 3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN .. 7.
WALTER GRAY* .. .. 4.	WALTER PERKINS .. Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

\*First peal. †First peal in the method. The above is the middle peal on page 76 1895 Appendix. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt owing to Messrs. Martin and Pettit (firemen of the borough), being called to a fire, when only three courses had to be rung.

**HANDKERCHIEFS FOR RINGERS.**—Splendid Quality.—Purest Silk.—Very suitable for a present.—W. MATTHEWS, Change Ringers, Macclesfield.



### THE PARISH CHURCH OF WARNHAM, SUSSEX.

(One of the churches visited by the company who figured in "The Sussex Week.")

#### THE SUSSEX WEEK.

(Concluded.)

Those Southern bells, over still waters pealing,  
The russet sails, the ev'ning's lilac gleam,  
And voices that are silent here are stealing  
Into my dream.

Friday, 11th November. Marching orders were issued for Arundel, 10 a.m. train, and after a longish journey and changing at Ford Junction we entered this fine historical town with elation, Mr. Gifford having visited an ancient tower and its bells for rubbings close by, while Mr. Bennett was *en route* to give his parliamentary vote at Horsham in favour of Tariff Reform, to-day being polling day for the N.W. Division of Sussex. The first impression of the town on approaching the bridge from the railway is one to be remembered—the towers and battlements of the Castle, a place of much antiquarian interest, standing up boldly above the quaint tile and red brick houses, with the river and bridge in the foreground, making up a picture of a 16th century character. I was lucky enough to discern a small stone panel on the left pier of the bridge while passing, which members of the bellringing brotherhood might turn into a sermon unto themselves:—

Be true and just in all your dealings.

A local guide book gives excellent particulars of the Castle and its past history, and also of the new Roman Catholic Cathedral, a very beautiful edifice, built by the Duke of Norfolk. The parish church adjoins the Castle, and the churchyard is walled in with high masonry. The tower is central, and an early sanctus bell is hanging outside the louvres of the south window of the tower, looking quite forlorn. It is a fine ringing room, slightly noisy, and somewhat marred by the high clock case and supports. Our Double Norwich lasted 1½ hours, at a second venture "stand" being called prematurely, which drove us to The Norfolk Arms hotel for lunch, where after a quiet and informal sort of "inquest" we arrived at a verdict without the

assistance of Dr. Baker, of Hertford, and the verdict was "Double Norwich committed suicide during a fit of inattention." Our retirement on Brighton began at 4.7 p.m. by train to West Worthing, for an attack upon Heene, which resulted in the capture of peal No. 7—Cambridge—not the name of a recent Commander-in-Chief, of glorious memory. This was a quick peal; pulling off into changes at 6.45, we were in the train again at 10.15 p.m. for Brighton. We found time to get a few words with Mr. E. Lindup, one of the local band, whose daughter resides within sound of Slough bells, and to survey a needed extension of the south aisle of the church, which is modern, and of which I took no notes. Our journey home was a happy one, and a pocket book belonging to King George—I mean Mr. George King—containing compositions and new methods of much value and interest was carefully perused, the author being Mr. George Baker of Brighton. My readers will observe that there is quite a "Georgian band" of ringers in this town. Whether the partiality for Brighton shewn by His late Majesty King George has led to the christian name of George being so frequently adopted in this neighbourhood, or whether it is a far seeing plan of the Master of the Association to collect such a band I am unable to decide.

Saturday, November 12th. As if to aid us in securing a successful final to our week, the weather again turned out remarkably fine, and Eastbourne, looking at its best, found our party at St. Mary's, Old Town, at noon, having arrived in two detachments. The bell inscriptions explored by the Giffordites, and the tablets by the Hertfords, filled up waiting time. Mr. Howse, of Christ Church, taking the treble with us, a peal of Superlative came home long after 3 o'clock, and we were met by a gathering of the local band on leaving the tower, amongst others being Messrs. Oliver Vernon and Tom Lewis, the latter reminding me of my first visit to Eastbourne twenty years ago, in the days of poor old Bennett. An illustration of this church, by the writer, was published in this paper ten years back, with description of the building, bells, etc. Thanks to the kindness

of Canon Goodwyn, the Rector, we were entertained to tea at the Temperance Hall and Club, a memorial to the late incumbent, presided over by the Rev. W. Budgen, train time at 4.45 time at 4.45 not permitting a long stay. We had some anxiety about some of our band losing this train, but found Mr. Gifford had gone "quick," and thus saved the situation for our Stedman Caters at St. Nicholas, Brighton, at 6.30 p.m. To two points I would draw the attention of visitors to Eastbourne—first the panorama of Sussex county, well dotted here and there with church towers and spires for miles distant as seen from the railway between Lewes and Polegate, and secondly, the unchanged aspect of the Old Town as seen while approaching it from the old lane, with its fine elms, quaint houses and a peep at the church for a centre piece. The authorities of St. Nicholas, Brighton, were good enough to allow us a second try in the same week, and our meeting being punctual, and Mr. Palmer having made all preparation, the "go" was followed (with an interval of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hrs.) by "that's all." A thoroughly well-struck peal formed a fitting conclusion to the tour, which practically did not end till the Sunday, when most of the party rang Surprise Major for Divine Service at St. Peter's in the morning, in honour of the annual attendance of the Mayor and Corporation of Brighton.

With the Editor's permission I give the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" a few jottings by the wayside, which may interest those who are neither 8 or 10 bell ringers nor Surprise men. In conclusion, on behalf of the visitors, I would now tender, through the press, our thankful appreciation of the welcome and kindness given us by the Sussex County Association and its Clergy.

Of late years much has been said as to the non-attendance at church of ringers. There is a similar failure in this same way amongst well-to-do residents around London and other large towns, and also amongst the farmers generally in country parishes. Non-church-going farmers were taken to task in a very witty manner at the annual dinner of the Hurstpierpoint ploughing match by the Rector of the parish, the Rev. R. Bevan, who said that if farmers took notice of the churches scattered about the country side they would see that the buildings were supported inside by pillars and outside by buttresses. Some were to be found regularly in their seats inside the church, while others, he regretted to say, were equally regular in their attendance outside. "You pillars may remain pillars," he added; but, you buttresses may become pillars."

During one of our social evenings in Brighton we found Mr. John Jay, sen., in a very happy frame of mind, and he sang us his old hunting song "Tally Ho," and as I happened to be somewhat of a favourite with him I elicited the following reminiscences, after loud enquiries and occasional interruptions due to his deafness, which prevents John from following general conversation, and partly accounts for the "bearish" trait in his disposition. He learnt to pull a bell first of all at Ockley (followed by Doubles) when twelve years of age, through being encouraged to "look in the tower" by two of the old hands, Mills and Oliver, just sixty years ago, from Ockley moving to Streatham to follow his occupation as a gardener, where he made the acquaintance of Samuel Greenwood and began change-ringing, taking part in eight peals before leaving the neighbourhood. In the year 1869 he moved to Brighton and soon took the post of conductor for the band of Grandsire Triples men, which he organised at St. Nicholas, calling twelve peals in and about Brighton, his total numbering 116, many of which have been rang in St. Peter's tower, where he is now steeplekeeper. My readers will join me in saying "good old John." He is one of the few links of the past which connects the ringers of to-day with the future. The account of his grievance with the Vicar of St. Nicholas reveals his doggedness. For some reason one Sunday morning the Vicar called John "a bear." The following day John called on him, while on his way to work, and asked the Vicar what he meant (at the time he was carrying a formidable pick and shovel) adding "that he thought a shepherd's duty was to keep his flock together." Some years after, when the same clergyman was installed at St. Peter's as Vicar of Brighton, the first man he shook hands with in the belfry was John Jay, saying—"I've followed your footsteps down here, Jay." And, added John to me, with a tone of satisfaction, "his flock's larger than ever; he's now the Dean of Chichester."

W. H. F.

## Correspondence.

*While allowing the utmost freedom for the expression of opinion, it must never be considered that we are in any way bound to statements made by correspondents.*

To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

### OLD BOOKS ON RINGING.

SIR,—I am afraid I have failed to make myself clear to Mr. Tucker. I did not intend to convey that the 1733 edition of the London Scholars' Book was the last issued, but the last, so far as I am aware, in which the passage cited by Mr. Bond appears; and consequently that Mr. Bond's particular book is not later than 1733. I may have made a mistake in the notes I made when last looking at the old books, but I am strongly under the impression that the account of Colledge Bob originates in Stedman's Book. I had intended to refer again to the Campanalogia, but we have been so fog-bound the last few days that it was useless to go to the British Museum. I will, however, go there again as soon as possible and communicate the result.

R. A. DANIELL.

### EXETER CATHEDRAL BELLS.

SIR,—If I represent myself only in contending that censures on members of the Exercise should not be conveyed anonymously in your columns, and that cheap sneers at the expense of members of the Clerical body are to be strongly deprecated, I shall be glad if some representative of the Exercise will kindly write to you and say so plainly.

R. A. DANIELL.

### LONG PEAL ATTEMPTS.

Notice is hereby given to the Exercise, and to the OXFORD GUILD in particular, that on Tuesday, December 27th, eight members of the Midland Counties Association will (D.V.) attempt a world's record peal of 21,024 Double Norwich Court Bob on the bells of St. Thomas's, South Wigston, near Leicester. All being well, the band will stand as follows: J. Morris (Leicester), Treble; T. H. Taffender (London), 2; C. H. Fowler (Leicester), 3; T. R. Hensher (Wellingborough), 4; J. Houghton, jun. (Irthlingborough), 5; W. H. Inglesant (Loughborough), 6; A. R. Aldham (Barwell), 7; W. Willson (Leicester, composer and conductor), Tenor. The composition has been duly lodged with Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., President of the M.C.A. and of the C.C.; also with the Rev. F. E. Robinson, M.A., Master of the Oxford Guild, holders of the record. Time of starting 7.30 a.m.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Boxing-Day, December 26th, ten members of the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, will attempt a record peal of 13,400 Kent Treble Bob Royal at St. Martin's church, Birmingham. Time of starting 9 a.m. prompt. The figures have been sent to Sir A. P. Heywood; to Mr. R. A. Daniell, as Master of the Cumberlands, who rang the last record peal at Shoreditch; Mr. J. S. Pritchett, Presiding Ringing Master of the Guild; Mr. John Carter; and to the Editor of this paper.

WITNEY (Oxon).—On Wednesday, November 23rd, at quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, with the bells deeply-muffled, as a token of respect for the late William Bennett, of Kidlington, Secretary of the Witney and Woodstock Deaneries branch of the Guild. A. Brooks, H. Brooks, F. Pounds, J. Monk, T. Bull, J. Brooks, Rev. C. W. Jenkyn conductor, J. Richards.

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### Notices.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on December 29th. It is earnestly requested that all members who can possibly do so, will attend the meeting on Tuesday, January 3rd, after ringing at St. Paul's, to discuss and if necessary, revise Rule VII.  
W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.

**The Llandaff Diocesan Association.**—The next annual meeting will be held at All Saints, Newport on Boxing Day, December 26th, at 4 o'clock. Important business. The bells of All Saints and St. Woolos are available.

REV. CANNOP L. PRICE, M.A., *Hon. Sec.*  
J. W. JONES, *Asst. Hon. Sec.*

**The Beds Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Husborne Crawley on Saturday, January 7th, 1905, at 3 o. Aspley Guise bells (1 mile) also available.

REV. A. RUST } *Hon. Secs.*  
J. HILLS }

**The St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.**—A special meeting will be held of the above on Friday, December 30th. Tower open 8.30  
JAMES G. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—North Bucks Branch.—The first quarterly meeting of the above branch held in the new year will take place at Emerton on Saturday, January 7th, 1905, by kind permission of the Rev. Sams, Rector of that parish.

A. E. POWELL, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—Bradfield Deanery Branch.—It is proposed to have a combined practice monthly, at different towers, commencing at Englefield, Saturday, January 14th, at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome.

ARTHUR STARDIDGE.

*Bradfield Rectory.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—The yearly meeting of the Nottingham District will be held in St. Peter's Belfry on Saturday, January 14th, 1905.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*  
Bramcote Road, Beeston.

### WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

**ALRESFORD.**—On Saturday, November 12th, a 504 of Grandsire Triples. P. Padwick, G. Smith conductor, C. Abraham, L. Lampard, J. Ashford, T. Spratt, F. Smith, G. Brown.

**WINCHESTER.**—On Saturday, November 12th, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 50 minutes. W. Crute, J. Whiting, Wilfred Andrews, G. Noice, W. Tucker, W. H. George, W. C. Lampard conductor, C. Russell. This was Mr. Lampard's first quarter peal in the method as conductor.

**GRANDSIRE RINGER** prepared to stand in at Peal of Triples, December 25th, 26th, January 1st, Manchester district.—Manager, Hilton's, Lymm, Cheshire.

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### Compositions.

#### MODEL COMPOSITIONS.

By HENRY DAINS.

The following compositions are novel; the first and second especially so:—

	5056.
23456	I 4 6
35426	-
62534	- -
32465	- - -
56234	- -
63254	-

Eight times repeated, adding a bob at 6 of every third part.

The late REV. H. E. BULWER.

NOTE.—This peal is given as Double Norwich Court. By calling w for 4, and m for 1, adding a bob at h last course in every third part. composition becomes one of Bob Major. By calling m for 1 and w for 4, adding a bob at h for every third part, last course, the composition becomes one of Double Oxford Bob. First so rung May 3rd, 1881, at Redenhall, by the Royal Cumberland Society, conducted by Edward Smith.

#### DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

	5056.
23456	I 3 4 5 6 9
62453	s s s s
34265	s s s
32465	s s
54263	s s
36254	s s s
56234	s
46253	s s
34256	s s s s
52436	s s
54236	s

Three times repeated.

EDGAR WIGHTMAN.

This peal is a curiosity, being obtained without a bob, all the calls are singles, and is the first upon this plan.

#### BOB MAJOR.

	5376.
23456	I 4
62435	- s
42536	-

Twenty-three times repeated.

H. DAINS.

Add a bob at h of every 4th part, with s there at half-peal ends, and complete the peal. 6th alternately in 2nd and h throughout and full extent in these positions.

**EXETER.**—Every accommodation will be found for Ringing Cyclists at the headquarters of the Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club The Swan, 5, Catherine Street.

### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

By ARTHUR CRAVEN.

5120.

23456	M	W	H
45236	-	-	-
24536	-	-	-
52436	-	-	-
43526	-	-	-
65324	-	-	-
36524	-	-	-
53624	-	-	-
53246	B	-	-
64235	-	-	-
26435	-	-	-
26354	B	-	-
32654	-	-	-
32546	B	-	-
54326	-	-	-
63425	-	-	-
42635	-	-	-
56234	-	-	-
25634	-	-	-
62534	-	-	-
23645	B	-	-
34256	B	-	-
25346	-	-	-
42356	-	-	-
35426	-	-	-
23456	-	-	-

Has the 4th and 6th their extents in 5-6. First rung at Shepshed, Leicestershire, September 16th, 1904, conducted by Sam Thomas.

### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS.

By CORNELIUS CHARGE, *Fulham.*

5007.

231456	5	16
164352*	-	-
162453	-	-
163254	-	-
361452	-	-
362154	-	-
364251	-	-
463152	-	-
462351	-	-
264153	-	-
263451	-	-
261354	-	-
261453	s	-
162354	-	-
164253	-	-
163452	-	-
361254	-	-
364152	-	-
362451	-	-
263154	-	-
264351	-	-
462153	-	-
463251	-	-
461352	-	-

\*Produced by bobs at 3-5-6-8-9-17-24.

Repeated; call the first course 2-4-5-7-12-13-14-15-16; produces 214365, round next change.

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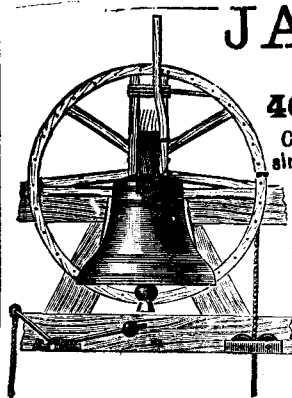
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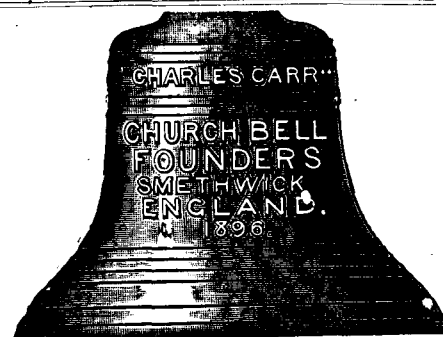
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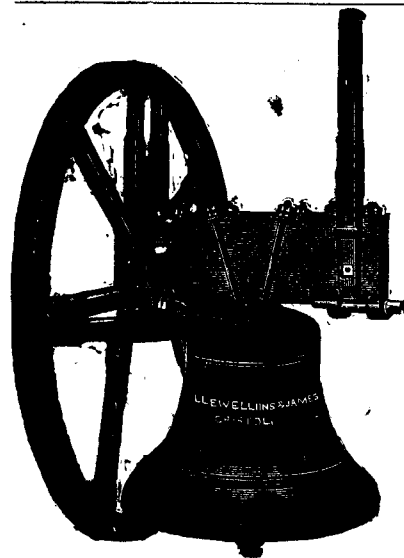
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THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, NAYLAND, SUFFOLK.

(Where WILLIAM CORDER rang six-bell methods with the MESSRS WINNY, and also rang on the occasion of the wedding of MR. CHALLIS WINNY'S grandparents, A.D. 1827.)

WILLIAM CORDER.

By R. A. DANIELL.

Suffolk is a very pleasant county. Its scenery is varied, and though not hilly it is for the most part agreeably undulating, and its landscapes have afforded the material for some of the best known pictures of those native celebrities—Gainsborough and Constable. In the magnificence of its parochial churches few counties, if any, can excel it, nor, perhaps, can any other county show in its ecclesiastical structures so striking an illustration of the economic results of the Black Death.

This frightful epidemic visited England in the year 1348, and has been computed to have carried off from one third to one half of the population. One consequence of this was that landowners found it impossible to obtain an adequate supply of agricultural labourers, and hence enclosures were largely made for sheep farming. There had long been a profitable export trade in wool to Flanders, but there had also been in Suffolk a certain

amount of woollen manufacture, which now developed with the enormously increased supply of wool, and fostered by protective Acts of Parliament, quite turned the tables on Flanders; for whereas before, the wool was exported thither to be worked on and reimported as cloth, it was, now exported to Flanders in a manufactured state, so that both the home and foreign trade was secured.

It is evident at the first glance at most of these fine Suffolk churches that the style of them shows them to have been built or rebuilt in the fifteenth or early part of the sixteenth century, and that they could only have been built in a time of prosperity; and the woollen trade was undoubtedly in a very flourishing condition when such churches as Lavenham, Melford, Nayland, Stoke and others were erected. And then, too, there were the shipping towns which this trade, among other things, rendered very busy. Ipswich and Woodbridge we can readily understand to have been so, though perhaps we should hardly guess from their appearance to-day that, in the old days, Walberswick and Blythburgh enjoyed, with



Southwold, a prosperous shipping business at the mouth of the Blythe. But that is the explanation of the fine churches at these places.

Moreover the tenant farmer, as we understand him, is a consequence of the Black Death. Previously the tenants of a Manor were bound to find labour for the landlords either directly or by providing money for it by a quit rent, but the alterations of the labour problem which this visitation brought about, rendered it more convenient to the landowner to let out land to a middle-man, who should pay a full rent and provide the necessary labour and live on the profit he could make.

The unfortunate member of the Exercise, who is the subject of this notice, was born into a state of things which was the natural development of these arrangements. The son of a well-to-do tenant farmer, his youth was spent in this pleasant part of Suffolk, and, as a change-ringer, he was familiar with its grand old towers. To few men has it happened to create so great a sensation at so early a period of life. The story of the murder of Maria Marten in the Red Barn has been dramatised and recounted over and over again, and Corder's name actually appears in the Dictionary of National Biography.

I was not aware that Corder was a change-ringer until Mr. Challis Winny some while since informed me of the fact. I then set about finding out what I could about him. Aided by Mr. Winny, Mr. Slater, Mr. Kenard Ball and other friends, and having studied to the best of my ability the copious report of Corder's trial given in *The Times*, and also visited the locality of the crime, I submit to readers of "THE BELL NEWS" some account of the only member of the Exercise, so far as I am aware, who has perished on the gallows; and perhaps it may not be amiss after the lapse of more than seventy years to do something towards exhibiting Corder as he really appears to have been, for such popular accounts of him as I have read seem to me most unfair, not excepting that in "Household Words." Evil suggestions are made about him which rest on no evidence; everything to his disadvantage is emphasised, while most things in his favour are slurred over or left unnoticed. Yet it is irrational to reckon up men in this way. A crime is a crime, by whomsoever committed, but it is impossible, unless we dispassionately consider all we can get to know about the criminal, to form an opinion of his general character, whether or not the crime be what we should expect of him.

William Corder was born at Polstead in Suffolk on the 22nd June, 1804. His father was John Corder, a substantial farmer, whose position in his parish is shown by the fact that his name appears as senior churchwarden in the inscription on the tenor of the ring of six cast for Polstead steeple in the year 1825. William was, according to the evidence given at his trial, which seems to me to be confirmed by a study of his history, on the whole of an amiable disposition. In the confession he made on the night before his execution he describes himself as having been idle and sometimes dissolute, but when we remember that he was only twenty-four when he was hanged, and that the same description would apply to many young fellows under that age, who nevertheless as men have led lives honourable to themselves and useful to others, it does not really tell much against him. Moreover he had his interests in company with persons who would not have tolerated a bounder. He was a good six-bell ringer, and possessed a copy of "Shipway," which is now in the hands of the Rev. W. C. Pearson, Vicar of Henley, near Ipswich. He practised ringing with the first-rate band at

Nayland, which at that time included Mr. John Winny and Mr. Wm. Winny—the great grandfather and grandfather of Mr. Challis Winny, and he took part in the ringing on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. William Winney, and was one of the guests at the wedding breakfast. It may be mentioned by the way, that Mr. George Winny, a son of Mr. William Winny, was also a change-ringer, and organist and choirmaster of Nayland church. He died from the result of a fall in December, 1869, leaving a widow and children, one of whom, Mr. Challis F. Winny, is thus a change-ringer in the fourth generation of his family.

Corder was 5-ft. 5 ins. in height, and exceptionally muscular. The accounts of his aspect differ somewhat, and of course he would not be looking his best at his trial, and though I have no reason to suppose him handsome, I imagine him at twenty-two to have exhibited a pleasant, good humoured countenance. At any rate this is what I gather from Mr. Challis Winny's account of his recollection of what he has heard his late grandmother remark of Corder, whom, of course, she personally knew. Careless, good-natured, athletic, with a consciousness of strength, and the joy of life which that consciousness gives at his age, without taking much thought for the morrow—just the sort of young chap to get into messes with the women. And he did. In fact he seems to have had rather a strong appetite for the female sex.

There lived in the same parish a mole catcher, by name Marten, with his wife and children, of whom Maria, his daughter by a former marriage, was some two years older than Corder. She seems to have been good looking, with a bright complexion. She was fond of dressing herself smartly, so much so as to excite the remonstrances of her sister and step-mother. She was better educated than one would have expected of a girl in her position in those days, as we are told she could write very well; and she had had two illegitimate children by two different men.

(To be continued.)

BAMPTON (Oxon).—On Friday, October 14th, for practice, 720 of Grandsire Minor, and also same on Tuesday, October 18th. C. Ponder, G. Plaster, W. Tanner, N. Spindlow conductor, J. Rose, J. Larneder.

GLEMSFORD.—On Monday, October 31st, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. S. Slater, G. Smith, P. Garwood, B. Maxim, T. E. Slater, A. J. Clarke conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. E. Slater, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

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## THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of this Guild was held on a recent Saturday at Rainford. It comprised members from Wigan, Poolstock, Tue Brook, Aughton, Ormskirk, Southport, Upholland and Liverpool. Rainford is a new tower, and this was its first official visit by the Guild. About fifty members assembled in the belfry, and were heartily welcomed by the Rev. J. Bridger (Vicar), who said he was greatly interested in change-ringers as a branch of Church workers. Theirs was a noble calling. It also demanded cultivation of eye and brain as well as muscle. It was a very healthy exercise, and brought every part of the body into action. He had now the honour and pleasure of unveiling a guild tablet recording the first peal of Grandsire Triples rung on the bells in 3 hrs. 20 mins., and conducted by John E. Gummerson.

The Rev. W. T. Bulpit, Master of the Guild, acknowledged the gift, saying that it was a great surprise to him, and would be a grand record to oncoming generations.

Mr. Thomas Halliwell (Wigan parish church), proposed a vote of thanks to the Rev. J. Bridger for unveiling the tablet, and Mr. W. Bentham (Hon. Secretary of the Guild), seconded, which was carried unanimously. The Vicar suitably responded.

A service was afterwards held in the parish church, at which Mr. Graham presided at the organ. The Rev. W. T. Bulpit read the prayers, and the Rev. J. Bridger gave a stirring address from the words—"Whoso doeth God's will abideth for ever."

Tea was then partaken of, and a Guild council under the presidency of the Rev. J. Bridger was held in the schoolroom. Mr. John Martin (Liscard), proposed a vote of thanks to "their hosts." This was seconded by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit, and carried with acclamation.

## THE ATTEMPT FOR A LONG PEAL AT WIGSTON.

We have received from the conductor of this peal the following telegram:—

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At the conclusion of the service the ringers were entertained most hospitably at The King's Head. The Vicar (Rev. W. Carter), and churchwardens and people of Tollesbury are to be congratulated on the successful completion of their long cherished project, and for the liberality with which they have opened their hearts and purses. In the adjoining village of Tolleshunt D'Arcy efforts are being made to rehang the ring of five and add a treble, and when this is accomplished there will then be within a radius of eight miles, four light rings of six, all in excellent order, each with its own skilled ringers to wit, the parishes of Tollesbury, Tolleshunt D'Arcy, Goldhanger and Great Totham.

## NEWRY, IRELAND.

A large clock has just been completed at St. Patrick's church here which has three large dials and strikes the hours. It is fitted with all the latest improvements, and generally made to Lord Grimthorpe's designs by John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby.

## Correspondence.

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To the Editor of "THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD."

## BELLS IN THE MIDDLE AGES.

SIR,—We may well be grateful to Mr. Forse for his interesting contribution to your last issue. Can he go one better, and tell us which of these bells were "rung," and which "chimed," in the technical sense? If he can, he may solve some interesting questions. Great as Besant's knowledge of London was, I am not aware that he knew anything about the distinction between Chiming and Ringing; and how far do mediæval Latin records reveal it?

R. A. DANIELL.

**Peal-Boards** made by JAMES HUNT, Change-Ringer, of 19, Dapdune Road, Guildford, meet with great favour.



The peals in Plain Methods comprise: Bob Maximus, 3; Bob Royal, 13; Bob Major, 135; Canterbury Pleasure Major, 1; Bob Triples, 14; Oxford Bob Triples, 11; Union Triples, 1. The peals of Doubles: *a*, one method, 1, two methods, 1; four methods, 2, five methods, 1; *b*, one method; *c*, one method, 2; *d*, one method 1; *e*, one method, 1; *f*, one method, 1; 4 methods 1; *g*, one method 3; *h*, two methods, 1; *i*, one method 6; *j*, three methods 1; *k*, one method 4, two methods 2, twelve methods 1. The 63 peals by Independent Societies were rung as follows: Australia, 3; Bucks., 1; Derbyshire, 2; Devon, 1; Edinburgh, 2; Gloucestershire, 3; Hertfordshire, 1; Lancashire, 6; Leicestershire, 3; Lincolnshire, 1; Middlesex, 5; New Zealand, 2; North Wales, 1; Oxfordshire, 2; Somersetshire, 3; South Wales, 1; Staffordshire, 3; Suffolk, 3; Surrey, 5; Warwickshire, 5; Worcestershire, 7; Yorkshire, 3.

The greatest number of changes in one peal was the record peal of London Surprise Major containing 14,112 changes by the St. Martin's Society, Birmingham. One peal contained over 8000 changes, three peals of over 7000 changes, four peals over 6000 changes, under 6000 changes 1460 peals. Another record worthy of note was the silent peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells by the Midland Counties Association; and the Yorkshire Association rang the first peal of Yorkshire Surprise Major, a new method by Mr. A. Craven.

The 180 peals of Treble Bob were rung as follows: in the Kent Variation 155 peals, in the Oxford Variation, 25 peals. The 317 peals of Grandsire Triples: Holt's ten-part and Variations, 101; Holt's Original, 57; Taylor's bob-and-single, 35; Parker's twelve-part and Variations, 33; Rev. C. D. P. Davies's peals, 14; Rev. E. B. James' peals, 11; G. Lindoff's peals, 11; Carter's twelve-part, 9; Hollis's five-part, 9; Parker's six-part, 5; other peals, 32. The 252 peals of Stedman Triples: Thurstans's four-part and Variations, 212; Thurstans's one-part, 17; J. W. Washbrook's peals, 7; Carter's odd-bob-one-part, 5; other peals, 11.

The time occupied in ringing the 1469 peals was 4448 hrs. 50 mins., or 185,368 days and nights; the average time for each peal being 3 hrs. 1,708 mins.

	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
1 Midd. Cty. Ass. & Ldn. Dio. Gld.	—	—	25	18	9	4	1	1	1
2 Norwich Diocesan Association ..	3	4	5	9	5	6	6	2	2
3 Sussex County Association ..	1	2	1	1	2	5	3	7	3
4 Oxford Diocesan Guild ..	2	1	3	2	1	1	2	3	4
5 Ancient Society of College Youths	7	5	2	4	4	2	5	5	5
6 Kent County Association ..	5	7	7	8	3	3	4	4	6
7 Gloucester and Bristol Association	10	13	12	7	11	11	9	6	7
8 Essex Association ..	16	16	11	10	12	9	10	9	8
9 Yorkshire Association ..	4	6	9	11	8	14	12	12	9
10 Midland Counties Association ..	6	3	8	6	6	13	11	13	10

The following table gives the number of peals rung annually since the publication of "THE BELL NEWS."

1881 .. 156	1883 .. 330	1885 .. 500	1887 .. 646	1889 .. 797	1891 .. 878	1893 .. 705	1895 .. 766	1897 .. 905	1899 .. 912	1901 .. 1194
1882 .. 244	1884 .. 419	1886 .. 556	1888 .. 759	1890 .. 699	1892 .. 802	1894 .. 859	1896 .. 791	1898 .. 1002	1900 .. 924	1902 .. 1313
									1903 .. 1469	

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GEO. F. ATTREE.  
GEORGE BAKER.

## Date Touches.

### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BRAMLEY (Leeds).—On Tuesday evening, December 20th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1904 changes, in 1 hr. 9 mins., being 240 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Trebles, College Exercise, London Scholars, City Delight, Arnold's Victory, College Pleasure, and 244 Oxford. Tenor 12 cwt. S. Helliwell, T. Latimer, J. W. Chadwick, J. W. T. Holgate, W. Brown longest length as conductor, E. Redshaw.

### THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

STRETTFORD.—On Wednesday, December 21st, at St. Matthew's church, a date touch of 1094 Bob Minor, in 1 hr. 10 mins. W. Birchall, J. J. Moss, C. W. Birchall, W. J. Moss, conductor, W. Wigglesworth, T. Birchall. Longest length by all except the conductor, and longest length on the bells by the local ringers. Rung on the 34th anniversary of the opening of the bells.

Conductors of four peals and upwards: W. Pye, 74; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 66 C. R. Lilley, 54; G. Williams, 40; F. Bennett, 22; J. Motts, 21; W. Short, 18; J. H. Cheesman, F. G. May and E. Wightman, 16; T. T. Gofton, 14; G. N. Price, 12; J. Basden, C. Jackson, H. Langdon and A. G. Barnes, 11; J. W. Barker, G. Cattermole, J. Pigott, S. Wade and G. Wightman, 10; F. Borrett, F. Holden, W. S. Smith, J. Thomas and C. H. Winney, 9; C. Mee, T. Newman, E. Reader and G. F. Williams, 8; J. Austin, H. Baker, A. W. Brighton, J. Hunt, W. H. Judd, A. Knights, R. Pickering, S. Reeves, H. Springall, T. Stroud, F. Wilford and W. H. B. Wilkins, 7; J. C. Adams, G. Billenness, T. Card, C. W. Clarke, G. D. Coleman, W. Fisher, J. E. Groves, J. Parker, E. Rivers, W. Rose, S. Thomas, W. Watts, W. Willson and B. W. Witchell, 6; W. H. Barber, A. B. Bennett, W. Billenness, F. G. Burleigh, F. W. Dixon, J. Fayers, E. E. Ferry, T. Groombridge, R. T. Hibbert, Rev. H. L. James, S. Kenward, E. Lindup, T. Murray, W. T. Pegler, B. Prewett, H. S. T. Richardson, J. Sharman, J. Souter and A. Y. Tyler, 5; R. H. Bartram, J. Baxter, D. Brearley, C. Charge, G. T. Daltry, A. J. Day, W. E. Garrard, J. Griffin, H. P. Harman, W. R. Hensher, W. C. Hunt, E. E. Huntley, H. Knight, W. Lincoln, G. W. Mee, A. E. Moore, H. R. Newton, J. N. Oxborrow, W. Page, Joseph Potter, G. R. Pye, R. Richardson, F. Rolfe, W. C. Rumsey, J. Tann, W. Taylor, A. H. Ward, H. Williams and H. Wood, 4. In addition there were 42 who conducted 3 peals; 83 two peals; and 252 one peal. Three peals were published without a conductor's name, and 3 silent peals were rung on handbells making a total of 484 persons who acted as conductors during the year. Number of peals on church bells 1412; on handbells, 57. They were rung as follows: January 118; February 143; March 106; April 125; May 111; June 87; July 62; August 94; September 119; October 153; November 179; December 172; total 1469. Increase on 1902—156. The 1469 peals is the greatest number of peals ever rung in one year. In reckoning totals of points peals of over 7000 changes count as 2 peals; over 10,000 and under 12,000 three peals; over 12,000 and under 14,000 four peals; over 14,000 changes five peals. The following tables gives the first 20 societies and their relative positions since 1895.

	1895	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
11 St. Martin's Society, B'ham ..	14	21	13	20	16	8	7	11	11
12 Hertford County Association ..	29	25	19	13	18	20	14	8	12
13 Durham and Newcastle Association	9	8	18	19	31	18	16	10	13
14 Central Northants. Association ..	23	18	10	14	14	16	15	22	14
15 Ely Diocesan Association ..	38	22	30	26	26	26	26	28	15
16 Surrey Association ..	13	14	20	16	17	12	21	18	16
17 Devonshire Guild ..	29	36	23	29	—	28	24	24	17
18 Society Archdeaconry Stafford ..	22	15	21	17	13	19	19	17	18
19 Lancashire Association ..	8	10	4	5	7	7	8	14	19
20 Worcestershire and Dis. Asso. ..	19	12	6	3	10	15	18	21	20

### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Boxley.—On Tuesday, November 1st, a date touch of 1904 Grandsire Doubles, in 1 hr. 13 mins. R. Attwood, W. Hope, G. Pound conductor, G. Attwood, W. Kilpatrick, A. Haygreen. First date touch by 1, 4 and 6. Rung on the anniversary of the dedication of the church, also to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the completion of the present ring, the 3rd, 4th and 5th being cast in 1803, and the 1st, 2nd and 6th in 1804. The date of the dedication of the bells is unknown.

## Miscellaneous.

### THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday, November 6th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Flinders, J. Hickman, E. J. Oliver, A. Coppock, G. Middleton, H. R. Cobbin conductor.

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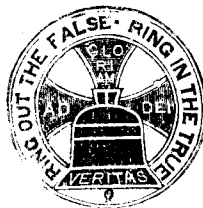
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## The Bell News &amp; Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1904.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR to every one of our readers. We have got through all the duties appertaining to Christmas, so far as church bell-ringing is concerned, and we shall now commence the year of grace—1905—in a spirit of welcome, and sincere wishes that to every one the new year may be much more prosperous and happy than its

predecessor. Better times may reasonably be desired, for in the year just now at an end we have heard of much suffering and privation through lack of the means for employment. We may fervently pray therefore that those whose duty it is to initiate Government measures may be endued with grace, wisdom, and understanding, that peace, happiness, and contentment may reign in every spot of the King's vast dominions, and become established among us for all generations. The hour of parting on the new year's morn, just as we have ended the ceremony of ushering in the year, is a period when we may with profit give a brief thought to the events of the past, and determine upon making a great effort towards making things in the belfry smooth and pleasant all round.

The desired long peals on the 26th inst., are not in evidence among our records, though the Wigston company has scored an excellent performance of 17,000 odd changes. We are promised fuller particulars of this next week. Meanwhile it has been pointed out to us that as the attempt was to supersede the Kidlington peal, it would have been a greater supercession of that performance if the weight of metal had been similar. The company made a splendid show, and deserve high compliments for their indomitable pluck.

### The Metropolis.

#### THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, HAMMERSMITH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HOLT'S ORIGINAL

H. CAREW COX* .. .. Treble.	WILLIAM J. TROUGHTON.. 5.
FREDERICK G. PERRIN .. 2.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM H. HOLLIER .. 3.	THOMAS LANGDON .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. FARDON.. .. 4.	*FRANK SKEVINGTON .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

\*First peal, and are members of the local band.

#### THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE SOCIETY OF TRINITY YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 24, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; TAYLOR'S.

JOHN JAMES LAMB .. .. Treble.	JAMES EDWARD DAVIS .. 5.
THOMAS CRANFIELD.. .. 2.	JOSEPH LAW .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 3.	FREDERICK W. THORNTON 7.
SAMUEL JOHN BIRD .. .. 4.	FREDERICK H. GOOCH .. Tenor.

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On Thursday, December 24, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, LAMBETH,

#### A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. Treble.	JOHN D. MATTHEWS .. 5.
BERTRAM A. PREWETT .. 2.	ALFRED W. BRIGHTON .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. 7.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by W. PYE.

#### THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, December 26, 1904, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

HARRY FLANDERS .. .. Treble.	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS .. 6.
JOHN HOWES .. .. 2.	HENRY G. MILES .. .. 7.
MARK WOODCOCK .. .. 3.	CORNELIUS CHARGE .. .. 8.
JOHN W. KELLEY .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. NUDDS .. .. 9.
GEORGE R. FARDON .. .. 5.	†CHARLES F. W. HUNT .. Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by CORNELIUS CHARGE.

†First peal on ten bells.

### The Provinces.

#### BRADFORD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 10, 1904, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt.

HERBERT C. BUCKLEY* .. Treble.	*JOHN WOTTON .. .. 6.
ALFRED WINDSOR .. .. 2.	*JAMES MAWSON .. .. 7.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 3.	*SIDNEY C. CLARK .. .. 8.
GEORGE TITTERINGTON* .. 4.	FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 9.
WILLIAM BOLTON .. .. 5.	BENJAMIN F. LAMB .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN WOTTON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Mawson and Mrs. Bolton, wives of the ringers of the 5th and 7th. \*First peal of Caters in the method.

#### SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

#### THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

On Monday, December 12, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt. 13 lbs.

JAMES DOWLER .. .. Treble.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL 5.
HORACE F. STREET .. .. 2.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS .. 6.
CHARLES DICKENS .. .. 3.	ERNEST T. ALLAWAY .. 7.
GEORGE F. SWANN .. .. 4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER.. .. Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

#### EAST RETFORD, NOTTS.

#### THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 13, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

#### A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

ARTHUR SWANNACK .. .. Treble.	ROBERT MILES .. .. 6.
ERNEST COLLINGBURN .. 2.	HERBERT HAIGH .. .. 7.
ARTHUR T. WINTER.. .. 3.	HARRY WARBURTON.. .. 8.
GEORGE F. CLARKE .. .. 4.	JOSEPH B. JOYNES .. .. 9.
GEORGE R. WINTER.. .. 5.	GEORGE W. METCALFE .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by HERBERT HAIGH.  
First peal of Stedman Caters by all the band; also the first by the Association.



COLTISHALL, NORFOLK.  
(THE COLTISHALL SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, December 13, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

ROBERT TUNMORE .. .. Treble.	FREDERICK HANNANT .. 4.
JAMES GORBOULD .. .. 2.	WILLIAM STIBBONS .. 5.
JOHN COOPER .. .. 3.	ROBERT GORBOULD .. .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT GORBOULD.

This is believed to be the first peal on the bells since 1826. First peal by all the band.

RANMOOR, SHEFFIELD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, December 14, 1904, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

SAM THOMAS .. .. Treble.	*CHARLES HAYNES .. .. 5.
FRANCIS WARD* .. .. 2.	SIDNEY F. PALMER .. .. 6.
JOHN THORPE* .. .. 3.	†GEORGE LEWIS .. .. 7.
LEONARD CHARLESWORTH* 4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

\*First peal in the method. †First peal as conductor.

BOCKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 18½ cwt. in E flat.

ERNEST NEWMAN .. .. Treble.	GEORGE H. SAUNDERS .. 5.
SIDNEY R. ROPER .. .. 2.	ARTHUR A. SAUNDERS .. 6.
HENRY E. HAMMOND .. 3.	†WILLIAM STEELE .. .. 7.
ARTHUR B. WIFFEN .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

†First peal of Major.

CHIPPING BARNET, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND THE LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 15, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 23½ cwt.

MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT .. Treble.	JOHN ARMSTRONG .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PICKWORTH .. 6.
FRANK A. MILNE .. .. 3.	JOHN R. SHARMAN .. .. 7.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 4.	ARTHUR T. KING .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN R. SHARMAN.

This is the quickest peal rung upon these bells.

EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 16, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

CHARLES E. READ .. .. Treble.	JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. 5.
HARRY CORRETT .. .. 2.	ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 6.
JAMES HUNT .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. 7.
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On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 22½ cwt.

A. SHEPHERD .. .. Treble.	J. W. WASHBROOK .. .. 5.
ISAAC MYERS* .. .. 2.	A. TAILYOUR .. .. 6.
J. WASHBROOK, JUN. .. 3.	FERRIS SHEPHERD .. .. 7.
J. W. WASHBROOK .. .. 4.	RALPH PRESTAGE .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ISAAC MYERS.

\*First peal as conductor.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES .. .. Treble.	*THOMAS H. REEVES .. 6.
ALF. PADDON SMITH .. 2.	REUBEN HALL .. .. 7.
THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. 3.	JAMES GEORGE .. .. 8.
THOMAS HORTON .. .. 4.	ARTHUR FEGLER .. .. 9.
THOMAS RUSSAM .. .. 5.	WILLIAM PAINTER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by SAMUEL REEVES.

\*First peal in the method. Rung to celebrate the 21st birthday of Thomas H. Reeves, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

HALIFAX, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE AND HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 26 cwt.

HARRY REYNOLDS .. .. Treble.	CHARLES E. CARRINGTON 5.
ALBERT STEAD .. .. 2.	LEWIS MIDGLEY .. .. 6.
GEO. H. C. COPPING .. 3.	CHARLES E. STEWART .. 7.
JONAS S. AMBLER .. .. 4.	FRED SALMON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by FRED SALMONS.

NORTHAMPTON.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATER, 5004 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

TOM HARRIS .. .. Treble.	ARTHUR MOORE .. .. 6.
THOMAS R. HENSHER .. 2.	WILLIAM ROBERTS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM ROGERS .. .. 3.	FREDERICK HOPPER .. 8.
SIDNEY J. LAWRENCE .. 4.	FRED WILFORD .. .. 9.
JOHN METHERELL* .. .. 5.	ELIJAH JAMES .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by T. R. HENSHER.

\*First peal of Caters. Rung to celebrate the sixth anniversary of the first peal of Caters on the bells. This is the conductor's 100th peal, reference to which will be found elsewhere.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.  
(THE DUFFIELD SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

WILLIAM BATES .. .. Treble.	GEORGE DAWSON .. .. 5.
FRED HICKLING .. .. 2.	JOHN FLOWER .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HICKLING, SEN. 3.	SYDNEY DAWSON .. .. 7.
WILLIAM HICKLING, JUN. 4.	BENJAMIN SUGDEN .. .. Tenor.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by BENJAMIN SUGDEN.

## ASSTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE .. .. Treble.	THOMAS ATTWELL .. .. 5.
HARRY LAST .. .. 2.	JOHN HOYLE .. .. 6.
JOHN WYATT .. .. 3.	REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. .. 7.
ARTHUR DEAN .. .. 4.	DAVID ANSCOMB .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. ROBINSON.

## MITCHAM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

THOMAS STEERS .. .. Treble.	ALFRED TRAPPITT .. .. 5.
DR. A. B. CARPENTER .. .. 2.	JAMES N. FROSSELL .. .. 6.
DOUGLAS W. DREWETT .. .. 3.	FRANK HOLDER .. .. 7.
JOSEPH A. LAMBERT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. Tenor.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by W. S. SMITH.

## IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

## THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S ONE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

WILLIAM V. NEWMAN .. Treble.	JAMES GARRATT .. .. 5.
FREDERICK PALMER .. .. 2.	JOHN J. MAWBY .. .. 6.
WALTER PERKINS .. .. 3.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. .. 7.
ALFRED H. MARTIN .. .. 4.	LEWIS CHAPMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by ANDERSON T. TYLER.

## WIDFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt. in F sharp.

ALFRED TARBUN .. .. Treble.	HENRY HEAD .. .. 5.
HENRY W. KIRTON .. .. 2.	THOMAS LINCOLN .. .. 6.
ERNEST J. RUNTER .. .. 3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. .. 7.
BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON .. 4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD .. .. Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WM. LINCOLN.

Thanks are due to Mr. Tarbun for taking a rope at a moment's notice, one member failing to turn up in time.

## WEDNESBURY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

HENRY TINSLEY .. .. Treble.	*EDWIN J. TYLER .. .. 5.
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER .. 2.	HORACE SMITH .. .. 6.
WALTER E. BRITTON .. .. 3.	THOMAS J. ELTON .. .. 7.
GEORGE HUGHES .. .. 4.	JOSEPH LAWTON .. .. Tenor.

Composed by J. BARKER, and Conducted by THOMAS J. ELTON.

\*First peal of Major.

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## RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 20, 1904, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE HARDWICK .. Treble.	WILLIAM C. PILCHER .. 5.
FRANK HILL .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. FROST .. 6.
GEORGE A. GOODWIN .. 3.	HERBERT DAY .. .. 7.
JOSEPH BOURNE .. .. 4.	HENRY GEORGE .. .. Tenor.

Composed by WILLIAM WILLSON, and Conducted by HENRY GEORGE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the Rev. H. G. Ketchly, Vicar of Kirbymoorside, Yorks., late Vicar of Ripley.

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On Saturday, December 17, 1904, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

## A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt.

WILLIAM MYNARD* .. Treble.	FREDERICK J. MYNARD .. 4.
EDWIN S. MYNARD* .. 2.	*FREDERICK W. BOOTH .. 5.
JOHN LOVELL .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FREEMAN .. .. Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM FREEMAN.

\*First peal of Treble Bob. First peal of Treble Bob as conductor.

## TARPORLEY, CHESHIRE.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 24, 1904, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES TEN-PART (No. 1.) Tenor 10 cwt. 10 lbs.

WILLIAM T. HOLDING .. Treble.	RICHARD LANGFORD .. 5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 2.	JOHN DENTITH .. .. 6.
JOSEPH KETTLE .. .. 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING .. 7.
ALBERT CRAWLEY .. .. 4.	ALBERT WALKER .. .. Tenor.

Composed by RICHARD THOMAS HOLDING, SEN.

After the peal, the Rector (Rev. W. O. M. Hughes, M.A.), kindly entertained the ringers to a knife and fork tea, which was greatly appreciated.

(A few reports of peals are unavoidably held over till next week.)

## NOTE TO PEAL.

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**The Ancient Society of College Youths.**—Established 1637.—It is earnestly requested that all members who can possibly do so, will attend the meeting on Tuesday, January 3rd, after ringing at St. Paul's, to discuss and if necessary, revise Rule VII.  
W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*  
"Frodingham," *Elmhurst St., Clapham, S.W.*

**The St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley.**—The monthly practice of the above Guild will be held on Monday, January 2nd, at St. Thomas's church, Dudley, at 7.45.  
W. MICKLEWRIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*

**Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.**—The monthly ringing meeting will be held at Bramley on Saturday, January 7th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Business meeting will be held at The Cardigan Arms at 7.30 p.m.  
F. BARRACLOUGH, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.**—The next meeting of the above will be held at Harlington (6 bells) on Saturday, January 7th. Bells ready at 4 p.m.  
J. J. PRATT, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

**Stoke Archidiaconal Association.**—The monthly meeting will be held at Newcastle-under-Lyme on Saturday, January 7th. Notice to be sent to Mr. E. King, 24, Earl Street, Newcastle-under-Lyme, not later than Thursday, January 5th.  
D. PEBSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

**Ely Diocesan Association.**—A district meeting of the above will be held at Sawston on Saturday, January 7th. Tea at 4 o'clock. Bells ready at 2 p.m. All ringers welcome.  
P. WEBB, *Dis. Sec.*

**The Sussex County Association.**—Western Division.—The next quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Bosham on Saturday, January 7th. Tower open from 3.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting at 5.30. Members intending to be present please notify the undersigned by Thursday, January 5th. The Secretary wishes to give notice that all subscriptions owing should now be paid without delay.  
H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*

*Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.*

**The Beds Association.**—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Husborne Crawley on Saturday, January 7th, 1905, at 3.0. Aspley Guise bells (1 mile) also available.  
REV. A. RUST } *Hon. Secs.*  
J. HILLS }

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—North Bucks Branch.—The first quarterly meeting of the above branch held in the new year will take place at Emerton on Saturday, January 7th, 1905, by kind permission of the Rev. Sams, Rector of that parish.  
A. E. POWELL, *Hon. Sec.*

**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**—Bradfield Deanery Branch.—It is proposed to have a combined practice monthly, at different towers, commencing at Englefield, Saturday, January 14th, at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome.  
ARTHUR STARDIDGE.

*Bradfield Rectory.*

**The Midland Counties Association.**—

The yearly meeting of the Nottingham District will be held in St. Peter's Belfry on Saturday, January 14th, 1905.

REUBEN CLIFFORD, *Local Hon. Sec.*  
*Bramcote Road, Beeston.*

**The Lancashire Association.**—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at St. Thomas's, Moorside, Oldham, on January 14th, when a peal-tablet will be unveiled. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Unveiling of tablet at 6.30 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

**Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.**—The quarterly meeting will be held on Saturday, January 14th, at the parish church, Tipton. Short service in the church at 5 o'clock, immediately after which a unveiling ceremony will take place. Tea will be provided for all those who send in their names not later than the 9th inst., at 1s. per head, after which there will be a smoking concert in the schoolroom.

S. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*  
10, Bull Street, West Bromwich.

### Compositions.

#### A DATE TOUCH OF STEDMAN CATERERS.

By J. P. BRADLEY.

1905.

231456 5 16

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364251 - -

361452 - -

362154 - -

263451 - -

261354 - -

264153 - -

462351 - -

461253 - -

461352 S - -

462153 - -

463251 - -

364152 - -

362451 - -

361254 - -

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162354 - -

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#### A DATE TOUCH OF STEDMAN TRIPLES.

By THE SAME AUTHOR.

1905.

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41523 - -

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31425 - -

21453 - -

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31452 - -  
51423 - -  
21435 - -  
31524 - -  
21543 - -  
41532 - -  
31245 - -  
41253 - -  
51342 - -  
41325 - -  
21324 - -

\*1 4 5 8 11 13 14 18 22. Round first change of the last six.

#### TWO PEALS OF BOB MAJOR.

By JAMES HUNT, *Guildford.*

5024.

23456 W B M H

52364 - I -

36524 - - -

53624 - - -

65324 - - -

32654 - - -

63254 - - -

25634 - - -

62534 - - -

56234 - - -

35264 - - -

26354 - - -

52436 - 2 - -

43526 - - -

54326 - - -

35426 - - -

42356 - - -

34256 - - -

25346 - - -

32546 - - -

53245 - - -

45236 - - -

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Repeated.

5152.

23456 W M H

42635 - -

34625 - -

23645 - -

62534 - -

36524 - -

23564 -\*

45236 - - -

24536 - -

53246 - -

25346 - -

32546 - -

Three times repeated; \*add three homes here in one part only. Single for bob half-way and end.

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## WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the branch of the above for the district of the New Forest was held at Christchurch on Saturday, November 19th, 1904. There was a good attendance, all the towers being represented. Before the formal proceedings, the special form of Service of the Guild was held in the Priory Church, and after tea the business meeting followed. The Rev. H. Drake, of Verwood (but one of the Ringwood ringers) was voted to the chair. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Chairman, Rev. H. Drake; Secretary, Mr. Geo. Preston; representative on the central committee, Mr C. W. Goodenough; committee, Messrs. A. Grist (Bournemouth), S. Best (Christchurch), J. K. Clarke (Lymington), and J. Gardner (Ringwood). The programme of quarterly meetings for 1905 was arranged as follows:—March 1, Bournemouth; June 3, Fordingbridge; Sept. 20, Lymington; Nov. 18 (annual meeting), Christchurch.

The Chairman reported on the progress which has been made in rehanging Ringwood bells. The frame had apparently been made good by a local firm of engineers, and the bells and fittings were to

be repaired by Messrs. Greenleaf. So that there was every hope that the bells would soon be ringing in good condition once more, although the decaying foundation-beams, and the serious injury to the fabric of the tower, were not being remedied. It was agreed to hold a meeting at Ringwood as soon as that place was in a position to welcome them. Adjournment was then made to the tower, where several interesting touches were brought round on these beautiful and historical bells, now increased in number to ten.

## ST. MARY'S SOCIETY. BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

On the occasion of the visit of the King and Queen to Bury St. Edmunds, and more especially to St. Mary's church, on Saturday, December 17th, the bells began sending forth their joyous notes about 10.30 a.m. by a touch of 420 Bob Triples. This was followed by another touch in the same method. On their Majesties leaving the church, after having been shown the various objects of interest by the Vicar, the Rev. F. L'Estrange Fawcett, a royal salute of twenty-one rounds was fired on

the bells. The rest of the ringing consisted of touches of Bob and Grandsire Triples. All the above ringing was under the conductorship of Mr. F. Froude.

Mr. H. Catterwell, of Romford, writes: On counting up attendances for the past year of the St. Edward's Guild, Romford, I find out that one of our members, without inserting name, has walked absolutely voluntarily, no less than 385 miles on Sundays alone. Living a distance of 2½ miles from the church, he has walked the distance twice on a Sunday when he has been at liberty to attend, making ten miles in one day. I should like to know through your paper if this is not a record of miles for one year, asking you not to forget that for these great number of miles no pay is given. I think for myself it is a credit to the band, and I, as the writer, am proud to sign myself H. Catterwell, one of the Romford band of change-ringers.

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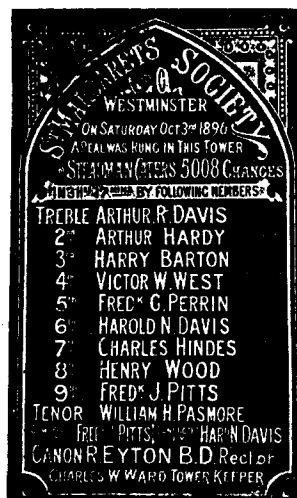
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- No. 320. "The Mountaineer's Waltz," on Swiss Melodies .. .. . 1 6
- No. 321. "The Rose of Allandale" March .. .. . 1 6
- No. 322. "The Pilgrim of Love" Galop .. .. . 1 6
- The next are for 6 ringers, with medium peal, i.e. 3 octaves, C22 to C1, chromatic.
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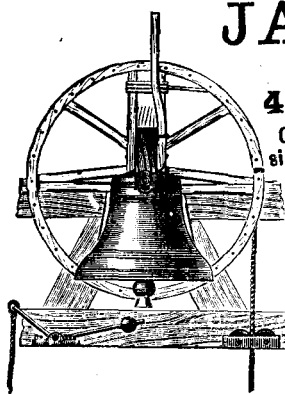
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