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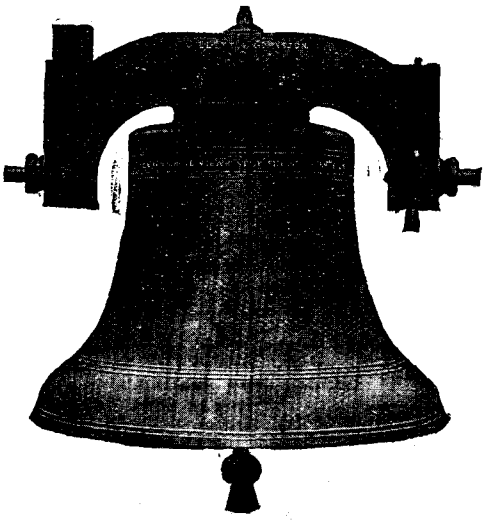

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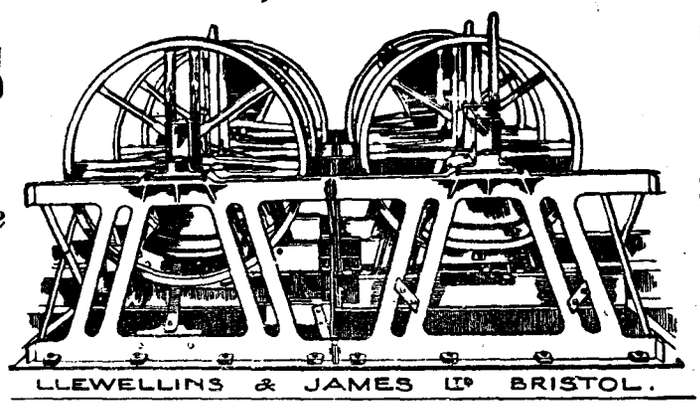

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ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

The Annual Henry Johnson Commemoration Dinner was held at Ye Olde Royal hotel, Birmingham, on Saturday, March 4th, and was attended by upwards of 100 ringers and friends. The chair was occupied by J. S. Pritchett, esq., the Guild's presiding ringing master, and among the guests were the Rector of Handsworth, the Rev. H. G. Daniell-Bainbridge, and Messrs R. A. Daniell, C. H. Hattersley, John W. Taylor, and Arthur Wade Edge. Apologies for inability to attend were received from the Lord Bishop of Birmingham, the Rector of Birmingham, the Vicars of Aston and Deritend, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., the Rector of Solihull, Rev. T. Lewis Jones, Rev. Malcolm L. Maxwell, and Messrs. Arthur T. King and C. E. D. Boutflower.

In proposing the toast of "The King," the Chairman remarked that since the last annual gathering the nation had suffered a great loss in the sudden and unexpected death of our late beloved King Edward VII., a loss which was felt by all classes as almost a personal one. However, "The King is dead, long live the King." He was sure that all present were with him in wishing His Majesty King George V. a long and prosperous reign.

A short interval was here interposed while tables were cleared, and the opportunity was seized to shake hands with all old friends and exchange greetings. Amid the buzz of conversation one could detect many different dialects, and in a group from which emanated a strong Lancashire accent was espied the broad shoulders and burly form of Harry Chapman, of Manchester, and Samuel Wood and Samuel Booth of Ashton-under-Lyne. Those who remember "Harry" some two or three years ago, will remember that he could well spare some of his "adipose tissue," and it was remarked that he had evidently lost a stone or two, and that his friend Samuel Wood had found it.

Proposing the toast of "Church and State," the Chairman said he did not know how long the Church would be attached to the State, in view of the attitude of a considerable portion of the present government on the matter, but under any circumstances, we, as churchmen and ringers, should always be attached to the Church. We were passing through a very serious crisis in the history of this country, the outcome of which no one could foresee. He was not about to make a political speech, but he viewed with dismay the proposal to abolish the House of Lords. That House had been an integral part of the British Constitution for centuries, and it was to be destroyed, or at any rate weakened, at the bidding of various factions who all had their axes to grind, and who had to be placated with concessions by the Government as the price of their support. He did not doubt but what one of the first objects of attack if this policy was carried through, would be the Church of England, commencing with Disestablishment in Wales. We should however, as he said before, remain loyal to the Church whatever happened. With this toast he would couple the name of the Rev. H. G. Daniell-Bainbridge, Rector of Handsworth.

Replying, the Rector said that he was proud to be amongst such a large and enthusiastic body of ringers, whom he had always regarded as churchworkers. He thanked them for the hearty manner in which they had received his name in connection with the toast, and assured them that he would always do anything that lay in his power to forward the art of change-ringing.

The Chairman then rose to propose the toast of the evening—"The Immortal Memory of the late Henry Johnson." He was afraid he was unable to say anything about Henry Johnson that had not already been said, by himself and many others, at this annual gathering. Mr. Johnson was a most remarkable man in many ways. It was his chief delight to give pleasure to others, and that he succeeded in doing so, those who remembered him would testify. A man who lived a humble life, he had left a memory that would be for ever green—a name that would be for ever respected where change-ringing existed. He found change-ringing at its lowest ebb, at any rate in the Midlands, and the individual ringer in the utmost disrepute with the public. He left it very much in the state we knew it to-day, not only tolerated but appreciated by the public. He completely revolutionised the art of composing, and laid the foundation on which nearly or he might say all modern composers worked. Yet he never wrote a book, his works have never been recorded in book form, but have been handed down to us in the same manner as the writings of Socrates, to whom he, the chairman, did not scruple for one momeent to compare him.

The toast was duly honoured, and the Chairman immediately called on Mr. Harry Withers for a course of London Surprise on the dulcimer. He humourously reminded him that this was on the list last year, but from causes which are well known to all ringers, it did not come off. At the first round there was a sudden cessation in all conversation and movement, even the waiters having received instructions that they must not move during this turn. It is difficult to describe the sensation with which one watches this marvellous performance. All eyes are on the performer, whose tense face wears the expression of a man who has determined to do this thing if it is in the power of mortal being. It is almost incredible that a man can, so to speak, divide his brain and mind into eight portions, each of which has to perform a part that ordinarily demands the whole undivided attention of a skilled ringer. As is well known, the plain course of London is somewhat lengthy, and as the changes rolled off with clock-like precision, the excitement became intense. There were critics there in plenty, men who would have instantly detected a fault, but on and on it went, until when the last lead was entered upon, the stillness was such that it seemed as though everyone had, for a time, ceased to breathe. Then as the "bells" ran round, such a shout went up as we venture to say has never been heard in Ye Olde Royal before. Indeed, it quite startled

the waiters, who, not being ringers, did not understand that the performance was over, and the spontaneous outburst took them completely by surprise.

In proposing "Continued Prosperity to St. Martin's Guild," Mr. C. H. Hattersley said it gave him the greatest possible pleasure to do so. He had been a member himself for over forty years, during which time he had rung and conducted many peals in Birmingham and district. Some time ago he received an invitation from Mr. Groves to stand in, and call a peal of Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's. He regarded that as a great honour, and was very pleased to say that a capital peal was accomplished. He looked on that peal as another link in the chain that had bound the Birmingham and Sheffield ringers together in friendship for over 100 years, and recalled the fact that his grandfather visited and rang on Birmingham in the year 1809—just over a century ago. He regretted that more young ringers did not go in for composing. Certainly Birmingham had Mr. John Carter, but unless youngsters followed up, composition would become a lost art.

Mr. Godden, proposing "Kindred Ringing Societies," said that they in Birmingham hardly knew to which society they did belong, but the rivalry was always friendly, and they were all striving for the same end—the improvement of ringers and ringing, With this toast he would couple the name of Mr. John W. Taylor, of the Midland Counties Association.

Mr. Taylor, in reply, said how pleased he was to be again with the St. Martin's Guild on this occasion. He was sure the other societies were glad to be remembered in this way. In the course of his travels he often found that the striking was not all it should be, but he was glad to note that in Birmingham, the teaching of Mr. Johnson, who was a stickler for good striking, had not been forgotten.

An attempt for a course of Stedman Cinques on the handbells came to grief, and a second also going the same way, the attempt was abandoned.

The health of "The Chairman" was proposed by Mr. R. A. Daniell in his inimitable style, to which Mr. Pritchett suitably responded. In passing, the chairman reminded Mr. Hattersley that Mr. Carter was a host in himself, and that if there was anything new in that realm to be discovered, it was likely that Mr. John Carter was the man who would discover it.

During the evening excellent songs were rendered by Messrs. Davies and Smith, accompanied on the piano by Mr. H. Butcher.

The Messrs. Starkey (2) and Wood delighted all present with their capital selections on the handbells, and Mr. H. Withers was as usual, a great success with his dulcimer.

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Date Touches.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HIGHER WALTON.—On Tuesday, January 17th, in 1 hr. 9 mins., at All Saints church, a date touch of Minor, 1911 changes being 111 Plain Bob, 360 London New Bob, 360, Canterbury Pleasure, and 720 each of Oxford Bob and College Single. M. Livesy conductor, J. Clarke, C. Clarke, C. Gorst. J. Eccles, W. King.

Miscellaneous.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRADING (Isle of Wight).—On Sunday, January 1st, for Divine Service, 602 Grandsire Triples. M. Pink, F. Chaffey, E. Squibb, W. Cooper, S. Pain, H. White, H. Jennings conductor, A. Pain. On Sunday morning, January 22nd, for Divine Service, 504 Grandsire Triples. M. Pink, F. Chaffey, E. Squibb, W. Cooper, S. Pain, A. White, H. Jennings conductor, A. Pain. On Tuesday, February 7th, 336 Bob Major. P. Pain, A. White, E. Squibb, W. Cooper, S. Pain, C. Price, F. Chaffey, H. Jennings conductor. First touch of Bob Major by the local band.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

EDGWARE.—On Wednesday, Februory 8th, at St. Margaret's church, a quarter-peal, being 900 Plain Bob Minor, and 360 of College Single.

FINCHLEY.—On Thursday, February 9th, for practice on handbells, 120 Grandsire Doubles. W. Webb, W. Tubb, F. Tubb, B. Tubb, G. Webb, F. Barker conductor.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Sunday, February 12th, at St. Saviour's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. W. J. Cooper, T. Deal, G. Cooper, H. Rumens, H. F. Hull, E. Lillywhite, W. Jones conductor, W. Oxley.

EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

CRICH.—On Tharsday, February 7th, 720 Grandsire Minor, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to Goorge Wildgoose, who was an old ringer for many years. A. Allwood, G. Holmes, G. Brown, H. Allwood, W. Drake conductor, W. Piggin.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BLEWBURY (Berks.)—On Monday, February 21st, fot practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Welch, Miss M. Nightingale, G. James conductor, E. Aldridge, C. Gregory, R. James, C. Greenough- T. Aldworth.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MIDDLESBROUGH.—On Monday, Februare 6th, at the parish church, 1260 Stedman Triples. W. Titchener, W. Pollard, F. Laverick, J. Wedgwood, T. Lancaster, J. Jones, J. H. Blakiston conductor, C. Pollard. First quarter-peal in the method by the ringers of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BOXLEY.—On Tuesday, February 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. L. Bowley, W. Gosling conductor, W. Hope, A. Baker, G. Pound, W. Kilpatrick. Rung with bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. Knatchbull-Hugessen, founder, and first secretary of the above Association.

EALING.—On Sunday, January 22th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Treble Bob Major. W. Lawrence, J. A. Trollope conductor, E. F. Cole, F. Bennett, J. E. Davis, C. Winney, W. Hewett, A. Harding.

SUTTON COLDFIELD.—On Sunday, February 19th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. James conductor A. Alsop, C. Waithman, G. Roberts, B. Claydan, T. Bloore, B. Leedam, W. Parr. First quarter-peal in the method as conductor.



OAKHAM PARISH CHURCH, RUTLANDSHIRE.

OPENING OF A NEW RING OF EIGHT BELLS.

Friday, February 24th, 1911 (St. Matthias' Day) will long be remembered as a red-letter day in Oakham, the interesting county town of Rutlandshire, the smallest of the English counties, for the reason that the date mentioned was set apart for the re-opening of the ring of bells of the parish church of All Saints after a silence of upwards of five months.

The occasion was marked by a special service of dedication and consecration conducted by the Lord Bishop of Peterborough, and created very considerable interest amongst the parishioners of Oakham and the inhabitants of the surrounding district.

During the early part of last year an inspection was made of the bells and bellframe, with the result that it was found that nothing but the complete restoration and recasting of the bells would suffice to make a thoroughly satisfactory job, and this the Parochial Church Council decided should be carried out. To complete the whole of the work required, viz., to recast the peal of eight bells, fit all with new fittings, and to provide a new steel frame, in addition to sundry alterations to floors, repair of clock, etc., it was found that a sum of about £500 would be necessary, and subscriptions were invited towards defraying this cost. Such a hearty response was made to the appeal that some £370 was quickly collected, and with this in hand the Committee ventured to proceed with the work, and in October last the contract was entrusted to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Bellfounders, of Croydon, and the work of taking out and lowering the old bells and clearing out the whole of the timber framing was at once put in hand.

The new frame is fixed much lower than the old wood frame, and is constructed throughout of steel of massive proportions to the approved H pattern. The bells have all been recast and retuned on the five-tone "Simpson" principle, and is acknowledged on all sides to be a very fine-toned peal in E flat. The following are the notes and weights of each bell: Treble E flat, 5 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.; 2nd D, 5 cwt. 0 qrs. 7 lbs.; 3rd C, 6 cwt. 0 qrs. 4 lbs.; 4th B flat, 7 cwt. 0 qrs. 23 lbs.; 5th A flat 9 cwt. 2 qrs. 0 lbs.; 6th G, 10 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lbs.; 7th F, 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 19 lbs.; Tenor E flat, 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 8 lbs. Total weight of peal 81 cwt. 3 qrs. 22 lbs. The tenor bell has cast upon it the following inscription: "To the Glory of God this peal was recast by public subscription, December, 1910. J. H. Charles, M.A., R.D., Vicar; W. M. Keal, G. Phillips, Churchwardens." Each bell has also on it "Recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, 1910." The clock has also been taken out, cleaned, adjusted, and fitted with new Westminster quarter chimes by the same firm.

The dedication service was held at 3.30 p.m., when the church was well filled. As already stated the ceremony was conducted by the Bishop of Peterborough (the Right Rev. Dr. Carr-Glynn), and in addition to his Lordship the clergy present were the Rev. J. H. Charles, Vicar of Oakham; Rev. Dr. Tancock (Little Casterton), Rev. A. Baird Smith, Rev. D. Gilbert, and many others from the surrounding neighbourhood. The clergy and choir entered the church singing as a processional hymn "We love the place, O God," the special psalms being the 29th and the 150th. The Bishop then proceeded to the tower, where a few prayers were offered by his Lordship, followed by a few rounds by the local ringers, when, for the first time, the fine peal was heard to ring out and thus signifying that the dedication had taken place. The hymn "Lift them gently to the steeple; let our bells be set on high," was next sung, after which the Bishop delivered an excellent discourse, taking for his text Acts 1 xxii. "A witness of His Resurrection." The hymn "When morning gilds the skies" was then sung during the offertory for the bell fund, which amounted to upwards of £40. The Blessing having been pronounced by the Bishop a short touch was rung by the local ringers and listened to by a large number of persons near, who all admired the excellent tone of their new peal of bells; after which a mixed band rang the first 504 Grandsire Triples on the bells, the "go" being splendid. G. H. Towell, F. C. Towell, G.

Oldham, C. F. Johnston, L. F. Taylor, R. Mount, R. H. Bartram conductor, R. W. Baker. The ringing was kept up until about 8.30 p.m., when several touches, including another 518 of Grandsire were brought round, also a touch of Bob Major, in which J. J. Jackson, esq., of Belton Old Hall, took part, whilst W. E. Higgs and many others joined in during the evening, all agreeing that the tone and "go" of the bells are all that could be desired.

On Saturday, February 25th, an attempt was made for the first peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells, and all went well for three hours, when, in the last part a nasty slip occurred and caused a shift close to the end, much to the disappointment of a great many listeners who had come from several towns and villages near. G. H. Towell, F. C. Towell, C. F. Johnston, L. F. Taylor, W. E. Higgs, W. James, R. H. Bartram conductor, R. Mount.

After the peal the ringers adjourned to The Wheatsheaf inn, where a good meat tea had been provided by the generosity of Mr. Cyril F. Johnston, to which all did complete justice, and not failing at the last course. Thanks was aecorded Mr. Johnston, who had to leave for London before tea was finished, train time coming all too soon for all, but not before a most enjoyable day had been spent.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the western division was held at Pulborough on Saturday, February 11th, a fairly good number of ringers being present from Arundel, Brighton (St. Peter's), Billingshurst, Burstow, Lyminster, Pulborough, and Warnham; also Mr. and Mrs. Whittington (Cranleigh), Life Members. Ringing commenced about 3.30, the methods practised being Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Treble Bob Major. Tea was held at The Bell inn, twenty-seven sitting down, the Rector, the Rev. Canon Bagally, being also present, and taking the chair. The usual business meeting followed, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Divisional Secretary, and passed. Messrs. G. Newman and Ede were elected members of the Arundel branch.

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 said he was pleased to give them a welcome to Pulborough.

The tower was again visited, and ringing continued till about 8.30.

WRINGTON CHURCH BELLS

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THE ST. THOMAS'S GUILD, DUDLEY.

The annual meeting of this Guild was held at Dudley on Saturday, February 25th. The belfry was open for ringing at 3 o'clock. A service was held in the church at 4 o'clock, conducted by the President of the Guild, the Rev. A. Gray Maitland, who also gave an address on the duties and privileges of bellringers. After the service tea was provided in the King Street school, free to members and ringing friends, from subscriptions collected by Mr. S. Spittle, the Ringing-Master.

A long business meeting followed, at which the Vicar presided, about sixty members being present from the various towers in union with the Guild. The most important part of the business was the passing of a new code of rules which will form the Guild into a distinct Association, under the name of the Dudley and Districts Guild. The Rev. A. Gray Maitland was elected President, and the following gentlemen (if willing to accept), were nominated as Vice-presidents: the Rev. S. J. Marriott, Vicar of Netherton: the Rev. H. Dibben, Vicar of Brierley Hill; Colonel Boscawen, M.P., and Mr. H. Mason (Old Hill). Mr. Spittle was elected Ringing-Master; Mr. H. Sheppard, Hon. Secretary; Mr. W. R. Small, Hon. Treasurer; and a Committee consisting of one delegate appointed by each company in union with the Guild. Eight new members were elected, and arrangements were made for peals to be rung at the different belfries in union during the ensuing quarter.

On the proposition of Mr. P. Harley, seconded by Mr. A. Whatmore, Brierley Hill was the place selected for holding the next quarterly meeting.

The prize book for the year 1909 was awarded to the St. Thomas's company, Dudley, The President kindly offered to purchase Dr. Raven's "Bells of England," to be presented to the Brierley Hill company.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the President for his kind offer, also for his service in church, and presiding at the meeting; to Messrs. Bill and Bridgwater (churchwardens), and all the ladies who had worked so well in preparing and serving the tea; also to Mr. Spittle for the trouble he had gone to in collecting subscriptions for the tea, and all who had assisted in maktng the meeting a happy and successful one.

At the close of the meeting the bells were kept merrilly going until 9.30 p.m.

AN APPEAL.

I kindly ask if the readers of this paper will assist me in subscribing a small amouunt towards the widow and three young children of the late Mr. W. J. Collison, who passed away on January 20th, after a very lingering and painful illness, at the age of 37 years. The deceased, who served during the best part of the South African War, came to Thanet about eight years ago, and joined the St. John's, Margate, ringers and took a very active part in instructing the younger members. Through no fault of bis own he has been unable to provide for those he leaves behind, and for these I humbly make this appeal. Whatever sum you can send me will be gratefully received and appreciated. A. H. Saxby, Captain St. John's Ringers.

Margate.

Mr. J. W. Jones, Assistant Secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, writes:—"The peal of Grandsire Triples recorded in last week's BELL NEWS under the heading of Aberdare, and the peal recorded in the previous week's BELL NEWS under Merthyr Tydvil is one and the same peal. Some one has reported incorrectly. The town it was rung in was Aberdare. For the purpose of the Analysis being kept correct kindly mention."

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on March 21st; at St. John's, South Hackney, on on the 23rd; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Thames Street, on the 30th; and St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 21st. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL *Hon. Sec.*
32. *Edgeley Road. Clapham S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A meeting for practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, March 25th, at All Saints, West Ham, E. The tower will be open for ringing from 4 15 to 8.15 p.m. The business meeting will be held at 8.15 p m. It is hoped as many members who can make it convenient will attend·

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

Halifax and District Association.—The next meeting and six-bell contest will take place at Haworth on Saturday. March 18th. Draw for order of ringing at 3.15 p.m.

GEO. NAYLOR, *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.-Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Newhall to-day, Sat., March 18th. Tower open at 3. Meeting in the vestry at 5. H. WAKLEY, *Dis. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Prittlewell to-day, Sat., March 18th. Short service in St. Mary's church at 5 o'clock. Tea in St. Mary's parish room at 5 30, 9d each.

HENRY F. COOPER, *Dis. Sec.*
County Offices, Chelmsford.

The Lancashire Association.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham on Saturday, March 25th. Bells (6) at 3. Meeting at 5 30.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

Leeds and District Society.—A supplementary meeting will be held at Drighlington on Saturday, March 25th. Peal attempt at 2.30 (Grandsire). Business at 7 30 p.m.

A. S. MITCHELL, *Hon. Sec.*
2, *Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.*

The Lancashire Association.—Bolton Branch.—A joint branch and committee meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, on Saturday, March 25th.

G. PINCOTT, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.-Tonbridge District.—A combined practice for Double Norwich will be held at Tonbridge on Saturday, March 25th. Tower open at 7. It is hoped that members will make an effort to attend. W. LATTER, *Dis. Sec.*

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5000.

23456	M	W	H
52364	2	2	2
64235	1	2	2
24365		2	1
23645		1	2
34625		2	
43526	2		2
25346		2	2
34256		1	1
52436		2	2
23456		2	

Has the 5th and 6th in 6ths only excepting first course. The 6th the extent at home.

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23456	M	W	H
52364	2	2	2
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24365	1	2	2
23645		1	2
34625		2	
43526	2		2
25346		2	2
34256		1	1
52436		2	2
23456		2	

Has the 6th the extent at home.

5080.

23456	M	W	H
35426		2	
23564	2	2	2
32465	2		2
25463	1		2
62534	2	2	2
64235	2		1
45236	1		2
32546		2	2
54326		1	1
23456		2	2

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651432
615423
164532
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BOB.

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5088 BOB MAJOR.

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	W	B	M	H
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62345				–
62453		–		–
45236	–	–	–	–
24536				–
52436				–
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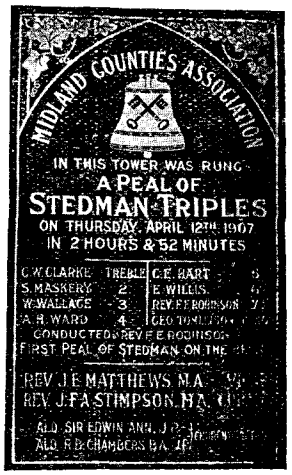

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On Saturday, February 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes

At Christ Church, Cubitt Town, Isle of Dogs,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 12 cwt.

Edwin F. Pike	*Treble.*	Frank Bennett	5.
James E. Davis	2.	Isaac Emery	6.
Isaac G. Shade	3.	Edwin Barnett, sen.	7.
William Hewett	4.	Edwin Barnett, jun.	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Frank Bennett.

Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for Cambridge.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints, Edmonton,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17¾ cwt.

Henry Dains	*Treble.*	George Paice	5.
Miss Edith K. Parker	2.	Wilby J. Hazell	6.
William J. Nevard	3.	James Parker	7.
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Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by Miss Edith K. Parker.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, CHISWICK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt 1 qr. 21 lbs.

BERTRAM PREWETT ..	..*Treble.*	ALAN R. MACDONALD ..	5.
GEORGE SPENCER	2.	CHARLES T. COLES	6.
WILLIAM J. DEAN	3	ROBERT E STAVERT ..	7.
WILLIAM LAWRENCE.. ..	4.	ARTHUR HARDING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

First peal in the method as conductor.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, February 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ACTON,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE SPENCER* ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES T. COLES	5.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	WILLIAM WELLING	6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ..	3.	RICHARD BUCKLAND.. ..	7.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ..	4.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWEIT.

*First peal in the method.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 32 cwt.

WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	*Treble.*	RICHARD F. DEAL	6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ..	2.	WILLIAM TRUSS	7.
HENRY SPRINGALL	3.	EMMANUEL HALL	8.
FREDK. J. HARDY*	4.	THOMAS LANGDON	9.
JAMES SCHOLES	5.	HERBERT LANGDON ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by YORK GREEN, and
Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

*First peal of Royal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Master of the Society (Mr. A. B. Peck), who was prevented from taking part in it by his having to attend a practice of the Society.

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PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS)

On Saturday, February 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

THOMAS WRIGHT ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM HALE	6.
JESSE GILLETT	2.	ALBERT WRIGHT	7.
JOHN WIGMORE	3.	WILLIAM STAITE	8.
JOHN AUSTIN	4	FRANE COLE	9.
THOMAS BALDWYN	5.	GEORGE MILEHAM ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by FRED G. MAY, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

On Monday, February 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 10¾ cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD ..	..*Treble.*	WALTER R HEXTER ..	5.
JAMES E. HEXTER	2.	NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON	6.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD, JUN.	3.	PERCIVAL PRICE	7.
JOSEPH BAILEY	4.	THOMAS HUTCHINSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Rung as a farewell peal to W. Hexter, who is leaving the district to take up a situation abroad.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Beverley, Ipswich, Durham, Wells, York, London, and Cambridge, Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN NEAL..	..*Treble.*	FRED BLOOD	4.
ALBERT E. LARKINSON ..	2.	JAMES OSBORN	5.
JOHN W. LAKE	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

First peal of Surprise on the bells; also rung in the names of towns and cities.

EXETER, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THE ST. SIDWELL'S SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, February 7, 1911, in Three Hours ana Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SIDWELL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

EDWIN SHEPHERD ..	..*Treble.*	FRANK MURPHY	5.
ARTHUR W. SEABLE ..	2.	JAMES MOSS	6.
LEWIS GREBE	3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	7.
ALFRED MONKLEY	4.	ADOLPHUS H. SNOW	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

SUTTON COLDFIELD, WARWICKSHIRE.

(THE PARISH CHURCH COMPANY.)

On Thursday, February 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LATES'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

BERNARD CLAYDON ..	..*Treble.*	WM. ALLSOPP	5.
JOHN JENNINGS	2.	*THOMAS BLOORE	6.
C. WAITHMAN	3.	B. LEEDHAM	7.
GEO. ROBERTS	4.	JAS. REYNOLDS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS BLOORE.

*First peal as conductor.

MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

REV. A. T. BEESTON	..*Treble.*	JOHN M. DAVENPORT ..	5.
FRANK STONELEY	2	THOMAS MOTTERSHEAD ..	6.
WILLIAM WALMSLEY ..	3	ALFRED MOTTERSHEAD ..	7.
WILFRED MATTHEWS ..	4.	JOSEPH NORBURY ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and
Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

WOKINGHAM, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, February 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19 cwt.

EDGAR WHITTINGHAM	..*Treble.*	FRANK LUSH	5.
HENRY THATCHER*	2.	ARTHUR WIGGINS	6.
JOHN RANCE†	3	WILLIAM J. PAICE	7.
JAMES NORTH	4.	ALBERT HILL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM J. PAICE.

*First peal. †First peal of Triples. Rung as a compliment to the Rector, the Rev. B. Long, who celebrated his birthday on February 6th.

MARDEN. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, February 10, 1911, *in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. LAMBERT	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. LAMBERT	5.
DAVID HODGKIN	2.	JAMES BEACH	6.
ERNEST C. LAMBERT	3.	EDWIN LAMBERT	7.
FREDK. BUTCHERS	4.	CHARLES H. SONE	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. BARNETT, and Conducted by C. H. SONE.

First peal of Canterbury Major on the bells, and by all the band. Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. W. Cornwallis, of Linton Park.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Friday, February 10, 1911, *in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

MAURICE SMITHER	*Treble.*	CHARLES WILLSHIRE	5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, JUN.	2.	RALPH WOOD	6.
HENRY HUTTON	3.	CHARLES HAZELDEN	7.
HENRY L. GARFATH	4.	ALFRED H. PULLING	*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES HUNT, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

This is the first peal of Norfolk Surprise ever rung by the above Guild, and is also the first in the method by all.

PADIHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON*	*Treble.*	†WILLIAM E. WILSON	5.
TOM REDMAN	2.	*JOHN WATSON	6.
HARRY ENTWISTLE	3.	WILLIAM MALLINSON	7.
EMMANUEL DUTESON*	4.	THOMAS MOUNCEY	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by WM. MALLINSON.

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

HENLEY-IN-ARDEN. WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN PINBOLD, JUN.	*Treble.*	THOMAS MALE	4.
REV. C. CAREW COX	2.	JOHN BRAGG	5.
EDWARD H. ADAMS	3.	ROLAND BRAGG	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

First peal on the bells, which have been recently rehung by Messrs. Barwell.

BOLNEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1910, *in Three Hours and One Minute,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS'S. Tenor 15 cwt. in F.

GEORGE WELLER	*Treble.*	*FRANK STONER	5.
THOMAS GASSON	2.	WARDEN WALDER	6.
JAMES NEWMAN	3.	GEORGE WALDER, JUN.	7.
WILLIAM VINCENT	4.	GEORGE PACKHAM	*Tenor*

Conducted by GEORGE WALDER, JUN.

*First peal.

BILLINGSHURST, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 12, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

RAYMOND WOOD*	*Treble.*	*WILLIAM DENYER	5.
ALBERT HARMAN	2.	WILLIAM SHORT	6.
JAMES BURDFIELD*	3.	ROBERT WHITTINGTON	7.
WILLIAM STANFORD	4.	ALBERT FEIST	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

*First peal.

EXETER.--THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(The St. David's Society Branch)

On Monday, February 13, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. in G.

W. HARRY WEBBER	*Treble.*	ALFRED MONKLEY	5.
CHARLES CARTER*	2	JAMES MOSS	6.
FRANK J DAVEY	3.	ARTHUR W. SEARLE	7.
LEWIS GREEN	4.	JOHN RICHARDS	*Tenor*

Conducted by CHARLES CARTER.

*First peal as conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to L. Green, who is leaving the district.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 14, 1911, *in Three Hours.*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES	*Treble.*	ALFRED GOODRUM	5.
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN	2	EDWARD FRANCIS	6.
ROBERT BLAKE	3.	GEORGE MOORE	7.
WILLIAM GRAVELING	4.	GEORGE HOWCHIN	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. FRANCIS, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the composer.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 14, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt.1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN.*	*Treble.*	RICHARD BALDRY	5.
JOHN WILSON, JUN.†	2.	*ALFRED FUNNELL	6.
JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	3.	*GEORGE POINTS	7.
FREDK. WHITHAM*	4.	WILLIAM STEELE	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell. First peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local band.

GREAT MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, February 15, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11 cwt.

NATHAN PATMORE	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE	4.
FRED WILLIAMS	2.	HENRY WALLACE	5.
EDWARD SAGGERS	3.	BARNARD PATMORE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BARNARD PATMORE.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Southern Branch)

On Wednesday, February 15, 1911, *in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s in fourteen methods as follows: Norfolk and Primrose Surprise, Cnoeceastre and London Surprise, Beverley and Durham Surprise, Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise, Sandal and Oxford Treble Bob, Single and Double Oxford Bob, Double and Single Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR I. HOLMES*	*Treble.*	JAMES OSBORN	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES	2.	FRED BLOOD	5.
JOHN W. LAKE	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is the first time that seven 720s have ever been rung in fourteen methods. *5,040th peal.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, Feb. 15, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 6 cwt.

JOSEPH TARRANT	*Treble.*	PETER LAFLIN	4.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN	2.	WILLIAM BURGESS	5.
GEORGE WIGHTMAN	3.	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

LYTHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FYLDE BRANCH.)

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, New London Pleasure, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Grandsire Minor, Canterbury Pleasure Minor, 360 Plain Bob Minor, and 360 College Single. Tenor 10½ cwt.

C. H. KEER	*Treble.*	J. TIPPING	4.
D. MCLELLAN	2.	J. HARDMAN	5.
R. CARDWELL	3.	T. ALLANSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN TIPPING.

This is the first peal ever rung in Lytham in eight methods.

STREET, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1910, *in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qrs.

ALFRED W. BRIGHTON	*Treble.*	ERNEST B. CROWDER	5.
SAMUEL HAWKINS	2.	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN	6.
JOSEPH A. BARNES	3.	WALTER FARLEY	7.
HARRY PARISH	4.	*HERBERT G. FARLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. CHAMBERLAIN.

*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Brighton and W. Farley.

CARSHALTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in A flat.

JAMES W. TRAPPITT	*Treble.*	WILLIAM GROVES	5.
HENRY J. RUMBLE	2.	CHARLES W. GORDON	6.
SIDNEY R. ROPER	3.	FRANK HOLDER	7.
JAMES WIGNELL	4.	ALFRED CLAYTON	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by FRANK HOLDER.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twenty-eight 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 Pleasure, Oxford Bob, Kent, College Single, and Plain Bob.

THOMAS J. PHILO	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SPICE	4.
WM. G. KITCHINGHAM	2.	WILLIAM J. WALKER	5.
THOMAS JULL	3.	WM. H. B. WILKINS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 27 cwt

ROBERT SPERRING	*Treble.*	JAMES MORGAN	5.
SAMUEL JONES*	2.	HENRY W. WILDE	6.
GEORGE JONES	3	WALTER THOMAS	7.
ERNEST E. CHANNEL	4.	JAMES V. WEIGHT	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. PRICE, and Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. W. Wilde, the band wishing him the usual congratulations. *First peal of Major. This composition is now rung for the first time. The reverse of this peal was rung at Handbridge on May 1st, 1888.

HADLOW, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY RABBITT	*Treble.*	CECIL GROVES	5.
ARTHUR H. READER	2.	*ROBERT VANNS	6.
LEONARD S. PARIS	3.	†TOM SAUNDERS	7.
ERNEST HOOK	4.	GEORGE W. MANSER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by T. SAUNDERS.

†First peal as conductor. *First peal with a bob bell.

SWINDON, WILTS.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Carter's 12-Part. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

JOHN M. BRINKWORTH	*Treble.*	CHARLES J. GARDINER	5.
OWEN W. LANG	2.	HENRY W. L. WELLS	6.
ROBERT W. HYNER	3.	THOMAS ROBINSON	7.
THOMAS RICKETTS	4.	*ALBERT E. W. SMITH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT W. HYNER.

*First peal.

COALBROOKDALE, SALOP.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S No. 60. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN OVERTON	*Treble.*	BERTRAM HEAD	5.
JOHN CARTER	2.	WILFRED OVERTON	6.
JOHN ELCOCK	3.	HORACE W. OVERTON	7.
ERNEST FOXALL	4.	WILLIAM SAUNDERS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

The band take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for his kind hospitality after the peal.

ALDERMASTON, BUCKS.-THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

W. FRANKUM	*Treble.*	W. CLARKE	5.
A. ARLOTT*	2.	W. BUCKLAND	6.
R. FRANKUM	3.	*S. COLLINS	7.
F. JACOBS*	4.	F. BUCKLAND	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. BUCKLAND.

*First peal. First peal by an entirely local band.

GOOLE, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Februuary 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 16¾ cwt.

HARRY C. WALTERS	*Treble.*	MARK TATE	5.
CHARLES JACKSON	2.	HERBERT LUDKIN	6.
CHARLES W. KING	3.	GEORGE HALKSWORTH	7.
FREDERICK TATE	4.	THOMAS M. BAKER	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE, and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

ROLLESTON-ON-DOVE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Single Court, Double Court. Oxford Bob, two 720s of Plain Bob, and 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 11¾ cwt.

CHARLES DRAPER	*Treble.*	ALBERT P. WAKLEY	4.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD	2.	JOHN HOUGH	5.
HERBERT HURDMAN	3.	DAVID COTTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN HOUGH.

First peal in six methods by all, on the bells, and by the Association.

STANSTED, ESSEX.-THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

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

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and Conducted by HENRY JAMES TUCKER.

STALYBRIDGE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, February 16, 1910, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 14 cwt.

John Pownall	*Treble.*	Tom Wilde	5.
Alfred Barnes	2.	Samuel Hill	6.
Rev. A. T. Beeston	3.	Albert Hough	7.
Herbert Davenport	4.	Benjamin Thorp	*Tenor.*

Composed by Arthur Craven, and Conducted by the Rev. A, T. Beeston.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

George Williams	*Treble.*	*William Rowe sen	5.
Walter G. Rowe	2.	Albert Mears	6.
William G. Edwards*	3.	William H. Gorge	7.
Charles J. Fray	4.	†William T. Tucker	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. T. Tucker.

*First peal of Bob Major. †First as conductor on eight bells and his 275th peal.

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PUDSEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Sunday, February 5, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,*

At the Residence of Ernest Mann,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES.

Fred W. Thorpe	1-2	Ernest Mann	5-6.
Fred W. Jones	3-4.	Ernest Hoyle	7-8.

Composed by Henry Johnson, and Conducted by Ernest Mann.

Umpire—Pratt Cordingley.

WATFORD, HERTS,

THE HERFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday February 6, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,*

At 7, Cassio Road.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Hubert Eden	1-2.	George N. Price	5-6.
Henry Hodgetts	3-4.	Fredk. White	7-8.

Conducted by George N. Price.

Umpire—Thomas L Simmons.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, February 12, 1911. *in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*

At the Residence of J. Osborn,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

John W. Lake	1-2.	Rupert Richardson	3-4.
James Osborn	5-6.		

Conducted by John W. Lake.

Witness—Mrs. Osborn.

Peal Correction.—The ringer of the 4th in the peal at Frensham reported last week, was W. H. Lowman, not Sowman.

On Tuesday, February 28th, the Sowton company visited Broadclyst, and by the kindness of the Rev. C. P. Whitaker had a very pleasant ring in the Grandsire method, after which Mr. F. Davey, on behalf of the Guild, presented them with their certificates of efficiency, entreating them to take to heart the Guild's motto of perseverance until they had completed the whole peal. An illuminated record of a peal rung a short time ago at Sowton, in which one of the above band took part, was presented to Mr. J. Seager on behalf of his brother ringers. The above band has also recently visited Pinhoe and Clyst Honiton.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 11th, the first quarterly meeting of the Western Branch was held at Hallow, near Worcester. Ringers were present from Worcester, Martley, Droitwich, Leigh, Upton-on-Severn. Malvern, Madresfield, and Powick, including Mr. J. R. Newman, Secretary of the Association, and Mr. W. Page (Branch Master). A service was held in the church, at which about forty members were present. The Vicar gave an address. Afterwards the visitors were most hospitably entertained to tea in the village club-room by Mrs W. Lea, of Hallow Park, under the able management of Mr. Haires. Full justice having been done to the good things provided, the cloth was removed, and the business meeting opened. The Rev. J. F. Hastings, of Martley, introduced the Vicar, and proposed him as an honorary member of the Association.

Upton-on-Severn was selected for the next quarterly meeting to be held on July 22nd. A quarterly peal was arranged to take place at Hallow, conducted by the Branch Master, Mr. W. Page. Twenty performing members. and two honorary members were proposed and accepted.

The Rev. J. F. Hastings in proposing a vote of thanks to the Vicar for his address and presiding at the meeting, said how pleased he was to see such a goodly number present, which spoke well for the success of the band. The Vicar, in reply, expressed his pleasure in being amongst them, and hoped to see them on many occasions. The best thanks of the meeting was tendered to Mrs. Wheeley Lea for her great kindness, and to the local ringers for their arrangements, and to Mr. Clay for presiding at the organ.

Mr. H. T. Knowles, Branch Secretary, appealed to those present to give the officers their hearty support during the coming year, so as to make the Western Branch a successful branch of the Association, and during the summer months to make visits to the outlying towers, for purposes of propagating the usefulness of the Association

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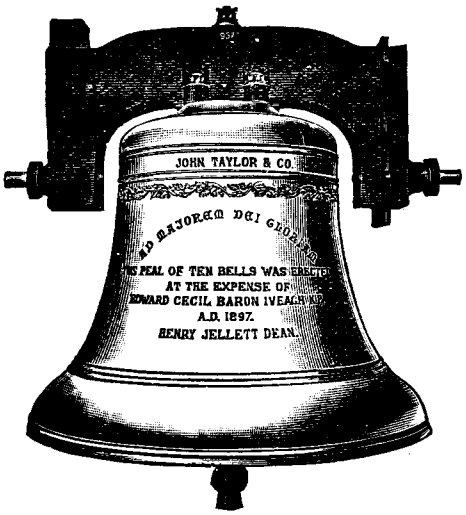

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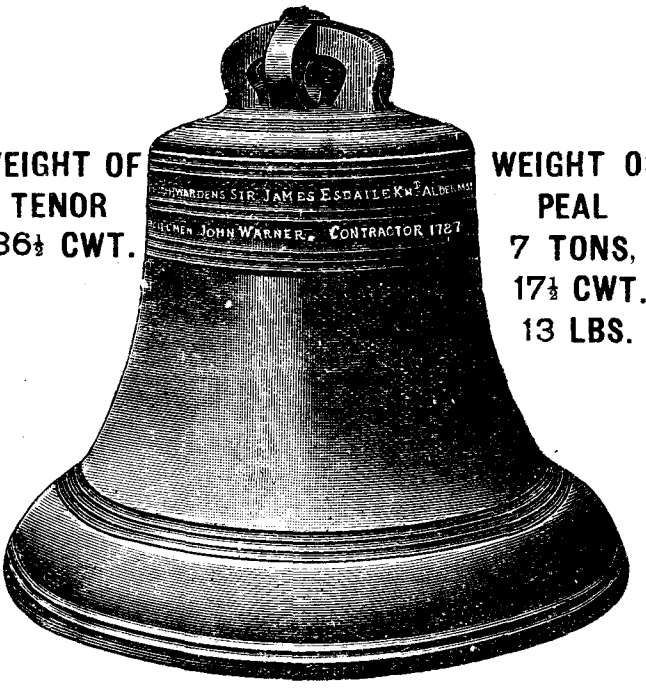

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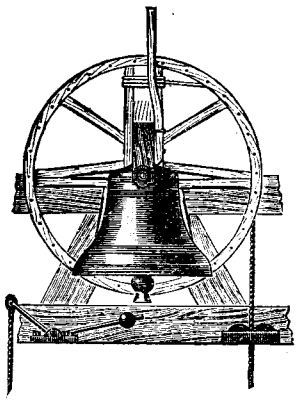

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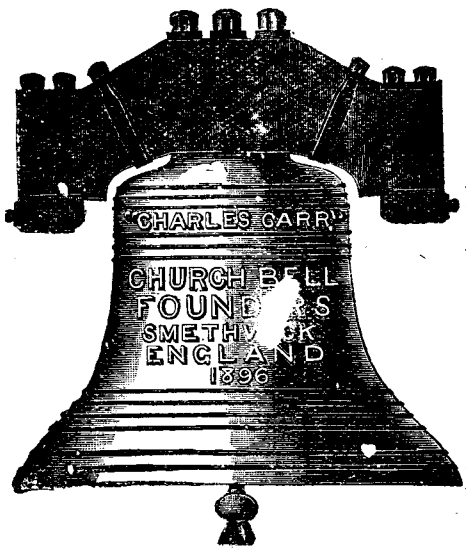

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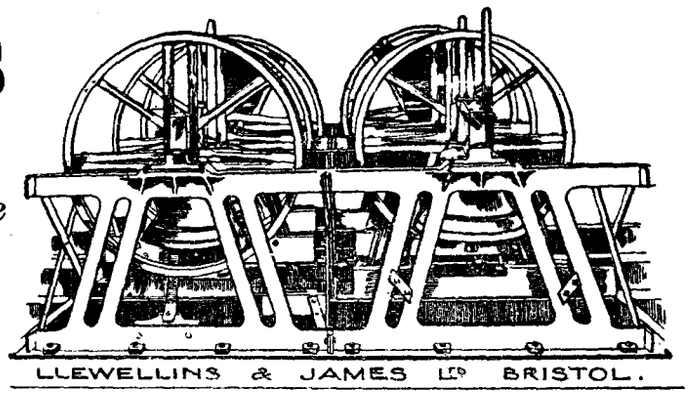

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CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

DEDICATION OF NEW TOWER AND BELLS.

The accommodation at the parish church of Caerphilly St. Martin's was taxed on Tuesday evening, March 14th, when the Bishop of Llandaff dedicated the new tenor and the peal of bells. The occasion gave further proof of the zeal of church workers in the parish of Caerphilly, and reflected additional credit on the incumbent, the Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A., rector of Caerphilly.

During the last nine years, under his direction, the church workers have undertaken much extension work, among which has been the extension of the parish church at a cost of £4,000, and the erection of a mission church at the lower end of the town, and now a new tower at a cost of £1,500 with a handsome peal of bells, the gift of Miss Anthony, the Grove, Caerphilly. The tower has been designed by the diocesan architect, Mr. G. E. Halliday, and the construction work has been carried out by Messrs. E. Turner & Sons, Cardiff. The tower is a massive and imposing structure, well suited to its surroundings, standing 75ft. 6in. in height and 23ft. in width. It is built of Pennant stone with hard bed Doulton stone dressings. The extension comprises a vestry, ringing room, clock room and belfry. The style is that of fourteenth English gothic.

The Rector of Caerphilly (the Rev. Connop L. Price), officiated at the service and he was assisted by the Rev. T. Jesse Jones, R.D., Rector of Gellygaer, and others.

Owing to the late arrival of the Bishop of Llandaff, the pulpit was filled by the Rector of Gellygaer, who said they were gathered there that night in that great church so recently extended, and those of them who could remember what the condition of things was a few years ago would remark upon the great and phenomenal change. There was an old picture in the vestry of old St. Martin's church, so lowly, so humble, utterly inadequate and utterly unappropriate for its purpose. All this had been changed, and they saw in its place a great building. The Bishop would presently dedicate that beautiful peal of bells given by a lady who bore a name that had been honoured in the valley for many and many a year.

The Bishop of Llandaff at the conclusion of the service apologised for his late arrival. It was very unfortunate that he had an accident in Cardiff, and through it he feared he had put many to considerable inconvenience. His taxi-cab had broken down as he was on his way to the station, and when he arrived there his train had gone. He was grateful to the Rector of the parish for proceeding with the service, and to the Rector of Gelligaer for taking the sermon. He congratulated them on the accomplishment of the work at St. Martins and on the beautiful peal of bells, and he hoped that those bells would be the means of drawing the thoughts of many to the source of all joy and comfort and the object of their worship.

The bells, a ring of eight, tenor 13 cwt., are by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and are a beautifully sweet toned ring. The "go" is perfect, and reflects the highest possible credit on the firm. Before and after the service touches of Grandsire Triples were rung by J. Clutterbuck, S. Dawe, M. B. Biss, F. Chamberlain, W. Bolton, W. Heath, J. Harris, F. E. B. Charles, J. W. Jones. At the conclusion of the ringing an excellent dinner was served at the Rectory to the ringers, the rector taking one end of the table, and Major Anthony, a nephew of the donor of the bells, taking the other end. After the dinner "the health of the donor of the bells" was proposed by the Rector, which was heartily drunk, and so also was the toasts of both the Rector and Major Anthony.

Advantage was taken of the occasion by the rector presenting on his own behalf to Mr. J. W. Jones a pocket wrap and photograph, as a small gift of gratitude for his interest and advice and help in connection with the bells. Train time was now approaching and steps were made for the station, each one returning home seemingly well pleased with the evening's proceedings.

THE ST. PETER MANCROFT RINGERS' GUILD.

The members of the above held their fourth annual meeting on Tuesday, February 14th, at the Central Cafe. Mr. Wallace King (churchwarden) took the chair, in the unavoidable absence of the Vicar. The report of the work done during the past year shews, besides the Sunday ringing, practices, etc., that three peals of 5000 changes have been rung by the Guild, including one on handbells. The hanging of the Gabriel bell, its dedication, and the fact that the bell has also been rung to its first peal, make up a very satisfactory account for the past year. Mr. D. I. Holme again takes the responsibility of presiding over the work of the belfry as ringing master, as well as continuing to act as treasurer: and Mr. F. H. Phillips takes office as hon. secretary. At the conclusion of the business the ringers were joined by the Rev. H. K. Johnston (who made the acquaintance of the Guild for the first time), and by six members of the St. John de Sepulchre ringers, and all did justice to an excellent dinner presided over by Mr. Holme.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FURNESS AND LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.)

The half-yearly meeting of the above was held at Broughton-in-Furness on Saturday, March 4th, members being present Broughton-in Furness, Dalton, Kirkby, Kendal, Silverdale, Brathay and Ambleside. The Vicar (Canon Mornington) presided, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. It was decided to hold the meetings quarterly instead of half yearly, the two extra meetings to be devoted entirely to ringing. The places chosen for the next meetings were Heversham for the quarterly in June, and Kendal for the annual in September. At the close of the meeting the Rev. A. Partridge, Vicar of Kirby-in-Furness, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Canon and Mrs. Mornington for presiding, and providing tea.

In returning thanks Canon Mornington said he heartily

welcomed the members of the Association to Broughton. They were workers for Christ and his Church: fellow-workers with the clergy. The interests and pains taken in the church bells were a true part of the Church life in a parish.

The ringers then adjourned to the belfry, where Bob Minor, Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples were rung; also Plain Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples on handbells by Messrs. Hewertson, Wells, Robinson, and Sharp.

WEMBDON CHURCH RESTORATION.

Improvements have come apace of late at the above church. Only last December the new organ was dedicated. Parts of the old instrument were incorporated in the present organ, but the greater part is new, and by its power and sweetness of tone gives great satisfaction. Now the peal of bells has been rehung in a steel frame, and the interior of the tower put into thorough repair. The peal is enlarged by the addition of a 6th bell, presented to the church in memory of the late Mr. J. H. Gould, for many years one of the churchwardens. The new bell, from the foundry of Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, arrived last week, and on entering the parish was decorated with flowers, evergreens and flags. As it proceeded to the church it was met by the school children, and drawn by them with much cheering to the foot of the steeple, and afterwards hoisted into its place among its fellows. The work of rehanging has been satisfactorily done by Messrs. T. Doble and Son, of Taunton. The two new bells—one of which replaces a defective 3rd in the old peal—were dedicated on a recent Sunday at the close of the morning service. At the same time a beautiful stained-glass window was dedicated.

The Vicar (Canon Lester), before dedicating these gifts, pointed out that God had revealed in Nature that he loves what is beautiful. The grandest landscape and the tiniest flower have equally this mark upon them, and we must not suppose that God only cares for beauty that is spiritual. In the Bible we read how His tabernacle was furnished with costly things, and later how the Temple as the House of God, was to be exceedingly magnificent, and how the people offered willngly to make it so. So it is our privilege to offer of our best to the glory of God in the furnishing and service of His House. At the same time we must not forget how pleasing to God is moral and spiritual goodness. He hoped that the enthusiasm which had been stirred in the parish and had been drawing people together, would lead on to an enthusiasm for godliness. A godly parish, like a godly honse, was the happiest that could be found. In conclusion the Vicar referred to the devotion and self-sacrifice of the young life laid down in South Africa, of which the window was a memorial, and to the late Mr. J. Gould, long resident in the parish, As the congregation left the church the complete peal of bells rang out joyously.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the North and East District of the above Association was held on Saturday, the 11th inst., at Christ church, Cubitt Town, and as was anticipated from the preparatians made, and the kindly welcome given by the Rev. E. Hartley, the Vicar, it proved most enjoyable. There might, of course, have been a great many more members present, but the inclemency of the weather and the fact that this "ultima thule" of the County of Middlesex is practically unknown to many of our ringers kept many away. The journey thither, however, was not really a difficult one, and with the experience gained at this, the first meeting of the kind held in that district, we feel sure that when the time for another meeting comes round, there will be much larger attendance. Great credit is due to those 30 members who came during the afternoon and evening, and went away thoroughly pleased with all they heard, and did, and saw.

Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and was at first confined to the more elementary methods, but as the day wore on and the gathering increased, touches were rung of Stedman, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, and Superlative.

A special service was held at 5 p.m., and was rendered especially bright and attractive by the presence of the full choir—a courtesy which ringers highly appreciate when they meet it, but which they too often miss. The Vicar gave a short address from Zechariah xiv. 20, and earnestly exhorted his hearers to walk worthy of their vocation. Then came tea and the usual business meeting, with much more ringing as the evening wore on, lasting until nearly 9 o'clock. The late hon. sccretary, Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., happened to be in London, and his presence at the meeting showed that he has not lost and is not likely to lose his interest in the Association which he so faithfully served.

Our thanks are due to the Vicar, to the choir, and to the local bell ringers who did so much to make this meeting a bright and successful one.

VISIT TO A BELL FOUNDRY.

On Tuesday, March 14th, some twenty ringers, sidesmen, and churchwardens, including the Hon. P. B. Lyon (people's warden), and others interested, accepted the invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, to visit their foundry, and also the interesting event of seeing some of the old Edenbridge church bells recast. They were met by Mr. Cyril Johnston and Mr. Johnston, sen., who kindly conducted the party over their works, and explained the various machines to be seen there. To one and all this was of great interest, and also from a ringer's point of view, the many bells which the firm now have on hand, in all stages of production, including tuning. The new peal of eight for Heywood, Lancashire, which were admitted to be of excellent tone, a contrast to the old eight from Wimborne Miuster in the same yard. The new frame was being completed to hold a ring of ten. After spending a most enjoyable two hours in the foundry, Mr. C. Johnston had thoughtfully arranged for a a ring on the bells at Croydon parish church, and several touches were brought round, and regret was expressed at having to leave for train. The ringers and party wish to convey their best thanks to Mr. Johnston and Mr. Cyril Johnston for their hospitality.

EALING.—On Sunday, January 22th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Treble Bob Major. W. Lawrence, J. A. Trollope conductor, E. F. Cole, F. Bennett, J. E. Davis, C. Winney, W. Hewett, A. Harding.

SUTTON COLDFIELD.—On Sunday. February 19th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. W. James conductor A. Alsop, C. Waithman, G. Roberts, B. Claydan, T. Bloore, B. Leedam, W. Parr. First quarter-peal in the method as conductor.

ST. LUKE'S BELLS, HEYWOOD.

The tenor bell for St. Luke's church, Heywood, was cast on Saturday last at Messrs. Gillett and Johnson's works, Croydon, and on the invitation of the firm, nine of the ringers, Mr. Greenhalgh, one of the churchwardens; Mr. James Berry, a past warden; and two other friends journeyed to London to see the cast. They left by the 12 o'clock train from Manchester (Victoria) on Friday night, landing at St. Pancras at 5.50 on Saturday morning. After a visit to Covent Garden Market, and then breakfast, the party met the Rev. Basil Hughes, the late Rector of St. Luke's, and visits were then made to Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace, the Houses of Parliament, Tower Bridge, and St. Paul's. The party then went on to Croydon, where they were met by Mr. Houseman, the manager of the firm, who conducted the party to the residence of Mr. Johnston, where they were entertained to lunch.

Mr. Greenhalgh afterwards proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Johnston for the kind way they had been entertained. He said he felt sure that in placing their order for the bells they had selected a firm that would do their best to give every satisfaction; and that so far it had been a great pleasure to do business with them, and he thought no one would have any cause to regret.

Mr. J. Partington, seconded the resolution, and it was agreed to.

Mr. Johnston briefly replied, and thanked the visitors for the trouble they had taken in coming to Croydon. It showed the great interest they all must have in travelling so far to see the last of their bells cast. Seven of them were already completed, and they would this afternoon see the tenor bell cast.

The party then adjourned to the foundry, where they were met by an old Heywoodite, Mr. W. Ambler, who now resides in Croydon. The bells that were already fixed in the frame were rung, and Mr. Johnston explained the casting of bells, and gave particulars of the composition of bell metal. Afterwards the photographs of the party and bells were taken, and then they adjourned to the moulding room, where the men were waiting to run the metal into the mould. An explanation was given of the mould, and the furnace was opened, and in a minute or two the bell was cast. The party afterwards visited the tower of the works, and then took train to London, where some of them left at midnight and arrived home at 9 o'clock on Sunday morning; the others arriving home on Sunday night.

A TRIANGULAR TOWER.

The church of All Saints, Maldon, Essex, is considered to be one of the most interesting in the county. It is built of flint and stone, and existed as long ago as 1180. A notable feature is its triangular tower, which is believed to be unique in England. This is surmounted by a hexagonal spire and pinnacles at the angles. In a vault within the church lie the remains of an inhabitant noted for his enormous size. Seven men were actually buttoned up in his waistcoat, which is still in existence. He died in 1750, aged 29, weighing 44 stone. His coffin was let down into the vault by an engine fixed up in the church. The churchyard contains the grave of Lawrence Washington, the great great grandfather of the first President of the United States, who died in 1652.

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Repeat, but omitting last bob at home produce—

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The whole repeated.

AN APPEAL.

I kindly ask if the readers of this paper will assist me in subscribing a small amouunt towards the widow and three young children of the late Mr. W. J. Collison, who passed away on January 20th, after a very lingering and painful illness, at the age of 37 years. The deceased, who served during the best part of the South African War, came to Thanet about eight years ago, and joined the St. John's, Margate, ringers and took a very active part in instructing the younger members. Through no fault of his own he has been unable to provide for those he leaves behind, and for these I humbly make this appeal. Whatever sum you can send me will be gratefully received and appreciated. A. H. Saxby, Captain St. John's Ringers.

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly meeting of the Rochester District was held at St. Mary, Upchurch. There was a poor attendance, owing no doubt to the inclement weather. The towers represented were Tunstall, Newington, Rainham, Gillingham, Rochester and Upchurch. Ringing commenced at 3.45 and continued till 5 p.m., when the business meeting was held.

The Vicar, who had visited us earlier in the afternoon, expressed his sorrow at not being able to attend the meeting, as business called him away, but he extended a hearty welcome to the Association, wishing them success. He also invited those present to tea.

In the absence of the Vicar, one of the churchwardens, the captain of the local band (Mr. W. T. Hyland), was elected to the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, six full members and three probationers elected, and Swanscombe was selected for the next meeting to be held in June. Votes of thanks were accorded the Vicar for the use of tower and bells, and for his kind invitation to tea, and lastly to the chairman.

After tea ringing was again indulged in, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob being rung. This concluded what proved to be a pleasant gathering, in spite of the weather.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

A meeting of the ringers of Newcastle parish church was held on Monday last, when there were present the Vicar and several members. The Secretary (Mr. G. Roberts), having resigned his office on account of leaving for Canada, it was proposed and seconded that Mr. J. A. Stanley be elected in his place. A pleasant function took place later, when Mr. R. Evans, the Master, presented Mr. Roberts, on behalf of the ringers, with a handsome dressing case, as a mark of their appreciation for valuable services rendered for many years. He complimented Mr. Roberts upon his regularity and efficiency as a ringer.

The Vicar spoke a few words, and expressed the hope that Mr. Roberts would spend many happy years in his new home.

Mr. Roberts replied with much feeling, and said he would value the gift in remembrance of the good old days spent at Newcastle.

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THE LATE MR. G. MARSDEN, OF ECKINGTON.

On Friday morning, February 24th, the above ringer passed away at the age of 82. He had a stroke shortly before his death, and lost consciousness. He was a native of Eckington, and an edge tool maker, and at one time carried on business in his native village. In his younger days he was an ardent cricketer, and was renowned for his deadly slow bowling. His connection with the Eckington parish church ringers dates back from 1852, his skill as a six-bell ringer being too well known to need comment, both as a conductor and good striker. Marsden was one of a few who could boast of having every copy of "THE BELL NEWS" from its commencement. Latterly his hearing was much impaired, which compelled his retirement from ringing. Some years ago the writer of these few notes, who learnt under the old man's banner, often paid him a visit. During one of these visits Marsden gave him a note dated December 25th, 1902, which Marsden asked him to send to "THE BELL NEWS" at his death. It reads: "Began to ring 1852. For fifty years I rung at Eckington parish church, and during that period I walked to ring for Divine Service and practice twelve thousand miles, and to ring at other churches three thousand miles. I rung on the church bells of seventy different towers, at fifty of them I rang 720 changes. I have rung seven 5040s and conducted six of them." The writer remembers making a comment about the many miles walked, and the old man said: "Nay, lad, I thought nought to bit of walking. I remember once going to London on a trip, and had a good day, perhaps too good. I missed my train, and all the brass was gone, so I set off to walk back. I begged my way and slept the best I could and landed home in three days—150 miles." He was also a famous swimmer. It is also worthy of record that it was mainly through the efforts of deceased that a set of forty-two handbells were obtained for Eckington. The deceased leaves a widow and five daughters. The interment took place at Eckington Cemetery on Tuesday. Afterwards, with the bell half-muffled, 720 Oxford was rung. F. Hancock, J. Morton, E. James, W. T. Palmer, S. Robinson, sen., J. Robinson, jun.

There needs another Marsden in Eckington. In his day the local band could ring in thirty different methods. Now they have a ring of eight and only five ringers. I have heard the old man say there was alway as good fish in the sea as ever got out: if so it is time they cast the net. E. J.

PRESENTATION AT GUILDFORD, SURREY.

An interesting little ceremony took place on Friday evening, the 17th inst., at Holy Trinity belfry, when Mr. B. Chorley (hon. sec.) in the unavoidable absence of the Rector, presented on behalf of the other ringers a silver cigarette case, suitably inscribed, to Mr. C. Willshire, jun., who, to the regret of all, is leaving Guildford to enter His Majesty's Navy.

Mr. Chorley, in the course of a few remarks, referred to the regret they all felt at losing such a promising young ringer, and hoped that the small token of their esteem and regard would always serve to remind him of his old associates in change-ringing at Holy Trinity, Guildford.

Mr. C. Willshire, jun. suitably thanked his colleagues for their kindness.

Although Mr. Willshire is not yet out of his teens he has taken part in some thirty-four peals, including peals of Superlative, Cambridge, London, Bristol, and Norfolk Surprise. Owing to services it was not possible to arrange a farewell peal on the church bells, so a handbell peal was rang by four members of the Holy Trinity Society, a record of which will appear in due course.

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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 the 30th, at 7 30.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A meeting for practice and social intercourse will be held to-day, Sat, March 25th, at All Saints, West Ham. E. The tower will be open for ringing from 4 15 to 8.15 p.m. The business meeting will be held at 8.15 p m. It is hoped as many members who can make it convenient will attend·

T. H. TAFFSNDER. *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.–A meeting will be held at the parish church, High Barnet, on Easter Monday, by kind permis ion of the Rector. All members and friends of the Association are cordially invited. The bells will be available from 2 30 p.m. Tea at 5, with business meeting to follow. The Hon. Secretary would be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, St John's Road, Walthamstow.

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Penwortham to-day, Sat, March 25th. Eel's (6) at 3. Meeting at 5 30.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

Leeds and District Society.—A supplementary meeting will be held at Drighlington to-day, Sat., March 25th. Peal attempt at 2.30 (Grandsire). Business at 7 30 p.m.

A. S. MITCHELL, *Hon. Sec.*
2, Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.

The Lancashire Association. — Bolton Branch. — A joint branch and committee meeting will be held at St. George's, Bolton, to-day, Sat., March 25th.

G. PINCOTT, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.–Tonbridge District.—A combined practice for Double Norwich will be held at Tonbridge to-day, Sat., March 25th. Tower open at 7. It is hoped that members will make an effort to attend. W. LATTER, *Dis. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.–Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Hulme, an Saturday, April 1st. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7, when it is hoped the Rector will preside.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Norwich Diocesan Association.—Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 2 o'clock. A free tea will be provided by the Vicar and Mayor. Will members who intend to be present kindly notify me not later than Thursday, April 13th.

A. J. NAUNTON, *Dis. Sec.*
Wrentham. Wangford.

Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society.–The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield on Easter Monday. Bells available from 12 o'clock by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. F. W. Pawson. T. RILEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Halstead on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 3 p.m Tea 1s. each, will be provided at The White Horse at 5.30 for those giving notice by the 14th to A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Surrey Association. — Quarterly meeting at Carshalton on Easter Monday. Bells open from 2 to 9 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. which ringers are requested to attend. Tea at 6 p.m. in the parish room, meeting afterwards, at which the Rector will preside. Will unattached members who intend being present, please notify Mr. F. Holder. 1, Palmerston Road, Carshalton, not later than Thursday, April 13th.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

5700 BOB ROYAL.

By GEORGE F. HOAD.

23456	W	M	H
64325	S	–	–
36425			–
43625			–
62435	–		–
46235			–
23465	–		–
42365			–
34265			–

Repeat three times; omit single in 2nd and 4th parts. Rung as a 5040 by omitting 3H in the 3rd and 4th parts.

5012 BOB MAJOR.

By E. M. ATKINS, St. Catherine's College, Cambridge.

23456	W	B	M	H
52464	–	–		–
35264				–
32564				S
53264				–
25364				–
23564				S
62345	–	–		–
36245				–
23645				–
42635	–			
34625	–			
24635	S			
32645	–			
64325	–			–
36425				–
42365	–			–
34265				–
32465				S
43265				–
24365				–
23465				S
45236	–			–
24536				–
53246	–			–
25346				–
32546				–
54356	–			–
35426				–
43526				–
52436	–			–
43456	S			–
24356				–
32456				–

Repeat last twelve courses, calling first course W H.

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5056 BOB MAJOR.

By H. PRICE.

56	4ths	H
56425	–	–
45623		–
64523		–
23564	–	–
52364		–
35264		–
64235	–	–
26435		–
42635		–
35642	–	–
63542		–
56342		–
42356	–	–
35426	W	–
43526		–
52436	–	–
45236		–
24536		–
53246	–	–
25346		–
23546		–
54326	–	–
32456	S	–
43526		–

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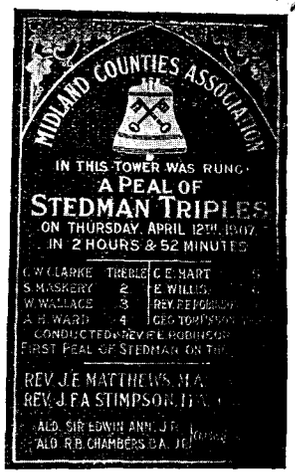

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1911.

MACHEN, NEAR NEWPORT, MON.

A public meeting was held at the church room, Machen, on Thursday last, when the Rector of the parish (the Rev. Canon Griffith) presented a report on the proposed restoration of the parish church bells. Owing to the rotten state of the framework of the bells they have not been rung for some time, and a short time ago they were lowered to the ground for safety. An estimate from a well known firm of bellfounders for the restoration of the bells with a steel framework for the peal of six was submitted; but on the suggestion of the hon. secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, it was decided to have the full ring of eight, the estimate for which was about £350.

Several local gentlemen have promised subscriptions towards the restoration, and already about £126 has been promised.

The Metropolis.

(CORRECTED ISSUE.)

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, February 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES, CRIPPLEGATE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5002 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

EDWIN HORBEX	*Treble.*	CHARLES S. BURLEN ..	7.
HARRY R PASMORE.. ..	2.	CHALLIS F. WINNEY.. ..	8.
THOMAS FAULKNER	3.	FREDK. DENCH	9.
HERBERT LANGDON	4.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	10.
FREDK. J. HARDY*	5.	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL	11.
HENRY R. NEWTON	6.	RICHARD F. DEAL	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

*First peal on twelve bells. This peal takes the place of the one published in our issue of March 11th.

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

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM, SOUTH HACKNEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 20¾ cwt.

SIDNEY F. GOWLETT	*Treble.*	WILLIAM TRUSS	5.
RICHARD F. DEAL	2.	JAMES BULLOCK	6.
HENRY T. GOWLETT	3.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	7.
FREDK. J. HARDY	4.	ALBERT RILEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD F. DEAL.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty s ven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15¾ cwt.

WILLIAM HEWETT	*Treble.*	HENRY S ELLIS	5.
FRANK BENNETT	2.	WILLIAM HOLLIER	6.
FRANK HAIRS	3.	*ALFRED W. GRIMES	7.
SEDLEY J COLLINS	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 20, 1910, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM HEWETT	*Treble.*	FRANK HAIRS	5.
HENRY S. ELLIS	2.	EDWIN F. PIKE	6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY	3.	ALFRED GRIMES	7.
WILLIAM HOLLIER	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Hollier, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WOOLWICH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE	*Treble.*	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	5.
JOHN E. BEAVEN	2.	ALFRED PYE	6.
WILLIAM WATCHORN	3.	WILLIAM J. JEFFERIES	7.
ERNEST W. CLOVER*	4.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

*First peal in the method.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, February 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHERCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED W. GRIMES	*Treble.*	JOHN J. LAMB	5.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	2.	CHARLES T. COLES	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
WILLIAM HEWETT	4.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDK. BORRETT	*Treble.*	GEORGE MURTON	5.
HUBERT DAY	2.	FREDK. DAY	6.
WALTER LAST	3.	ERNEST POPPY	7.
W. J. G. BROWN	4.	ROBERT RUTH	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

WILTON, TAUNTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two scores. Tenor 12 cwt.

G. HARDNELL	*Treble*	A. WYATT	4.
H. MOGRIDGE	2.	H. HAYWARD	5.
A. W. HAYWARD	3.	N. BALL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. H. HAYWARD.

N. Ball was elected a member of the Association previous to starting. First peal by all except the conductor; also the first peal rung on the bells by the Wilton Guild.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, February 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WOOLOS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

CORNELIUS BOWEN	*Treble.*	JOHN BUTLER	5.
FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES	2.	ALFRED W. BRIGHTON	6.
JOHN W. JONES	3.	JAMES PIPPIN	7.
FREDK. ATWELL	4.	JOHN GODDARD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES.

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MANCHESTER.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE TOWN HALL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES.

Tenor 52 cwt.

HARRY CHAPMAN	*Treble.*	BENJAMIN A KNIGHTS	6.
SAMUEL SCOTT	2.	FREDK. PAGE	7.
TOM WILDE	3.	JOSEPH RIDYARD	8.
ROBERT DAVIES	4.	BENJAMIN THORPE	9.
GEORGE R. NEWTON	5.	RICHARD NEWTON, RALPH WILLIAMS	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. and Conducted by B. THORPE.

Rung to celebrate the birthday of R. Newton, one of the ringers of the tenor.

BOLSOVER, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

JOHN FLINT	*Treble.*	GEORGE W. MOSS	5.
JOHN HOLMAN	2.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS	6.
WILLIAM LAMBERT	3.	GEORGE W. BEMROSE	7.
THOMAS BETTISON*	4.	SAM THOMAS	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

*First peal of New Cambridge.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, and Bob Minor.

Tenor 13 cwt.

CHARLES NUNN	..*Treble.*	GEORGE KEMP	4.
ALPHAEUS J. BERRY	2	THOMAS DAVY	5.
LEONARD LAST	3.	GEO. CATTERMOLE ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLE.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5016 CHANGES;

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS WHITE	..*Treble.*	ALFRED WALLACE	5.
EDWARD ELLIOTT	2.	EDWIN BLACKWELL	6.
HENRY GREGORY	3.	WILLIAM TAYLOR	7.
FREDK. W. BIRLEY*	4.	*JAMES E. MELLOR ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

*First peal.

BUCKNALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, College Pleasure, City Delight, Duke of York, Violet, Woodbine, and Oxford. Tenor 10¼ cwt.

CLEMENT POINTON ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM WHEELDON ..	4.
GEORGE CLARKSON	2.	CHARLES PRESTON	5.
JOSEPH PRESTON	3.	DANIEL PRESTON ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by D. PRESTON.

*First peal.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE,

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

GEORGE H. TOWELL*	..*Treble.*	*W. EDGAR HIGGS	5.
SIDNEY HUDDLESTON†	.. 2.	RICHARD MOUNT	6.
FREDK. C. TOWELL* ..	.. 3.	R. HENRY BABTRAM ..	7.
WALTER JAMES	.. 4.	*SIDNEY B. HIGGS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. H. BARTRAM.

*First peal on eight bells, and was elected a member previous to starting. †First peal with a bob bell.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20½ cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST S. BAILEY	5.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	2.	CHARLES F. BAILEY ..	6.
FREDK. J. SMITH	3.	EDGAR H. BAILEY	7.
JAMES M. BAILEY	4.	GEORGE WILSON ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal of Triples by all the band.

COGGESHALL ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5600 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qrs. 5 lbs. in F.

PERCY LANGSTON	..*Treble.*	JOHN SADLER	5.
JAMES FLEUTY	2.	CHARLES NORFOLK	6.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH ..	7.
FRANK CLAYDON	4.	DAVID ELLIOTT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

PONTESBURY, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES GURNEY*	..*Treble.*	*WILFRED ASHTON	4.
GEORGE J. TAYLOR†	2.	*THOMAS W. STEDMAN ..	5.
E. R. TREVOR CORBETT* ..	3.	†ROBERT B. WOOD ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE J. TAYLOR.

*First peal. †First peal of Doubles. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells.

SHIPLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES COTTERELL ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM E. WALAND ..	5.
ALBERT C. FEARNLEY ..	2.	JOSEPH FROADLEY	6.
THOMAS B. KENDALL ..	3.	FRED SALMONS	7.
WILLIAM B. SMITH	4.	GEORGE A. NETTLETON	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and Conducted by T. B. KENDALL.

Rung after meeting short for Stedman Triples, Mr. Waland taking the vacant rope.

WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—ROSSENDALE BRANCH.

On Saturday, February 18, 1910, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15¾ cwt.

F. HOWARTH	..*Treble.*	S. PICKUP	5.
G. BROWN	2.	J. S. LOMAS	6.
J. T. STANDRING	.. 3.	J. H. BARNES	7.
D. BRIGGS*	.. 4.	W. ASHWORTH	..*Tenor.*

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by J. H. BARNES.

*First peal. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

HUBERT SALISBURY ..	..*Treble.*	REV. E. V. COX	6.
FRANK COOK*	2.	*HERBERT F. KNOWLES ..	7.
THOMAS EDWIN*	3.	REV. C. CAREW COX ..	8.
REV. J. F. HASTINGS ..	4.	EDWARD H. ADAMS	9.
HENRY MIDDLETON	5.	WILLIAM H. JOHNSON	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. NEWMAN, and
Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

*First peal of Caters. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Caters by the above Association. This peal is now rung for the first time.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 10¾ cwt.

ANDERSON Y. TYLER	*Treble.*	WALTER GERMAN	5.
FRANK KIRK	2.	HUBERT HORN	6.
FRED STUBBS	3.	WALTER GILBERT	7.
WILLIAM J. GILBERT	4.	ALFRED H. MARTIN	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday February 18 1911 in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt

REV. H. LAW JAMES	*Treble.*	C WILLIAM SMITH	5.
FRED W. STOKES	2.	JOHN T. HOLMES	6.
JOHN W. LAKE	3.	WILLIAM DICKINSON	7.
JOHN W. WOOD	4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and
Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is the first peal of Oxford Treble Bob by the Guild, and by all the band except the conductor. Rung after meeting short for Royal.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 8 cwt.

J. HOUGH	*Treble.*	H. HURDMAN	4.
W. W. WORTHINGTON	2.	D. COTTON	5.
W. J. SMITH*	3.	L. BULLOCK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by L. BULLOCK.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells and by all the band. *First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

DIBDEN, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR PRINCE‡	*Treble.*	WILLIAM CHAMBERS, JUN.	5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	2.	†WILLIAM RAWLINGS	6.
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS	3.	HERBERT PAYNE	7.
WALTER G. ROWE	4.	*JOHN CURTISS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

*First peal. ‡First peal away from the tenor. †First peal with a bob bell. The ringers of 2, 3 and 4 belong to the North Stoneham band; the rest are local men.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

DICK ILIFFE	*Treble.*	ERNEST MORRIS	5.
VICTOR GEARY	2.	THOMAS B. SMITH	6.
JOSIAH MORRIS	3.	*FRED STANIFORTH	7.
JOHN T. TAYLOR	4.	EDWARD GEARY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED STANIFORTH.

First peal in the method by all except the ringers of the 3rd and 5th. *First peal as conductor.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DERBY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

JOSEPH DAVIES	*Treble.*	*GEORGE FREEBODY	5.
CHARLES DRAPER	2	ERNEST H. CLARKE	6.
JOHN VICKERS	3.	BART MITCHELL	7.
ALBERT H. WARD	4.	HERBERT E. WARD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

*First peal.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, February 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 9 cwt.

HENRY MACKLOVE	*Treble.*	WALTER POSTON	4.
EDWARD SUMMERS	2.	WILLIAM POSTON	5.
JAMES BLAKE	3.	ROBERT SUMMERS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

First peal on the bells since their restoration by Messrs. Carr, of Smethwick, in December last. The 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th were recast, and a new treble added with most satisfactory results.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, February 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDERICK H. KNIGHTS	*Treble.*	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN	5.
FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN	2.	GEORGE HOWCHIN	6.
BEN. S. THOMPSON	3.	FREDERICK KNIGHTS	7.
ALBERT ROUGHT*	4.	ALBERT G. WARNES	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

*First peal in the method.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, College and London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDRICK SKINNER	*Treble.*	FREDERICK MANSER	4.
GEORGE SNELLING	2.	JOHN SNELLING	5.
ALBERT BROWN	3.	FREDERICK SEAGER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

LYTHAM.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FYLDE DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER (R.C.)

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative Surprise, Violet, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Merchant's Return, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM TOMLINSON	*Treble.*	*FRANK GILLETT	4.
RALPH JOHNSON*	2.	*WILLIAM CARDWELL	5.
ROBERT CARDWELL	3.	GEORGE MARIES	*Tenor.*

*First peal. This is the first peal of Treble Bob Minor ever rung in Lytham or the Fylde district.

DEANE.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

ASPINWALL'S.

FRANK MORRIS	*Treble.*	RICHARD HEALD	5.
HERBERT BENTLEY*	2.	TITUS BARLOW	6.
WILLIAM DUCKWORTH	3.	*ROBERT BENNETT	7.
THOMAS WORSLEY*	4.	JOHN MOSCROP	*Tenor.*

Conducted by TITUS BARLOW.

*First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to H. Bentley, who is leaving for Canada.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE,
STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 21, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 22 cwt.

GEORGE BLOOR	*Treble.*	GEORGE WOODS	5.
FREDERICK GOLDSTRAW	2.	JAMES AUSTIN	6.
SIDNEY CHURTON	3.	CHARLES PAGE	7.
ERNEST LANDON	4.	*HAROLD AUSTIN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by SIDNEY CHURTON.

*First peal. This peal was arranged for F. Goldstraw, who is on a visit from Canada.

LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

SAMUEL MUMBY	*Treble.*	WILLIAM BURRIDGE	4.
REV. C. J. STURTON	2.	HORACE HARRISON	5.
GEORGE R. TRUSS	3	JOHN B. HALLIFAX	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. B. HALLIFAX.

This is the first peal by the ringers of the treble, 4th, and 5th, who are members of the local band.

RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART.

C. J. STAINER	*Treble.*	*F. HOUSE	5.
P. LONG	2.	E. HATCHER	6.
G. H. COOMBES	3.	A. R. WARD	7.
W. E. WARD	4.	W. KEMP	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. R. WARD.

*First peal in the method.

DODDINGTON, CAMBS.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 22, 1910, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being twelve 6-scores each of Canterbury and Grandsire, and eighteen of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt

A. MATTOCK	*Treble.*	J. ROWLINSON	3.
J. GRANGER	2.	D. CRASHLAY	4.
A. J. ABRAMS	*Tenor.*		

Conducted by A. J. ABRAMS.

This is believed to be the first peal on the bells. First peal of Doubles by all the band.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, February 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

EDWARD I. STONE	*Treble.*	GEORGE BULL	5.
WILLIAM J. SMITH	2.	ALBERT P. WAKLEY	6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY	3.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	7.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD	4.	WALTER WALLACE	*Tenor*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part, Tenor 24 cwt.

A. KNIGHT*	*Treble.*	J. C. SHATFORD	5.
C. W. BIRD	2.	D. J. NICHOLS	6.
R. TURNER	3.	A. E. PAYNE	7.
F. W. SAWFOOT	4.	A. V. INNS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. E. PAYNE.

*First peal. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung after the induction of the Rev. C. B. Lucas, M.A., as Rector of Kettering by the Bishop of Peterborough.

HERTFORD.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, February 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies's Five-Part.

Walter J. Newnham*	*Treble.*	*Ernest J. Newell	5.
Herbert Baker	2.	William H. Lawrence	6.
Joseph Ladley	3.	Arthur Wright	7.
Henry T. Cook	4.	*Herbert A. Fentiman	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Herbert Baker.

*First peal. First peal in the method on the bells.

Handbell Peals.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, February 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT	1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN.	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING	3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER	7-8.
FRANK BLONDELL	9-10.		

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—S. Radford. This is the first peal of Stedman Caters on handbells by all, and also the first by the above Guild.

BOXLEY.—On Tuesday, February 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. L. Bowley, W. Gosling conductor, W. Hope, A. Baker, G. Pound, W. Kilpatrick. Rung with bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. Knatchbull-Hugessen, founder, and first secretary of the above Association.

CRICH.—On Tharsday, February 7th, 720 Grandsire Minor, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to Goorge Wildgoose, who was an old ringer for many years. A. Allwood, G. Holmes, G. Brown, H. Allwood, W. Drake conductor, W. Piggin.

THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION.

AYLSHAM.—On Friday, February 17th, 5,004 Oxford Treble Bob Major. W. Medler, E. King, J. Moy, J. Pilch, J. Godfrey, W. Rought, F. Elliott, G. Moy.

STRATTON STRAWLESS.—On Saturday, February 25th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. J. Godfrey, E. King, W. Rought, F. Elliott, J Moy, G. Moy.

BUXTON.—Recently 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. W. Medler, F. Elliott, J. Moy, J. Godfrey, E. King, G. Moy.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

WEST HAM.—On Sunday, March 4th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 48 mins. W. Doran conductor, A. Neale, H. Torble, T. Cranfield, W. Truss, F. Newman, R. Sanders, W. Theobald, J. Moule, G. Haydon. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. J. McPhail and Miss Hayden, eldest daughter of Mr. G, Hayden, one of the local ringers, all wishing them many happy years.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday, February 19th, at St. Peter's church, 1260 Stedman Triples. H. Cobbin, T. Flint. T. Burnham, F. Tite, J. Clarke, E. Oliver, W. Bellamy conducter, E. Parlett.

NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

WORKSOP.—On Sunday, March 5th, 210 and 336 Grandsire Triples. G. Haigh conductor, H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson, W Roberts, T. Bartholomew, T. Wilson, F. Hind. On Monday, March 6th, 504 Grandsire Triples. G. Haigh conductor, H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson, H. Haigh, T. Bartholomew, T. Wilson, F. Hind. Rung as a parting touch for G. Haigh, aged 16 years, who sailed for Manitoba on March 8th. This is the last touch which will be rung for practice on the bells until rehung.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BLEWBURY.—On Thursday, March 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Welch, E. Aldridge, Miss M. Nightingale, C. Gregory, R. James, G. James conductor, M. Caudwell, T. Aldworth.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST CLANDON.-On Sunday, February 26th, 720 Winchester Surprise. F. Day, W. Savage, H. Blackman, J. Goacher, W. Day, F. Bennett conductor. This is Surprise Minor No. 5 in the Central Council's Legitimate Methods.

NETHERSEALE.—On Saturday, March 11th, at St. Peter's church, 720 Netherseale Surprise. F. Shepherd. W. W. Worthington, W. J. Smith, J. H. Swinfield, A. P. Wakley, L. Bullock conductor. Also 720 Single Court, conducted by A. P. Wakley. First on the bells.

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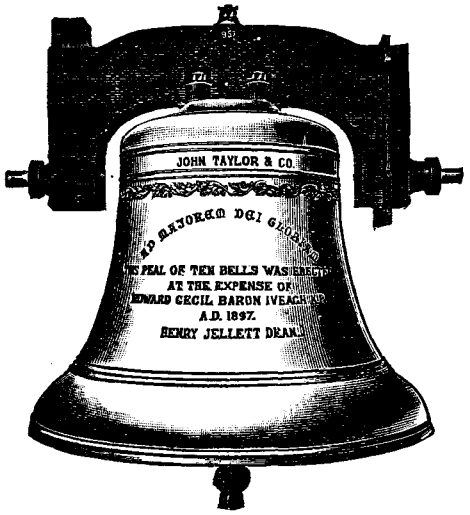

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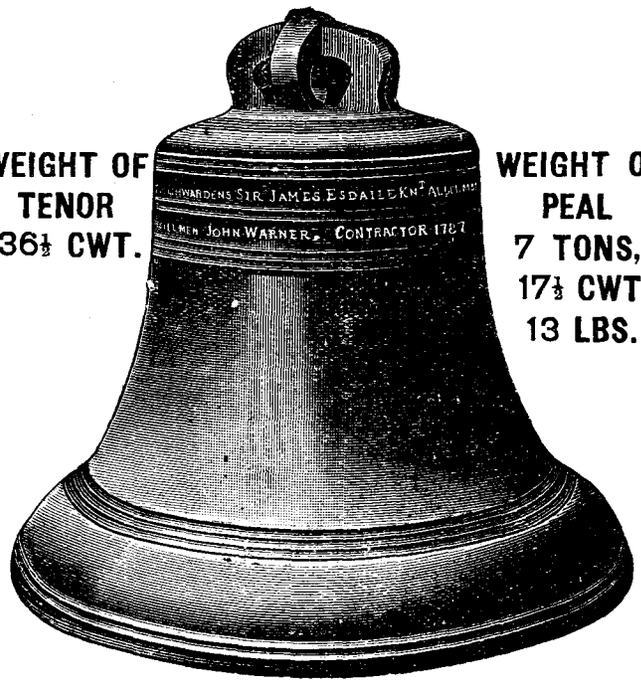

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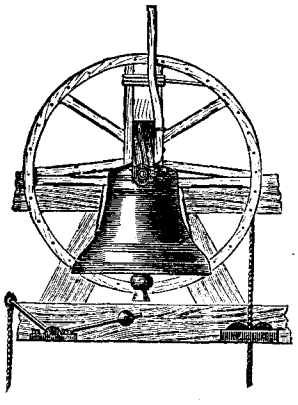

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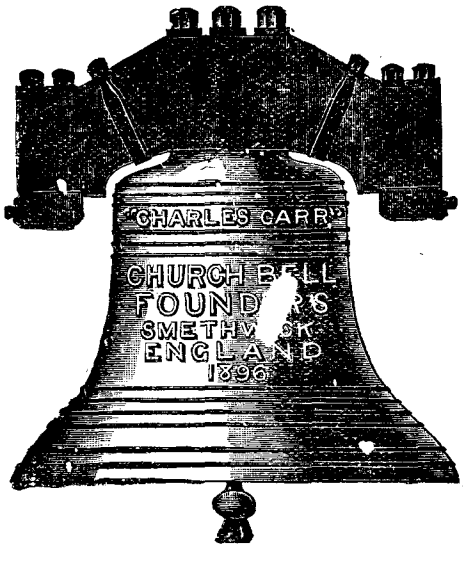

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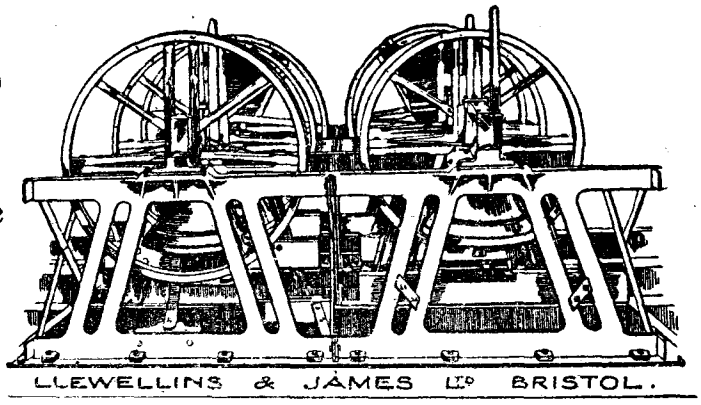

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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING, HORBURY, JANUARY 28TH.

[BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

When this eventful day broke mild and sunny there were many pulses that set up a few extra beats per minute —the more so when the artic weather of the last "Annual" was remembered. In very truth it was a wonderful contrast, for it was in the very same week in the year, and, indeed, a day earlier, as Headingley's date was the twenty-ninth.

It was a grand "sample," as the Yankee cynic scornfully termed our clerk-of-the-weather's endeavour to provide variety. But there was more behind it than might appear to a stranger, for had we not been again invited to Horbury where, some ten years previously, we had been entertained in a manner that was almost startling in its completeness. What wonder then if, with the many former excellencies vibrating in our memories, we were trusting to find ourselves once more in luck's way. The previous meeting had been an autumnal one—how would they deal with the "Annual" was our wonder?

At that time their grand old Vicar, Canon Sharp, was alive; one whose name was known almost from one end to the other of the county in which there are more acres than there are letters in the Bible. He had spoken to us of the then recently augmented peal, and spoken with the enthusiasm of one half his age—we should miss his grand individuality alas!

In some such way as this it came about that we made our way to the meeting in greater numbers than before. Excitement was high, though "we did not wear our hearts upon our sleeves, for daws to peck at," as our forebears used to express it.

By special permission we were—personally we mean—allowed to walk through the Schools in the early part of the morning. and there found strong evidence that the town was on its metal. About noon the local hon. sec., Mr. James Smith, was torn from what may aptly be termed the cullinery department in order to sit as auditor along with Mr. W. H. Giggle, of handbell music fame, who, fortunately—for time was very valuable—beside being a good change-ringer and musician, is also by profession an accountant. These two obliging members as it turned out, so desperately busy were they, had been somewhat cruelly dropped into the position of auditors. The Yorkshire books, with their more than 1400 ledger accounts of members, and all that lends up to them, are not to be approached in any spirit of levity, but thanks to the proficiency pointed out, and to the help of Mr. Cotterell, Hon. Treasurer, who put forward both the papers and books in proper order, these scrutineers were able in about an hour and a half to put their signatures to the balance sheet, the items of which were already printed in the Annual Report for the guidance of members.

About three o'clock the arrival of visitors was at its height, so we thought it best, having transacted our business, to leave the principal officers, President, Hon. Treasurer, and Hon. Secretary to attend to others, and it was interesting to see how busy they were, and the more so to notice that the esteemed late Hon. Sec., Mr. Holgate, was also helping; his particular self-imposed duty being to issue Reports to the life members in exchange for their report warrants, and as a charge of threepence is now being made, and as each payment necessitates a check being arranged for next year's audit, quite a new departure was being very systematically carried out. Later we heard that very few short of 500 reports had either been paid for that day by actual annual subscriptions, or issued and checked by Mr. Holgate at 3d. apiece.

"This way to the schools" had been freely placarded in the town, but "this way to the church" was omitted as quite unnecessary, as the bells proclaimed the situation from their high spire-surmounted tower—a pleasing guide to many strangers. Being in good time for service we were able to look round the handsome church, and were specially interested in the memorial brass to Canon Sharp, from which we learnt that he had been Vicar for 65 years —quite a life time in itself.

When entering the church we had been handed a service-paper giving us all we wanted, hymns included, so after our stroll round we sat and listened to the service-touch, which had been entrusted—not without a satisfactory reason—tothe Earlsheaton company.

Horbury being a strong centre of churchwork we were —without being surprised—greatly gratified with the beautiful choral service, which had been arranged for the occasion. Not unnaturally some genuine appreciation passed through our minds as we noticed the many manly forms in the choir, remembering as we did that it was Saturday afternoon, and that our friends both men and boys were sacrificing their half holiday in order to give honour to the day's special service. Everything was done with a quiet dignity and in excellent taste. The Vicar spoke to us from Ephesians VI.: "As servants of Christ—with good will doing service, as to the Lord and not unto men." It was an encouraging address, and if any would specially wish to catch the spirit of it—interspersed as it was with ringing illustrations—he has only to turn to the chapter in question, which as a good churchman he will find himself very familiar with, for therein is set out the valient way in which the determined must arm himself against evil.

(To be continued.)

WEMBDON CHURCH RESTORATION.

Improvements have come apace of late at the above church. Only last December the new organ was dedicated. Parts of the old instrument were incorporated in the present organ, but the greater part is new, and by its power and sweetness of tone gives great satisfaction. Now the peal of bells has been rehung in a steel frame, and the interior of the tower put into thorough repair. The peal is enlarged by the addition of a 6th bell, presented to the church in memory of the late Mr. J. H. Gould, for many years one of the churchwardens.

A CURIOUS BELL MAN.

The Passing of the Last Town Crier.

Recollection brings to mind, when ever bells sound now-a days, old Billy Clarke, a bellman of national fame, now lately gone from his haunts so long accustomed.

Billy Clarke, the crier of the town of Nantucket, Mass., famous in the annals of summer tourists in New England, and this all because of a popular misconception, has been gathered to his fathers, and with him the last of the typical town criers has gone.

New England, even in Billy the bellman's last days, had lost much of the quaintness which the sightseer would find there, and it is only by perpetuating such institutions as town criers and curfews and fire watches in church spires, that a resort on an island far out in the ocean can hope to compete with the resorts along the shore.

In other words, Billy Clarke, although so set down in guide books, was not what could technically be termed a town crier, unless we would term metropolitan bill posters or news boys town criers by virtue of their crying wares under a license from the town.

In the island of Nantucket the rates in the solitary newspaper are so high for advertisements that the only way left to the merchant or showman who would attract the public is to have his wares or his performances cried through the streets. So half-a-dollar piece was deposited in the hands of Billy Clarke, and with horn in one hand and a bag of papers in the other, and on state occasions a bell slung in for good measure, old Billy Clarke shambled off over the roads of Nantucket.

Billy Clarke, as you see him in the guide books, is a youth of twenty, but Billy Clarke as he was last seen in the flesh, was an old man, away up in the seventies, and thereby hangs a tale. Billy was a bit eccentric, and for over ten years of his latter life, no man, camera or kodak was able to get a photograph of him. Billy, like Andy Jackson, would tell you his face was his own property, and that you'd no business to it.

Billy was still without a recent photograph at time of his death. His latest was taken in 1868. It was taken by Mr. H. B. Wyer, a Nantucket merchant, one day when Billy was off his guard, and as a penalty for this indiscretion, Billy afterwards refused to cry the wares of Wyer. Billy was a bachelor and lived by himself on the outskirts of the town, and hoarded his shekels obtained at fifty cents a cry, going from house to house blowing his horn before each, and then calling out somewhat like this:

"Oh yes! Oh yes! . . . Now there's been a fearful flood out West, Mississippi River all under water. Big murder in Chicago. . . Awful news in the paper to-day. Does any body, any lady or gent, want ter buy water melons? Vessel at Strait Wharf? Worth ten cents. this week. . ."

The Spanish war came as a boon to Billy, and an enterprising Nantucket reporter culled the following calls from his stock dnring a single week of the Dewey year.

Tuesday. . "There's been a rir-r-ripping big fire out at St. Louis. Big surf at Wauwinnet. Steamer Cros-katy will leave at 2 p.m. Now here is a sample of Blank's soap. No, ma'am, you can't have but one. Good bye, mum."

Wednesday. . . "Now what d'ye think of Sampson. He's goin to bombard Santiago to-day! How about Hobson. He's all right. Concert in Athenæum. College boys, tickets 25c. Considerable goin' on."

Thursday. . . "What d'ye thinks been doin' in Boston. Stole three millions. Three millions! Yes, ma'am, Wash your windows to-morrow morning. Very busy, very busy now."

He picks up many a quarter washing windows and doing odd jobs, when there's no calling to be done.

"Now what d'ye think of Smith? He's gone! died last night. The Mangement Committee 's goin' to give a grand ball in Alfonso Hall, 'tother side of Newtown. Tickets for gent. and lady 25c., spectators 15c.

Twice a year Billy had a birthday, and on these important dates Billy went up to some merchant and said:

"This is Billy's birthday, anything save neck ties."

Given a half dollar Billy departed, not to return again to ask a favour for a six month. Poor Billy for three years had a competitor, a younger man, who wore the words "Town Crier" on his cap, for anyone may be crier so long as he pays his license. So far as the town officials are concerned the officer has no official recognition what-soever, he crying the municipality's news at the same regular rate of fifty cents which is imposed on a private individual for the job.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 4th and 18th; at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on April 4th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th at 8 p.m; and St. Magnns, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th at 7.30 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on Saturday, April 29th. Ringing from 4 to 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. Next meeting on April 3rd, and also on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at the parish church, High 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 p.m. Tea at 5, with business meeting to follow. The Hon. Secretary would be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, *St John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—The fortnightly Sunday evening ringing will be resumed on April 2nd, at 6 o'clock; the practices on Friday, April 28th, at 7.45.

JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Philip's, Hulme, to-day, Sat., April 1st. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7, when it is hoped the Rector will preside.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at Cross Stone church, Todmorden, on Saturday, April 8th. Bells available from 3 to 9. J. H. BASTOW, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, April 8th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. T. ROLLERSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—The re-opening of the bells at St. Luke's, Heywood, will take place on Saturday, April 11th, at 3.30 p.m. It has been decided that there be no ringing after service.

J. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

The Norwich Diocesan Association.—Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 2 o'clock. A free tea will be provided by the Vicar and Mayor Will members who intend to be present kindly notify me not later than Thursday, April 13th.

A. J. NAUNTON, *Dis. Sec.*
Wrentham, Wangford.

Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society.—The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield on Easter Monday. Bells available from 12 o'clock by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. F. W. Pawson. T. RILEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Halstead on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 3 p.m Tea 1s. each, will be provided at The White Horse at 5.30 for those giving notice by the 14th to A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Surrey Association. — Quarterly meeting at Carshalton on Easter Monday. Bells open from 2 to 9 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. which ringers are requested to attend. Tea at 6 p.m. in the parish room, meeting afterwards, at which the Rector will preside. Will unattached members who intend being present, please notify Mr. F. Holder. 1, Palmerston Road, Carshalton, not later than Thursday, April 13th.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

Leeds and District Society —The annual general meeting will be held at Leeds parish church on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Peal attempt in the morning, business 7.0 p.m., including presentation of balance-sheet, election of officers, etc. and new rota of meetings.

A. S. MITCHELL, *Hon. Sec.*
2, *Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. Preliminary Notice.—The annual meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Easter Monday. Committee meeting at 12 noon. Short service at 4 o'clock. Tea and general meeting at 4.30. Fuller particulars will be given next week.

H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The North Wales Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Beaumaris on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available from 11 a.m. for the rest of the day. Business meeting at 3 o p.m. in the new Church Rooms adjoining church.

S. A. CULLINGTON, *Hon. Sec.*
Laureston, Llandudno.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Bristol on Easter Monday, April 17th. Dinner at Maxwell's Restaurant, St. Nicholas Street, at 12 noon. Ticketa 1s. each if purchased before April 12th. Short service at All Saints (City) at 1 o'clock, with an address by the Vicar, Rev. C. H. Dickinson. Business meeting at the Church House adjoining immediately afterwards. Most of the city towers open for ringing during the day.

C. E. D. BOUTFLOWER. *Hon. Sec.*
30, *Broad Street, Bristol.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association —The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Service at All Saints at 1 p.m., with an address by the Rev. Sidney Phillips. Meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2 p.m. prompt; chairman—the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean. Tea will be provided free for those who notify me before Wednesday, April 12th, at The Angel hotel, Sidbury. Bells available; The Cathedral (12), 5 to 6; All Saints (10), St. Helen's (8), St. John's (6), 11.30, and St. Nicholas (6). Subscriptions should be paid, and expenses received at St. Helen's Church House between 11.30 and 12.30. Peal book on view. J. R. NEWMAN, *Hon. Sec.*
Bransford Worcester.

The Bedfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held in Bedford on Easter Monday. Dinner at All Hallows Mission Room at 1 p m. Business meeting after dinner. REV. A. RUST, *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The twenty-ninth annual meeting will be held at Derby on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells at St. Luke's and St. Peter's will be available from 10.30 a m. to 7 30 p m; St. Andrew's from 11 a m. to 7 30 p.m., and St. Alkmund's from 11.30 to 7.30 p.m. Tea 1s. 3d. each in King's Cafe, St. Peter's Street. Committee and General meeting at the same place. Tea will only be provided for those who notify Mr. B, Mitchell, 68, Douglas Street, Derby, by Thursday, April 14th, of their intention to be present. W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*
Cotgrave, Notts.

The Hertfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, April 17th. The Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's churches will be open for ringing from 2 p.m. Members desiring to ring earlier at the two six-bell towers should communicate direct to the respective conductors Choral service at the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with special address by the Rev. Dr. Chadwick, Vicar of St. Peters, St. Albans. Meat tea at 5.50. p.m. in the Abbey Institute, 6d. each to members, to be followed by business meeting for the election of officers, and other matters.

G. W. CARTMEL, *Hon. Sec.*
Duffield, St. Albans.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.—Established 1755.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, at which the address will be given by Canon Sutton. Business meeting in the Vicarage Rooms at 6 o'clock. A. PADDON SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*
11, *Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.*

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT IDEN, SUSSEX —The ringers of the first five bells belong to the local band, and it is the first peal by all of them. The conductor hails from Rye, and it is his 40th peal. The Iden company have had 17 practices at Bob Minor, under the conductor's instructorship, and in the course of those lessons twenty-four 720s have been brought round, also several short touches. First peal on the bells, which were rehung by Bowell, of Ipswich, the "go" being all that could be desired. The tenor was rehung in July 1907, and the other five in July 1909.

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FROM WATERLOO BRIDGE.

Away across the Surrey side of the river, opposite the large and straggling terminus of the South Western Railway, in a noisy and busy street, stands the church of S. John, Waterloo Road. Dirty and ugly, it has no one feature of historical or architectural interest; but it has this in its favour in a ringer's eyes, that it has a peal of eight bells.

Poor pots as they are, there have been many, whose opportunities for practice and peal ringing are strictly limited, who have a warm feeling for Waterloo bells. To a ringer fresh from the clean and smart belfrys that are now usual in the country, London towers always appear dirty and dingy; and S. Johns is no exception. The ringing room is small; if you are a visitor and not ringing you take your choice either to be thrust into a corner where you cannot see and can scarcely breathe, or, and this is the part of wisdom, stay outside on the stairs. The bells are packed into their chamber in two tiers, and it is not a thing to be undertaken lightly, to oil them, or to repair a rope. But there are compensations. This is one of the very few London towers where there are no complaints when a peal is rung. Probably it is because there is so much noise in the neighbourhood that the little extra the bells make does not count. I suppose that here, as in other places, people get born, and fall ill and die, but Waterloo folk have, day and night, so much noise that they get used to it; and indeed, what with the rattle of the motor buses, the screeching of trains, the hooting of taxis, and all the rest of the hubbub, if a man must have quiet to be ill in, then he must not be ill in Waterloo Road. When you are ringing you have a continual accompaniment of discordant noise. There is one train, especially, that somewhere about nine o clock rattles across the bridge with a shriek on its way to Charing Cross and lets you know that two-thirds of your peal are done. Time was when there was a flourishing Waterloo society that met here and spread its activities into several surrounding towers, but for some time it has been sleeping, and the present very successful meetings are held without rules, or officers, or society.

Mr. J. E. Davis is the informal leader, and he is not only a very good ringer but a very good fellow too. No one in London has done more to help young ringers to practice fresh methods or score new peals, and he has his reward in the universal affection and esteem that his friends have for him.

When you come down from the tower after ringing, it is not likely that you will want to stay long in the district, and the place has this advantage that you can get out of it quickly enough. You can go by motor bus or by tube, but if you are wise and it happens to be a fine Sunday morning in the springtime, you will walk across Waterloo Bridge. Directly you step on to the bridge you leave the white sordid drab district behind you. In front is the sparkling river, and beyond the wide stretch of the Embankment, and as fair a sight as any city in the world has to show. London has many moods. Though so often she shows a dull grey mentotine, yet at night it is not always so. Usually at night the lights on the river make a fairy picture that not even the blatent advertisements that proclaim So and So's tea or whisky, or the presence of some big hotel, can quite spoil; and the man who hangs about the bridges for the chance of seeing a sunset will not lose his reward, for the sunsets on the Thames are not to be surpassed anywhere. But London is the fairest of all on a bright morning of May or early June and no where fairer than from Waterloo Bridge. Opposite you the north bank curves in a wide sweep that loses itself to right and left beyond the wharves beyond you. On your extreme left are the towers of Westminster; opposite is ine front of Somerset House, and below the roadway and granite wall of the Embankment. Further on you have the gardens and broken skyline of the Temple, and then the spires of the city churches, topped by the imposing mass of Saint Paul's. And so the eye is carried on till the grey tower of Saint Saviour's ends in view on the sunny side. The man who comes on such a view as this for the first time and does not stop and admire, is either blind or does not know what a fair scene is.

If you are a visitor from the country, your London host will be sure to point out to you the towers that contain famous peals and no where, certainly no where from the ground can you see so many well-known steeples. On your left is Westminster, where hangs Big Ben, and her motley family. You will probably hear of some of them, and I dare say will agree that the quarter bells are individually not all bad. Hard by is the Abbey where there is a peal of six, tenor over 30 cwt., and a good bell. But the peal is in a dreadfully bad state. They were rung for the last Coronation, and I suppose they will be rung again in June. It took eight strong men to ring them for a little while to call changes. Almost touching the Abbey, and out of sight from where we are standing is Saint Margaret's, with a very fine peal of ten, tenor 26 cwt., in good order. Here there is a good band of ringers and regular Sunday and practice ringing. Saint Margaret's is really a very large church, with a lofty tower, but situated as it is, alongside so many big buildings it is quite dwarfed and few people who see it realise its size. It has a special interest for ringers that here was rung for the first time John Holt's Original peal of Grandsire Triples. The board recording it is in the porch, and I sometimes wonder how many of the thousands that yearly enter the church have ever read it, and of those that have done so how many know what it is all about. As everyone knows Holt called the peal from manuscript, and whether for that reason or because it has singles, the Union Scholars, probably influenced by Benjamin Annable, refused to book it. Further to the right you can just see the top of the chimney-like campanile of the Roman church in Astley Gardens, where a new 50 cwt. bell has just been placed from the Whitechapel foundry: and further still the spire of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields shows on the skyline. Saint Martins is in Trafalgar Square and has a magnificent situation. Architecturally the building is worthy of its site, and is quite one of the best churches in London. In the tower hangs a peal of twelve by Rudhall, which are up to Rudhall's standard of excellence. This is the headquarters of the Cumberlands, and many famous peals have been rung here. The going of the bells is fair, but the ropes are bad. Meetings are held monthly, the previous fortnightly practices having to be abandoned owing to complaints from adjoining hotels.

From Trafalgar Square eastwards, behind the huge hotels that front the river runs the Strand, and the tops of the spires of its churches just appear above the buildings on the Embankment. There is S. Marys, a handsome church with no bells, and hard by S. Clement Danes. S. Clement's is one of Wren's churches, but not, I think, among his best. The bells, ten in number, are a beautiful peal, and it is quite a delight to ring on them. For many years this was the head quarters and meeting place of the St. James' Society, but for some months the practices have been stopped. They are resumed, but now the St. James' Society has to share the ringing with other companies. The practice is that each company rings the bells for Sunday morning service once a month, and takes its turn in peal attempts. Not a very ideal arrangement, but better than not having the bells rung at all. One result is that there are a great many peal attempts, for a tower like this is sure to be in great demand. I hope that it will not be overdone and lead to complaints and the shutting up of the tower against all peal ringing. S. Clement's stands just outside the city boundary, and from it eastward Fleet Street runs to St. Pauls. Fleet Street has two churches with bells—S. Dunstans a peal of eight, out of order and totally unringable, and S. Brides. S. Bride's is one of Wren's most striking churches. Its spire, like a long drawn out telescope, is original and effective. The bells, a peal of twelve, have the reputation for being one of the best of their weight in the country. The tenor is 28 cwt. and they are all by Rudhall.

They were rehung not many years ago, but now ringing is strictly forbidden, even on Sundays. The plea is that the printers who work hard by cannot stand the noise. The tale goes that the two trebles were given by the College Youths and Cumberlands, and for a long time these societies kept the two bells chained up so that no one else could ring them. At S. Bride's were rung the first peals of Caters, Cinques and Maximus; Grandsire Caters on January 11th, 1718, by the London Scholars, of which no particulars remain; Grandsire Cinques on January 10th, 1724, by the College Youths; and 5280 Bob Maximus on February 26th, 1726. This last was composed and conducted by Benjamin Annable, who rang the tenor. The Cumberlands rang 5136 Oxford Treble Bob Maximas in 1841, and the Union Scholars 5104 Grandsire Cinques in 1751; while in later years

the Middlesex Association have rung peals. So that all the leading societies connected with London have at one time or other rung peals here. S. Bride's should be a Cumberland tower, but now we come to the College Youths' domain. The first is S. Paul's that dominates the view on our right. Architectural purists tell us that S. Paul's is a sham, that outside it is one thing and inside another. Let them talk. Stand on Waterloo bridge and say if there is another church in the same style better proportioned or finer in outline. Tell me where in the world there is a dome that sits on its building as well as this.

Everyone knows all about the bells, their weight and the peals that have been rung on them, for few ringers visiting London on a Sunday fail to go up to St. Paul's in the afternoon to hear the bells. It would be a poor compliment to the Loughborough firm to say that they have not since turned out much better peals, but the bells are deep-toned and grand, and not unworthy of London's Cathedral.

Beyond St. Paul's there is quite a forest of spires, many of them having peals. There is Bow, best known of all peals, where just lately Mr. Newton gave such a fine exhibition of heavy bell ringing by turning the 52 cwt. tenor into a peal of London Surprise Major. Beyond is the tower of S. Michael's Cornhill, another fine ring of twelve, which, like Bow, came from the Whitechapel foundry. The London Scholars rang 6204 Cinques here in 1729, and some years ago the College Youths attempted a 10,000 of Stedman. They nearly finished the peal and got out in the final turning course owing, I believe, to some of the men being completely done up. In connection with this attempt Sir Arthur Heywood once told a tale at a Central Coucil meeting. A man who knew about the ringing was walking with a friend, a city man, past the tower when the bells were going. He stopped and proceeded to tell the other what was going on and how long it would take, and how difficult it was. "Difficult!" broke in his friend, "Difficult! I wish to God it was impossible!"

At the foot of London Bridge stands St. Magnus, a good peal often, which are almost perfect for hearing inside, and across the bridge, and quite behind us is St. Saviour's, the Cathedral of Southwark. Now that it has been restored it is one of the finest buildings in London, and fit to take its place among the lesser Cathedrals of England. At this minute the peal of twelve is being overhauled and the tenor recast. The rumour goes that the new tenor is to be heavier than the old, and if so it will replace Bow as the second heaviest in London. Some very fine heavy bell feats were performed here in years gone by. Are they not written in Snowdon's Treble Bob? So you see there is much to see from Waterloo Bridge and much to meditate therein. But you must pick your day. When the wind comes out of the east and the rain drives aslant, pull your collar over your ears and put your head down and get you you to the friendly shelter of the Strand as quickly as you may. Then Waterloo Bridge is no place for meditation; no, nor for anything else, except perhaps suicide.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

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.

SURPRISE METHODS.

SIR,—Surprise method No. 5 in the C.C. Collection has been already named Newcastle, therefore it cannot be called Winchester. The Surprise methods named at present are: 3 Canterbury, 5 Newcastle, 6 Chester, 9 Carlisle, 14 London, 15 Wells, 16 Lincoln, 17 Cunecastre, 22 Lancashire, 23 Lightfoot, 25 Wearmouth, 26 Westminster, 27 Annable's London, 28 Netherseale, 29 Norwich, 32 York, 33 Durham, 35 Beverley, 36 Norfolk, 37 Ipswich, 38 Primrose, 39 Cambridge, 41 Bourne.

H. LAW JAMES.

RINGING FOR THE CORONATION.

SIR,—May I enquire, through the medium of your paper, of ringers who would supply me with the addresses of change-ringers in Canada. My object in view is to get together a band of men equal to ring good change-ringing on the occasion of the Coronation. There are I feel sure many ringers who have in the past left England for Canada, and if they could be brought together would be glad to ring a peal for that event. The Cathedral here has eight bells in perfect order for ringing; Montreal has ten, and Vancouver 8 bells. E. WEATHERBY.

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WRINGTON CHURCH BELLS

Mr. John H. B. Hesse wishes gratefully to thank all those ringers and friends who have so generously helped in the restoration of Wrington church bells. The required funds are now in hand, and the work will be commenced by Mears and Stainbank after Easter.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The Monthly Meeting of the Burton-on-Trent District was held at Newhall on Saturday, March 18th. Members were present from Ashby, Burton, Etwall, Hornington, Newhall, etc., including Mr. J. W. Taylor, of Loughborough, and Mr. W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale. The chair was taken at the business meeting by the Rev. Graffety Smith, Vicar of Newhall, and the next meeting was fixed to take place at Barton-under-Needwood, failing that Ashby on May 6th. Touches in various methods were rung during the afternoon and evening, including Double Stedman, Double Court, and the first 720 of Cambridge Minor on the bells.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

At the parish church of St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Easter Monday, April 17th, a band of the above Society will start for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 12,240 changes.

AN APPEAL.

I kindly ask if the readers of this paper will assist me in subscribing a small amouunt towards the widow and three young children of the late Mr. W. J. Collison, who passed away on January 20th, after a very lingering and painful illness, at the age of 37 years. The deceased, who served during the best part of the South African War, came to Thanet about eight years ago, and joined the St. John's, Margate, ringers and took a very active part in instructing the younger members. Through no fault of his own he has been unable to provide for those he leaves behind, and for these I humbly make this appeal. Whatever sum you can send me will be gratefully received and appreciated. A. H. Saxby, Captain St. John's Ringers.

Margate.

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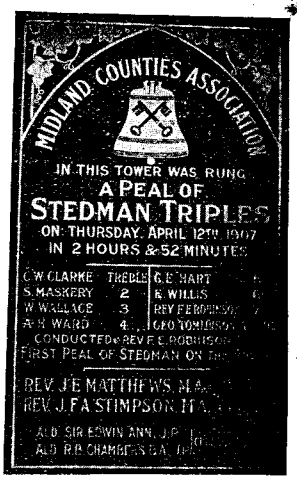

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On Saturday, February 23, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 23½ cwt.

Charles T. Coles	*Treble.*	Fredk. G. Tegg	5.
Herbert Armstrong†	2	Robert E. Stavert	6.
Fredk. A. Milne	3.	John Armstrong	7.
Bertram Prewett	4.	Walter Soer	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

†First peal of Stedman away from the tenor.

CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, February 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary, Without-the-Walls.

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 20 cwt.

George Jones	*Treble.*	Henry Dew	5.
Edwin H. Lewis	2.	James Morgan	6.
William Bibby	3.	Henry W. Wilde	7.
Rev. A. T. Beeston	4.	James V. Wright	*Tenor.*

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 22 cwt.

RICHARD G. RICE ..	*Treble.*	JAMES S. NAPPER	5.
THOMAS EAST	2.	*JOHN DEARLOVE..	6
WILLIAM NAPPER*	3.	EDMUND BANNISTER.. ..	7.
JOSEPH NAPPER, JUN. ..	4	*WILLIAM WARWICE ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDMUND BANNISTER.

*First peal. Rung on the occasion of the sixteenth birthday of the ringer of the 5th.

IDEN, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST P. BRYANT ..	*Treble.*	*GEORGE KENWARD	4.
GEORGE WOOD	2.	WILLIAM R. WOOD	5.
WILLIAM CLOKE	3.	GEORGE BILLENNESS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

*Aged 16 years. Further reference elsewhere.

WEST MONKTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

J. MADDOCK	*Treble.*	H. BOSLEY..	4
T. DOBLE	2.	E. E. BURGESS	5.
W. EVANS	3.	E. PRIDDLE	*Tenor.*

Condncted by J. MADDOCK.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Doble and Son.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

NORMAN R. BAILEY ..	*Treble.*	EDGAR H. BAILEY	5
JAMES M. BAILEY	2.	FREDK. J. SMITH	6.
GEORGE WILSON..	3.	CHARLES F. BAILEY ..	7.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	4.	*GEORGE HARDY.. ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. FRANCIS, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

*First peal in the method.

CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 25, 1910, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING ..	*Treble.*	ARTHUR WATKIN	5.
WILLIAM E. FLETCHER* ..	2.	*FRANK MILTON	6.
GEORGE PIERCE	3.	JAMES V. WRIGHT	7.
CHARLES PRICE	4.	ERNEST CHANNEL ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES PRICE, and Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

*First peal in the method. This composition is now rung for the first time. The reverse to it was first rung at St. George's. Hyde, on March 26th, 1887.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM ..	*Treble.*	JOHN HARROP	5.
WILLIAM FAWCETT	2.	SAMUEL HILL	6.
JOHN J. PEMBERTON	3.	JOSEPH GODDARD	7.
SAMUEL STOTT	4.	CHARLES H. MARSLAND ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

Rung as a birthday compliment to S. Stott. The second ringer is in his 70th year.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER	*Treble.*	HORACE F. STREET	5.
FRANK WITHERS	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
CHARLES DICKENS	3	JAMES DOWLER	7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS	4.	JOHN WITHERS	*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

APPLEDORE, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

CYRIL WENHAM*	*Treble.*	RAYMOND DUNSTER	5.
CHARLES W. PLAYER ..	2.	FRANK BROWN	6.
CHARLES TRIBE	3.	GEORGE JOHNSON	7.
SYDNEY W. HILLS	4.	FRANK MITCHELL ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. W. PLAYER.

*First peal.

HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BRUERTON'S TWELVE-PART.

EDWIN WOOD	*Treble.*	WILLIAM G. ANKER.. ..	5.
WILLIAM H. JONES	2.	WILLIAM G. ELLIS	6.
JOHN JENNINGS	3.	GEORGE A. TAYLOR	7.
THOMAS VERRY	4.	STEPHEN DANLEY ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. G. ELLIS.

First peal by the ringer of the treble, who was made a member of the above Association before starting for the peal. First peal with a bob bell by the ringer of the 5th. Rung as a birthday peal for W. G. Anker, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours Twenty-nine and ½ Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 30½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLLIS..	*Treble.*	ALBERT R. COPPOCK.. ..	6.
ARTHUR KNIGHTS	2.	SAM THOMAS	7.
FRANK JACOBS	3.	JOHN FLINT	8.
WILLIAM LAMBERT	4.	GEORGE A. THOMPSON ..	9.
GEORGE DAVIES	5.	WALTER ALLWOOD ..	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

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THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday February 25 1911, in Two Hours and F fty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

ALFRED KNIGHT* .. ..*Treble.*	†GEORGE FOSTER .. .. 4.
ALBERT INNS .. .. .. 2.	HORACE SHARMAN .. .. 5.
MATTHIAS HOBBS .. .. 3.	EDWARD CHAPMAN .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWARD CHAPMAN.

*First peal of Minor. †First peal with a bob bell.

ALSAGER, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM T. HOLDING* ..*Treble.*	RICHARD LANGFORD .. .. 5.
JAMES HENRY RIDING .. 2.	*WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT .. 6.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN. 3.	JOHN DENTITH .. .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. CRAWLEY .. 4.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. *Tenor.*

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and
Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major. First peal of Treble Bob Major on the bells.

KILDWICK-IN-CRAVEN, YORKSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of New London, Duke of York Kent, Woodbine, Violet, Oxford Delight, Oxford. Tenor 10 cwt.

TOBIAS LAMBERT .. ..*Treble.*	RICHARD BROWN .. .. 4.
ARTHUR E. LAMBERT.. .. 2.	CHRISTOPHER BROWN .. 5
ERNEST BARKER .. .. .. 3.	JOHN HILL .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHRISTOPHER BROWN.

EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEWWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'S.

CHARLES E. READ .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN HOYLE .. .. .. 5.
JOHN BEAMS .. .. .. 2.	WILLIAM GROVES 6
SIDNEY R. ROPER* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH .. .. 7.
JOHN S. DANIELS 4	EDWARD T. GROVE .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

*First peal in the method.

NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES DRAPER .. ..*Treble.*	D. COTTON .. .. 4.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY .. .. 2.	J. HOUGH .. .. 5.
H. HURDMAN .. .. .. 3.	L. BULLOCK .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. HOUGH.

First peal in seven methods by all, on the bells, and by the Burton District.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, two of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Oxford Bob, and one of Bob Minor. Tenor 10 cwt.

CARVELL BONSER* .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM HAYHO .. .. 4.
BERT PERRETT .. .. .. 2.	WALTER GILBERT 5
WILLIAM J. GILBERT .. 3.	FRANK KIRK .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. J. GILBERT.

*First peal. This peal was arranged for Mr. Bonser, who is on a visit from East Africa after an absence of eight years.

WHITBOURNE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, February 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Canterbury, and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

CHARLES HORNE.. .. ..*Treble.*	DAVID HORNE .. .. .. 4.
WILLIAM RANFORD .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HADLEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES LAYTON .. .. 3.	GEORGE JORDAN.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR HADLEY.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

BUCKHORN, WESTON, DORSET.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, February 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER† .. ..*Treble.*	*W. W. HUGHES D'AETH 4.
C. C. HUGHES D'AETH* .. 2.	J. THOMAS .. .. 5.
H. S. PARSONS† .. .. .. 3.	†GEO. H. GALE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. THOMAS.

†First peal of Minor. *First peal. G. H. Gale was elected a member before starting for the peal. Rung to celebrate the Rector's (the Rev. W. Hughes D'aeth) jubilee of his Ordination, the ringers giving him their congratulations. First peal on the bells.

SOUTHAMPTON, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, February 27, 1910, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FODE-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. in D.

GEORGE WILLIAMS .. ..*Treble.*	*FRANK DIBBEN .. .. .. 5.
JOHN E. BUCKLE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM ROBSON .. .. 6.
PERCIVAL E. MORFEE .. 3.	HENRY W. WILKES.. .. 7.
WILFRED ANDREWS 4	CHARLES R. GLADDIS ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

*First peal. All belong to the local band except the conductor and W. Andrews, who belong to the North Stoneham and Winchester Cathedral bands respectively.

SAMPFORD BRETT, SOMERSETSHIRE.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Bring forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lbs.

HENRY PERRY* .. .. ..*Treble.*	WALTER DATE .. .. .. 3.
ARTHUR H. JENKINS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM BENNETT .. .. 4.
ALBERT BARKER .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by WM. BENNETT.

*First peal. Quickest peal on the bells.

HORLEY, SURREY.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

THOMAS W. BOND*	..*Treble.*	GEORGE ILLMAN	5.
ALBERT HARMAN	2.	STEPHEN KENWARD	6.
FRANK SADLER	3.	PETER ETHERIDGE	7
ALBERT SONGHURST	4.	*FRED HARMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT HARMAN.

*First peal on eight bells. First peal on eight as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to G. Illman the band wishing him many happy returns.

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, February 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pitstow's Variation of Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 16 cwt. 28 lbs.

ALFRED B. BEADSMORE	..*Treble.*	J. P. CURTIS	5.
THOMAS BEADSMORE*	2.	GEORGE HATTON, SEN.	6.
JOHN CURTIS*	3.	ERNEST W. BEADSMORE	7.
GEORGE HATTON, JUN.	4.	G. T. STORER	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST W. BEADSMORE.

*First peal in the method.

READING, BERKS—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE ST. PETER'S SOCIETY, CAVERSHAM.)

On Tuesday, February 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5058 CHANGES.

RICHARD T. HIBBERT	..*Treble.*	GEORGE IRVINE	6.
ALBERT CULLUM	2.	GEORGE ESSEX	7.
ERNEST W. MENDAY	3.	REV. G. F. COLERIDGE	8.
HENRY TUCKER	4.	AMBROSE W. OSBORNE	9.
JOSEPH HANDS	5.	HENRY SIMMONS	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. W. HOPGOOD, and Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT

First ten bell peal by the St. Peter's Society. Rung on the 29th anniversary of the re-opening of the bells after being restored and re-hung by Messrs. Taylor of Loughborough. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Vicar for the use of the bells.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELIZABETH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ALFRED BARNES	..*Treble.*	GEORGE D. WARBURTON	5.
HAROLD JACKSON	2.	ALLAN S. GORDON	6.
ROBERT DAVIES	3.	REV. A. T. BEESTON	7.
WILLIAM WALMSLEY	4.	GEORGE MARSHALL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES.

Tenor 24½ cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY	..*Treble.*	FRANK JACOBS	6.
CLEMENT GLENN	2.	JOHN P. TARLTON	7.
FREDERICK SMITH	3.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS	8.
ROBERT GEORGE BASSON*	4.	GEORGE A. THOMPSON	9.
GEORGE HOLLIS	5.	GEORGE DAVIES	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

*First peal on ten bells.

STROUD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT	..*Treble.*	*WALTER FAULK	5.
ERNEST TRIBE*	2.	ALBERT WRIGHT	6.
HUBERT SCRIVENS	3.	FRANK COLE	7.
WILLIAM HALE	4.	HUBERT HANKS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

*First peal.

FLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, February 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Oxford, and two 720s each of Double Court, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM H. HILLIAM	..*Treble.*	ARTHUR J. FARR	4.
REV. C. J. STURTON	2.	GEORGE R. TRUSS	5.
ARTHUR E. CAMPLING	3.	JOHN B. HALLIFAX	..*Tenor.*

(No conductor mentioned)

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Frank Taylor his induction by the Archdeacon of Lincoln taking place the Thursday following.

HULME.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

WALTER BROWN	..*Treble.*	HARRY CHAPMAN	5.
RICHARD NEWTON	2.	HERBERT DRONSFIELD	6.
WILLIAM HOLBROOK	3	FREDERICK PAGE	7.
WILLIAM COOPER	4.	ROBERT DAVIES	..*Tenor.*

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH, and Conducted by ROBERT DAVIES.

GREENWICH.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALFEGE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

THOMAS JAKEMAN	..*Treble.*	ISAAC G. SHADE	5.
JOHN J. LAMB	2.	JAMES E. DAVIS	6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	3.	HARRY HOSKINS	7.
FRANK BENNETT	4.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

First peal with the new ropes (J. Nicoll), and rung as a birthday compliment to Miss Christabel Airey, who gave them.

Handbell Peals.

CAMBRIDGE.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

In the President's Rooms, Trinity College,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5024 CHANGES.

Basil C. Roberts†	1-2.	*E. Maurice Atkins	5-6.
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey	3-4.	*Reginald O. Street	7-8.

Composed by William Willson, and Conducted by E. M. Atkins.

†First peal of any kind. *First peal on handbells. Umpire—A. L. Rose.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Holy Trinity Society.)

On Wednesday, March 1, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,*

At 17, Haydon Place,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Maurice Smither	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.
Alfred H. Pulling	3-4.	Henry L. Garfath ..	7-8.

Composed by J. Hunt, and Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Umpire—F. Blondell First peal of Bob Major on handbells by all. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Willshire.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, March 8, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,*

At 21, Stoke Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

James Hunt	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.
Alfred H. Pulling	3-4.	*Frederick A. Holden ..	7-8.
		†Henry L. Garfath	9-10.

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, and Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Umpire—F. Blondell. *First peal of Stedman Caters on an inside pair. †First peal of Stedman Caters on handbells.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.—THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD

(The St. Andrew's Society.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,*

In the Belfry of St. Andrew's Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

John W. Chandler	1-2.	Alfred J. Hessian	5-6.
Harry O. White	3-4.	*Walter Malins	7-8.

Conducted by W. Malins.

Umpire—J. B. Fenton First on handbells by all and the first peal of Grandsire Triples on handbells by the Guild. First peal on handbells ever rung in Rugby. *First peal in the method,

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1911, *in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,*

At 17, Haydon Place,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

Maurice Smither	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.
Alfred H. Pulling	3-4.	Frederick A. Holden ..	7-8.
		Henry L. Garfath	9-10.

Composed by W. Booth, and Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Umpire—F. Blondell.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District)

On Wednesday, March 15, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,*

At 21, Stoke Road,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part,

Septimus Radford	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6
Alfred H. Pulling	3-4.	*Maurice Smither	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

*First peal away from 7-8.

CAMBRIDGE.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, March 16, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,*

In the President's Room, Trinity College,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5072 CHANGES.

Basil C. Roberts	1-2.	E Maurice Atkins ..	5-6.
Rev. A. H. F. Boughey	3-4	Reginald O. Street ..	7-8.

Composed and Conducted by E. Maurice Atkins.

Umpire—T. W. Barker. This peal has the 6th the extent wrong without the 2nd or 3rd in 6ths, and home for the last twenty-four courses, and is now rung for the first time.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(The Holy Trinity Society.)

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Six Minutes,*

In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Alfred H. Pulling	1-2	Maurice Smither	5-6.
Charles Willshire, sen.	3-4.	Henry L. Garfath	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Umpire—S. Radford Rung as a farewell peal to C. Willshire, jun., who, to the regret of the Holy Trinity Society, has left Guildford to join His Majesty's Navy.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, *in Two Hours and Twelve Minutes,*

At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans' Four-Part.

Alfred H. Pulling	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.
Maurice Smither	3-4.	Frank Blondell	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Peal Correction.—In the report of the peal of Grandsire Caters rung at Evesham on February 18th, and published in our issue of last week, should read—First peal of Caters on the bells by the above Association.

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BLEWBURY (Berks)—On Saturday, Feb. 4th, at St. Michael's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. Miss M. Nigbtingale, G. Rice, R. F. Deal conductor, T. East, J. Napper, J. Bower, R. Rice, R. James. Rung at the opening of a peal tablet recording a peal of Grandsire Triples, which took place on Christmas Eve, the band being the same, though not standing as above.

EAST HAGBOURNE (Berks.)—On Sunday morning, February 26th, for Divine Service, 630 Grandsire Triples. W. Cox, T. East, W. Napper, R. Rice, J. Napper, J. Dearlove R. F. Deal conductor, W. Warwick.

HARWELL (Berks.)—On Sunday, Feb. 26th, 720 Grandsire Minor. H. Melford, G. Rice, T. Hughes, W. Hitchman, R, G. Rice, R. F. Deal.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHWOLD (Suffolk).—On Sunday evening, February 5th, at the parish church, 518 Grandsire Triples. F. Osborne, A. Sargeant, J. Jillings, H. Barton conductor. E. Goodwin, T. King, G. Thompson, G. Blowers.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

ASHTEAD (Surrey).—On Saturday, Feb. 25th, at the church of St. Giles, the last 746 of Holt's Original. G. Cook, R. Kendall, W. Robinson, W. Corbett conductor, A. Goldsmith, J. Crawford, W. Cook, R. Etherington.

ASTON MAGNA (Birmingham).—On Sunday, February 19th, after morning service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1277 changes, in 49 mins. P. Laflin, A. Scrivens, W. Jones. J. Jones, J. Perry, J. Hopkins, J. Paulton, W. Ellis composer and conductor, F. Bennett, T. Richards.

HARBORNE (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, February 5th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 40 mins. J. Johnson, J. Such, H. Pratt, W. Bryant, T. Collinson conductor, G. Hitchman, A. Beecham, G. Fuller. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Rev. W J. Felton, Vicar of St. Matthew, Walsall.

SOUTH WIGSTON (Leicestershire).—On Sunday evening, February 12th, after Divine Service, 1316 Grandsire Triples. W. Thompson, S. Cox, L. Willars, A. Bell, H. Brown, J. Clarke conductor, J. Willars, J. Wilson. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. C. C. Carter.

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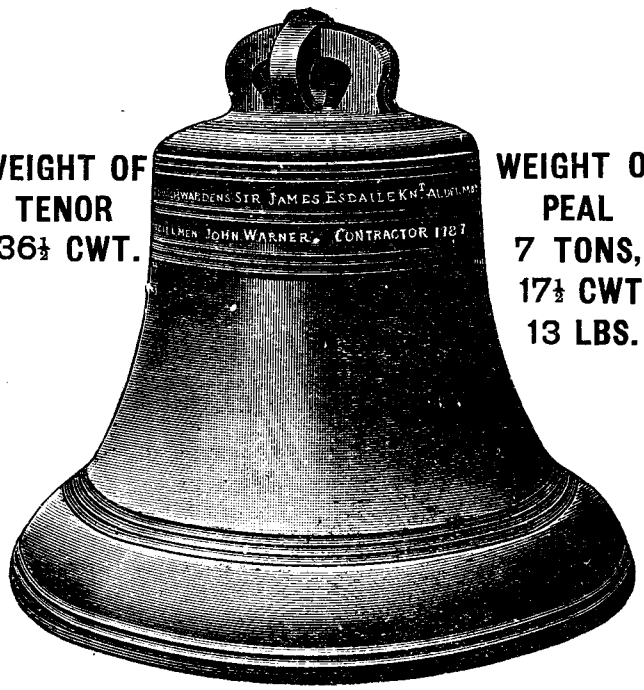

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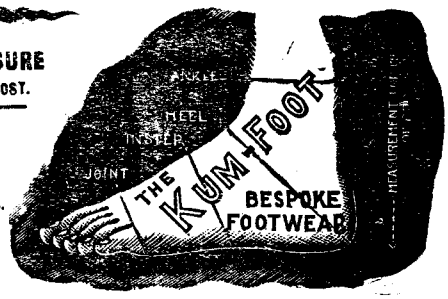

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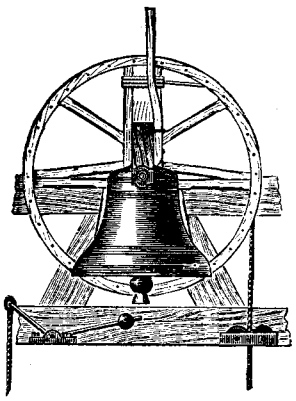

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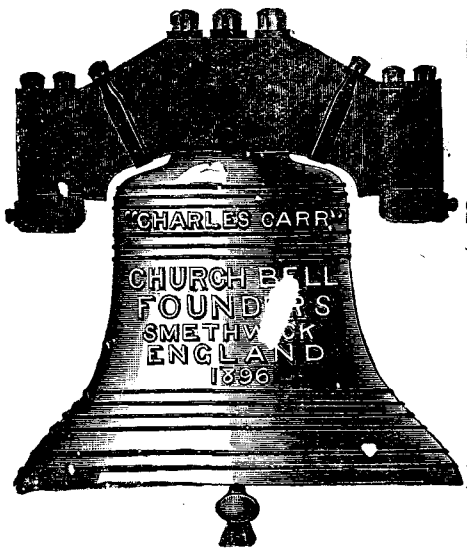

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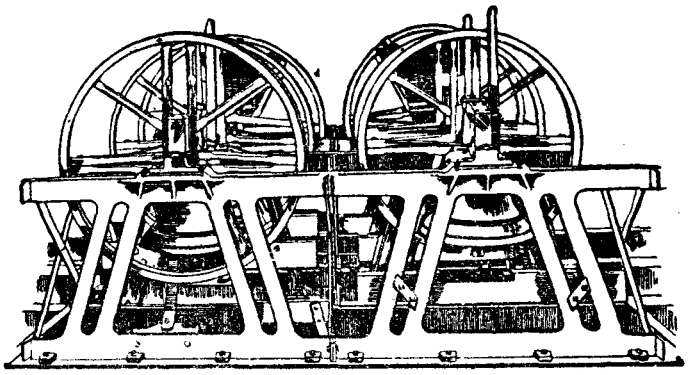

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THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meeting, Horbury, January 28th.

[By our special correspondent.]—*Concluded.*

Now sinking low no more is heard,
The organ's solemn swell;
And faintly on the listening ear
The last hosanna fell.

For service is over and we are wending our way to the Schools for tea. And here someone wittily pointed out that "the children of this world are wiser in their generation than the children of light"—for so it is said—every Association has a few—only a few—members who depute their church-going to others in order that they themselves may secure a good seat opposite the largest possible plate of sandwiches—"Esau and his birthright being re-enacted in the twentieth century," so our funny man entitled it! At any rate the "children of light" came off quite comfortably, for there were many of them—in fact we unhesitatingly say that they were very many, and that of the best. Three sets of visitors sat down in all, and as their appetites were in "good going order," as we like to say of our bells, the faces of some of those in responsible places wore—amongst their smiles—just a suggestion of anxiety. But there had been some master minds on the committee of our hosts, and the thing had been done well. We had been greatly interested in a piece of paper we had picked up in our walk round the schools in the morning, and after learning that it was no further use, we pocketted it out of curiosity, and here produce it:

44 lbs. of beef.
98 lbs. of ham.
132 large pork pies.
252 tea cakes.
98 lbs. of bread (7 stones.)

We do not know for a fact that this was the bill of fare, because there were cakes and tarts beyond number, and of these there is no mention; but we recognise the pork pies, we think, as they were cut in halves, and even that sub-division would be a nice morsel to have in one's pocket for noontide refreshment if out for a long walk. However from official quarters we learnt that 300 visitors had been entertained, and that counting the home department, organisers and waiters included, fully 480 sat down. It was a big undertaking and thoroughly well managed. Paying a well-deserved compliment to one of the local committee, in the tea room, he quietly remarked: "We learned much at the meeting ten years ago, for then we made the fatal mistake of admitting more to the room than we could seat, and this extra crowding made efficient waiting an impossibility. We have not repeated that mistake at any rate." This may possibly explain much to those who may have had to wait outside for a seat, but it is a fact worth some digestion.

The Annual Business Meeting followed in an adjacent room, the President, Mr. Wm. Snowdon, in the chair, supported by Mr. B. Wilson, the donor of the trebles, and hon. member of the Association. The minutes of the previous meeting (Whitby) having been read and passed, apologies were made for the absence of Mr. C. H. Hattersley, who was under Doctor's orders at home, and also for Mr. Harry Williams, of Leeds. A mistake in the Report was referred to, the member at Guiseley given as deceased, was fortunately alive and well; the death of a namesake having caused the error. On the motion of Mr. W. H. Giggle, seconded by Mr. J. Smith, hon. auditors, the treasurer's balance sheet was passed, and the report of the committee was accepted. There being no contested election the following retiring officers were declared re-elected: Mr. G. Bolland, vice-president; Mr. C. Jackson, steward; Mr. C. Glenn, hon. sec.; and Messrs. Rew, Gill, McKell and Williams, members of committee. On the motion of Mr. B. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Cryer, of Selby, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the auditors. The roll call of officers showed 13 out of a possible 19 present; Mr. Jackson, who would have made 14, had been obliged to return home before the meeting itself began. Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar, the Rev. H. A. Kennedy, for arranging the service, for his sermon, and for the use of his bells and schools, coupled with another to the organist and to the members of the choir. These were moved from the chair, seconded by Mr. Hawksworth, of Doncaster. Additional thanks were passed to Canon Welch, Vicar of Wakefield, for the use of the Cathedral bells, and to the Rev. A. E. Burlingham, Vicar of Ossett, for a promise of his bells had they been ready in time for the meeting. These latter, on the motion of Mr. Cotterell, hon. treasurer, seconded by Mr. Glenn, hon. secretary. The place of next meeting was left to the committee.

On the motion of Mr. W. Whitaker, the Society's first hon. secretary, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Horbury branch for their generous arrangements, and to the ladies for presiding and assisting at the tea-tables. This was seconded by Mr. Abbishaw, and suitably acknowledged by the unbiquitous Mr. James Smith on behalf of the local committee. A vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by Mr. C. Glenn, and seconded by Mr. B. Wilson, hon. member, brought an interesting meeting to a close.

Now began the day's climax, a concert by the Horbury handbell ringers, under the leadership of Mr. Jessop. Here again the thoughtfulness of our hosts was in evidence, as we were each provided with a souvenir of the day, which not only embraced a history of the church and a view of the exterior, but extended to a programme of the concert, in which we found everything, words included. Although time was advancing and some twelve or more items had to be gone through, the audience were eager for encores from the first. As artists, Messrs. Charlesworth, Wain, Hunt and Jessop, appeared in a double capacity, for they not only manipulated the bells in a masterly manner, but they formed a delightful glee party, whose qaartettes proved a very fine contrast to the bell tones. A still further variety was given by some excellent soprano solos from Miss Lily Bowers, supplemented by violin solos by Mr. W. H. Mitchell. Needless

to say both these latter acquitted themselves to the entire satisfaction of those present, the charm and variety of tones again being in full contrast to the bells. Nor should we omit the piano tones, especially those that accompanied the violin, when Mr. E. Carr handled the keyboard. A glance at the large table requisite to accomodate the bells—there must have been over a hundred one would think—which began with tiny mites and ended in monsters that would make one's wrists ache to handle, made us anticipate much, and indeed there was no disappointment. To select an item, where all was good, seems unfair, but the "Overture to Zampa," possibly because it lent itself to the "go" of the bells, was in our opinion the masterpiece of the evening. At the close of this greatly appreciated concert a vote of thanks was moved by Mr. W. Cotterell, who voiced the feeling of the audience as to the treat they had had, and to this Mr. Jessop made a kindly reply.

The following is a list of the towers represented at the meeting: Armley, Bramley, Hunslet, Headingley, St. Chad's and St. Michael's, Holbeck, Leeds parish, Huddersfield, Ossett, Birstal, Wakefield, Lightcliffe, Halifax, Lindley, Silsden, Doncaster, Drighlington, Earlsheaton, Dewsbury, Sheffield, Rotherham, Otley, Woodlesford, Knaresboro', Mirfield, Skipton, Queensbury, Ackworth, Barnsley, Bolton-Bradford, Wombwell, Wath, Darfield, Rothwell, Howden, Goole, Selby, Pudsey, Wragby, Kirkburton, Shipley, Low Moor, Pontefract, Bradford, Tong, Sandal, York, Keighley, Guiseley, Sowerby and Hull.

We can only say in closing this long report that no praise could be too high for the work of the local committee, and we would congratulate them in having such an hon. sec. as Mr. James Smith, who in his further capacity as churchwarden and auditor (to say nothing of being the head of the cullinary department before mentioned) proved himself to be the right man in the right place for a big gathering.

EAST ANGLIAN BELLS.

We have before us a little book of sixty-five pages, entitled "Some Particulars of the Principal Rings of Bells in the Eastern Counties." Its author is the Rev. Wm. C. Pearson, Vicar of Henley, near Ipswich, who is well-known to readers of "THE BELL NEWS" as an expert ringer of peals in practically every method, and its object is, as the preface tells us, "to supply the ringers of the Eastern Counties with some reliable information about the principal rings of bells in their districts." The ground covered contains the counties of Norfolk, Suffolk, Essex, Cambridgeshire, and Huntingdon; and every ring of eight and upwards is dealt with. The information given consists of the diameter, weight, date, and founder of every individual bell, and the note of the tenor. When we consider that there are in the county of Norfolk alone three peals of twelve, three of ten, and thirty of eight, it will be seen how great must have been the labour to collect all this material. In no single case has a weight or diameter been omitted, though of course many (a good many we should suppose), of the weights must be estimated ones. In four cases only the founders in one, and the date are omitted as unknown, but a few founders are queried, and several dates, these the oldest, are given as approximate. We turned the pages over curious to know what is the earliest bell in the east of England; apparently it is the 6th at Great Waltham in Essex, which is given as about 1350, and the founder probably William Revel. The same tower contains another old bell, the 4th, 1430, by John Walgrave. Essex also has five other bells from the 15th century. The oldest bell in Suffolk is the 7th at Clare, a ton bell by William Wodeward, approximately 1392. There are over thirty between 1400 and 1500. Norfolk's oldest bell is the tenor of the eight at St. John de Sepulchre at Norwich, 1404, by Thomas Potter, and there is a fair sprinkling of other 15th century bells. It is more than probable that there are many other old bells in rings of six and under, but of them we have no account. One of the most prolific of these old founders was Richard Brasyer, whose bells are found all over the eastern counties. His inscriptions are always interesting, and unless our memory fails us—for it is so many years since we have seen one—the black letter castings are very fine. What a link these old bells make with the dead and the forgotten past. In 1350 when the parish of Great Waltham first heard William Revel's bell, Edward III. sat on the English throne. The country was the most warlike and powerful in Europe; four years before the French army had been routed at Cressy, one of the most glorious battles in the annals of the English army, and more than half France was in the possession of the conqueror.

Printing had not been invented; gunpowder was unknown; when men wanted to travel they rode horseback, for any wheeled vehicle would have been useless on such roads as existed. Even our English language was not yet formed; the learned talked Latin, the nobles Norman French, and the commoners Saxon. This latter though it contains all the groundwork of modern English, is to us as a foreign language. As for steam and electricity they are things of yesterday. All through the following years, as change succeeded change, and by strife and blood our England was gradually made, these old bells have week by week been ringing. We hazard a guess that you will find nothing to compare with a continuity like this.

As we go through the list of rings given here, we come across peal after peal of great interest to ringers. There is St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, still what Shipway calls it, the finest peal of twelve in England. No other tower that we know of surpasses it for comfort in ringing, and very few equal it. The hearing is perfect, the ropes fall in a true circle, the belfry is lofty and splendidly lighted, and the bells go as bells should go. What more do you want? We may not stop to delate on the glories of the ringing past. Every one knows that the old Norwich Scholars were second to none. They rang the first peals of Bob Triples, Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples, Double Norwich Major, Royal and Maximus, Double Oxford and London Surprise, and the longest at the time of Treble Bob Major, Treble Bob Maximus, Grandsire Caters and Stedman Cinques, which is not a bad record.

Then there is St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich. We believe we are right in saying that nowhere else has there been a first class band of twelve-bell ringers for so long as here. It was back in the eighties that some of the present band rang in the first peal of Grandsire Cinques on the bells, and since then they have been getting better and better. At present it is no slight to any company to say that Ipswich has the premier twelve-bell band of England. It is their proud boast that they alone have rung peals on eight, ten, and twelve bells in each of the following methods: Plain Bob, Grandsire, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman, Double Norwich, and Cambrdge Surprise. The other twelve-bell towers are not to be compared for interest with Norwich and Ipswich. The ring at Great Yarmouth, increased to twelve in 1898, is a very good one of the quality that the Whitechapel foundry

turned out about 1800. A good many peals have been rung here usually by visiting bands. The back ten at Cambridge are very similar, but we think the trebles are not so good. The other ring of twelve, Glandford in Norfolk, is a light peal by Taylor, tenor 11½ cwt., and is not hung for ringing.

It is very curious to notice that if you go by the Great Eastern Railway to Norwich via Ipswich, that on your right is a district that contains some of the finest bands of ringers in England, while on your left all across west Norfolk, west Suffolk and Cambridgeshire there is scarcely a band of average ability.

(To be continued.)

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

INFORMATION WANTED.

SIR,—Having seen in "THE BELL NEWS" sometimes accounts of ringing done in Sydney, Australia, could you please furnish me with the address of some one in Sydney. There is a friend of mine just about to go out there, who has just started to learn to ring, who would like to get in touch with the ringers there. If you could please supply the information you would greatly oblige. ROBERT J. DAWE.

"Southover," Alfriston Road, Seaford.

A CORRECTION.

SIR,—In your issue of March 25th, you publish our presentation meeting of March 13th, as being held at Newcastle-on-Tyne. The correct place was Newcastle parish church, Bridgend, Glamorgan. A. J. STANLEY.

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At the parish church of St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Easter Monday, April 17th, a band of the above Society will start for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 12,240 changes.

AN APPEAL.

I kindly ask if the readers of this paper will assist me in subscribing a small amouunt towards the widow and three young children of the late Mr. W. J. Collison, who passed away on January 20th, after a very lingering and painful illness, at the age of 37 years. The deceased, who served during the best part of the South African War, came to Thanet about eight years ago, and joined the St. John's, Margate, ringers and took a very active part in instructing the younger members. Through no fault of his own he has been unable to provide for those he leaves behind, and for these I humbly make this appeal. Whatever sum you can send me will be gratefully received and appreciated. A. H. Saxby, Captain St. John's Ringers.

Margate.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A special meeting will be held at Blackmoor, Hants. (Borden Station 2½ miles), on Saturday, April 22nd. 2.30.—Bells (6), available. 5.30.—Service in St. Matthew's church: Preacher: The Vicar. 6.15,—Tea in the schools. Tickets 6d. to members, 1s. to visitors. JOHN J. JONES, District Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Aylesford on Saturday, April 22nd. Belfry open at 3 30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at The Chequers inn at 5.30 p.m., followed by a business meeting. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting. Members wishing to attend tea must oommunicate with me before Easter Sunday.

G. MOORE, District Secretary.

2, Bedford Place, Rocky Hill, Maidstone.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. Circulars in due course. CLEMENT GLENN, Hon. Sec.

11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

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Death.

ON Tuesday, March 28th, at the office of this paper, HARVEY REEVES, founder of this journal, in his 70th year.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL AT WESTMINSTER AND ITS NEW BELL.

Some months ago an interesting addition was made to the large bells in London by the hanging one in the campanile tower of Westminster Cathedral. About this later on. A few preliminary remarks may well be made about the building, as not only is its erection a subject of gratification and thankful pride to our Roman Catholic fellow-countrymen, but it is also one of the most remarkable and dignified achievements of modern architecture and construction, not only in England, but in the world at large. We ringers know very well the courtesy extended to us on rings of bells in Roman Catholic steeples, and may well be interested in a work such as this for more reasons than one.

When in the middle of the 19th century the Roman Catholic hierarchy was re-established in England, it was naturally desired to provide the Bishops with Cathedral churches, and above all to erect a dignified fabric in Westminster as the seat of the Archbishop. But big designs of this sort take a long time to accomplish. To obtain an adequate site in Westminster needed much patience and much money. At length, however, all difficulties were overcame, and the present site acquired. Then came the preparations of plans and designs, and the question arose as to the style of architecture which the new Cathedral should follow. It seems that the idea of adopting any of the mediæval Gothic styles was abandoned partly owing to the excessive cost of carrying out an adequate design of that nature, and partly from an indisposition to set up anything in the nature of competition in appearance with Westminster Abbey. The result was the choice of the Byzantine style of architecture, and it is the carrying into effect of this choice which has resulted in the erection of a most remarkable structure, well worthy both externally and internally of a visit by anyone interested in building and design.

A word or two in explanation of what is meant by "Byzantine" as applied to architecture.

Byzantium was the original name of what we now know as Constantinople, the Emperor Constantine having renamed it after himself, when in the fourth century of our era he transferred from Rome to Byzantium the seat of the Imperial dynasty. He also declared Christianity to be the official religion of the Empire, and this new departure naturally gave an impetus to the construction of dignified ecclesiastical buildings. At Rome the builders at this period possessed but little inventive genius, and for the most part they adapted to places for public worship the plan of the existing Basilica, a public secular building, of which there were many in the city. The distinguishing feature of their construction was that of a central nave and side aisles, and thus originated the general plan of the great majority of churches built throughout Western Europe.

At Constantinople, however, it was otherwise. Artistic feeling was not Roman, but Oriental. The distinguishing features of Byzantine church architecture were the roofing with domes, and large flat piers and wall spaces, faced with marbles or mosaics, though smaller elegantly wrought columns were used in subordinate detail. This style has remained the ordinary use of the Greek, Russian and other Eastern churches: but except in a few instances of places, such as Venice, whose commercial and political relations with Constantinople familiarised its people with Eastern artistic forms, Byzantine architecture has has little or no influence on Western Europe. It follows that in adopting this style for Westminster Cathedral, especially on the large scale required, the founders have raised a pile unlike anything previously existing in this country, indeed perhaps it may be true to add "or anywhere else"; for though the style adopted is Byzantine, the general plan is that of a large basilican church. Externally the Cathedral is faced with red brick. The interior is of brown brick, which, both piers, walls and roofs, is to be overlaid with marble and mosaic. Some of the smaller chapels are practically decorated, other chapels and the sanctuary, partially; but the work to be accomplished is so vast that apparently many years must elapse before the scheme can be completed. Figures will give some idea of this. The total internal length is 342 feet; the width of nave aisles and side chapels, 148 feet; height of the main arches of the nave, 90 feet; and of its three domes, 112 feet. The whole building covers an area of about 54,000 square feet.

The campanile—St. Edward's tower as it is named— is of red brick, banded with Portland stone. There is som very effective carving on its summit, which is covered with a metal covered dome or cupola, surmounted by a double cross of bronze, to the summit of which the height is 284 feet.

This dignified steeple is now the home of a very fine bell cast by Mears and Stainbank, who have favoured me with the following particulars. Diameter 5 ft. 7 in.; weight 52 cwt. 10 lbs.; note B natural. The bell is hung with gudgeons and bearings, so that it can give slightly under the blow instead of being quite rigid, and the clapper is worked by means of a lever. The bell hangs nearly 220 feet above ground, and can consequently be heard both far and near; and in either case the effect, whether in houses near at hand, or, say, in the Green Park, is extremely fine. It hangs at a greater elevation than any other bell in London except "Big Ben," and his companions, and the bells at the Imperial Institute.

The Cathedral bell is sounded daily at 6, 8, 12, and 6.

R. A. DANIELL.

PENDLETON.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Frank Smith	*Treble.*	Samuel Greenhalgh	5.
Alfred Cross	2.	George Turner	6.
Joseph Turner	3.	Richard Ridyard	7.
Arthur Ridyard	4.	Herbert Dronsfield	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Richard Ridyard.

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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, March 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

At the Schools,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

William Shepherd	1-2.	George B. Edser	5-6.
Arthur F. Shepherd	3-4.	Lance-Sgt. F. A. Holden	7-8.
		William A. Woodrow	9-10.

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, and Conducted by William Shepherd.

*First peal in the method on handbells. Umpire—R. J. Polley.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on April 18th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 18th at 8 p m; and St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th at 7.30 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on Saturday, April 29th. Ringing from 4 to 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at the parish church, High 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 p.m. Tea at 5, with business meeting to follow. The Hon. Secretary would be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, *St John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at Cross Stone church, Todmorden to-day, Sat., April 8th. Bells available from 3 to 9. J. H. BASTOW, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, to-day, Sat., April 8th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. T. ROLLERSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—The re-opening of the bells at St. Luke's, Heywood, will take place to-day. Sat., April 8th, at 3.30 p.m. It has been decided that there be no ringing after service.

J. BASTOW, *Br Sec.*

The Norwich Diocesan Association — Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 2 o'clock. A free tea will be provided by the Vicar and Mayor Will members who intend to be present kindly notify me not later than Thursday, April 13th.

A. J. NAUNTON, *Dis. Sec.*
Wrentham. Wangford.

Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society.—The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield on Easter Monday. Bells available from 12 o'clock by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. F. W. Pawson. T. RILEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Halstead on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 3 p.m Tea 1s. each, will be provided at The White Horse at 5.30 for those giving notice by the 14th to A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Surrey Association — Quarterly meeting at Carshalton on Easter Monday. Bells open from 2 to 9 p m. Service at 5 30 p.m. which ringers are requested to attend. Tea at 6 p.m in the parish room meeting afterwards, at which the Rector will preside. Will unattached members who intend being present, please notify Mr. F. Holder. 1, Palmerston Road, Carshalton, not later than Thursday, April 13th.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

Leeds and District Society—The annual general meeting will be held at Leeds parish church on Easter Monday. April 17th. Bells available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Peal attempt in the morning, business 7.0 p m., including presentation of balance-sheet, election of officers, etc. and new rota of meetings.

A. S. MITCHELL, *Hon. Sec.*
2, *Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The annual meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Easter Monday. Short service with address at 4 o'clock. Tea and general meeting in the Masonic Hall, Edward Street, at 4.30. Bells available: Christ Church (12), 10 to 12 2.0 to 4.0, 6 15 to 8.0. All Saints (8), 12.0 to 3.30, 8.0 to 9.0. Oldbury (8), 10.0 to 3 30, 6 30 to 9 0 Smethwick (8), 10. to 12.0, 1.0 to 3 0, 6.30 to 9 0. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid in the belfry at Christ Church between 2 and 4 o'clock Tea 6d to fully paid members, to others 1s. Please notify intention of attending not later than the 11th inst.

H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The North Wales Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Beaumaris on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available from 11 a m for the rest of the day Business meeting at 3 o p.m. in the new Church Rooms adjoining church.

S. A. CULLINGTON, *Hon. Sec.*
Laurceston, Llandudno.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Bristol on Easter Monday, April 17th. Dinner at Maxwell's Restaurant, St. Nicholas Street, at 12 noon. Tickets 3s. each if purchased before April 12th. Short service at All Saints (City) at 1 o'clock with an address by the Vicar, Rev. C. H. Dickinson. Business meeting at the Church House adjoining immediately afterwards. Most of the city towers open for ringing during the day.

C. E. D. BOUTFLOWER. *Hon. Sec.*
30, *Broad Street, Bristol.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association —The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Service at All Saints at 1 p.m., with an address by the Rev. Sidney Phillips. Meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2 p.m prompt; chairman—the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean. Tea will be provided free for those who notify me before Wednesday. April 12th, at The Angel hotel, Sidbury. Bells available; The Cathedral (12), 5 to 6; All Saints (10), St. Helen's (8), St. John's (6), 11.30, and St. Nicholas 6). Subscriptions should be paid, and expenses received at St. Helen's Church House between 11.30 and 12 30 Peal book on view. J. R. NEWMAN, *Hon. Sec.*
Bransford, Worcester.

The Bedfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held in Bedford on Easter Monday. Dinner at All Hallows Mission Room at 1 p.m. Business meeting after dinner. REV. A. RUST. *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The twenty-ninth annual meeting will be held at Derby on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells at St. Luke's and St. Peter's will be available from 10 30 a.m. to 7 30 p m; St. Andrew's from 11 a.m. to 7 30 p.m., and St. Alkmund's from 11 30 to 7.30 p.m. Tea 1s. 3d. each in King's Cafe, St. Peter's Street. Committee and General meeting at 3.45 at the same place. Tea at 4.30, will only be provided for those who notify Mr. P. Mitchell, 68, Douglas Street, Derby, by Thursday, April 13th. of their intention to be present.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*
Cotgrave, Notts.

The Hertfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, April 17th. The Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's churches will be open for ringing from 2 p.m. Members desiring to ring earlier at the two six-bell towers should communicate direct to the respective conductors Choral service at the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with special address by the Rev. Dr. Chadwick, Vicar of St. Peters, St. Albans. Meat tea at 5.50. p.m. in the Abbey Institute, 6d. each to members, to be followed by business meeting for the election of officers, and other matters.

G. W. CARTMEL, *Hon. Sec.*
Duffield, St. Albans.

East Derbyshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Blackwell on Easter Monday, April 17th. Service in church at 4 30 p.m. Tea in school at 5.30 p.m. Meeting afterwards. T. ALLBONE, *Sec.*

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Radyr, near Cardiff, on Easter Monday, April 17th, at 4 p.m.

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JOHN W. JONES. }

Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association —The next meeting will be held at Masham, West Tanfield, and Kirkby Malzeard on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available all day. Dinner at The King's Head hotel, Masham, at 12 30 prompt, members 1s., non-members 2s. each. Those intending to be present must notify the Secretary not later than first post on Tuesday, April 11th. T. METCALFE, *Hon. Sec.*
26, *High Street, North Ormesby, Yorks.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Curdridge, near Botley, on Easter Monday April 17th Bells available at 3 p m. Tea at the invitation of the Vicar, the Rev G. W. Hills, at the parish room at 5 o'clock. Meeting after. Members requiring tea please let me know by the 12th inst.

Fareham. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

The Ely Diocesan Association —The annual meeting at Cambridge this year on Easter Monday is unavoidably postponed.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*
Linton Vicarage.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.—Established 1755.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, at which the address will be given by Canon Sutton. Business meeting in the Vicarage Rooms at 6 o'clock. A. PADDON SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*
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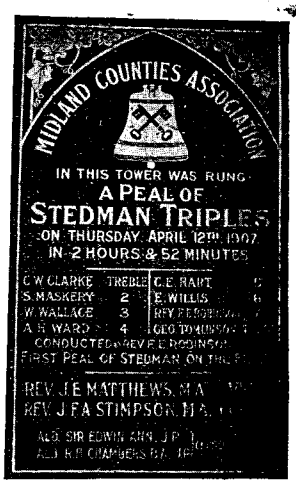

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The Metropolis.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES H. HORTON	*Treble.*	HENRY SPRINGALL	5.
EDWIN GIBBS	2.	EMMANUEL HALL	6.
JAMES SCHOLES	3.	HERBERT LANGDON	7.
WILLIAM TRUSS	4.	SAMUEL E. JOYCE	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by H. SPRINGALL.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, March 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM A. DONALDSON	*Treble.*	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	5.
THOMAS CRANFIELD	2.	ALBERT W. COLES	6.
HAROLD W. CLARK	3.	REUBEN SANDERS	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE	4.	DALBY HODGSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. W. Clark.

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

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 7 lbs.

CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES *Treble.*	HENRY S. ELLIS .. .. 5.
SIDNEY F. GOWLETT .. 2.	EDWIN F. PIKE.. .. .. 6.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 3.	FREDK. J. HARDY .. .. 7.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 4.	THOMAS WALKER .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-LE-BOW,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

FRANK NEWMAN.. .. ..*Treble.*	ARTHUR J. NEALE .. .. 5.
WILLIAM DORAN .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM THEOBALD .. 6.
LEWIS GREEN .. .. .. 3.	YORK GREEN .. .. .. 7.
REUBEN SANDERS .. .. 4.	HENRY TORBLE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by YORK GREEN.

*First peal in the method.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SPITALFIELDS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 33½ cwt.

JOHN J. LAMB .. .. ..*Treble.*	JAMES GEORGE .. .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	ALBERT W. COLES .. .. 6.
ISAAC G. SHADE.. .. .. 3.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. 7.
CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

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

On Wednesday, March 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MATFELON, WHITECHAPEL, E.,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES SCHOLES .. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM TRUSS .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE 2.	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD .. 6.
HERBERT LANGDON .. .. 3.	RICHARD F. DEAL .. .. 7.
FREDK. J. HARDY .. .. 4.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. REEVES, and Conducted by T. H. TAFFENDER.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, BERMONDSEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE .. ..*Treble.*	ALBERT E. SEERS .. .. 6.
JOHN J. LAMB .. .. .. 2.	REUBEN SANDERS .. .. 7.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD.. .. 3.	HARRY FLANDERS .. .. 8.
ERNEST PYE .. .. .. 4.	ALBERT W. COLES .. .. 9.
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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 12¾ cwt.

WILLIAM FLOYD* .. ..*Treble.*	*REGINALD BROUGH .. .. 5.
RICHARD MORGAN .. .. 2.	JOHN WHEADON .. .. 6.
WILLIAM FLETCHER*.. .. 3.	EDWARD AUDSLEY .. .. 7.
GEORGE POVEY*.. .. .. 4.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by E. BARNETT, SEN.

*First peal of Major.

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WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE OLD CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 6-scores of Christmas Eve, and four each of Stedman, Original, Stedman Slow Course, Reverse New Doubles, St. Simon's, Union, College Single, Canterbury Pleasure, Plain Bob, and Grandsire, each called differently.

HORACE HOWELL* .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE PIGOTT .. .. 4.
MISS SARAH PIGOTT .. .. 2.	JOSEPH PIGOTT .. .. .. 5.
WALTER PIGOTT* .. .. 3.	*RICHARD LEE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

*First peal. First peal of Doubles by all the band, and the first peal ever rung by the local church band.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs.

STEPHEN WILCOX† .. ..*Treble.*	EDWARD HARPER .. .. 5.
IRWIN MASSEY .. .. .. 2.	JAMES WILDBLOOD .. .. 6.
HARRY WASHBROOK .. .. 3.	WILLIAM RIGBY.. .. .. 7.
DONALD BOOTH .. .. .. 4.	*ALEX BOOTH .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES WILDBLOOD.

First peal as conductor. *First peal. †First peal away from the tenor. H. Washbrook was elected a life member previous to starting.

GUISELEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. OSWALD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS B. KENDALL .. 5.
ALBERT E. FEARNLEY .. 2.	FREDK. W. DIXON .. .. 6.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 3.	*FRED SALMONS .. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM B. SMITH .. .. 4.	*CHARLES E. WAITE.. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. W. DIXON.

*First peal of Stedman.

HERTFORD.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

GEORGE H. BARKER.. ..*Treble.*	SAMUEL PAGE .. .. .. 5.
HENRY S. REEVES .. .. 2.	FRED WILLIAMS .. .. 6.
HENRY J. TUCKER .. .. 3.	BARNARD PATMORE .. .. 7.
ARTHUR WRIGHT .. .. 4.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. FLEMING, and Conducted by H. J. TUCKER.

First peal of Major on the bells.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs.

CHARLES COTTRELL .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS RUSSAM .. .. 5.
JOHN SANDERS .. .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. MEERS .. .. 6.
GEORGE GARRISON .. .. 3.	THOMAS WELLS .. .. 7.
JONATHAN PRESTON .. .. 4.	JOHN E. PYWELL .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM J. MEERS

Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late Thos. Ryland, esq., J P., of The Redlands, Erdington, donor of the bells.

GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

(THE BOROUGH OF GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1910, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES, WHITFIELD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6080 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES BUCKLEY.. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM MARSDEN .. .. 5.
THOMAS JACKSON .. .. 2.	ELI GARSIDE .. .. .. 6.
HERBERT BRADLEY .. .. 3.	RICHARD NEWTON .. .. 7.
FRANK GARSIDE .. .. .. 4.	JOHN LAWTON .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD, and Conducted by J. BUCKLEY.

Longest length by all the band and on the bells. Arranged for R. Newton, of Manchester, who was elected a member of the Glossop Association previous to starting.

HALEWOOD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty three Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans's. Tenor 11½ cwt.

WALTER HUGHES .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM DAVIES .. .. 5.
HENRY FYLES .. .. .. 2.	*JOHN ALLEN .. .. .. 6.
JOHN TURNER .. .. .. 3.	EDWARD CAUNCE .. .. 7.
THOMAS JENNION .. .. 4.	THOMAS HAMMOND, JUN...*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWARD CAUNCE.

*First peal in the method away from the tenor. Quickest peal on the bells.

HYDE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDEN AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 4 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES SHAW .. .. ..*Treble.*	TOM WILDE .. .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN THORP .. .. 2.	ALBERT HOUGH.. .. .. 6.
ARTHUR HAUGHTON .. .. 3.	JOHN HARRISON .. .. .. 7.
JOSEPH HECKINGBOTTOM.. 4.	HERBERT DRANSFIELD ..*Tenor.*

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE. and Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the 4th, 7th, and tenor. First peal in the method as conductor.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

WHITWORTH, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

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

HENRY J. STEFF .. ..*Treble.*	ROBERT WALLWORK .. .. 5.
THOMAS P. BRANDWOOD .. 2.	ALFRED CROSS .. .. .. 6.
JOSEPH BANKS .. .. .. 3.	THOMAS WALLWORK .. 7.
GEORGE TURNER .. .. 4.	JAMES H. BANKS .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by J. H. BANKS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

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

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

EDGAR PEMBERTON .. ..*Treble.*	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY .. 5.
WILLIAM MOTTS .. .. 2.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. 6.
LEWIS W. WIFFEN .. .. 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 4.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ..*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES J. SEDGLEY, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Reference elsewhere.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

HARRY BREWER* .. ..*Treble.*	ALBERT D. MILLS .. .. 5.
OLIVER SIPPETTS* .. .. 2.	*GEORGE W. STOKES .. 6.
ALBERT HARMAN* .. .. 3.	JOHN RICE .. .. 7.
ALBERT E. MITCHELL* .. 4.	†FREDK. W. RICE .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by F. W. RICE.

*First peal of Double Norwich. †First peal of Double Norwich as conductor.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, March 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. *Treble.*	MAURICE SMITHER .. .. 5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE .. 2.	FRANK BLONDELL .. .. 6.
HENRY L GARFATH.. .. 3.	FREDERICK A. HOLDEN .. 7.
CHARLES HAZELDEN .. .. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. BARBER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

BRAMFIELD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores of St. Simon's Doubles. Tenor 12 cwt.

EDWARD CHATTEN .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS CRANE .. .. .. 4.
AUSTIN LEACH .. .. .. 2.	WILLIAM WHATLING .. 5.
JOHN PUNCHARD .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by E. CHATTEN.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's Transposition of Thurstans's. Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

CHARLES H. TOMKINS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM KNIGHT	5.
GEORGE R. FARDON	2.	THOMAS F. KING	6.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS	3.	CHARLES R LILLEY	7.
HENRY PRING	4.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters. Mr. Fardon was elected a member previous to starting.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY M. KEBBY*	*Treble.*	WILLIAM DUDLEY	5.
CHARLES P. CHALK*	2.	GEORGE E. WILSON	6.
HENRY T. WILSON	3.	WILLIAM H. JUDD	7.
WILLIAM BEDWELL	4.	JOSEPH SMITH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HENRY T. WILSON.

*First peal.

PORT SUNLIGHT, CHESHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.

E. BREEZE, JUN.†	*Treble.*	J. DILLON	5.
W. TOFT	2.	E. BREEZE, SEN.	6.
R. PEARL	3.	*F. SMALL	7.
F. JONES	4.	J. HASLAM	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. BREEZE, SEN.

†First peal. *First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell peal to R. Pearl, who is going out to Australia.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

THOMAS W. RADFORD	*Treble.*	MAURICE SMITHER	6.
FREDERICK A. HOLDEN	2.	CHARLES HAZELDEN	7.
JAMES HUNT	3.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD	8.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, JUN.	4.	FRANK BLONDELL	9.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE	5.	ALFRED H. PULLING	*Tenor.*

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and Conducted by F. A. HOLDEN.

First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor. Arranged for F. E. Holden, who was on a visit to Guildford.

NOTTINGHAM.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT COPPOCK*	*Treble.*	*JAMES H. CLARK	5.
T. ROLAND FLINT*	2.	ERNEST J. OLIVER	6.
NEVILLE WIDDOWSON*	3.	HARRY R. COBBIN	7.
FREDK. J. TITE*	4	WILLIAM BELLAMY	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by WM. BELLAMY.

*First peal of Plain Bob.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 22¼ cwt.

NORMAN C. FLECK*	*Treble.*	EDWARD A. HERN	5.
JOHN S RICHARDSON*	2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER	6.
JOHN F. BIRD*	3.	WILLIAM H. BARBER	7.
ROBERT W. FALCONER	4.	JOHN STUART	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOSEPH W. PARKER, and Conducted by WILLIAM H. BARBER.

*First peal in the method. This composition (an irregular twenty part) contains 318 singles and 118 bobs, and is now rung for the first time.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11¾ cwt. in G.

HUBERT ALLRED	*Treble.*	JOSEPH RIDYARD	5.
JAMES ALLRED*	2.	JOHN T. ALLRED	6.
TITUS BARLOW	3	JOHN POTTER	7.
HARRY ALLRED	4.	ROBERT ALLRED	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by ROBERT ALLRED.

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

BURTON LATIMER, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

ALBERT FOURT	*Treble.*	WILLIAM B. MEADOWS	4.
CHARLES W. CLARKE	2.	HARRY MEADOWS	5.
GEORGE LINES	3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

Rung as a welcome to the Rev. G. L. Richardson as Vicar, who entered the ringing-chamber previous to starting for the peal, and wished the band every success.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	5.
HENRY W. WILKES	2	EDWIN J. HARDING	6.
LEONARD H. PAGE	3.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	7.
CHARLES J. FRAY	4.	OWEN GILES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. GEORGE.

†First peal of Stedman as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and E. J. Harding; also to the mother of G. Williams, who attained her 92nd year on the 8th.

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BEESTON, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

LOUIS PRICE*	*Treble.*	J. CHARLES DICKEN.. ..	5.
ALBERT COPPOCK	2.	*WILLIAM CLIFFORD, JRN.	6.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD*.. ..	3.	*EDWARD J. BOOT	7.
FREDK. S. PRICE	4.	*PERCIVAL PRICE	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Supposdd to be the first peal in the method in the county of Notts. by an entirely local band.

SHEFFIELD.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.)

On Monday, March 11, 1910, *in Three Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS 5040 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 41 cwt.

TOM O'HARA†	*Treble.*	*GEORGE O. DIXON	7.
JAMES EVINSON	2.	JOHN THORPE	8.
WILLIAM LOMAS	3.	R. WILFRED COLLIER ..	9.
CLEMENT GLENN*	4.	†WALTER ALLWOOD	10.
JOSEPH ATKIN*	5.	SIDNEY F. PALMER	11.
GEORGE LEWIS*..	6.	WILLIAM BURGAR	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by WM. LOMAS.

*First peal of Treble Bob Maximus. †First peal on twelve bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Burgar, who rang the tenor in excellent style, although his weight is only 9 stone 4 lbs. and his height not quite 5 feet.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM ROBINSON* ..	*Treble.*	ALBERT GOLDSMITH	5.
JOHN WYATT	2.	*RICHARD KENDALL	6.
JOHN CRAWFORD	3.	WILLIAM COOK	7.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ..	4.	GEORGE COOK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

*First peal.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

JOHN J. JACKSON	*Treble.*	WILLIAM WILLSON	5.
ALBERT MASON	2.	THOMAS BOTTRILL	6.
ALEX BRAMLEY	3.	JAMES HARRIS	7.
MISS LILIAN A. WILLSON	4.	EDWARD JACKSON ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. NICHOLLS, and Conducted by EDWARD JACKSON.

Rung as a farewell peal to the conductor on leaving for Saskatchewan, Western Canada, with best wishes.

WHITCHURCH, NEAR CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

FRANK JOSEPH BAILEY ..	*Treble.*	†DAVID BOLDERSON	4.
WILLIAM B. BISS	2.	WALTER PORTER	5.
LEWIS WRIGHT*..	3.	THOMAS MIDDLETON.. ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. B. BISS.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

CHIGWELL ROW, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being 720 each of Ipswich, Cambridge, Lincoln, London, Wells, York and Durham. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE F. MARGETSON ..	*Treble.*	HARRY TOBBLE	4.
WILLIAM THEOBALD.. ..	2.	WILLIAM MILLER	5.
GEORGE A. BLACK	3.	JOHN MOULE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM MILLER.

This is the first peal on this beautiful new ring of bells recently put in by Mears and Stainbank.

BARKESTONE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Southern Branch.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being three 720s each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and one 720 of College Single. Tenor 15 cwt.

John Hoyes	*Treble.*	‡Arthur Drury	4.
Arthur Mackears	2.	*Arthur Palmer	5.
Sidney Proctor†..	3.	Arthur Mackears	*Tenor.*

*First peal. †First peal of Minor. ‡First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Three Hours and Five Minutes,*

At the Church of St. Margaret,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

In the Oxford Variation. Tenor 20½ cwt.

Charles F. Bailey	*Treble.*	James M. Bailey	5.
Fredk. W. Bailey*	2.	Edgar H. Bailey	6.
Fredk. Youngman*	3.	Norman R. Bailey	7.
Ernest S. Bailey..	4.	George Hardy	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

*First peal in the method.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Chester Branch.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,*

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF ALBION TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs. in A flat.

Henry Woodfine	*Treble.*	Richard Jones	5.
Henry W. Wilde	2.	James Morgan	6.
Robert Sperring	3.	Edward Allen	7.
George Pierce	4.	George Jones	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by James Morgan,

This is the first peal in the method by all the band, by the Guild and in the county.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(Northern Branch.)

On Monday, March 13, 1911, *in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,*

At the Church of St. John,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Walter Pigott*	*Treble.*	*Horace Howell	5.
George Pigott	2.	Samuel Grove	6.
William Fisher	3.	Joseph Pigott	7.
Miss Sarah Pigott†	4.	James Dowler	*Tenor.*

Composed by Joseph Pigott, and Conducted by Samuel Grove.

*First peal on eight bells. †First peal in the method.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

BLEWBURY (Berks)—On Saturday, Feb. 5th, at St. Michael's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. Miss M. Nightingale. G. Rice, R. F. Deal conductor, T. East, J. Napper, J. Bower, R. Rice, R. James. Rung at the opening of a peal tablet recording a peal of Grandsire Triples, which took place on Christmas Eve, the band being the same, though not standing as above.

EAST HAGBOURNE (Berks.)-On Sunday morning, February 26th, for Divine Service, 630 Grandsire Triples. W. Cox, T. East, W. Napper, R. Rice, J. Napper, J. Dearlove R. F. Deal conductor, W. Warwick.

HARWELL (Berks.) - On Sunday, Feb. 26th, 720 Grandsire Minor. H. Melford, G. Rice, T. Hughes, W. Hitchman, R, G. Rice, R. F. Deal.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHWOLD (Suffolk).—On Sunday evening, February 5th, at the parish church, 518 Grandsire Triples. F. Osborne, A. Sargeant, J. Jillings, H. Barton conductor, F. Goodwin, T. King, G. Thompson, G. Blowers.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

ASHTEAD (Surrey).—On Saturday, Feb. 25th, at the church of St. Giles, the last 746 of Holt's Original. G. Cook, R. Kendall, W. Robinson, W. Corbett conductor, A. Goldsmith, J. Crawford, W. Cook, R. Etherington.

ASTON MAGNA (Birmingham).—On Sunday, February 19th, after morning service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1277 changes, in 49 mins. P. Laflin, A. Scrivens, W. Jones. J. Jones, J. Perry, J. Hopkins, J. Paulton, W. Ellis composer and conductor, F. Bennett, T. Richards.

HARBORNE (Staffordshire). — On Sunday, February 5th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 40 mins. J. Johnson, J. Such, H. Pratt, W. Bryant, T. Collinson conductor, G. Hitchman, A. Beecham, G. Fuller. Rung on the occasion of the visit of the Rev. W J. Felton, Vicar of St. Matthew, Walsall.

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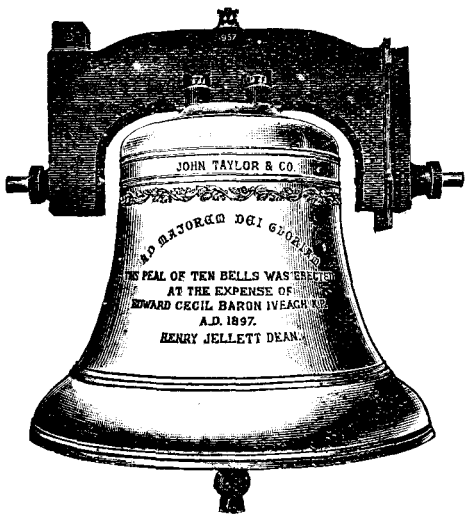

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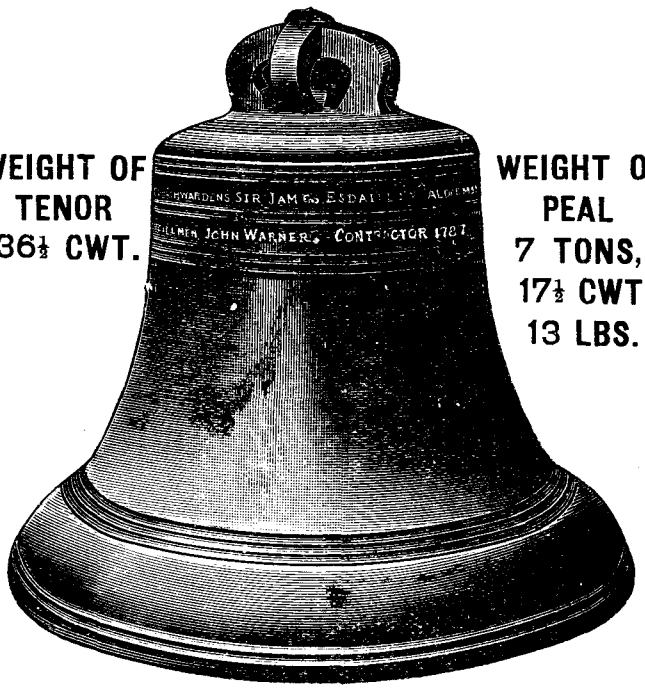

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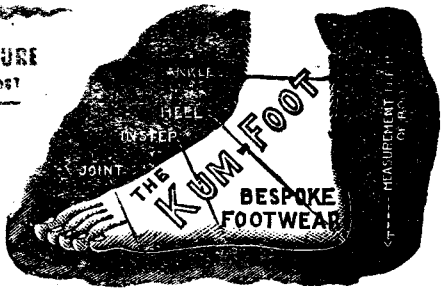

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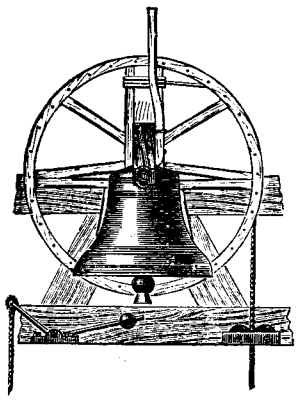

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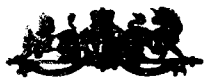

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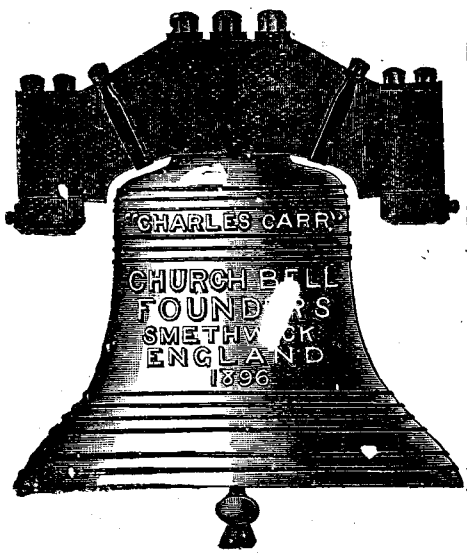

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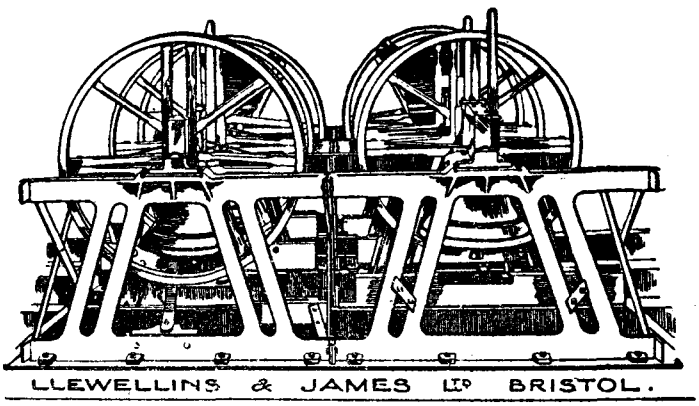

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THE PEAL-BOOK OF THE UNION SOCIETY, ISLE OF WIGHT.—(*Concluded.*)

November 14th, 1812. A few days ago a select 5 only of the Sheffield Youths rang 5000 Oxford Treble Royal on their handbells in two hours and 47 minutes. (Performer's names given).

November 20th, 1812. A few days ago 2 new treble bells were added to a peal of 6, and were opened at Castleton, in the High Peak of Derbyshire, by 3 societies of change-ringers, viz., Ashton-under-Line College Youths, Mottram and Sheffield Youths. Ashton Collegians took the lead, and rang Holt's 5040 Tripples in 2 hours 27½ minutes, it was conducted by Mr. S. Moss. The Mottram Youths next ascended the tower and rang Holt's half-peal of Tripples 2520 changes: the Sheffield Youths then took their turn, and rang 2200 changes of Oxford Treble Bob Major; they descended, and a select 6 of them rang on 12 handbells the whole course of Oxford Treble Bob Maximus, 528 changes, and received great applause from all present. Tenor 12 cwt. in the key of F.

November 26th, 1812, was opened at South Mims church, Herts.:—by the College Youths, a new peal of six bells cast by T. Mears, with 720 Oxford Treble Bob, which proved highly delighting to a numerous assemblage of attentive hearers. Tenor 12 cwt. in the key of G.

December 12th, 1812. A few days ago at Sheffield by the St. Peter's Youths, 5040 Bob Royal in 3 hours and 39 minutes, conducted by Mr. John Woodhead, who rang the 9th. Tenor 41 cwt. in the key of C.

January 24th, 1813, at St. Alphege, Greenwich, by the United Society of Cumberlands, 5040 Bob Major Royal with the 6th at home 12 times right in 3 hours and 32 minutes, and the first peal ever rung on those bells. Conductor G. Gross.

February 8th, 1813, at St. Alphege, Greenwich, by the Trinity Youths, Deptford, 5220 Bob Major Royal in 3 hours and 49 minutes.

February 16th, 1813, at St. John's, Hackney, by the Cumberlands, 6272 Bob Major in 4 hours and 20 minutes.

February 14th, 1809, was opened at Newport, Isle of Wight, the ancient peal of six bells augmented to eight, by the Union Youths of that town with 5040 Holt's Grandsire Tripples in 2 hours and 57 minutes. The weights of the old bells: 4th, 6 cwt 0 qrs 18 lbs; 6th, 8 cwt 1 qr 0 lbs; cast in 1674; 7th, 11 cwt 2 qrs 16 lbs; tenor, 16 cwt 0 qrs 16 lbs; cast in 1675. The new bells: treble, 5 cwt 1 qr 23 lbs; 2nd, 5 cwt 3 qrs 24 lbs; 3rd, 6 cwt 0 qrs 19 lbs; 5th, 8 cwt 1 qr 0 lbs. Performers names given.

On Sunday, March 20th, 1813, at Holy Trinity, Guildford, Surrey, 5040 Grandsire Tripples (Holt's ten course) in 3 hours and 8 minutes, by the Junior Society of that town. Tenor 25 cwt.

October 12th, 1813, at East Grinstead, Sussex, by the College Youths, 5040 Grandsire Tripples, in 3 hours and 12 minutes. Tenor 24 cwt. Performer's names given.

October 26th, 1813, at St. Giles' Norwich, by the St. Peter's Youths, 6272 Oxford Treble Bob Major, conductor Robt. Chestnutt. being his first attempt.

November 5th, 1813, at St. Peter's Liverpool, by the College Youths, 5040 Grandsire Tripples, in 3 hours and 59 minutes, in celebration of the erection of Lord Nelson's monument in the area of the new Exchange Building.

June 18th, 1815, was rung at Saffron Walden, in Essex, by the Society of Essex Youths, 6112 Oxford Treble Bob 8 in, in 3 hours and 57 minutes, being the first peal on those bells in that critical method. Tenor 23 cwt. in key of E.

July 6th, 1815, at Farnham, Surrey, by the senior company of that town, 5040 Holt's Grandsire Tripples, in 3 hours and 7 minutes. Tenor 22 cwt.

October 22nd, 1815, at Cuckfield, Sussex, 5040 Grandsire Trebles, in 3 hours and 6 minutes. Tenor 12 cwt.

January 28th, 1816, was rung at Richmond, Surrey, a peal of Real Double Eight, in 3 hours and 6 mins., composed by Mr. G. Gross, of London, with as many 7th places with the treble behind as 2nds with the treble before, and as many 5ths places at a bob with the treble behind as 4ths with a bob with the treble before. The peal was conducted by Mr. G. Cole, with 2 bobs in a lead, and was the second peal ever completed in that system.

May 16th, 1816, at Newark, Notts., 5040 Grandsire Trebles (Holt's peal) in 3 hours and 35 minutes. Performer's names given. Weight of the above bells: treble, 7 cwt 0 qrs 1 lbs; 2nd, 7 cwt 0 qrs 26 lbs; 3rd, 8 cwt 0 qrs 6 lbs; 4th, 10 cwt 1 qr 0 lbs; 5th, 14 cwt 3 qrs 1 lb; 6th, 16 cwt. 1 qr 11 lbs: 7th, 20 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs; tenor 28 cwt 1 qr 7 lbs.

November 4th, 1816, at Painswick, a few days ago, 10,278 Grandsire Caters by the Village Youths, in 6 hours and 45 minutes, conducted by James Savory. Tenor 28 cwt. in the key of D.

May 17th, 1817, at Painswick, 12,312 Grandsire Caters, in 7 hours and 53 minutes, conducted by James Savory. Performer's names given. Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

May 19th, 1817, at Almondsbury, Gloucester, by the Bristol Scholars, 5040 Grandsire Trebles in 3 hours.

June 4th, 1817, being His Majesty's birthday, at St. Thomas' Newport, by the Union Youths of that town, 5040 Grandsire Tripples, in 3 hours and 1 minute. Names of performers given.

June 17th, 1814, at St. Thomas' Newport, by the Union Youths of that town, 5040 Bob Major, in 3 hours 4½ mins. Names of performers given, and at bottom of page is written "1821 scripsit C. J. B."

April 15th, 1818, was rung at Gravesend by the Union Youths of that town a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob containing 6000 changes, in 3 hours and 46 minutes; this is the first peal of this abstruse nature ever rung in the United Kingdom. It will be remembered that in March, 1817, the same company rang a peal of Double London Court Bob of the same length, being the 1st of that nature. Both peals were composed by Mr. W. Eversfield, and called by Mr. George Kebbitt.

August 5th, 1818. Died in the village of Leeds Kent, at the advanced age of 92 years, Mr. James Barham. He was an eminent change-ringer and peal conductor, at which Exercise he once stood 14 hours and 44 minutes,

and assisted in ringing 115 peals, each containing more than 5000 changes. He was likewise one of the 14 who completed the whole revolution on the eight bells at Leeds viz., 40,320 changes, in 27 hours, on 7th and 8th of April, 1761.

November 28th, 1818, at Stockport, by the Youths of that town, 3874 changes, being the numb r of weeks of the life of Her Majesty.

January 30th, 1819. A select 8 of the Painswick Youths completed in their church tower an ingenious peal of Grandsire Tripples, containing 5040 changes, without one double, in the short space of 3 hours and 16 minutes, being the first peal ever rung by any Society in that style of composition. Tenor 27 cwt.

February 5th, 1809, at St. Mary's, Carisbrook, by the Union Youths of Newport, 5040 Grandsire Trebles (Holt's ten course peal), in 3 hours and 3 minntes. (Performers names given). Conducted by James Wood.

June 5th, 1819, a very beautiful peal of twelve bells, the tenor weighing 16 cwt., cast by Mr. Mears, of London, for a tower erected by J. P. Powell, esq., of Quex Park, Thanet, Kent, was opened by the Hythe Society, when a true and complete peal of Bob Major of 5008 changes with the 6:h 21 times wrong, and 21 times right, composed and conducted by Wm. Greensted, was brought round in a masterly style in 3 hours and 5 minutes, and performed by the undermentiond persons, viz., W. Keeler (Elham), Treble; H. Down (Hythe), 2; W. Stoakes (Lympe), J. Crothall (Aldington), J. Sealy (Aldington), T. Castle (Hythe), W. Greensted (Hythe), E. Marshall (Aldington).

January 24th, 1820, at Bleachingley, Surrey, 5040 Holt's Grandsire Tripples in 3 hours 14 minutes, conducted by Mr. Martin Bray.

February 8th, 1820, at Newport, 5040 Tripples in 3 hours and 3 minutes, conducted by J. Wood. (Names of performers given).

February 19th, at Bolney, by the Bolney and Brighton societies, 6016 Oxford Treble Bob in 3 hours and 45 minutes. Conducted by Richard Cook, and the longsst peal in the method that has been rung in the county of Sussex. (Names of performers given). C.J.B.

August 30th, 1820, at Magdalen College, 5040 Bob Major in 3 hours and 19 minutes. Tenor 22 cwt.

September 4th, 1820, at New College, Oxford, 5376 Bob Major in 3 hours and 35 minutes. Tenor 19 cwt.

September 16th, 1820, at St. Martin's, Birmingham, by the St. Martin's Youths, 7200 New Treble Bob Maximus in 5 hours and 8 minutes. Tenor 36 cwt.

December 28th, 1820, at St. Martin's, Birmingham, by the society belonging to that church, 6600 Stedman's Cinques in 4 hours and 35 minutes, being the greatest extent ever performed in this method.

January 29th, 1821, the anniversary of His Majesty's Ascension (?), the Brighton Society rang 5040 Bob Major in 3 hours and 10 minutes.

March 16th, 1821, J. P. Powell, esq., who is the first amateur ringer in the kingdom, rang the tenor of his celebrated bells at his seat of Quex in the Isle of Thanet, is the peal of Grandsire Caters, consisting of 5201 changes, which was completed in 3 hours and 35 minutes. Tenor 16 cwt.

April 8th, 1821, at Oldham, Lancashire, by the Oldham Youths, 14,016 Bob Major in 7 hours and 26 minutes. Tenor 13 cwt.

April 23rd, 1821, being the celebration of His Majesty's birthday, the Stowmarket Youths with the assistance of Mr. John Naunton, bellhanger of Ipswich, completed a peal of 6336 harmonious changes of Bob Major in 4 hours and 7 minutes, being the greatest length ever performed in the county of Suffolk. Tenor 26 cwt. The performers viz.:—Robt. Cuthbert, Treble; Thos. Stevenson, 2; Jno. Elmer, jun.. 3; Robt. Pillrow, 4: Thos. Hobart, 5: Robt. Fuller, 6; Henry Hobart, 7; John Naunton, Tenor. The peal was conducted by Mr. Jno. Naunton.

In the churchyard of Southwold, county Sufiolk, is a headstone with a bell carved on the top, and beneath is the inscription: "In memory of John Naunton, late of Ipswich, bellhanger and campanologist, who died April 12th, 1824, aged 47."

The majority of the entries have been condensed to economise space, but the old spelling of the various terms has been copied for the most part. Names of performers are not entered, except where notified. The latter and more elaborate portion of the entries is by a writer whose initials appear at the bottom of some of the pages, C.J.B., but his full name is nowhere recorded. The last third portion of the book contains blank pages.

Henley Vicarage. WM. C. PEARSON.

EAST ANGLIAN BELLS.—(*Concluded.*)

Starting from somewhere about Coggeshall all down you have the Oxford Treble Bob district. Now-a-days they ring almost everything, but a few years ago Oxford was rung here, and practically nowhere else. It may be only a coincidence, but it is certain that the Standard of striking was higher in this district than anywhere else in England. We throw out the suggestion for what it is worth. In our experience wherever you have ringers who learn a method with the tenor turned in, you have better average striking than where they learn on Grandsire, and this is so noticeable that we cannot think there is no connection between the two.

We may not stay to say much about the eight and ten-bell towers. They are both many and interesting. There is Debenham, where a faultless 16,608 of Treble Bob was rung, conducted by that fine ringer, Mr. James Motts. There is Stonham Aspal and all its associations with Squire Eccleston; there is Lavenham and its famous tenor, Diss, Eye, Redenhall, Leiston, Bury, and the rest. One magnificent restoration we must notice that of the ten at Beccles, where Messrs. Taylor have recast some, and re-tuned and rehung the lot. They are an exceptionally fine ring, and the work has been carried out thoroughly. It is only justice to say that the credit of the restoration belongs to Mr. Hopson, the captain of the local ringers, to whose generosity and hard work the raising of the money required, some £600, was due.

Besides the particulars we have noticed, Mr. Pearson's book contains a photograph of his own church at Henley, and the inscription on the bells. It was through him that they were increased to eight. They are a light ring, go well, and are ideally situated for peal-ringing. Given an enthusiastic ringing parson, we are not surprised that since their dedication over one hundred 5000s have been scored on them. Mr. Pearson rang in the larger part, and as they range from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise, the list is one he may well be proud of.

The author will be pleased to post a copy free to any ringer interested in the matter who will send him a postcard with name and address. All modern bells are the actual weights as supplied him by the founders, and the estimated weights of old Whitechapel bells were supplied by the present firm.

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 price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th at 7.30 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on Saturday, April 29th. Ringing from 4 to 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at the parish church, High 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 p.m. Tea at 5, with business meeting to follow. The Hon. Secretary would be glad to receive outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, St John's Road, Walthamstow.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. F. W. Isaacs), at Chiswick on Saturday, April 29th. Bells available from 3.15. Short service at 4.30. Tea at 6'oclock, 6d. per head. Members and friends heartily welcomed.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston. Housnlow.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.—Southwold District.—A meeting will be held at Southwold on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 2 o'clock. A free tea will be provided by the Vicar and Mayor

A. J. NAUNTON, *Dis. Sec.*
Wrentham, Wangford.

Sheffield District and Old East Derbyshire Society.—The next meeting of the above society will be held at Ecclesfield on Easter Monday. Bells available from 12 o'clock by kind permission of the Vicar. the Rev. F. W. Pawson. T. RILEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Halstead on Easter Monday. Bells ready at 3 p.m Tea 1s. each, will be provided at The White Horse at 5.30.

A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Surrey Association. — Quarterly meeting at Carshalton on Easter Monday. Bells open from 2 to 9 p m. Service at 5.30 p.m. which ringers are requested to attend. Tea at 6 p.m. in the parish room, meeting afterwards, at which the Rector will preside. A photo of members will be taken outside the church at 3 o'clock.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

Leeds and District Society —The annual general meeting will be held at Leeds parish church on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Peal attempt in the morning, business 7.0 p m., including presentation of balance-sheet, election of officers, etc. and new rota of meetings.

A. S. MITCHELL, *Hon. Sec.*
2, Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—The annual meeting will be held at Christ Church, West Bromwich, on Easter Monday. Short service with address at 4 o'clock. Tea and general meeting in the Masonic Hall, Edward Street, at 4.30. Bells available: Christ Church (12), 10 to 12 2.0 to 4.0, 6 15 to 8.0. All Saints (8), 12.0 to 3.30, 8.0 to 9.0. Oldbury (8), 10.0 to 3 30, 6 30 to 9 0. Smethwick (8), 10. to 12.0, 1.0 to 3 0, 6.30 to 9.0. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid in the belfry at Christ Church between 2 and 4 o'clock. Tea 6d. to fully paid members, to others 1s. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

The North Wales Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Beaumaris on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available from 11 a.m for the rest of the day. Business meeting at 3 o p.m. in the new Church Rooms adjoining church.

S. A. CULLINGTON, *Hon. Sec.*
Laureston, Llandudno.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Bristol on Easter Monday, April 17th. Dinner at Maxwell's Restaurant, St. Nicholas Street, at 12 noon. Tickets 1s. each if purchased before April 12th. Short service at All Saints (City) at 1 o'clock with an address by the Vicar, Rev. C. H. Dickinson. Business meeting at the Church House adjoining immediately afterwards. Most of the city towers open for ringing during the day.

C. E. D. BOUTFLOWER. *Hon. Sec.*
30, Broad Street, Bristol.

Worcestershire and Districts Association—The annual meeting will be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, April 17th. Service at All Saints at 1 p.m., with an address by the Rev. Sidney Phillips. Meeting in the Cathedral Chapter House at 2 p.m. prompt; chairman—the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., Dean. Tea will be provided free for those who notify me before Wednesday. April 12th, at The Angel hotel, Sidbury. Bells available; The Cathedral (12), 5 to 6; All Saints (10), St. Helen's (8), St. John's (6), 11.30, and St. Nicholas (6). Subscriptions should be paid, and expenses received at St. Helen's Church House between 11.30 and 12 30 Peal book on view J. R. NEWMAN, *Hon. Sec.*
Bransford, Worcester.

The Bedfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held in Bedford on Easter Monday. Dinner at All Hallows Mission Room at 1 p.m. Business meeting after dinner. REV. A. RUST, *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The twenty-ninth annual meeting will be held at Derby on Easter Monday, April 17th. The bells at St, Luke's and St. Peter's will be available from 10.30 a.m. to 7 30 p m.; St. Andrew's from 11 a m. to 7 30 p.m.. and St. Alkmund's from 11.30 to 7.30 p.m. Tea 1s. 3d. each in King's Cafe, St. Peter's Street. Committee and General meeting at 3.45 at the same place. Tea at 4.30.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*
Cotgrave, Notts.

The Hertfordshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, April 17th. The Cathedral, St. Peter's, St. Michael's, and St. Stephen's churches will be open for ringing from 2 p.m. Members desiring to ring earlier at the two six-bell towers should communicate direct to the respective conductors Choral service at the Cathedral at 5 p.m., with special address by the Rev. Dr. Chadwick, Vicar of St. Peters, St. Albans. Meat tea at 5.50. p.m. in the Abbey Institute, 6d. each to members, to be followed by business meeting for the election of officers, and other matters.

G, W. CARTMEL, *Hon. Sec.*
Duffield, St. Albans.

East Derbyshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Blackwell on Easter Monday, April 17th. Service in church at 4 30 p.m. Tea in school at 5.30 p.m. Meeting afterwards. T. ALL'BONE, *Sec.*

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Radyr, near Cardiff, on Easter Monday, April 17th, at 4 p.m.

REV. CONNOP L. PRICE,
JOHN W. JONES. } *Hon. Secs.*

Cleveland and North Yorkshire Association—The next meeting will be held at Masham, West Tanfield, and Kirkby Malzeard on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available all day. Dinner at The King's Head hotel, Masham, at 12.30 prompt, members 1s., non-members 2s. each.

11th. T. METCALFE, *Hon. Sec.*
26, High Street, North Ormesby, Yorks.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Curdridge, near Botley, on Easter Monday, April 17th. Bells available at 3 p m. Tea at the invitation of the Vicar, the Rev. G. W. Hills, at the parish room at 5 o'clock. Meeting after. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*
Fareham.

The Ely Diocesan Association—The annual meeting at Cambridge this year on Easter Monday is unavoidably postponed.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*
Hinxton Vicarage.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.—Established 1755.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aston on Saturday, April 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, at which the address will be given by Canon Sutton. Business meeting in the Vicarage Rooms at 6 o'clock. A. PADDON SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*
11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Knutsford, Saturday, April 22nd.

A. T. BERSTON, *Hon. Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Ashton-under-Lyne Society.—A combined meeting will be held at Ashton parish church on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 4. Business at 7. As this is the annual meeting of the Ashton society, a good muster is requested.

W. H. SHUKER,
C. BOWER. } *Secs.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Whittle-le-Woods, on Saturday, April 29th, Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Tea at The Bay Horse hotel. 1s. each to those who notify me not later than Thursday, April 7th. E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

SOME BELLMEN WE HAVE KNOWN.

By FELIX J. KOCH.

Next time yon make the long California journey, try to get to Stanford when the chimes are playing. Through the splendid windows of the memorial church, erected to the little boy, the son of the millionaire rail-road builder, who died as a mere child, the sun filters on the chancel, and then falls full on the floor of the church. And then, from out of the no-where it seems, the chimes play sweetly-sad, as no-wheres else it seems. And you wonder at the bellman. To-day the famous old craft of bellman is passing. Most the churches where the bells are rung at all, for even churches, you know, are abolishing the bell, there is electricity to chime them. Strangely enough, though, at the church of St. Francis de Sales in Cincinnati, where there hangs the largest swinging bell in the world, they still ring the bell by hand. With the ringer's ears heavily swathed in cloth, on state and high ecclesiastical occasions only do they swing the largest bell in the world, this of St. Francis de Sales, in Cincinnati.

Christmas, Easter morning, the feasts of June, Michaelmas and Christmas Day, July 4th and perhaps Decoration Day, then, alone, out over the closely built streets of Walnut Hills there floats the F note of the bell, setting the air waves into vibration, until the circle widens, and in Evanston, Norwood, and Hyde Park, and even down in Columbia and over in Avondale folk look up from their Sunday papers and exclaim: "Hallo, there's the big bell!" To ring the big bell is a laborious job, and requires an expert bellman.

Every Sunday in the year the little vestry boys of St. Francis de Sales climb the steeple to the first belfry, where the six hempen strands dangle down, and leaping high up on the ropes they pull and tug, and then are dragged up on the strand in turn, while, at the signal, in the church below, folk file into their pews. That rings the bell, but does not swing it. To swing the big bell one must go higher up into the tapering spire, up through the little door that is kept firmly locked, save on state occasions, up perhaps eighteen narrow stairs to the second belfry, whence is drawn the hempen cord by which the bell is rung, or, better, tolled on lesser holidays. "Swinging the bell from the outside" this is called, and the work is done by the first six men that Sexton Buhr can impanel. But this is not swinging the big bell in the true sense . . . for that a half dozen experts from the foundry where the bell was cast are secured, and to these men is delegated the task of pealing forth the notes of the largest swinging bell in the world. According to experts the oftener the big bell or, in fact, any bell is swung, the clearer becomes the sound. The scientific reason underlying this fact is that each striking of the bell causes the molecules of the metal to become denser, and, upon this density, depends the sweetness of the tone. It is a strange sensation to be there in the steeple, alone, far up above even the slight noises of a Sunday morning on Walnut Hills. Twenty-eight more steps and the visitor is in the church lumber-room, resembling the garret of some old cathedral of Europe. A dozen steps more and the actual home of the bell is reached.

The ears swathed in tightly-bound cloths to deaden the vibration that would otherwise shatter the hardest ear-drum, the visitor looks about him, while awaiting the swingers of the bell. The prospect is not an enlivening one. The chamber is almost dark, only faint rays of the daylight come through the lattices, where the pigeons have built their nests, but by this light one may make out the outline of the giant bell resting to one side of the oaken wheel by means of which the bell is swung. Coiled, twisted and twined about are the ropes, uniting in such a way that for mere tolling of the bell two men may suffice, while for swinging the regulation six can be brought to perform the job. A monster certainly is the big bell, the largest of its sort in America. Nine feet in diameter is the rim of the lower circumference, five feet in diameter is the crown, twenty seven feet is the walk around the bell, and it is seven feet from its bottom to top. The clapper outside the bell, by which it is now tolled, weighs thirty thousand pounds, while the steel by which it is swung has a diameter of fifteen feet. Added to this there is soon to be a chime of twenty-six bells. Cut into the 260 inches of circumference of the sounding bow, in heavy Gothic letters, is the Lord's Prayer, in the Latin, each letter having been first cut from heavy leather, and from this into a die. Up at the crown inspection by candle light will reveal six Latin bell phrases, as well as the alternating medallion of the six churchwardens, by Mudhenk. Further, it contains a citic group by the seal of the Federal Government, sent by attorney-general Harmon for the purpose, the seal of Ohio, sent while Governor by the late President McKinley, and the seal of the City of Cincinnati, contributed by ex-Mayor Caldwell. In addition to these there is a medallion of the donor of the bell.

All this the old-warden ringer recites by rota as he bids the visitor register in the book of names kept in the tower since '95, when the bell was swung. It seems strange that the list should be so small. Then having signed the visitor is conducted back to the little chamber immediately below the bell, for there is no space at his side, when the tone goes forth. An electric bell rings far belew, the organ peals, the six men bend to to their several tasks. There is a sudden vibration, as of some heavy October blast, which almost bears one off his feet, the ears tingle to the tone, and lo, the first note of the great bell has been wafted off among the hills of Greater Cincinnati. Again and again, perhaps thirty times in all, the wheel bends to the pull of the six strong men, there comes that powerful vibration, that blast against the ear, that momentary dulness and the lesser bells of other churches peal forth their messages. The visitor, dizzy now as that deep note of the bell goes on and on, the vision of the little choir-boy in red in the lower belfry, far below, is strangely dim and indistinct, and as he totters down the narrow dusty stairs, only the friendly railing prevents his stumbling headlong to the floor below.

That then is one type of bellman. Over in southern California there is another. He is the young padre, the neophyte almost one might say, who cares for the flock that attends the church in connection with the mission. At St. Gabriel you find him, pulling the rope to the bells that called the Indians to devotions. And at Santa Barbar again, the priests, like the friars of old, sound a carrillon. Up in the lumber-room of the Santa Barbara Mission, there is still preserved a wheel, with bells attached, that was turned to sound the chime. Recollection brings to mind, whenever bells sound nowadays, old Billy Clarke a bellman of national fame, now lately gone from his haunts so long accustomed.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORWICH.—On Tuesday, April 4th, for practice at St. Peter Mancroft, 660 Grandsire Cinques. C. E. Borrett conductor, E. Beckett, G. Cross, B. Thompson, F. J. Cross, F. H. Phillips, J. Freeman, H. J. Borrett, G. P. Burton, R. E. Chichester, G. Mayers, C. W. Bullen.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

DAGENHAM.—On Sunday, April 9th, for Divine Service, 720 Cambridge Surprise. F. Freestone, R. Miles, A. Playle, E. Butler, G. Playle conductor, E. Hawkins. This is the first 720 of Surprise by all the band. For evening service another 720 in the same method, R. Blake ringing the 4th, the rest as before.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING.—On Wednesday, April 5th, at St. Giles' church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins. A. Harding, A. T. Reeves, first quarter-peal, A. Bailey, R. Bishop, G. Goodship, W. Dormer, A. W. Osborne conductor, A. H. Burgess. Rung before confirmation service at the above church. After service 168 in the same method.

WISBECH.—On March 5th, for morning service at the parish church, a family 720 of Bob Minor, with 7 8 covering, in 28 mins. C. Goakes, jun., H. Goakes, A. Goakes, S. Goakes, J. Goakes, C. Goakes, sen., conductor, F. H. H. Cheesewright. The ringer of the 2nd is 14 years of age, and it was his first 720 on tower bells, and much credit is due to him for the way in which he rung his bell.

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By York Green.

5000.

23456	M	W	H
52364	2	2	2
24365	1		2
63425		2	2
42635		1	1
36245		2	2
64235		2	
35426	1	2	2
43236		2	1
24346		2	1
23456		1	2

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A DATE TOUCH OF DUFFIELD MAJOR.

By A. P. Wakley, Burton-on-Trent.

1911.

12345	1	B	O
31245		–	
52143		–	–
15243		–	
12543		s	
35241		–	–
23541		–	*
52341		–	
45251	–	–	

Three times repeated, calling bob for single, except in the first part, and calling single for bob * in the third part produces—

34125	1	B	O	M
13425		–		
54321		–	–	
35421		–		
43521		–		
15324		–	–	
315246		–		
216453		–		2

Round in three changes by 7-8 lying still.

DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

By Joseph B. Fenton, Rugby.

5088.

23456	1	4	5	6
53624	–	–		–
36524				–
25634	–			–
56234				–
62534				–
35264	–			–
52364				–
63254	–			–
32654				–
63425			–	
32465	–			
64235	–			–
42635				–
32546	–	–		–
24536	–			
43526	–			
25346	–			–
54326	–			
42356	–			
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52436	–			–
32456	s			

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SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

By J. W. Parker, Sunderland.

9728.

23456	5th	M	W	IN	H
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352					–
62453		–	–		
625734			–	–	
54326	–	–			
63425		–			–
326754				–	
642735	–	–	–	–	
26543	–				–
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276435		–		–	–
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372465		–			
274536		–		–	–
47352		–			
37254		–			
524736		–	–		
46325	–	–			
53624		–			–
325746				–	–
562734	–	–	–	–	
36243	–	–	–		–
23645					–
62345					–
324765		–	–	–	
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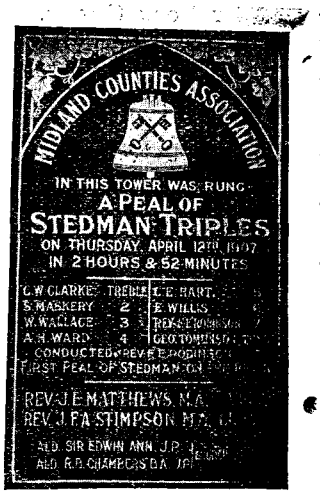

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BRIDGEND, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, March 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ILLTYD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 16 cwt.

J. PAUL	*Treble.*	G. ROBERTS	5.
T. J. EVANS	2.	R. BUNSTONE	6.
J. EVANS	3.	J. COX	7.
R. EVANS	4.	D. R. JAMES	*Tenor.*

(No conductor mentioned)

First peal by the treble ringer, who was proposed and elected a member before starting. Rung as a farewell compliment to G. Roberts, who is leaving for Canada.

LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE LITTLE MUNDEN SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

HENRY CARTER	*Treble.*	*ARTHUR PHILLIPS	4.
BERT CARTER*	2.	FRED WILLIAMS	5.
ALBERT CARTER*	3.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

*First peal with a bob bell. This is W. H. Lawrence's 100th peal.

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TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 16, 1911, *in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 360 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Violet, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, College Single, Double Court, and Bob Minor.

Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDK. SKINNER ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. SEAGER	4.
GEORGE SNELLING	2.	JOHN SNELLING	5.
ALBERT BROWN	3.	FREDK. MANSER ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

BUSHEY, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, March 16, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 13 cwt.

RICHARD DABLOW ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM I. OAKLEY ..	5.
JOSEPH J. ALLEN	2.	FREDERICK EDWARDS ..	6.
FRANCIS A. SMITH	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT ..	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	JOHN BATES	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

Rung by the local band.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, March 17, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-nine 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.*	JOHN LUCKEY	5.
GEORGE P. BURTON.. ..	2.	THOMAS JORDAN..	6.
GEORGE JORDAN..	3.	THOMAS J. WATTS	7.
WALTER PRICE	4.	WILLIAM WATTS ..	..*Tenor.*

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

Arranged for G. P. Burton, who hails from Norwich.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION.

ARTHUR DEAN	..*Treble.*	JOHN HOYLE	5.
ALFRED H. WINCH	2.	JOHN H. WHITE	6.
JOHN WYATT	3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH	7.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ..	4.	WILLIAM LYNCH ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

UPTON ST. LEONARDS, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's One-Part. Tenor 17 cwt. in F.

HUBERT CHARLES HOWE ..	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SMITH..	5.
WILLIAM JOHN SEVIER ..	2.	THOMAS CLISSOLD	6.
GEORGE WILLIAM HOPKINS	3.	HENRY R. NEWMAN	7.
HENRY JEANS	4	MELVILLE JORDAN ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM J. SEVIER.

Owing to a death in the parish the bells were rung half muffled, and after the peal the ringers received the heartiest congratulations from the Rector, the Ven. Archdeacon Scobell, upon their success, it being the first peal by five of the local band.

BUCKNALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minute,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Superlative Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Killamarsh Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Pleasure, Violet and Woodbine. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOSEPH PRESTON ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST TIGWELL	4.
DANIEL PRESTON	2.	WILLIAM WHEELDON ..	5.
JOHN ENOCH WHEELDON	3.	CHARLES PRESTON ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. PRESTON.

Arranged as a birthday peal for E. Tigwell.

DEVONPORT.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHAPEL H.M. DOCKYARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 9 cwt.

W. THOMAS LINNELL* ..	*Treble.*	ERNEST W. MARSH	5.
WILLIAM FORD	2.	WILLIAM RUNDLE	6.
HAROLD BENNETT	3.	JOSEPH WOODLEY	7.
FRANK HOCKADAY	4.	JOHN HOBBS	..*Tenor*

Conducted by WILLIAM RUNDLE.

*First peal away from the tenor. Rung to welcome J. Woodley on his safe return from Malta.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, BLAKENHALL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.

DANIEL JONES*	..*Treble.*	HARRY PRICE	5.
JOHN C. ADAMS†	2.	WILLIAM FISHER	6.
HERBERT KNIGHT	3	ROBERT MATTHEWS.. ..	7.
JOHN BASS	4.	JOSEPH PIGOTT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method away from the treble. First peal in the method on the bells.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Three Hours and Two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

WILLIAM LATTER* ..	..*Treble.*	EDWARD F. COLE	5.
LANCE-SGT. F. A. HOLDEN	2.	FRANK BENNETT	6.
ROBERT J. DAWE	3.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
ISAAC EMERY	4.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

*First Surprise peal. First Surprise peal on the bells.

COGENHOE, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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 8½ cwt.

FREDK. ROWLEDGE ..	..*Treble.*	ALFRED H. MARTIN.. ..	4
THOMAS LAW	2	FRED HOPPER	5.
CHARLES W. CLARKE ..	3.	FRED WILFORD	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

RISHTON, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Three Hours and Four Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HENRY J. STEFF	..Treble.	THOMAS P. BRANDWOOD	5.
THOMAS FOSTER*	2.	THOMAS WALLWORK	6.
JOSEPH BANKS	3.	ROBERT WALLWORK	7
JOSEPH WOODS	4.	JAMES H. BANKS	..Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES H. BANKS.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Thomas Wallwork's 50th peal.

KEA, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL HALLOWS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S TEN-PART No. 1. Tenor 12¾ cwt in G.

EDGAR HAM	..Treble.	FRANK HALL	5.
WILLIAM DAVEY	2.	WILLIAM J. SANDERCOCK	6.
HEBER HARRIS	3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY	7.
JOHN THOMAS	4.	PETER HARFOOT	..Tenor.

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Rang as a farewell peal to F. Hall, who is leaving for America, the band wishing him success in his new abode.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, March 18, 1910, *in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19½ cwt.

ROBERT SANDERSON	..Treble.	*HARRY FRANCE	5.
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	2.	E. ROGER MARTIN	6.
ROBERT J. ARMSTRONG	3.	ALBERT E. WOODHOUSE	7.
FREDERICK HARWOOD	4.	EDWARD ARMSTRONG	..Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS.

*First peal.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM CLOVER*	..Treble.	GEORGE KEMP	4.
LEONARD LAST*	2.	GEORGE CATTERMOLE	5.
ALPHAEUS BERRY	3.	WILLIAM ROSE	..Tenor.

Conducted by WILLIAM ROSE.

*First peal in the methods.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Peter's Amalgamated Society.)

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Three Hours and One Minute,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lbs. in G.

ALBERT NASH	..Treble.	WILLIAM BURGAR	5.
R. WILFRED COLLIER	2.	SAMUEL WESLEY	6.
CLEMENT GLENN	3.	GEORGE O DIXON	7.
JOHN H. BROTHWELL*	4.	SIDNEY F. PALMER	..Tenor.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

First peal in the method on the bells. *First peal of Treble Bob Major.

ROCKLAND, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, March 18, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty Minutes*

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 6-scores of Stedman, ten of Plain Bob, and thirty of Grandsire. Tenor 7½ cwt.

FRED SHINGFIELD*	..Treble.	ALFRED MACRO	3.
WILFRED ALLEN*	2.	THOMAS FITZJOHN	4.
*HERBERT MASON	..Tenor.		

Conducted by T. FITZJOHN.

*First peal. First peal on the bells.

WHITBY, YORKS.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, March 19, 1911, *in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

GEORGE WELBURN	..Treble.	WILLIAM H. KNAGGS	5.
WILLIAM BRECKSON	2.	GEORGE F. ALEXANDER	6.
FRANK S. HODGSON	3.	RICHARD DUCK	7.
ALBERT COATES	4.	JOHN W. LOWTHER	..Tenor.

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and Conducted by GEORGE F. ALEXANDER.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 20, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDERICK BORRETT	..Treble.	HENRY GARNHAM	4.
CHARLES T. P. BRICE	2.	HENRY ADCOCK	6.
ERNEST WHITING	3.	CHARLES TANN	7.
EDWIN WHITING	4.	*TOWNSEND ADCOCK	..Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal.

OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, March 21, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

FRANK G. BURLEIGH	..Treble.	REUBEN HALL	5.
MISS SARAH PIGOTT†	2.	FRANK JOHNSON	6.
ABRAHAM GREENFIELD	3.	JOSEPH PIGOTT	7.
HARRY PRICE	4.	*WILLIAM FORD	..Tenor.

Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

*First peal. †First peal in the method and first lady to ring a peal with the Society.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, March 21, 1911, *in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

HERBERT STANSFIELD	..Treble.	FRED PAGE	7.
GEORGE GARNETT	2.	SAMUEL WOOD	8.
JOSEPH MELLOR	3.	BENJAMIN GILL	9.
CHARLES BOWER	4.	ALBERT ADAMS	10.
JAMES WOOD	5.	HARRY CHAPMAN	11.
WALTER WOLSTENCROFT	6.	SAM BOOTH	..Tenor.

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch.)

On Wednesday, March 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

ARTHUR F. ASHMAN ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ..	6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ..	2.	*FRED HAYES	7.
FREDERICK G. BIGGS ..	3.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	8.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ..	4.	JAMES W. WILKINS.. ..	9.
RALPH COLES	5.	†FRANK W. BOXELL ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by FRED HAYES.

*First peal in the method as conductor. †First peal on ten. The treble, 2nd, 5th, 7th, 9th and tenor ringers are members of the local company. Rung after meeting short for Cinques. J. W. Wilkins' 100th peal, a list elsewhere.

HOYLANDSWAINE, YORKS.

(BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, March 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, New London Pleasure, Merchants' Return, Kent Treble Bob, Violet and Oxford.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WM. LAYCOCK	..*Treble.*	HAROLD CHAPPELL	4.
GEORGE CHAPPELL	2.	LEWIS WILKINSON	5.
WILFRED CHAPPELL.. ..	3.	GEORGE HILL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE HILL.

First peal by all, and first on the bells.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM WOODGATE ..	5.
GEORGE BUGGS	2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS	6.
WILLIAM MILLER	3.	ERNEST PYE	7.
ALFRED PYE	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

CRANFORD, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxfort Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob.

ALBERT E. FOURT	..*Treble.*	GEORGE LINES	4.
CHARLES W. BIRD	2.	FRANK S. ANDREW	5.
GEORGE A. BLAXBY	3.	E. MAURICE ATKINS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Rung to celebrate the coming of age of the ringer of the 5th.

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CHILCOMPTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 20 cwt.

WALTER FABLEY* ..	..*Treble.*	*GILBERT H. HARDING ..	4.
WILLIAM J. PRESCOTT ..	2.	FRANCIS W. NEATE	5.
FRANCIS W. CANNINGS ..	3.	THOMAS F. KING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. W. NEATE.

*First peal of Bob Minor. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells. The band tender their best thanks to the Rev. C. Edwards, Vicar, for the hearty welcome accorded them and the use of the bells, also to Mr. T. Bevan (tower master) for having everything in readiness, and to the local ringers and members of the C.E.M.S. for the excellent tea provided by them at the parish room.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

(The St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1910, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS (R.C.)

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH B. FENTON ..	..*Treble.*	SIDNEY C. SMALL	5.
WALTER MALINS	2.	ALFRED J. HESSIAN.. ..	6.
HARRY O. WHITE	3.	JOHN W. CHANDLER ..	7.
JOSEPH A. FENTON	4.	JAMES GEORGE	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by J. B. FENTON.

This composition is now rung for the first time (reference elsewhere) and is the first peal on the bells by a visiting band.

CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

FREDK. ATWELL.. ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN BUTLER	5.
FRANK MORGAN..	2.	JOHN W. JONES	6.
JOHN BULLEN	3.	ARTHUR E. MORGAN ..	7.
MAURICE SELBY..	4.	JOHN GODDARD	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JOHN W. JONES.

This is the first peal on this beautiful ring of bells by John Taylor and Co, which were dedicated on the 14th inst. At the conclusion of the peal the Rector and the local ringers congratulated the band on the excellent striking throughout.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CAANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

ERNEST BONFIELD ..	..*Treble.*	FRANK HAIRS	5.
ARTHUR N. HARDY	2.	RICHARD BEVAN	6.
JOHN D. MATTHEWS	3.	ALBERT E. BRIGHTMAN ..	7.
EDWARD F. COLE	4.	FRANK SMITH	..*Tenor.*

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

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KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

In the Belfry of the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5072 CHANGES.

J. Edward Chapman .. 1-2.	E. Maurice Atkins .. 5-6.
David J. Nichols .. .. 3-4.	Fredk. W. Sawfoot .. 7-8.

Composed and Conducted by E. Maurice Atkins.

First peal of Major on handbells by all except the conductor. First in Kettering, and the second ever accomplished by the Association. Umpire—G. Farrar.

(CORRECTED ISSUE.)

BARKESTONE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Southern Branch.)

On Saturday, March 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being three 720s each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob, and one 720 of Single Court. Tenor 15 cwt.

John Hoyes .. .. ..*Treble.*	‡Arthur Drury .. .. .. 4.
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On Monday, October 24, 1910, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

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On Monday, December 19, 1910, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

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

HENRY SIMMONDS .. ..*Treble.*	ERNEST W. MENDAY .. 5.
HUBERT HATTO .. .. .. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN 6.
GEORGE IRVINE .. .. .. 3.	AMBROSE W. OSBORNE .. 7.
ALBERT D. CULLUM .. .. 4.	RICHARD T. HIBBERT ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by R. T. HIBBERT.

The above three peals have either been overlooked, or have never reached us till now. If the fault lies with us, we are extremely sorry.

LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

Eight members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild will attempt a long peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, 12,896 changes, on Easter Monday, at 9.30 a.m., at St. Paul's church, Fulney, close to Spalding.

H. LAW JAMES, *Master.*

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

At the parish church of St. Michael and All Angels, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Easter Monday, April 17th, a band of the above Society will start for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 12,240 changes.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A special meeting will be held at Blackmoor, Hants. (Borden Station 2½ miles), on Saturday, April 22nd. 2.30.—Bells (6), available. 5.30.—Service in St. Matthew's church: Preacher: The Vicar. 6.15,—Tea in the schools. Tickets 6d. to members, 1s. to visitors. JOHN J. JONES, District Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Aylesford on Saturday, April 22nd. Belfry open at 3 30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at The Chequers inn at 5.30 p.m., followed by a business meetmg. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting. Members wishing to attend tea must oommunicate with me before Easter Sunday.

G. MOORE, District Secretary.

2, Bedford Place, Rocky Hill, Maidstone.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. Circulars in due course. CLEMENT GLENN, Hon. Sec.

11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Bromley Common, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells at 4 p.m. Evensong at 5 p.m. with address. Tea, 6d. per head, to those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, April 26th, in St. Luke's Institute. Business meeting to follow, the Rev. C. C. Gosselin, Vicar, presiding. T. GROOMBRIDGE, Hon. Dis. Sec.

34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, April 29th. Peal attempt at 2.30. Meeting at 7.30 in the parochial room.

A. S. MITCHELL, Hon. Sec.

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THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual festival at Bridport on Thursday, May 4th. Service at St. Mary's at 12.30 p.m. Preacher—the Rector, the Rev. Canon Farrer. Luncheon and meeting at 1.30 at the Town Hall. Chairman—the Worshipful the Mayor of Bridport. Ringing at many neighbouring towers by the kindness of the incumbents. Facilities by road and rail.

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NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT HIGH WYCOMBE.—J. W. Wilkins' 100 Peals.—Grandsire Triples 39, conducted 18; Grandsire Major 1: Grand-Caters 5, conducted 1; Oxford Bob Triples 3, conducted 3; Plain Bob Minor 1, conducted 1; Plain Bob Major 2; Treble Bob Major 1; Double Norwich Major 3: Stedman Triples 42; Stedman Caters 3. Total—100; conducted 23. Rung under four Associations in twenty-seven towers.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

On a recent Friday evening, for the ond ttme within a few weeks, the embers of the Holy Trinity met in eir belfry to shake hands in farewell another of their promising young gers, Mr. H. Burdock, who to the gret of all is leaving the town for ottingham.

Advantage was taken ot the occaon to present him with a small ken of their esteem and regard, and e Rector, the Rev. E. C. Kirwan, handing him a silver cigarette case, itably inscribed, expressed the hope at it would always serve to remind m of his old friends, and the happy urs he had spent ringing at Holy rinity, Guildford; and he also hoped at he would still persevere in the Art in his new surroundings. Mr. Burdock feelingly thanked his colleagues for their kindness.

On Sunday, April 2nd, 1152 Bristol Surprise was rung at Holy Trinity church in 45 mins. as a farewell touch to H. Burdock. The ringers were—H. Burdock, C. Willshire, sen., H. Hutton, H. L. Garfath, M. Smither, A. H. Winch, C. Hazeldene, A. H. Pulling conductor.

NOTICE.

I should esteem it a great favour if all applications for the use of the bells at St. Paul's, Wokingham, would in future be made either to the Rector, the Rev. H. M. Walter, St. Paul's rectory, or to the foreman if the ringers, Mr. T. Houlton, Folly Farm, Wokingham. W. J. PAICE.

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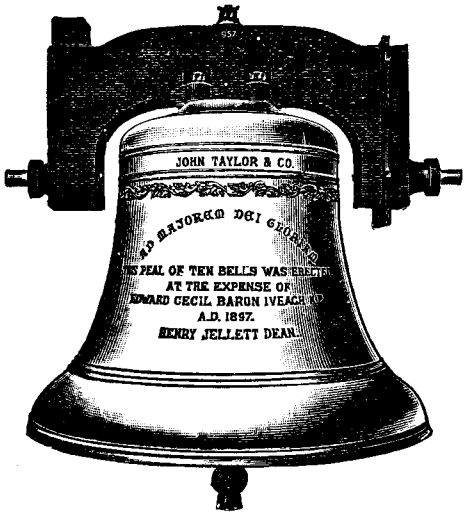

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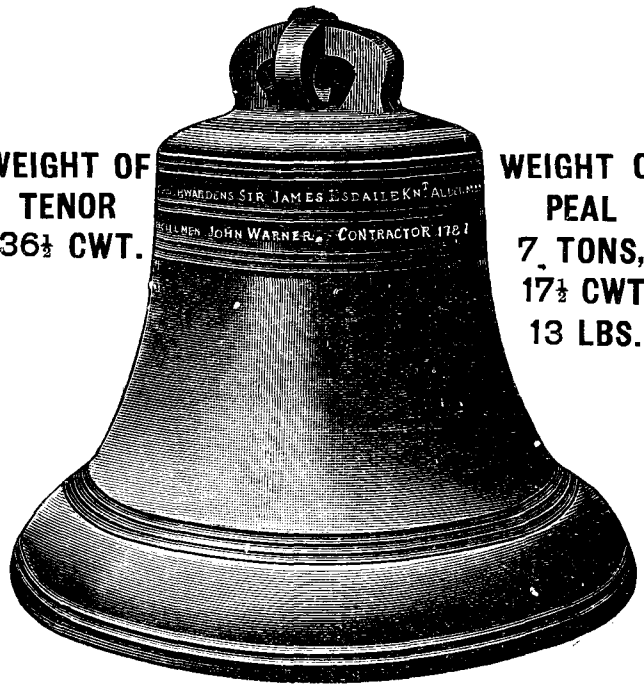

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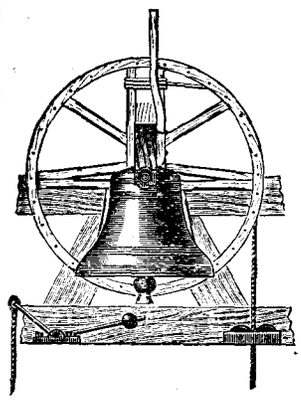

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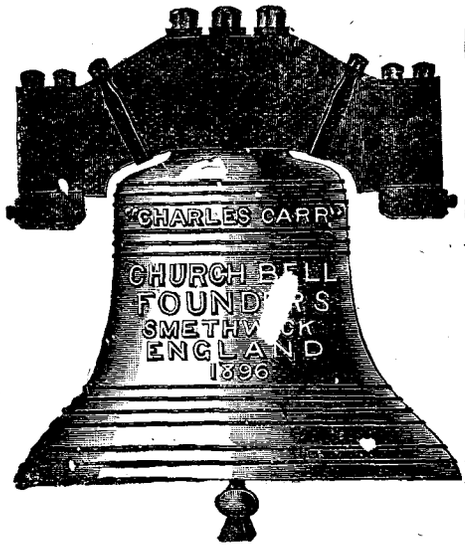

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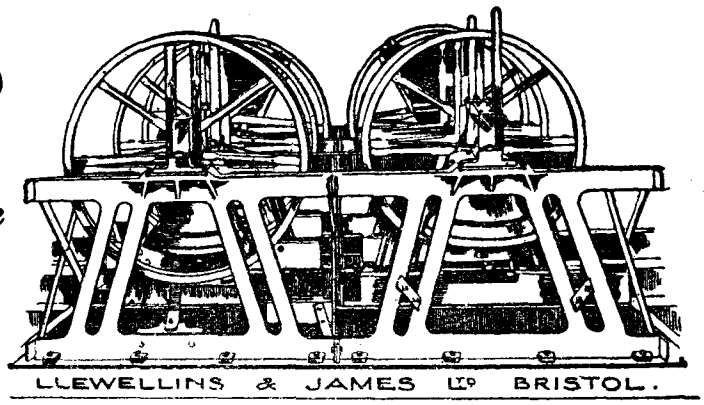

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THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

Carshalton (or the "Aulton" of that survey *not* by Mr. George), was the venue selected for the Easter meeting of the above Association, and the regal weather with which the kingdom was blessed during the Feast of the Resurrection accounted, in part, for what proved to be a record meeting. Representatives from St. Giles, Ashtead; St. Mary, Beddington; All Saints, Benhilton; St. Mary, Bletchingley; All Saints, Carshalton; St. Dunstan, Cheam; St. John the Baptist and St. Peter, Croydon; St. Martin and Christ Church, Epsom; St. Mary, Ewell; Holy Trinity, Guildford; St. Peter, Hersham: All Saints, Kingston: St. Andrew, Kingswood; SS. Mary and Nicholas, Leatherhead; SS. Peter and Paul, and Christ Church, Mitcham; St. Leonard and Immanuel of Streatham: St. Mary, Wimbledon; and some unattached members, to the number of nearly eighty, assembled to do honour to Mr. Charles D an, of Croydon, who for the past fifteen years had filled the office of Honorary Secretary to this Society, and who, through pressure of other duties, was reluctantly compelled at Christmas last to retire from the post which he held so long and so well.

Ringing was well in hand by 2.30, and continued till 5.30, save for an interval necessitated by the splicing of the rope of the 3rd, and minor repair to the wheel efficiently superintended by the new Hon. Secretary, Mr. Cyril Johnston, of the firm of Gillett and Johnston. Prior to Evening Prayer and the subsequent but welcome and well served tea in the parish room, a photographic group of the members present was taken, including the Rector of Carshalton, the Vicar of Christ Church, Mitcham (here it may be noted that the Association would gladly welcome the visitation of other clergy at these quarterly meetings as evincing some evidence of interest in this branch of church work—so often professed), and the old and new Hon. Secretaries.

Immediately succeeding tea, the Rev. G. B. Vaux, the Rector of Carshalton, was unanimously elected to the chair—he had previously, in the church, warmly welcomed the Association, and emphasised the importance of their branch of the work of Christ's Church here on earth—and conducted the business of the meeting. He then called upon Dr. Arthur B. Carpenter, M.A., who had, as he reminded the members, filled the same office from which Mr. Dean was retiring,

Dr. Carpenter then, on behalf of the donors, in a few sympathetic and appropriate remarks, presented Mr. Dean with a polished oaken case, suitably inscribed, fitted with three trays containing most of the articles necessary to furnish a well-equipped dining table, as some slight acknowledgment of the services he had so faithfully discharged for such a long period, as well as a mark of their personal esteem and regard. Mr, Dean not only gave thanks, but gave something else as well, in evidence of mutual regard, presenting the Association with bound volumes of "Bell News," from the date of its first publication to the present date, and expressed the hope that these, together with the unique records of the Association's peals so ably inscribed and illuminated by Mr. Beams, might find safe keeping in one of the affiliated towers, and be open to the use of all members. Musical honours were heartily rendered to him for his past services, and his present gift.

A vote of thanks to the Rector of Carshalton for the use of the bells, and for his kindly welcome, and to Mr. Frank Holder and the other members of the Carshalton company for all that they had done to ensure the success of the meeting, was passed with acclamation.

And then more ringing, and finally, as Mr. Pepys says—"and so home, and to bed," tired out and virtuous.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(Southwold District.)

A most successful meeting was held at Southwold on Easter Monday, when ringers were present from Beccles, Bungay, Chediston, Henham, Halesworth, Huntingfield, Kelsale, Southwold, Wrentham, Wissett, Wenhaston, Westhall. Various touches in Minor, Bob Major, Grandsire Triples and Kent were rung. At 5 o'clock the ringers adjourned to the parish room where a splendid meat tea was provided by the Mayor and Vicar, to which about forty sat down. After tea the Mayor addressed the meeting, and said how pleased he was to see so many present, and hoped they would come again. He was sorry he could not stay longer, as he had another meeting.

The Vicar also addressed the members, saying that he was pleased to meet so many, as he recognised them all as churchworkers. He hoped they would all come again next Easter, and invited them into the vicarage grounds, were several tunes and touches on the handbells brought a very enjoyable day to a close.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Radyr, near Cardiff, on Easter Monday, at 4 p.m., the Vicar of the parish, the Rev. David Phillips, taking the chair. The first business was the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, which were accepted as correct and signed. The suggestion of the West Wales Association that it should amalgamate with the Llandaff Association was deferred until the annual meeting. Several new members were elected, including the whole of the Caerphilly Ringers. It was deded to put into effect rule 7, and that a meeting of the committee consisting of a representative from each tower should be held at a place to be decided by the Hon. Secs. and the Master a month previous to the next quarterly meeting. The next Monmouthshire meeting takes place at Caerleon, and the next Glamorganshire meeting at Aberdare. Subscriptions were taken, and the meeting closed. Tea was afterwards very kindly provided by the Vicar of the parish.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Easter Monday meeting of the North Eastern District was held at Halstead, when a moderate number of members attended from sixteen towers. The bells were kept going at intervals throughout the afternoon and evening, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative being the methods rung. Tea was provided at The White Horse, over which the Master of the Association presided. Five new ringing members were elected, and Ardleigh was selected for the next meeting in August. It was also announced that a bye meeting would be held at Great Bardfield about Whitsuntide for the purpose of opening a peal tablet. The meeting closed with the usual vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District.—A special meeting will be held at Blackmoor, Hants. (Borden Station 2½ miles), to-day Saturday, April 22. 2.30.—Bells (6), available. 5.30.—Service in St. Matthew's church: Preacher: The Vicar. 6.15,—Tea in the schools. Tickets 6d. to members, 1s. to visitors. JOHN J. JONES, District Secretary.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Aylesford on Saturday, April 22nd. Belfry open at 3 30 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Tea at The Chequers inn at 5.30 p.m., followed by a business meeting. All subscriptions must be paid at or before this meeting. G. MOORE, District Secretary.
"Belville," 71, Florence Road, Maidstone.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. Circulars in due course. CLEMENT GLENN, Hon. Sec.
11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE KENT COUNTY ASBOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Bromley Common, on Saturday, April 29th. Bells at 4 p.m. Evensong at 5 p.m. with address. Tea, 6d. per head, to those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, April 26th, in St. Luke's Institute. Business meeting to follow, the Rev. C. C. Gosselin, Vicar, presiding. T. GROOMBRIDGE, Hon. Dis. Sec.
34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, April 29th. Peal attempt at 2.30. Meeting at 7.30 in the parochial room.
A. S. MITCHELL, Hon. Sec.
2, Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual festival at Bridport on Thursday, May 4th. Service at St. Mary's at 12.30 p.m. Preacher—the Rector, the Rev. Canon Farrer. Luncheon and meeting at 1.30 at the Town Hall. Chairman—the Worshipful the Mayor of Bridport. Ringing at many neighbouring towers by the kindness of the incumbents. Facilities by road and rail.
W. PERCY SCHUSTER, Hon. Sec.

AN APPEAL.

I kindly ask if the readers of this paper will assist me in subscribing a small amouunt towards the widow and three yonng children of the late Mr. W. J. Collison, who passed away on January 20th, after a very lingering and painful illness, at the age of 37 years. The deceased, who served during the best part of the South African War, came to Thanet about eight years ago, and joined the St. John's, Margate, ringers and took a very active part in instructing the younger members. Through no fault of his own he has been unable to provide for those he leaves behind, and for these I humbly make this appeal. Whatever sum you can send me will be gratefully received and appreciated. A. H. Saxby, Captain St. Johh's Ringers.
Margate.

A REQUEST.

The Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn, of Broadlands, Caversham, Oxon, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, writes: "May I, through your columns, issue to Secretaries of Ringers' Guilds or Associations, and to the Clergy generally, a request for specimen copies of Forms of Service and Prayers only which have been used or are in general use in their jurisdiction on the occasions either of Dedication of bells or ringers gatherings."

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT STOCKPORT.—This peal was the outcome of a suggestion by the young ringers to commemorate the 54th anniversary of Mr. Wm. Gordon s first peal, which he took part in on the same bells on Sunday morning, March 29th, 1857. It was the same peal and occupied the same period of time. Mr. Gordon's grandson rang the treble, which is the same bell that he himself rang 54 years ago, when he was the same age, 19.

THE PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES AT GUILDFORD.—Charles Willshire senior's 200 peals.—Seven Minor methods 1, Union Triples 5, conducted 4; Grandsire Triples 54, conducted 36; Grandsire Caters 8, conducted 1; Stedman Triples 36, conducted 2; Stedman Caters 12, Stedman Cinques 2, Bob Major 7, conducted 1; Bob Royal 2, Treble Bob Major 9, conducted 2; Treble Bob Royal 2, Double Norwich Major 13, conducted 1: Superlative Surprise 11, Cambridge Surprise 1, Norfolk Surprise 1, Bristol Surprise 4, London Surprise 4. On handbells: Bob Major 1, Grandsire Triples 12, conducted 6; Grandsire Caters 3, Stedman Triples 8, Stedman Caters 3, Stedman Cinques 1. Total 200; conducted 53.

BRIDGEND (Glamorgan).—On Sunday, April 2nd, at St. Illtyd's church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 44 mins. J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, W. Davies, R. Evans, T. J. Evans, J. Evans, R. Bunstone, J. Cox conductor.

CHIGWELL ROW (Essex).—On Palm Sunday, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob. T. Faulkner conductor, G. F. Margetson, G. Faulkner, F. C. Newman, E. Andrews, A. Hardy.

STOKE-ON-TRENT.—On Sunday evening, March 12, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. Wood, F. Goldstraw, J. Woodward, H. Page, C. Page, S. Churton conductor, F. Page, T. Austin. On Tuesday, March 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Bloor, F. Goldstraw, J. Woodward, E. Landon, G. Woods, S. Churton conductor, C. Page, J. Limester. These quarter-peals were arranged for F. Goldstraw, who sailed for Canada on March 23.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Sunday evening, April 2nd, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins. W. B. Manning, F. Rumens, H. Rumens, J. C. Adams, H. J. Maynard, R. Maynard, jun. conductor, F. C. Maynard, R. Maynard, sen. This was specially rung as a compliment to Mr. John Willins, on his 76th birthday. He has been the much-respected secretary of the above Society for 35 years.

STEDMAN (Doubles & Triples)

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By I. B. HOLMYARD, L.C.P., Midsomer Norton, Bath.—Second Edition (revised and amended) now ready. Price 6½d., post free, direct from the Author. Experts' opinions:—"Just what was wanted"; "Should prove of much assistance"; "Clearly put and well explained."

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By J. J. Parker, *Farnham Royal.*

5040.

234567		235476	
532746	5	432657	5
325746	4	324657	4
543267	3	623745	5
725643	1	346257	3
437562	2	723546	1
534276	5	527634	5
625734	1	735246	3
346572	2	627435	1
723654	2	736254	3
237654	4	427536	1
542763	2	524673	5
425763	4	735462	2
634572	2	627543	2
726453	2	746235	3
347526	1	527346	1
723465	3	745263	3
547623	1	327645	1
235764	2	623574	5
732456	5	526437	5
437625	5	745326	1
724356	3	527463	3
637524	1	345627	1
246753	2	643752	5
742365	2	526374	2
427365	4	325467	5
534627	1		
425376	3		
634725	1	Repeated.	
426357	3		
324765	5		
243765	4		
742536	5		
237465	3		
432576	5		
324576	4		

Repeated.

5040.

234567		235476	
672453	2	432657	5
726453	4	574263	2
537642	2	635427	2
375642	4	526374	3
423567	2	435726	1
674352	2	524367	3
236574	1	735624	1
672345	3	637452	5
536472	1	526743	2
725643	2	725364	5
627354	5	327456	5
276354	4	273456	4
432576	1	472635	5
274365	3	234756	3
532674	1	672534	1
275346	3	576423	5
372654	5	625734	3
723654	4	476325	1
627435	5	624753	3
736254	3	376524	1
237465	5	573462	5
372465	4	475236	5
473526	5	624375	1
734526	4	476253	3
427365	3	324576	1
534627	1		
275463	2		
472356	5	Repeated.	
374625	5		
423756	3		
674523	1		
236457	2		
432765	5		
574632	1		
325467	2		

Repeated.

Holt's singles are required for the 2nd and 4th part-ends. Composed December 1908.

In the first peal the 5th, 6th, and 7th are never called before, and in the second peal the 4th, 5th, and 6th are never called before.

In the year 1907 Mr. J. W. Moorhouse published a peal or two upon the above plan, and being much interested with them and curious as to what the plan would yield, I made an investigation, and found that a great variety of peals were to be had. The plan adapts itself readily to four-part peals, but does not seem inclined to lend itself to any other form of division. There are two fixed bells, one of which is never called before, and the other may be called before, 30, 40, or 50 times, if 60 the thing falls into four round blocks of equal length. 120 seems to be the exact number of calls required. The peals come with two long parts and two short parts, the length of the parts vary considerably, for instance, the short parts may each contain 7, 9, 11, 13, 21, or 25 bobs, the 120 calls being made up in the long parts.

A Pew With a History.—The handsome pew of carved black oak in the ancient church of Whalley, has a remarkable history. It was built over 200 years ago by one Rodger Nowell, the squire, who intended it for his family pew, but the authorities refused to allow it the position the squire wished for it. It was then stowed away in a barn for over seventy years. Then the estate being divided, the owners began discussing the question of the pew. The disagreement grew into a lawsuit, and hundreds of pounds were spent in litigation. Then it was suggested to divide it into two parts, so that each of the contestants could have half. This was done, but the parties could not then agree as to which should use the front half. In disgust one of the parties built a gallery to overlook the pew. The other, not to be outdone, also erected a gallery with a separate staircase. These are still to be seen, and in addition to the other galleries and staircases, give the church a very curious appearance. And what became of the pew? It makes a comfortable seat for the wardens.

"AMONG THE BELLS."

The Ringing Career of late Rev. F. E. Robinson, M.A. Vicar of Drayton, Berks., Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild. Written by himself. Edited by the Rev. T. L. Canon Papillon, M.A. Parts I. to XX. may be had singly at 6d. net. With case for binding same price one shilling. Or the whole Work bound in Cloth for 10s. 6d. net. From Mrs. Robinson, Fair Home, Wokingham.—Of all Booksellers. By order from London Agent—Mr. E. W. Allen, Ave Maria Lane, London.

Miscellaneous.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

LONDON.—On Tuesday, March 28th, at St. James's Bermondsey, 1284 Kent Treble Bob Major. E. Horrex, H. T. Gowlett, J. Scholes, H. S. Ellis, F. J. Hardy, W. Truss, T. H. Taffender conductor, R. F. Deal.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LONDON.—On Thursday, March 30th, for practice at St. George the Martyr, Southwark, 1284 Kent Treble Bob Major. C. H. Hughes, T. H. Taffender conductor, E. F. Pike, W. G. Matthews J. Milner H. T. Gowlett, H. W. Hibbert, F. J. Hardy. First quarter-peal of Treble Bob by the 3rd, and first quarter-peal of Major by the treble, 5th and 7th. On Sunday, April 8th for Confirmation Service by the Bishop of Woolwich, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original. C. H. Hughes, S. F. Gowlett, H. T. Gowlett, T. H. Taffender conductor, W. H. Taffender, F. T. Hardy, H. W. Hibbert, A. Hines.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday, March 12th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. W. Flinders, T. Flint, T. A. Burnham, F. Tite, J. Clarke, E. J. Oliver, H. R. Cobbin conductor, W. Bellamy. On Sunday evening, April 9th, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, 1280 changes. W. Bellamy conductor, T. R. Flint, T. A. Burnham, A. Barratt, J. Clarke H. R. Cobbin, F. Tite, E. J. Oliver.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Easter Sunday evening, for Divine Service at Bishop Ryder's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. S. Coley, G. W. Taylor, W. Webb, E. Large, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, J. T. Collett, T. Pearce.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

WISBECH.—On Sunday morning, March 5th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a "family" 720 of Bob Minor (with 7-8 covering), in 28 mins. Chas. Goakes, jun., Herbert Goakes, Arthur Goakes, Stephen Goakes, John Goakes, Charles Goakes, sen. conductor, Fred. Hotson, Horace Cheesewright. The ringer of the 2nd is only 14 years of age, and it is his first 720 on tower bells. On Easter Day, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, with 8-7-9 covering. T. Haines, H. Banham, S. Goakes, G. Piggings A. Goakes, C. Goakes conductor, F. Hotson, H. Cheesewright, G. Duffield. First 720 by the ringers of 1, 2, 4 and 9.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORWICH.—On Palm Sunday, for Evensong at St. Peter Mancroft, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1260 changes, in 51 mins. G. Day, E. Beckett, A. Potter, G. Cross, J. Freeman, H. J. Borrett, G. P. Burton, J. E. Burton conductor, B. Thompson, C. W. Bullen. Tenor 43 cwt.

BUCKLAND (Surrey).—On Thursday, March 2nd, for practice, 720 Bob Minor. E. Dewey, H. Ewins, H. Hoad, W. Smith, H. Reeves conductor, A. Holman. Another 720 in the same method. E. Dewey, H. Reeves conductor, H. Ewins, A. Holman, W. Smith, H. Hoad. On Saturday, April 8th, 720 Bob Minor and 108 Grandsire Minor. E. Holman, H. Reeves conductor, H. Hoad, G. Croncher, G. Walder. A. Holman.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1910, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

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

ERNEST PYE	..*Treble.*	HARRY F. DAWKINS	5.
GEORGE R. PYE	2.	JOHN FLINT	6.
WALTER PERKINS	3.	*ALFRED W. BRIGHTON ..	7.
JOHN HOLMAN*	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal in the method.

Handbell Peals.

GUILDFORD SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Alfred H. Pulling	1-2.	Charles Wilshire, sen...	5-6.
Maurice Smither	3-4.	Frank Blondell	7-8.

Conducted by A. H Pulling

Umpire—W. Loader.

SHEFFIELD, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Peter's Amalgamated Society.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1910, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

At 31, Burgess Street,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5399 CHANGES.

John Thorpe	1-2.	Clement Glenn	5-6.
George Lewis..	3-4.	Sidney F. Palmer ..	7-8.
R. Wilfred Collier			9-10.

Composed by A. Knights, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

Umpire—James Evinson. Longest length in the method by the Association. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. W. Collier, with the best wishes of the band.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At King Edward the Sixth Grammar School,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5004 CHANGES.

Francis E. Dawe* ..	1-2.	†Maurice Smither	7-8.
Alfred H. Pulling† ..	3-4.	James Hunt	9-10.
Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.	†Henry L. Garfath ..	11-12.

Composed by W. J. Smith, and Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

Umpire—S. Radford. *First peal in hand. †First peal of Cinques. First peal of Cinques in hand by all. This is the first peal of Cinques by the above Guild, and is the first conducted from a pair of non-observation bells by a conductor as his first peal of Cinques. This is C. Willshire's 200th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere; also J. Hunt's 100th peal of Stedman.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District.)

On Wednesday, April 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

James Hunt	1-2.	Charles Willshire, sen.	5-6.
Alfred H. Pulling	3-4	Maurice Smither	7-8.
†Septimus Radford			9-10.

Composed by J. Carter, and Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

†First peal of Caters on handbells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District.)

On Saturday, April 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

At the Residence of A. H. Pulling,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Alfred H. Pulling.. ..	1-2.	James Hunt	5-6.
Maurice Smither	3-4.	Septimus Radford ..	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. Pulling.

The three inside men have now rang Cinques, Caters, and Triples within seven days, and is believed to be the first accomplished.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 27th at 7.30 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on Saturday, April 29th. Ringing from 4 to 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER. *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting for the revision of rules. will be held on Saturday. May 6th. at St. Margaret's, Westminster, S.W. Business meeting in the Mission Room, Dean Farrar Street, Tothill Street. Westminster. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER. *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. F. W. Isaacs), at Chiswick to-day, Sat., April 29th. Bells available from 3.15. Short service at 5.30. Tea at 6'oclock, 6d. per head. Members and friends heartily welcomed.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston. Housnlow.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.—Established 1755.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Aston today, Sat., April 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Service at 5 o'clock, at which the address will be given by Canon Sutton. Business meeting in the Vicarage Rooms at 6 o'clock. A. PADDON SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*
11, *Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Knutsford, Saturday, April 22nd.

A. T. BEESTON, *Hon. Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Ashton-under-Lyne Society.—A combined meeting will be held at Ashton parish church on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 4. Business at 7. As this is the annual meeting of the Ashton society, a good muster is requested.

W. H. SHDKER, C. BOWER. } *Secs.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Whittle-le-Woods, on Saturday, April 29th, Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Tea at The Bay Horse hotel. 1s. each to those who notify me not later than Thursday, April 27th. E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Warwickshire Guild. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rugby on Saturday, April 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p m. ARTHUR COLEMAN, *Hon. Sec.*

Central Northamptonshire Association.—Special ringing meetings will be held at Cranesley on May 6th; Raunds on May 13th; and Northampton on May 20th.

F. WILFORD, *Gen. Sec,*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District. — The next ringing meeting will be held at Ashby on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available at 3.30. Business meeting at 5 30.

H. WAKLEY, *Local Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association. — The annual general meeting will be held at West Retford on Saturday, May 6th. Business meeting in West Retford school at 3 30. Divine Service at 4.14 Tea at 5. Tea free to members, 1s. 6d. to visitors. The towers of East and West Retford and Ordsall will be open to ringers. Members of kindred Associations will be heartily welcomed.

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association. — The annual meeting of the above will be held at Brighton on Saturday, May 6th. St Peter's tower open for ringing from 11 to 1, and 6.30 to 8 30, and St. Nicholas from 6 30 to 8.30. It is hoped that the tower of St. Paul's may also be open in the evening. Luncheon at The Unicorn hotel, North Street, at 1.15 p m. chairman—The Lord Bishop of Chichester. Members' tickets 1s. 6d. Annual meeting at 2.30. Ringers' service at St. Nicholas at 4 p m. Preacher—the Lord Bishop of Lewes Members intending being present at the luncheon should notify same to me not later than Tuesday, May 2nd.

G. WATSON, *Hon. Gen. Sec.*
Vale Road, St Leonards.

SURPRISE MINOR METHODS.

SIR.—I wish to point out to the Rev. H. Law James and others, that in addition to those mentioned in "THE BELL NEWS" of April 1st, 1911, the followmg three have been rung and named at Bourne, Lincolnshire. No. 24, page 36, Stamford Surprise; No. 31, page 38, Surfleet Surprise; page 32, Harrington Surprise. Mr. James also omitted in his letter, No. 1, page 31, Munden Surprise. F. BLOOD.

STAMFORD SURPRISE.

123456

214365
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324165
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324615
342651
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364521
634512
365421
356412
536142
351624
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513642
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BOB.

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Method No. 24. Page No. 36. C.C.C. L.M.

First time rung at Bourne, Lincolnshire, February 26th, 1911, by J. Neal, J. Osborn, J. Lake conductor, A. Larkinson, F. Blood, A. Allen. Rung for evening service at the first attempt.

SURFLEET SURPRISE.

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456213
546123
451632
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541632
514623
156432
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153624
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BOB.

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Method No. 31. Page No. 38. C.C.C. L.M.

First time rung at Bourne, Lincolnshire, on March 5th, 1911, by J. Neal, J. Osborn, J. Lake conductor, A. Larkinson. A. Holmes, R. Richardson. Rung at the first attempt for evening service.

"Harrington" Surprise will be found on page 71.

TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

By W. G. BROWN, Stradbroke.

5184.

23456	M	B	W	B	H
35642		–	2	–	2
54263		–	2	–	2
46325		–	2	–	2
62534		–	2	–	2
45236	–				–

Repeated.

T. H. T.—Thanks.

W. L.—The answer will be in the affirmative.

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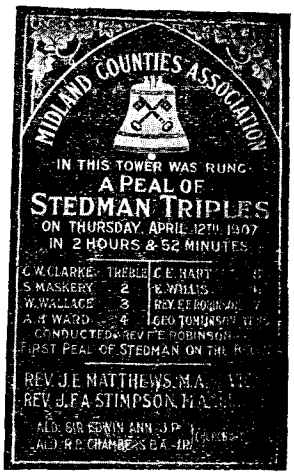

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1911.

Several peals have arrived too late for insertion in this issue, though several of them were rung as far back as April 1st. We should be glad if our friends would send on their performances promptly, as we are anxious to keep them up to date.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, March 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL,
5040 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

Reuben Sanders	*Treble.*	*Charles T. Coles	6.
George R. Pye	2.	James E. Davis	7.
Bertram Prewett	3.	*Albert W. Coles	8.
William J. Nudds*	4.	*Harry Flanders	9.
William Hewett	5.	William Pye	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by William Pye.
*First peal in the method.

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

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

William Weatherstone	*Treble.*	Edwin F. Pike	5.
Henry S. Ellis	2.	Frank Hairs	6.
Albert E. Brightman	3.	William Hewett	7.
Alfred Grimes	4.	James E. Davis	*Tenor.*

Composed by Ferdk. Holden, and Conducted by James E. Davis.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Monday, April 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 18 cwt.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	*Treble.*	JAMES SCHOLES	5.
FREDK. J. HARDY	2.	HENRY SPRINGALL	6.
WILLIAM TRUSS	3.	HERBERT LANGDON	7.
ALFRED W. GRIMES	4.	EMANUEL HALL	*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by H. SPRINGALL.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. and Mr. J. Scholes, their birthdays falling on April 2nd and 3rd respectively, the band wishing them many happy returns.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM JOHN RAWLINGS*	*Treble.*	ISAAC GEORGE SHADE	5.
JOSEPH LAW	2.	GEORGE HENRY DAYNES	6.
THOMAS HENRY HAWKINS	3.	GEORGE EDWARD RAWLINGS	7.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	4.	*ARTHUR PAPWORTH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

*First peal. Rang as a birthday compliment to W. Rawlings, age 16, and G. E. Rawlings, age 25, their brother-strings wishing them the usual compliments.

Handbell Peal.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT 228, ST. JOHN'S ROAD, WALTHAMSTOW, E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5005 CHANGES.

BERTRAM PREWETT	1-2.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD	7-8.
WILLIAM PYE	3-4.	ERNEST PYE	9-10.
GEORGE R. PYE	5-6.	*WILLIAM A. WOODROW	11-12.

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

Umpire—C. T. Coles. *First peal of Stedman.

The Provinces.

BRISTOL.

(THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.)

On Tuesday, March 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF ERIN CATERS, 5018 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

CHARLES DOWNING	*Treble.*	NORRIS WAY	6.
HENRY HOWELL	2.	JAMES RICHMOND	7.
ALBERT STOWELL	3.	SAMUEL PHILLIPS	8.
FREDK. W. WADE	4.	ISAAC LONG	9.
FRED G. MAY	5.	URIAH BRAVEN	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. MILBHAM, and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

First peal in the method by all, on the bells, and in the city of Bristol, and is believed to be the only peal rung in the method south of Newcastle.

EYNSFORD, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 11 cwt.

HUBERT J. BLACKWELL	*Treble.*	ALBERT BATES	5.
ALBERT HUMPHREY	2.	ISAAC EMERY	6
SPENCER MARSHALL	3.	GEORGE DURLING	7.
ERNEST H. OXENHAM	4.	WILLIAM WEST	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ISAAC EMERY.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Preston Branch.)

On Saturday, March 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lbs.

BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	*Treble.*	HARRY FRANCE	5.
ERNEST WATKINSON*	2.	SAM WATKINSON	6.
JAMES WATKINSON*	3.	EDWARD BANNISTER	7.
ARTHUR ROBINSON	4.	JAMES H. HARRISON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS.

*First peal. First peal of Triples on the bells. First peal of Stedman by all except the conductor, and by the Preston branch.

PONTEFRACT, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, March 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

FREDK. E. MOODY	*Treble.*	THOMAS M. BARKER	5.
WILLIAM PEARSON	2.	JAMES JACKSON	6.
WILLIAM P. BROOK	3.	ARTHUR GILL	7.
HARRY C WALTERS	4.	ARTHUR WALKER	*Tenor.*

Composed by B. SMITH, and Conducted by ARTHUR WALKER.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band.

STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 24 cwt.

ALLAN GORDON CLARKE*	*Treble.*	HUGH REYNOLDS	5.
WILLIAM GORDON, SEN.	2.	GEO. D. WARBURTON	6.
J. HENRY MASON†	3.	ALLAN S. GORDON	7
JOHN HARTLEY†	4.	*ERNEST EDMUNDS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WM. GORDON, SEN.

*First peal. †First peal of Triples. Further reference elsewhere.

PENTRE, RHONDDA, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, March 30, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

GEORGE CROSS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM PAGE	5.
HARRY PAGE	2	THOMAS HAMLIN	6.
JAMES CROSS	3.	GEORGE WINES	7.
TOM PAGE	4.	WALTER PERROTT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

First peal as conductor. First peal by the ringer of the treble. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES AND EAST DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATIONSS.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, four 720s of Kent Treble Bob and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs.

GEORGE PIPES	*Treble.*	JOHN FLOWER	4.
THOMAS STIMPSON	2.	HERBERT FRETWELL	5.
HERBERT DAY	3.	FRED WATKINSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED WATKINSON.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Wells, Canterbury, Carlisle, London, Cambridge, Durham and York. Tenor 17¼ cwt.

GEORGE MONK	*Treble.*	HENRY BLACKMAN	4.
WILLIAM SAVAGE*	2.	†WILLIAM DAY	5.
JOSEPH GOACHER	3.	FREDK. BENNETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. DAY.

*First peal of Surprise. †First peal of Surprise as conductor.

BUCKNALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Court Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Bob Minor, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 10½ cwt.

CHARLES PRESTON	*Treble.*	JOHN E. WHEELDON	4.
JOSEPH PRESTON	2.	DANIEL PRESTON	5.
CLEMENT POINTON*	3.	WILLIAM WHEELDON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. WHEELDON.

*First peal with a bob bell. Rung on the 12th anniversary of J. E. Wheeldon's wedding.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

JOSEPH WEST	*Treble.*	WILLIAM GOODMAN	6
CHABLES FAULKS	2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE	7.
HERBERT SHEPPARD	3.	JOHN GOODMAN, SEN.	8.
THOMAS WATTON	4.	HARRY GOODMAN	9.
WILLIAM MILLS	5.	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by the late WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT, and Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN

This peal is now rung for the first time, and was rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Alderman W. E. Walker. who was buried on the above dav. It is also the quarterly peal, and the first peal to be rung for the above newly constituted Guild.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Four Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS 6000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

CHARLES BOWER	*Treble.*	BENJAMIN THORP	7.
GEORGE GARNETT	2.	BENJAMIN GILL	8.
JOSEPH MELLOR	3.	SAMUEL BOOTH	9.
SAMUEL WOOD	4.	ALBERT ADAMS	10.
JAMES WOOD	5.	HARRY CHAPMAN	11.
WALTER WOLSTENCROFT	6.	JAMES GEORGE	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

WATTON, HERTS.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The Little Mnnden Society)

On Thursday, April 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine. Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

BERT CARTER	*Treble.*	ARTHUR PHILLIPS	4.
FRED WILLIAMS	2.	ARTHUR WOOLSTON	5.
ALBERT CARTER	3.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's No. 1 Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES BAILEY*	*Treble.*	DANIEL JONES	5.
GEORGE CLAYBROOK*	2.	†WILLIAM LAWLEY	6
BERNARD SMITH*	3.	‡ALFRED FALLON	7.
ANDREW JONES*	4.	*ARTHUR EVERSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. FALLON.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. ‡First peal as conductor.

HASLEMERE, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. in G.

FRANCIS E. DAWE	*Treble.*	FRANE BLONDELL	5.
CHARLES N. BURDOCK*	2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN.	6.
ALFRED H. PULLING	3.	CHARLES EDWARDS	7.
MAURICE SMITHER	4.	THOMAS N. MACK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRANCIS EDWARD DAWE.

BRAUGHING, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19 cwt.

FRED WILLIAMS	*Treble.*	*HENRY WALLACE	5.
ERNEST BONNETT*	2.	ROBERT G. KING	6.
HENRY BOTTRILL	3.	BARNARD PATMORE	7.
GEORGE H. BARKER	4.	WILLIAM H. LAWRENCE	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by WM. H. LAWRENCE.

*First peal of Major.

BOLTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN JOYCE	*Treble.*	WILLIAM B. SMITH	5.
CHARLES JACKSON	2.	FIRTH HOPWOOD	6.
ARTHUR GILL	3.	BERNAL E. HOWE	7.
JAMES COTTERELL	4.	JAMES BROADLEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by W. H. THOMPSON, and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

This peal is now rung for the first time.

DEANE, BOLTON.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14 cwt.

FREDK. ABBOTT	*Treble.*	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	5.
ROBERT DUCKWORTH	2.	ALFRED POTTER	6.
ROBERT WALLWORK	3.	TITUS BARLOW	7.
THOMAS WALLWORK	4.	JOSEPH RIDYARD	*Tenor.*

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LLANELLY, BRECONSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

CHARLES POWELL	..*Treble.*	GEORGE MORTIMER	4.
NORMAN ALBUIT	2.	ALAC RACKHAM	5.
SYDNEY T. RACKHAM	3.	ROBERT ALBUIT	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. RACKHAM.

LONGBOROUGH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE FOUR SHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, April 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHUECH.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

E. PARDON	..*Treble*	T. WILLIAMS	4.
T. PRTHERICK	2.	W. LARGE	5.
A. WILLIAMS	3.	F. WILLIAMS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. LARGE.

BOLSTERSTONE, YORKS.-THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(Sheffield District Society.)

On Monday, April 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.

JOHN DYSON	..*Treble.*	JAMES T. SHAW	5.
REGGIE DYSON	2.	DAVID BREARLEY	6.
ARCHIE BREARLEY	3.	†HARRY SAMPSON	7.
LEONARD JACKSON	4.	*JOHN R. BREARLEY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. H. DEXTER, and Conducted by JOHN R. BREARLEY.

*First peal as conductor. †First peal away from the treble. Rung after a Confirmation Service by the Bishop of Sheffield.

EXETER, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

(THE EXETER RINGERS' CYCLING CLUB BRANCH)

On Friday, April 14, 1910, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DAVID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 13 cwt in G.

GEORGE STOCKER	..*Treble.*	FRANK J. DAVEY	5.
ARTHUR W. SEARLE	2.	WILLIAM HAYMAN	6.
JULIUS SNOW	3.	JOHN R. HAYMAN	7.
FRANK GARDNER	4.	JOHN RICHARDS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN R. HAYMAN.

Rung with the bells muffled after the mid-day service. *First peal with a bob bell.

NORTHFIELD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford and four 720s of Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WALTER HOBBIS	..*Treble.*	JAMES VAUGUAN	4.
JOHN WITHERS	2.	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	5.
HARRY WILSON	3.	FRANK WITHERS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRANK WITHERS.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all the band and on the bells. First peal as conductor. Rung to celebrate the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. William Withers, parents of the conductor and ringer of the second.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday April 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-five 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.

ONSLOW J. FOREMAN	..*Treble.*	THOMAS JULL	4.
GEORGE H. SPICE*	2.	WILLIAM SPICE	5.
WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS	3.	ALBERT J. DAY	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

*First peal of Minor with a bob bell. This is the conductor's 100th peal. Rung for the early service.

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(Rochdale Branch.)

On Sunday, April 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt, 2 qrs. 16 lbs.

SAMUEL ELSON	..*Treble*	*ALFRED WAITES	6.
SAMUEL STOTT	2.	SAMUEL BUTTERWORTH	7.
MILLS NEWTON*	3.	*HERBERT E FIELDING	8.
HARRY HAMPSON†	4.	ISAAC SCHOFIELD	9.
JAMES HY. BASTOW	5.	*JAMES GARLICK	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. NEWSON, and Conducted by S. STOTT.

First peal of Caters by all except treble and 2nd. *First peal. †First peal in the method.

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THE LANCASHIRE AND YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATIONS AND THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Eight Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 12,240 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

CHAS. BOWER	..*Treble.*	BENJAMIN THORP	7.
GEORGE GARNETT	2.	BENJAMIN GILL	8.
JOSEPH MELLOR	3.	SAMUEL BOOTH	9.
SAMUEL WOOD	4.	ALBERT ADAMS	10.
JAMES WOOD	5.	HARRY CHAPMAN	11.
WALTER WOLSTENCROFT	6.	JAMES GEORGE	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by SAMUEL WOOD.

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On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES	*Treble.*	THOMAS FAULKNER	5.
SIDNEY F. GOWLETT	2.	RICHARD F. DEAL	6.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	3.	HERBERT LANGDON	7.
HENRY T. GOWLETT	4.	FREDK. J. HARDY	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

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HARRY SIMMONDS	..*Treble.*	JOSEPH HANDS	5.
ALBERT D. CULLUM	2.	ERNEST W. MENDAY	6.
GEORGE IRVINE	3.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN	7.
GEORGE ESSEX	4.	RICHARD T. HIBBERT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by RICHARD T. HIBBERT.

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WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1911 (no time mentioned),

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S No. 48. Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN WITHERS	5.
FRANK WITHERS	2.	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	6.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK	3.	SAMUEL GROVE	7.
WILLIAM SHORT	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

First peal in the method on the bells. First peal on the bells since 1835. This is the 200th peal rung for the above Association by William Short.

RATBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Five Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 10,080 CHANGES;

Being four 720s of Kent Treble Bob, three of Grandsire, four of Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob.

FRED BALL*	..*Treble.*	GEORGE H GEARY	4.
ARTHUR MEASEY	2.	EDWARD GEARY..	5.
VICTOR GEARY	3.	ERNEST MORRIS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

*First peal. Longest length by all and by the Association on six bells.

LEDBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

THOMAS WILLIAMS ..	..*Treble.*	FREDE. C. HYNER	5.
WILLIAM MANSELL	2.	JAMES DANCE	6.
ROBERT W. HYNER	3.	THOMAS DANCE	7.
THOMAS DAVIS	4.	GEORGE MORRIS.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT W. HYNER.

BOBBING, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

ONSLOW J. FOREMAN	..*Treble.*	THOMAS JULL	4.
WILLIAM SPICE	2	WILLIAM J. WALKER ..	5.
ALBERT J. DAY	3	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. H. B. WILKINS.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. T. J. Philo, a prominent member of the above Association, the band wishing him health and happiness.

SHIPSTON ON STOUR, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE FOUR SHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

W. FAULKNER	..*Treble.*	W. ADAMS	4.
C. BIRD	2.	F. BIRD	5.
E. RANDALL	3.	W. LARGE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. LARGE.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13¼ cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON	..*Treble.*	JOHN M. DAVENPORT ..	5.
WILLIAM WALMSLEY ..	2,	JOHN W. HARTLEY	6.
JAMES FERNLEY..	3.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON..	7.
JOHN BANCROFT*	4.	THOMAS MOTTERSHEAD	..*Tenor.*

Composed by YORK GREEN, and
Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

*First peal of Major. Rung as a farewell peal to J. Bancroft, who is shortly leaving for Canada.

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On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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JOHN BANCROFT	..*Treble.*	JOHN W. HARTLEY	4.
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Conducted by JAMES FERNLEY.

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HEADCORN, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT*	..*Treble.*	FREDK. BUTCHERS	5.
ERNEST C LAMBERT ..	2	PHILIP HODGKIN	6.
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ..	3.	EDWIN LAMBERT	7.
ANDREW MARSHALL	4.	FREDK. J. LAMBERT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by W. H. L. BUCKINGHAM, and
Conducted by E. C. LAMBERT.

*First attempt for Major.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.
(The St. Andrew's Society, Rugby.)

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

ALFRED J. HESSIAN ..	..*Treble*	SIDNEY C. SMALL	5.
WALTER MALINS	2.	*CHARLES W. WHEELER ..	6.
HARRY O. WHITE	3.	JOSEPH B. FENTON	7.
JOSEPH A. FENTON†	4.	*JOHN W. CHANDLER	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by JOSEPH B. FENTON.

First peal in the method on the bells, and quickest peal of Major on the bells. *First peal in the method. †First peal in the method with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell peal to S. C. Small, who is shortly leaving the country for South Africa.

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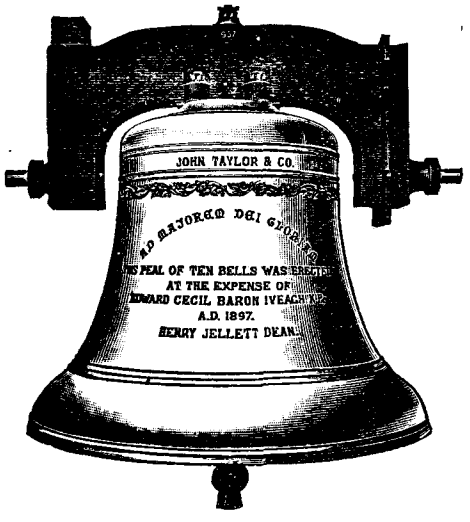

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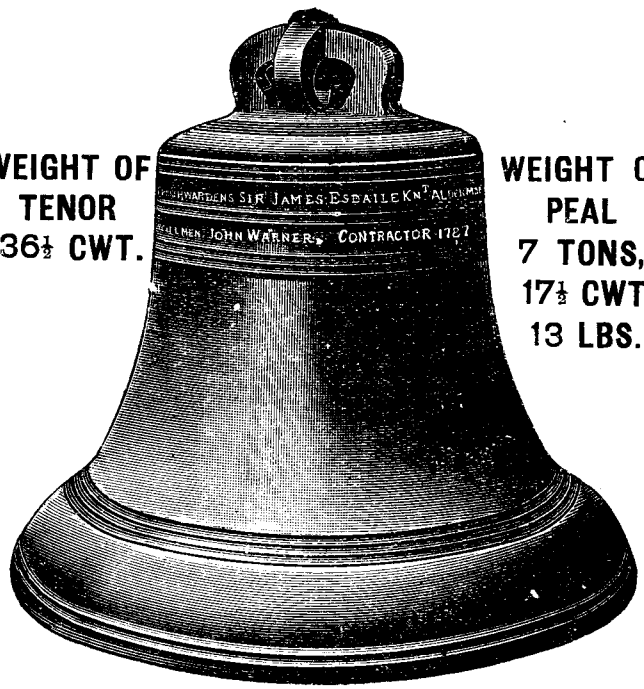

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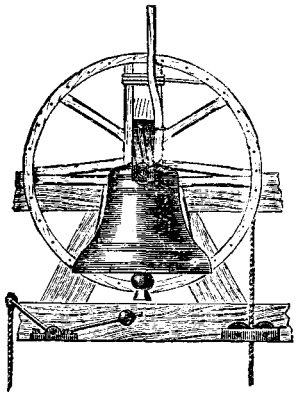

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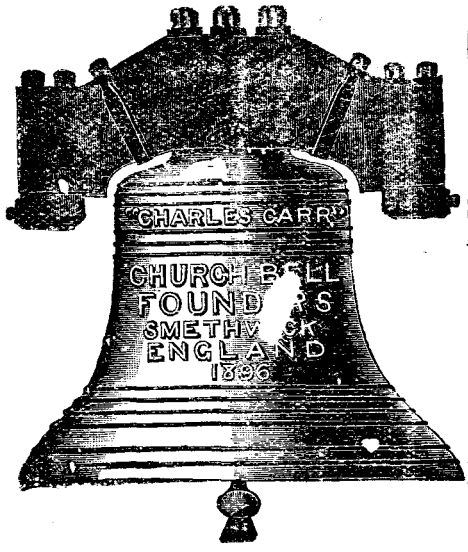

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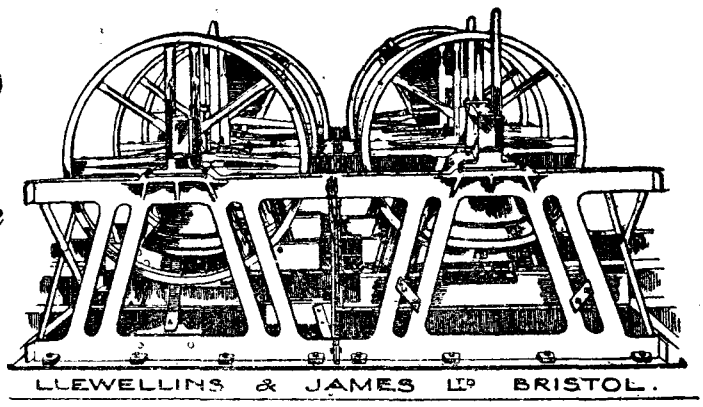

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-ninth annual meeting was held at Derby on Easter Monday, about seventy-five members being present, representing the following amongst other places: Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Birmingham, Burton, Cheltenham, Chesterfield, Cotgrave, Coventry, Derby, Duffield, Etwall, Grantham, Ilkeston, Leicester, Loughborough, Mansfield, Newhall, Nottingham, Ripley, Rolleston, Wirksworth, and Wolverhampton.

The Committee met at King's Restaurant at 3.45, and tea, followed by the General Meeting, was at the same place.

Sir Arthur Heywood, President, was in the chair, supported by the Vicar of St. Andrew's (Rev. R. A. H. Hay), Alderman R. B. Chambers (churchwarden of St. Peter's), Rev. J. P. Hales (Cotgrave), the Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Secretary, and others.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which were read and signed. Before the balance-sheet was presented to the meeting, the Hon. Treasurer made a statement which shewed that the Association was well on the way towards being quite clear of liabilities, and would be quite so if the large amount in arrears of subscriptions was paid in. The balance-sheet was adopted on the proposition of the Rev. J. P. Hales, one of the auditors, seconded by Mr. C. Drapor.

A number of apologies for absence from clergy and churchwardens were read by the Secretary.

In commenting on the number of peals rung during the last quarter, the President said there was every prospect of the year being as successful as its immediate predecessors. With regard to the peal report for 1910, he said he was pleased to note the large number of bands which had contributed to it. He referred sympathetically to the recent death of Mr. Harvey Reeves, and said he hoped things would soon look brighter with respect to ringing news. He also urged the ringers, especially the conductors, to be more particular in the business side of their duties, saying that the work of Secretaries and others would be greatly lightened by a little consideration on their part.

No other nominations having been received, the retiring officers were re-elected en bloc on the proposition of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by Mr. S. Maskrey.

The President in reply thanked the members for their appreciation, and announced an apology for non-attendance from Mr. J. W. Taylor (Vice-president). Mr. W. C. Wakley (Hon. Treasurer), and Mr. W. E. White (Hon. Secretary), also replied.

The Rev. R. A. H. Hay was elected an Honorary Member; one Life, and sixteen ringing members were also admitted.

For the quarterly meetings of the year, the Committee recommended Melbourne, Darley Dale, and Hinckley, and on being put to the vote, it was decided to accept them, and to hold the meetings at the places in the above order, Nottingham being the place for the next annual meeting by rotation.

Mr. J. Griffin proposed, and Mr. W. Willson seconded a hearty vote of thanks to the clergy and churchwardens for the use of the bells. The Rev. R. A. H. Hay and Alderman Chambers briefly replied.

A vote of thanks to Sir Arthur Heywood for presiding, proposed by Mr. C. Draper, and seconded by Mr. W. Fox, carried with applause, closed the meeting.

The bells available during the day were St. Alkmund's, St. Andrew's, St. Luke's, and St. Peter's. The ten bells at All Saints were at the disposal of the ringers for an hour or so in the evening. The methods rung included Grandsire, Stedman, Plain and Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Duffield, Superlative, and London Surprise.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly general meeting of this Association was held at Fakenham on Easter Monday, and was attended by representatives from Norwich, Aylsham, Thetford, Pulham, Saxlingham, North Elmham, Wells, and the local company.

By kind permission of the Rector, the fine ring of eight at the parish church were available for ringing throughout the day, and the six at Ryburgh were also rung. Dinner was served at The Bell hotel, the Rector of Fakenham (the Rev. W. Irwin), occupied the chair, supported by the Rev. E. C. J. and Mrs. Bowen, Messrs. G. Moy, W. J. Howson, T. Fitzjohn, and W. Flaxman (District Secretaries), and C. E. Borrett (Secretary).

The chairman after proposing the loyal toasts, gave a very warm welcome to all the visitors, and expressed his pleasure of the holding of an Association meeting in the town.

The Secretary having apologised for the absence of the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer (Rev. C. L. Kennaway), who was detained at home by parish business, dealt briefly with matters of interest to the members. He (the Secretary) was glad and proud to be able to report that in the Central Council's Analysis of peals rung during the year 1910, their Association headed the list for both the number of peals rung, and for their total point value. This was the second time they had scored a "double first," and it was something upon which they could very well congratulate themselves. The Secretary also gave formal notice (in accordance with Rule xiii.), that he should move at the next annual annual meeting that a charge of sixpence each be made for certificates of membership. The present rule respecting the granting of certificates was unsatisfactory, and had proved unworkable, and he thought the suggested small charge would be better in every way.

Over fifty new members were proposed for election, and the meeting closed with a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman (proposed by the Rev. E. C. J. Bowen), for his presence, and for the use of the bells.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. Thompson, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual luncheon and business meeting of this Association was held at Bedford in St. Paul's Schoolroom on Easter Monday. Throughout the day the bells of St. Paul's (10), and St. Peter's (6), were kept going to a great variety of methods. From 11 a.m. to 12 noon, handbell ringing was enjoyed, a course Grandsire Cinques by two members from Woburn and four from St. Paul's, Bedford, was well received.

Previous to the luncheon the members of the society assembled in St. Paul's belfry, where an unveiling ceremony was performed by the Vicar, Canon Lambert Woodard. The tablet recorded two peals of Superlative Surprise Major, one conducted by Mr. C. W. Clarke, and the other conducted by Mr. J. W. Barker. These peals were the first of Superlative Surprise ever rung in Bedford. The tablet is written very artistically in gold leaf on a coach-green panel.

In unveiling the tablet, the Rev. Canon Woodard said he was sure that the tablet would be a great addition to the belfry. They were gradually getting it filled with memorials of various kinds, and they trusted that this year there would be another placed on the walls to commemorate the peal that would be rung in honour of the Coronation of King George V. The tablet he had just unveiled recorded a method which he thought was extremely difficult, therefore that memorial was to the credit of those who took part in and were successful in ringing those peals. He knew his ringers were an exceedingly scientific body of men, and they were most ambitious, their only regret was that there was only ten bells instead of twelve. Their only difficuly was the cost, and he was sure that he wished it as much as, if not more than the ringers that there would be twelve bells in that belfry. One of the great advantages of having twelve bells was the fact that it gave the ringers further scope. When men were keen on anything it was necessary that they should be encouraged in that keenness; he knew that ringers were men of keenness, and he was sure that his ringers at St. Paul's were deserving of that title. Bell-ringing was a great art, and he greatly envied the ringers for being able to ring in such a scientific manner. He hoped that the next one to be unveiled would be for a Coronation Peal.

The Rev. A. Rust said he would like on behalf of the Association to thank Canon Woodard for unveiling the tablet. It contained the name of their old friend Isaac Hills, a name that was ever dear to all. He thought it very kind of the Vicar to come at such a busy time to associate himself with the ringers.

At one o'clock the members sat down to a dinner at St. Paul's Schoolroom, after which the business meeting was proceeded with.

Before the usual business commenced, the Chairman, Edwin Ransom, Esq., alluded to the absence of Mr. Chas. Herbert, whom he (the speaker) had the honour many years ago of proposing as a Vice-President of the Association. Mr. Herbert had done a long day's work, and a very interesting part of his work was his association with the formation and work of the Bedfordshire Association.

The Rev. A. Rust, in presenting the accounts, said he was very glad to inform the members that the financial position during the past year had greatly improved; for the first time for many years the expenses had been paid, and there was a substantial balance over of £2 5s. 3d., and the accounts had been audited and found correct. The receipts, amounted to £29 4s. 1½d., the expenses to £26 18s. 10½d., balance £2 5s. 3d., in bank, £18 3s. 11d.

The committee recorded with regret the loss of Archdeacon Bathurst, for many years President of the Association, and the death of Thos. Bull, Esq., J.P., who held the office of treasurer for a great number of years. They also regretted the fact that the Rev. C. B. Hulton had left the county. The meetings of the Association during the year had been very successful, and the general work had made great progress in every way.

The Chairman proposed the adoption of the accounts and report: they were very satisfactory.

Mr. J. W. Barker seconded. For many years he had advocated reducing the expenditure, believing that the work could not be carried on and the benefits maintained at the present low rate of subscription. He was very pleased that this year there was a balance, and that he had been "sucked in."

The Rev. W. W. C. Baker was unanimously elected as President, the Chairman commenting on his general fitness for the office. Mr. Chas. Herbert was proposed as treasurer, but Messrs. Cyril and Ernest Herbert, while appreciating the honour, thought it inadvisable for their father to take office owing to ill-health.

After further discussion it was decided to elect the Rev. A. Rust to the offices of hon. secretary and hon. treasurer. Mr. G. C. Walker, Bedford was re-elected hon. auditor, and thanks were rendered for past services. It was then decided that the Summer Festival should take place at Leighton Buzzard on July 8th; the Autumn Meeting at Woburn on October 7th; and the Winter Meeting at Dunstable on January 6th.

The Rev. A. Rust then said that he had been asked to present three records of peals that had been rung in the county many years ago. The first record was to St. Paul's, Bedford, for a peal of Bob Major Single, rang by the Royal Cumberland Youths in that tower in 1761; the second record was to St. Mary's, Dunstable, for a peal of Bob Major rang by the Ancient Society of College Youths on the new bells in 1776, it was noted that two men rang the tenor; the third record was to All Saint's, Leighton Buzzard, for a peal of Grandsire Triples, rang there by the College Youths in 1801. The records had been written in an artistic manner by Mr. Chas. Herbert, and the Rev. A. Rust proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Herbert for the trouble that he had taken in writing the records; he was sure they all felt a deep sense of gratitude.

Mr. J. Nichols voiced the gratitude of his company, and thanks were also uttered on behalf of the Bedford company, the speaker saying that Mr. Herbert was always pleased to do what he could for ringers and ringing. When meeting Mr. Herbert they had always received a most cordial greeting. The younger members of the Association may surpass him in their knowledge of methods but none could surpass him in the enthusiasm that had been displayed in planting and promoting change-ringing in the county.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded a very pleasant meeting.

ANOTHER "GEORGE" PEAL.

St. George's Day, April 23, though falling on a Sunday this year, was again commemorated by a peal of Stedman at Hunsdon, in Hertfordshire, by eight members of the Essex Association, all rejoicing in the name of George. The band was practically made up by the same ringers who in previous years had scored in other methods, including Superlative and Double Norwich. Next year hopes are entertained of getting London Surprise, the following year Bristol Surprise, and so on until the top-

most rung (if any) shall be reached. Excelsior!

Fine lot of men these Georges! Some have a second name, such as Bob or Fred. Very convenient when other peals of those names appear on the tapis. Personally I prefer the names of George Frederick, because I was thusly christened in the wisdom of my sponsors. Handel's name was George Frederick, and then there was Frederick the Great, one of the few monarchs or emperors who justly claimed the name of philosopher, though an inferior poet. The meaning or origin of the name of George seems to have sprung from husbandman, a tiller of the soil. I always thought I was a descendant of Cain.

But, with the Editor's permission, let us just briefly run over the characteristics of the Georges who took part in this peal. There's George Robert Pye, one of the most unassuming yet accomplished ringers I have met, and one of the brightest constellations in the firmament of the ringing world. He acted as conductor.

Next in strength mentally comes George Dent, George Radley, George Faulkner, George Lucas, sen., George Carter, George Black, and the sparrow, George Margetson. Dent, Radley, and Faulkner have almost exhausted the extent of Surprise Methods on eight bells, and Carter can ring double-handed Stedman as easy as shelling broad beans. Black knows no rival in Minor Surprise peals, and his untiring energy in augmenting the happiness of ringers, with his devotion to the art, fixes him in the foremost place among those who strive to give character to our cause.

Having gone over the names of the performers, may I just describe the place where the peal was rung?

Hunsdon lies just beyond the boundaries of Essex. It possesses a neat and handsome church, situated among some of the best English scenery. It is a very old world village, so obscure that the traveller always find a winding path in its discovery. Here the pale primrose, fragrant violet, and the gay daffodil springs naturally from a rich soil, breathing out their existence unmolested by the hands of excursionists and displaying their share in the general beauty of the spot, amid the cherry, pear and apple blossoms that abound on every side. The interior of the sacred edifice possesses a fine tomb to the Montgomeries, and several richly stained windows. The belfry is on the ground floor, open to the church. During the peal some of the door fastenings were uplifted, but we had secured them with bolts, so that we were undisturbed otherwise, and rang a very creditable peal under three hours. At its conclusion the Rector, the Rev. W. A. Herrington, who is a ringer, advanced his compliments, we thanking him for the use of the bells.

Having partaken of tea at the "Turkey Cock," by 5.30 we were all in readiness to depart. Mr. Dent had kindly placed his horse and brake at our pleasure, though two of the number were cycling. And so, with the waving of hands in farewell, we soon leave this quiet and tranquil beauty spot far behind on our way to Harlow and Epping, and thence by train home.

How swiftly the joyous hours have passed away! But in their passage what memories are implanted.

So swift we say the restless years roll on,
Fond to appear, impatient to be gone!
Why mourn we idly then the flying hours,
When by enjoyment, we might make them ours?
With rosy fetters bind the minutes fast,
Nor lose the present, to regret the past.

G. F. M.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The annual meeting was held at Christ Church, West Bromwich on Easter Monday. The bells at Christ Church and All Saints, West Bromwich, as well as those at Oldbury, were made good use of in various methods.

At 4 o'clock a short service was held, followed by tea and general meeting. Prior to the tea a photograph was taken of the band who rang Holt's Original (unconducted) at Christ Church, on November 20th, 1909, having the base of the tower as a back-ground. When tea was over, Mr. R. Cartwright was elected to the chair. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed the Secretary read the report for the past year.

The number of peals rung were 32, consisting of Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Oxford Bob Triples, Stedman Triples and Caters, Minor (seven methods), Plain Bob Minor and Major, Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise and Bristol Surprise Major. The balance sheet showed a balance on the right side of £21. The Treasurer, Secretaries, and Ringing Master were re-elected, and the name of Mr. W. Worthington was substituted for that of the Rev. F. Tennison (resigned) on the list of committee.

The following places were proposed for the next quarterly meetings: Lichfield, Penkridge, and Bilston, and the annual at Wolverhampton.

Several cycle runs were arranged last summer, to outlying districts, with successful results, and similar runs are to be made this coming season, of which due notice will be given. In all probability a drive by brake, for the same purpose, will take place in the latter part of August.

The Rev. S. W. Jones, rector of Church Eaton, was elected an honorary member, and among the new ringing members we welcome the bands of Coseley and Willenhall.

Expressions of sympathy were made with regard to the illness of the Ven. Archdeacon Hodgson, president of the Society, and will be forwarded to his distressed relatives.

A vote of thanks to the various Incumbents and Churchwardens, also to the Officers and Chairmen, concluded the business.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. Circulars in due course. CLEMENT GLENN, Hon. Sec.
11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Luke's, Bromley Common, to-day, Sat., April 29th. Bells at 4 p.m. Evensong at 5 p.m. with address. Tea, 6d. per head, in St. Luke's Institute. Business meeting to follow, the Rev. C. C. Gosselin, Vicar, presiding. T. GROOMBRIDGE, Hon. Dis. Sec.
34, Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Guiseley on Saturday, April 29th. Peal attempt at 2.30. Meeting at 7.30 in the parochial room.
A. S. MITCHELL, Hon. Sec.
2, Granville Terrace, Holbeck, Leeds.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.—Annual festival at Bridport on Thursday, May 4th. Service at St. Mary's at 12 30 p.m. Preacher—the Rector, the Rev. Canon Farrer. Luncheon and meeting at 1.30 at the Town Hall. Chairman—the Worshipful the Mayor of Bridport. Ringing at many neighbouring towers by the kindness of the incumbents. Facilities by road and rail.
W. PERCY SCHUSTER, Hon. Sec.

W. H. THOMPSON AND OTHERS.—Next week.

BARKING, ESSEX.

The bells of St. Margaret's Church will be reopened after rehanging on Saturday, May 13th. There will be a short Dedication Service, at which the "Bell Authem" will be sung, and a brief address given by the Right Rev. Lord Bishop of Barking at 3.30 p.m.

The tower will be open at 2 p m., and the St. Margaret's Society cordially invite all ringers who may care to attend to take part. Tea will be provided (free) at 5.15 at the Red Lion Hotel for visitors who give notice of their intention of being present to G. W. FAULKNER, Hon. Sec., 84, Abbey Road, Barking.

DEATH OF A WANSTEAD BELLRINGER,

Frederick Squires, for six years steeplekeeper at Christ Church, Wanstead, met his death on Wednesday, April 12th, while following his employment in the Great Eastern Railway Works at Stratford. Engaged with others in cutting up a fire box, he was in the act of removing the wedges when one of the plates fell on the back of his head, killing him almost instantly. The funeral took place at the parish church, Wanstead, on the following Saturday. From the house, immediately following the relatives of deceased, were at least thirty of his fellow workmates and twenty ringers, representing his own tower of Wanstead, Leytonstone, West Ham, Woodfood, Chigwell Row and Bow. The Rector, Canon Corbett, officiated at the service, assisted by the Rev. A. W. Goodhart. The coffin was borne to its last resting place by six of his old workmates.

After the committal sentences had been read at the graveside, a deep impression was made on all who had come to pay their last tribute of respect to one, of whom it can be truly said never had a hard word to say of anybody, by Messrs. W. Doran, H. Torble, W. Smith, and J. B. Marks standing on either side of the grave and ringing a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells. Among the floral tributes sent in addition to those of immediate relatives and friends, were—a large floral bell with a ragged line of Parma violets down it representing a crack, from brother-ringers of Wanstead, a cushion with a wreath depending from one of the corners, on which was worked in violets "Ringers Ever," from the St. John's Leytonstone Society, a wreath from the C.E.M. Society, and one from F. C. Hill, esq. churchwarden of Wanstead. Owing to illness close to the church the Wanstead bells could not be rung, but on Monday evening, April 17th, the St. John's (Leytonstone) Society rang a peal with the bells half-muffled, the whole pull and stand representing deceased's age (43), and also 720 London Surprise-Deceased, who leaves a widow and four children, for whom much sympathy is felt, was a member of the Essex, Middlesex, and Cumberland Societies, was always willing to assist in every way the Art of change-ringing, and his genial face will be sadly mised in many towers of the district where he was wont to go on every available opportunity.

One of the greatest tributes paid him was by Canon Corbett at the C.E.M.S. service on the following Sunday, when he said: "We have lost a brother who loved the bells, not only because it satisfied his earthly pleasure to ring them, but because he endeavoured to be loyal to the Almighty by first calling others to church, and then taking his place in the same building.

E. A. L.

KEYMER, SUSSEX.

On Monday, March 27th, the new bells were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Chichester. They are the gift of the late Mrs. Kirkham, of Keymer in memory of her sister. Four new bells have been provided, the two old ones quarter-turned, and a new iron frame and fittings inserted. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and great credit is due to them, the tone and "go" being perfect. After the service the bells were kept going up to 7.30, when the ringers adjourned to The Bull hotel, where a good supper was waiting for them, kindly provided by Mrs. Goodman, niece of the donor of the bells. The ringers, numbering about twenty, came from Ditchling, Burgess Hill, Lindfield, Brighton, Chailey and Hurstpierpoint. On Easter Monday, for early service, 720 Bob Minor, in 24 mins., being the first on the bells. M. Killick, G. Killick, E. Bish, W. H. Horney, J. Feist, J. Parsons.

A KIND OFFER.

The Rev. E. Giles, of the Quarry, Lincoln, writes: I have a set of handbells by Taylor, of Longhborough, never used. I should be glad to give them to any church where they would be useful as a help to learning steeple-bell ringing.

LODDON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN ALDIS	*Treble.*	ALFRED FUNNELL	5.
JOHN WILSON	2.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	6.
RICHARD BALDRY	3.	GEORGE POYNTZ	7.
FREDERICK WHITHAM ..	4.	WILLIAM STEELE	*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WM. STEELE

First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor. It is also believed to be the first in the method on the bells. After the peal the ringers, who all hail from Saxlingham, were entertained to tea with the local men at the Town Hall by the Vicar, the Rev. G. M. Davies, M.A.

BROMLEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE, BROMLEY, COMMON,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. Parker's Twelve-Part Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR BYGRAVE*	*Treble*	ISAAC EMERY	5.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	2.	GEORGE DURLING	6.
†WILLIAM HEWETT	3.	ALFRED JAMES	7
ALBERT HUMPHREY	4.	GEORGE HUXLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE DURLING.

This is a new ring by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and rung for the first time on Saturday, April 15th, by the newly-formed band. The Vicar, the Rev. C. C. Gosselin, and J. W. Wheeler Bennett, esq. the donor of the tower, clock and bells, and Mrs. Wheeler Bennett were there to wish the band success. First peal on the bells. *First peal away from the tenor. †First peal in the method.

KILLAMARSH, DERBYSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Carlisle, Ebor, Morning Exercise, Cambridge, Killamarsh, Duke of York, and Kent. Tenor 11 cwt.

FREDK. PARR*	*Treble.*	GEORGE BURNHAM	4.
HARRY GREAVES	2.	WILLIAM HY. TURTON ..	5.
THOMAS A. H. SMITH* ..	3.	CHARLES SEVERN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. SEVERN.

*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Turton, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

Death.

STORY.—At 2, Victoria Avenue, Whitley Bay, Northumberland, on Thursday, April 20th, 1911, aged 52, Robert Spencer Story, for twenty-two years the President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association. Interred at Whitley Church Graveyard on April 22nd.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held St. John's, Hackney, on May 2nd and 16th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 11th and 25th; at St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 2nd; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. John's, Hackney, to-day, Sat., April 29th. Ringing from 4 to 7.30 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting for the revision of rules, will be held on Saturday, May 6th, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, S.W. Business meeting in the Mission Room, Dean Farrar Street, Tothill Street, Westminster. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. F. W Isaacs), at Chiswick to-day, Sat., April 29th. Bells available from 3.15. Short service at 5.30. Tea at 6'oclock, 6d. per head. Members and friends heartily welcomed.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The Royal Cumberland Youths. — A meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, May 13th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea at The Bull inn at 5.30, at 9d, per head.

F. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*
3, *Margaret Terrace, Harts Lane, New Cross.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—A special general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes, on Saturday, May 20th, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. W. Bickford. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting in the parish room at 5.30 to consider proposed alterations of Rule vii. as follows: For the words "in September" substitute "on the Saturday in Easter week." All members are urgently requested to attend.

C. T. COLES,
H. C. CHANDLER, } *Hon. Secs,*
228, *St John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The Lancashire Association. — Ashton-under-Lyne Society.—A combined meeting will be held at Ashton parish church to-day, Sat, April 29th. Bells ready at 4. Business at 7. As this is the annual meeting of the Ashton society, a good muster is requested.

W. H. SHUKER,
C. BOWER. } *Secs.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. John's, Whittle-le-Woods, 10-day, Sat., April 29th, Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m Tea at The Bay Horse hotel, 1s. each to those who notify me not later than Thursday, April 27th. E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Warwickshire Guild. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Rugby to-day, Sat., April 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. ARTHUR COLEMAN, *Hon. Sec.*

Central Northamptonshire Association.—Special ringing meetings will be held at Cransley on May 6th; Raunds on May 13th; and Northampton on May 20th.

F. WILFORD, *Gen. Sec,*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District. — The next ringing meeting will be held at Ashby on Saturday, May 6th. Bells available at 3.30. Business meeting at 5 30.

H. WAKLEY, *Local Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association. — The annual general meeting will be held at West Retford on Saturday, May 6th. Business meeting in West Retford school at 3 30. Divine Service at 4.14 Tea at 5. Tea free to members, 1s. 6d. to visitors. The towers of East and West Retford and Ordsall will be open to ringers. Members of kindred Associations will be heartily welcomed.

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association. — The annual meeting of the above will be held at Brighton on Saturday, May 6th. St Peter's tower open for ringing from 11 to 1, and 6.30 to 8 30. and St. Nicholas from 6 30 to 8.30. It is hoped that the tower of St. Paul's may also be open in the evening. Luncheon at The Unicorn hotel, North Street, at 1.15 p.m. chairman—The Lord Bishop of Chichester. Members' tickets 1s. 6d. Annual meeting at 2.30. Ringers' service at St. Nicholas at 4 p.m. Preacher—the Lord Bishop of Lewes. Members intending being present at the luncheon should notify same to me not later than Tuesday, May 2nd.

G. WATSON, *Hon. Gen. Sec.*
Vale Road, St Leonards.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Bucknall on Saturday, May 6th. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5.30. Short service at 7. Those intending to be present please notify Mr. D. Prestor, 35, High Street, Bucknall, on or before May 3rd.

REV. C. E. DONNE,
J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Lancashire Association.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Prestwich and Whitfield on Saturday, May 13th. Further particulars by circular.

W. H. SHUKER,
J. H. BANKS, } *Hon. Secs.*

HINCKLEY.—On Sunday, February 24th, at St. Mary's church, 1260 Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. A. Ridgway, A. Moore, J. Tansey, W. Sharp, S. White, F. Cotton conductor, G. Thompson, W. Watkin. First quarter-peal with a bob bell by B. Ridgway. Taken from the Clavis.

5664 BOB MAJOR.

By E. M. ATKINS.

23456	W	B	H
23564	–	–	6
23645	–	–	3
42635	–		3
32645	S		3
43625	–		3
62435	–		1
32465	–		6

Repeated.

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5088 BOB MAJOR.

By GEO. CROSS, Norwich.

23456	W	B	H
23564		1	–
52364			–
35264			–
26354	–		–
32654			–
63254			–
63425	–	2	–
42635	–		–
64235			–
23645	–		–
62345			–
36245			–
24365	–		–
32465			–
43265			–
43526	–	2	–
34326			–
32546	–		–
53246			–
25346			–
34256	–		–
32456			S

Repeated.

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Mr. E. Gobey, of Ilkeston, writes: The 5184 of Treble Bob published in "THE BELL NEWS" of April 22nd, and composed by W. G. Brown, is false.

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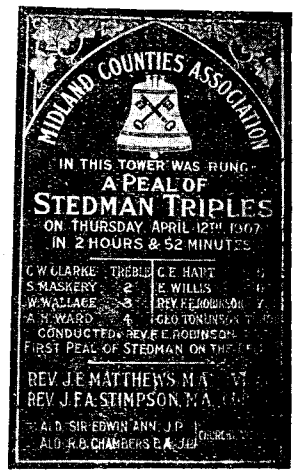

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1911.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Hon. Secretaries of Associations affiliated to the Central Council who have not yet sent in their affiliation fees, will, I trust, forgive me for reminding them that time is fast passing, and that the meeting of the Council will soon be upon us. The subscriptions have been due for close upon four months, and if payment is deferred till the last, the delay causes much wholly unnecessary trouble in making up the Council's accounts. There are thirteen Associations whose contribution still remains unpaid, and I sincerely trust that I may have the pleasure of receiving them speedily. The period for receiving Notices of Motion and Reports of Committees is also drawing to a close, May 6th being the date named in the Preliminary Notice of the Council Meeting issued last January, and I earnestly hope to receive them in good time.

Charles D. P. Davies, *Hon. Secretary.*
Fretherne, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire.

The Metropolis.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary, Lambeth,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

Harold Burton	..*Treble.*	Frank Bennett	.. 5.
Edward F. Cole	.. 2.	John D. Matthews	.. 6.
Arthur N. Hardy	.. 3.	Frank Smith	.. 7.
Frank Hairs	.. 4.	William J. Nudds	..*Tenor.*

Composed by James Hunt, and Conducted by John D. Matthews.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

WALTHAMSTOW BRANCH.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

ALFRED CHAPMAN† ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES C. ADAMS	6.
WILLIAM B MANNING ..	2.	*ALBERT A. HUGHES.. ..	7.
HENRY RUMENS	3.	HENRY J. MAYNARD.. ..	8.
JOHN H. WILKINS	4.	‡FRED C. MAYNARD	9.
LEWIS GREEN	5.	ROBERT MAYNARD, SEN, ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. G. MILES, and Conducted by F. C. MAYNARD.

†First peal away from the tenor. *First peal of Caters. ‡First peal as conductor.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5326 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

JARROLD HAYWARD ..	..*Treble.*	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ..	6.
WILLIAM E. GARRARD ..	2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS ..	7.
CLARENCE J DOBBIE* ..	3.	†RUPERT RICHARDSON ..	8.
WILLIAM A. GABBARD ..	4.	JAMES R. MACEMAN.. ..	9.
EDWARD P. O'MEARA ..	5.	SEDLEY J. COLLINS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by JAMES R. MACKMAN.

*First peal of Stedman. †First peal of Stedman Caters.

The Provinces.

ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, February 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 20 cwt.

GEORGE HOWSE.. ..	..*Treble.*	FRANCIS A. KENNETT ..	5.
WALTER ALCOCK	2.	FRANK MEDHURST	6.
JOHN THORNTON RICKMAN	3.	ALFRED TURNER	7.
ERNEST GOWER	4.	KEITH HART	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

MANCHESTER.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, February 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5061 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

ALFRED BARNES ..	..*Treble.*	ALFRED POTTER..	6.
BENJAMIN A KNIGHTS ..	2.	TITUS BARLOW	7.
ROBERT WALLWORK	3	JOHN POTTER	8.
THOMAS WALLWORK	4.	JOSEPH RIDYARD	9.
THOMAS LAVER	5.	GEORGE PINCOTT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by B. A. KNIGHTS.

T. Laver was elected a member of the above Association before starting for the peal.

HERNHILL, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, March 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.

CLARENCE HADLOW* ..	..*Treble.*	EDWIN G. BUESDEN ..	5.
ERNEST J. DOBBIE	2.	FREDERICK G. BRETT ..	6
EDWARD E. FOREMAN ..	3.	ALFRED ROBSON	7.
STANLEY B. DOBBIE	4.	WILLIAM J. WALKER..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by E. G. BUESDEN.

*First peal of Major

BUXTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s. Tenor 12 cwt.

S. ALLEN	..*Treble.*	C. SPURGEON	4.
S. NUNN	2.	W. C. MEDLER..	5.
R. HAINES	3.	J. CUSHION..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

First peal on the bells.

WISSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(HALESWORTH DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, April 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. LAMBERT, JUN.*..	*Treble.*	THOMAS CRANE..	4.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT ..	2.	CHARLES MOSS	5.
WILLIAM KEMP*	3.	JOHN MOUSER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

Rang on the 14th birthday of the treble ringer, the band wishing him many happy returns. *First peal.

HUNSLET, LEEDS, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 21¾ cwt.

FRANK ATKINSON ..	..*Treble..*	WILLIAM E. ASH	5.
HARRY SMITH, JUN.	2.	BENJAMIN SHAW	6.
JOHN R. KEMP	3.	JAMES T. SHAW..	7.
GEORGE SMITH, JUN. ..	4.	GEORGE SMITH, SEN	...*Tenor.*

Conducted by BENJAMIN SHAW.

This peal is now rung for the first time, and was rung as a farewell peal to James T. Shaw, who is shorly leaving for Canada. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. Ash, the ringers wishing him many happy returns. First peal by the ringer of the treble, who was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting.

BLEWBURY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, April 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.

GEORGE WELCH	..*Treble.*	*RICHARD JAMES	5.
ERNEST ALDRIDGE	2.	WILLIAM GRACE	6.
FREDK. JAMES	3.	CHARLES GREENOUGH ..	7.
CHARLES GREGORY	4.	*THOMAS BUSBY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. JAMES.

*First peal. First peal as conductor.

FORDINGBRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.

On Sunday, April 16, 1910, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

SIDNEY MACEY	..*Treble.*	A. F. MARTIN STEWART..	5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	2.	ROBERT P. KNIGHT	6.
FREDERICK PRECEY	3.	CHARLES GOODENOUGH ..	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4.	ALFRED OSMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

FRANK CLAYDON	*Treble.*	ERNEST RIDGWELL	5.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	2.	WILLIAM ROOT	6.
HORACE H. COOPER	3.	WILLIAM GRIMWADE	7.
LEWIS WISEMAN	4.	ARTHUR SAUNDERS	*Tenor.*

Composed by the Rev. H. LAW JAMES, and
Conducted by A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM.

TENTERDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MILDRED,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:
Pitstow's Variation. Tenor 30 cwt.

ROBERT EDWARDS	*Treble.*	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	5.
CHARLES N. LEMAN	2.	STANLEY B. DOBBIE	6.
FREDERICK G. BURDEN	3.	CHARLES W. PLAYER	7.
EDWIN G. BUBSDEN	4.	CHARLES TRIBE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUBSDEN.

SALISBURY.—THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 28 cwt. in D flat.

SIDNEY MACEY	*Treble.*	A. F. MARTIN STEWART	5.
ROBERT P. KNIGHT	2.	CHARLES GOODENOUGH	6.
FREDERICK PERCEY	3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4	CHARLES GAISFORD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First peal of Stedman on the bells. It is over twenty years since a peal was rung on this grand ring of eight.

SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, New London, Violet, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Double Court Tenor 16¼ cwt.

EDWARD TANSLEY*	*Treble.*	ARTHUR FREEMAN	4.
WILLIAM HALFORD	2.	ROBERT COX	5.
JOSEPH HALL	3.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

*First peal.

SALISBURY.—THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	*Treble.*	ROBERT P. KNIGHT	5.
FREDERICK PERCEY	2.	*REV. LL. EDWARDS	6.
JOHN S. RUMMING	3.	WALTER INGHAM	7.
A. F. MARTIN STEWART	4.	LEONARD HARRIS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

*First peal of Stedman.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26¾ cwt.

GEORGE HARDY	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. SMITH	5.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	2	NORMAN R. BAILEY	6.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	3.	CHARLES F BAILEY	7.
JAMES M. BAILEY	4.	FREDK. R. BORRETT	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in a Surprise method on the bells

THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1910, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5104 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. 7 lbs.

E. MAURICE ATKINS	*Treble.*	ARTHUR E. PAYNE	5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	2.	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN	6.
MATTHIAS HOBBS	3.	ALBERT V. INNES	7.
CHARLES W. BIRD	4.	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

The ringer of the 2nd was elected a member before starting.

WHITTLESFORD, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, Canterbury Pleasure, and three 720s of Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs. 25 lbs. in F.

PERCY TAYLOR	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SCOTCHER	4.
PERCY WEBB	2.	JOSEPH PAGE	5.
JOHN STALLEY	3.	†BASIL D. BUTTRESS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by B. D. BUTTRESS.

First peal in five methods by all. First peal of Minor on the bells. †First peal as conductor. First 720s of Oxford, Double Court and Canterbury on the bells.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Court and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 18 cwt.

JOSEPH READ	*Treble.*	WALTER W. BONHAM	4.
HERBERT C. EDWARDS	2.	EDWIN YATES	5.
ALBERT J. GREEN	3.	CECIL A. VALENTINE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Read, sen., and A. J. Green, their brother-ringers wishing them many happy returns.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

ALBERT STAFF	*Treble.*	WILLIAM WIGHTMAN	5.
GEORGE WIGHTMAN	2.	WILLIAM LAST	6.
ERNEST E. LANHAM	3.	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY	7.
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN	4.	PETER LAFLIN	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Peter's Amalgamated Society.)

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt. 1qr. 21 lbs.

JOSEPH ALLEN	..*Treble*	WILFRED R. COLLIER ..	5.
GEORGE LEWIS*.. ..	.. 2.	*CLEMENT GLENN	6.
JOHN BROTHWELL*	3.	WALTER ALLWOOD	7.
JOHN THORPE*	4.	*ALBERT NASH	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS

*First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major. First peal in the method on the bells, and first in the town of Rotherham for over fifty years.

NOTTINGHAM.-THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt.

WILLIAM BELLAMY ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES H. CLARKE	5.
THOMAS R. FLINT	2.	ERNEST J. OLIVER	6.
T. A. D. BURNHAM	3.	FREDK. TITE	7.
WALTER ROBINSON	4.	HARRY R. COBBIN ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by W. BELLAMY.

WATTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 18 lbs.

ERNEST FISHER* ..	..*Treble.*	*JOHN MURRELL	.. 4.
HERBERT FISHER*	2.	EDGAR HUNT	.. 5.
HARRY CROOKS*..	3.	*WILLIAM ADCOCK ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. ADCOCK.

First peal on the bells. *First peal.

STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM WELHAM*..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE ARCHER	5.
WM. E. TYDEMAN	2.	*WILLIAM SOUTER	6.
CHARLES MILLS..	3.	*EDWARD E. DIAPER	7.
FREDK. ALLARD*	4.	JOHN SOUTER	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by J. SOUTER.

*First peal in the method.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRED,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN T. TAYLOR ..	..*Treble.*	*JAMES BOLTON	.. 5.
JOHN WATERFIELD*	2.	JOSEPH MORRIS.. ..	.. 6.
DICK ILIFFE	3.	FRED STANIFORTH	7.
ERNEST MORRIS	4.	THOMAS B. SMITH ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED STANIFORTH.

First peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells. *First peal of Triples.

PENKRIDGE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

JOHN PERRY	..*Treble.*	REV. E. V. COX	5.
W. D. JAMES*	2.	WILLIAM FISHER	6.
HERBERT KNIGHT	3.	GEORGE PIGOTT	7.
JOHN C. ADAMS	4.	JOSEPH PIGOTT	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

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

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1910, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr.

E. MAURICE ATKINS..	..*Treble.*	J. EDWARD SAWFOOT ..	4.
MATTHIAS HOBBS	2.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ..	5.
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ..	3.	CHARLES W. BIRD ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(Halesworth Society.)

On Tuesday, April 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford Treble Bob and four 720s of Kent.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM PIERCE ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN O'NEILL	.. 4.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT ..	2.	JAMES HOWARD	.. 5.
CHARLES MOSS	3.	ARTHUR H. TOOK ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. LAMBERT.

SHIPLEY, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

EMMANUEL WICKHAM	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM E. WALAND ..	5.
ERNEST A MURGATROYD	2.	JOSEPH BROADLEY	6.
JOB A. ROSS	3.	THOMAS B. KENDALL ..	7.
JAMES COTTERELL	4.	GEORGE A. NETTLETON	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

First peal in the method by all the company.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES:

Being twelve 120s each of St. Simon's and Grandsire, and eighteen 120s of Plain. Tenor 14½ cwt.

EDWARD CHATTEN ..	..*Treble.*	THOMAS CRANE	.. 3.
AUSTIN LEACH	.. 2.	WILLIAM WHATLING..	.. 4.
JOHN PUNCHARD ..	..*Tenor.*		

Conducted by E. CHATTEN.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 20, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

THOMAS VALANCE* .. ..*Treble.*	*HARRY STONELEY .. .. 5.
HARRY ARGYLE .. .. .. 2.	*JAMES CLARKE .. .. .. 6.
HAROLD D. ARGYLE*.. .. 3.	JAMES CLARKE, SEN. .. .. 7.
THOMAS DICKENS* .. .. 4.	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ..*Treble.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by T. W. CHAPMAN.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, April 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE OLD CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

J. HERBERT BENFIELD* ..*Treble.*	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD .. 5.
GEORGE PIGOTT.. .. .. 2.	JOHN WITHERS 6
HORACE HOWELL† 3	JOSEPH PIGOTT .. .. .. 7.
WALTER PIGOTT† .. .. 4.	†RICHARD LEE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss E. A. Lincoln to Mr. W. J. Moulder.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, April 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 23 cwt.

REGINALD BLAKE* .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS W. RADFORD .. 5.
FRANK BLONDELL .. .. 2.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. 6.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 3.	JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 7.
MAURICE SMITHER .. .. 4.	ALFRED H. PULLING.. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

First peal of Superlative on the bells. *First peal of Superlative Surprise Major.

WORPLESDON, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Guildford District.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Chester, Carlisle, London, Wells, Durham, York, and Cambridge. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM SAVAGE .. ..*Treble.*	REGINALD BLAKE 4
JOSEPH GOACHER .. .. 2.	WILLIAM DAY 5
HENRY BLACKMAN .. .. 3.	FREDK. BENNETT .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. BENNETT.

This is believed to be the first peal on the bells.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM HART .. .. .. 6.
ERNEST GOWER.. .. .. 2.	WILLIAM PALMER .. .. 7.
HERBERT RANN .. .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. .. 8.
CHARLES PALMER .. .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 9.
GEORGE ADES .. .. .. 5.	HENRY STALHAM .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

CHESTERTON, CAMBS.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being two 720s of Bob Minor and five of Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 18 cwt.

A. T. SHELTON*.. .. ..*Treble.*	P. H. PIGG .. .. 4.
R. RAYNER .. .. 2.	*O. W. M. SHELTON .. .. 5.
W. MANSFIELD .. .. .. 3.	W. EUSDEN.. .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. EUSDEN.

*First peal.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 14¼ cwt.

HARRY RICHELL .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM LINCOLN .. .. 5.
FREDK. W. EDWARDS* .. 2.	ARTHUR EDWARDS .. .. 6.
HARRY SMALE* .. .. .. 3.	ARTHUR HEAD .. .. .. 7.
PERCY LETCH* .. .. .. 4.	†HENRY F. COOPER .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by E. MULLINS, and Conducted by HENRY F. COOPER.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

SAWSTON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS ..*Treble.*	*PERCY TAYLOR .. .. .. 5.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 2.	*B. D. BUTTRESS .. .. 6.
T. R. DENNIS .. .. .. 3.	GEORGE TAYLOR.. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM B. KEMPTON .. 4.	*FRANK KEMPTON .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. NICHOLLS, and Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST MARY,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HARRY PRICE .. .. ..*Treble.*	*WILLIAM SHORT .. .. 5.
JOSEPH PIGOTT 2	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. .. 6.
GEORGE PIGOTT.. .. .. 3.	JAMES DOWLER .. .. .. 7.
JOHN BASS .. .. 4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method in the county and first Surprise peal on the bells.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

ERNEST E. FERRY .. ..*Treble.*	ROBERT RICHARDS .. .. 5.
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE 2.	ALFRED F. HILLIER .. 6.
GEORGE T. POTTER .. .. 3.	JOSEPH E. R. KEEN.. .. 7
JOSEPH W. PARKER .. .. 4.	JOHN STUART .. .. ..*Tenor.*

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PEAL CORRECTION.—The time occupied in ringing the peal of Stedman Triples at Droitwich reported last week was 2 hrs. 57 mins.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LONDON.—On Sunday evening, March 12th, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples taken from Holt's Original. C Hughes, S. Gowlett, H. Gowlett, T. P. Taffender conductor, W. Taffender, R. Deal, F. Hardy, T. Walker. First quarter-peal of Grandsire by the treble and 2nd ringers.

THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

LONDON.—On Sunday evening, April 16th, for Divine Service at St. Mary Abbots, 1260 Stedman Triples. A. Cutmore, W. Garrard, W. Daubney, A. Bradley, W. E. Garrard conductor, H. Miles, J. Mackman, F. Redknap.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HORLEY (Sussex).—On Tuesday, March 28th, at the Confirmation Service held by the Lord Bishop of Kingston, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. W. Taylor, S. Lanaway, S. Kenward, J. Kenward, G. Illman, A. Songhurst, P. Etheridge, C. Osborn. On Sunday, April 16th, for the early morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins. A. Songhurst, S. Lanaway, J. Kenward, A. Bashford, G. Illman, S. Kenward conductor, P. Etheridge, C, Osborn.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ISHAM (Northants.)—On Sunday, April 9th, 720 Single Court Minor. A. Fourt, W. Wilson, W. Lewis, G. Blaxley, F. Andrew, E. M. Atkins conductor. This is the first 720 in the method rung on the bells.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRIDGEND.—On Sunday evening, March 26th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to Mr. Rose, late parish clerk, who died on March 22nd. A. Stanley, T. Evans, J. Evans, R. Evans, R. James, R. Bunstone, J. Cox conductor, J. Cummings.

PENTRE.—On Thursday, March 22nd, for practice at St. Peter's church(a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 47 mins. H. Page, G. Cross, J. Cross, W. Page, G. Wines, T. Hamlin, T. Page conductor, H. Crabb. Also 336 Bob Major. G. Cross, H. Page, W. Page, J. Cross, T. Page, T. Hamlin, G. Wines, W. Richards.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WORCESTER.—On Sunday, April 2nd, at the church of All Saints, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Harvey Reeves, who was a native of this city. B. Hill, A. Hill conductor, G. Hinton, J. R. Newman, W. Edgington, J. Morris, G. Checketts, J. Brettell, E. Watkins, W. H. Johnson.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Saturday, March 25th, for practice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. J. Fenwick, J. Burles, G. R. Ambrose, F. Mitchell, R. Constant, F. Hayes conductor. First 720 in the method by all except the conductor. Also 360 each of Bob Minor and Grandsire Minor.

DEPTFORD.—On Sunday evening, April 23rd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. W. Daynes, V. Pavier, H. White, J. Daw, A. Bennington, W. Jeffries conductor, F. W. Richardson, C. Macklin. First quarter-peal by the ringer of the treble, and composed by his father, G. H. Daynes.

BOXLEY.—On Thursday, March 30th, 360 Grandsire Doubles. W. Gosling conductor, W. Hepe, A. Baker, G. Pound, W. Kilpatrick.

SOCIETY FOR THE ABCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

BREEWOOD.—On Tuesday, April 18th, at St. Mary's church, 1760 Kent Treble Bob Major. J. Perry, W. James, J. Adams, Rev. E. V. Cox, G. Pigott, J. Pigott, W. Fisher, H. Knight conductor.

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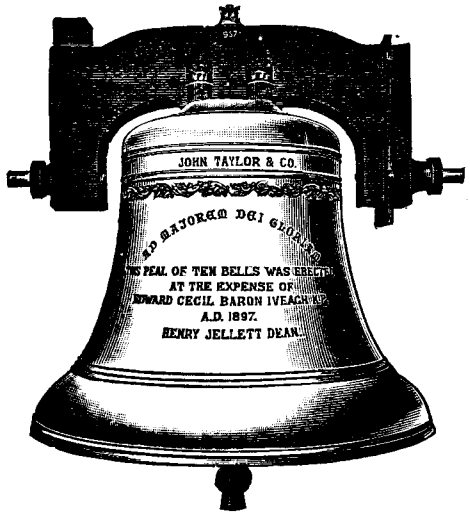

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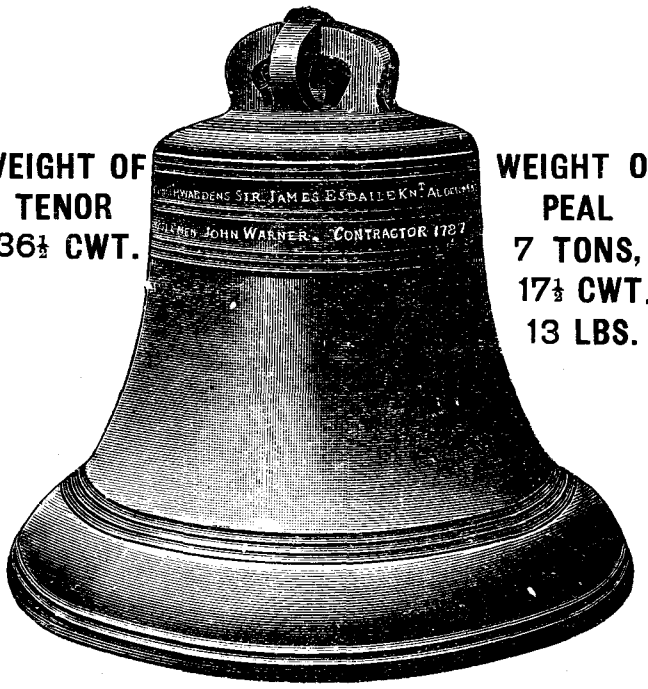

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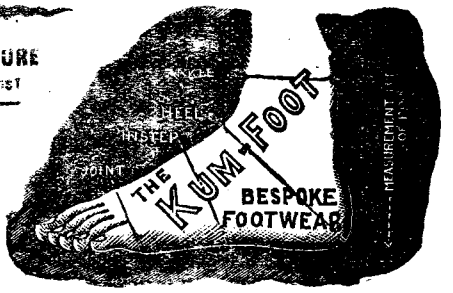

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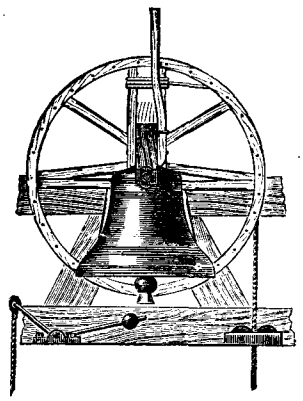

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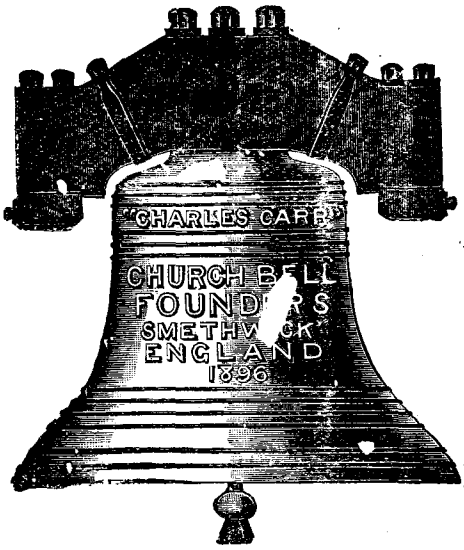

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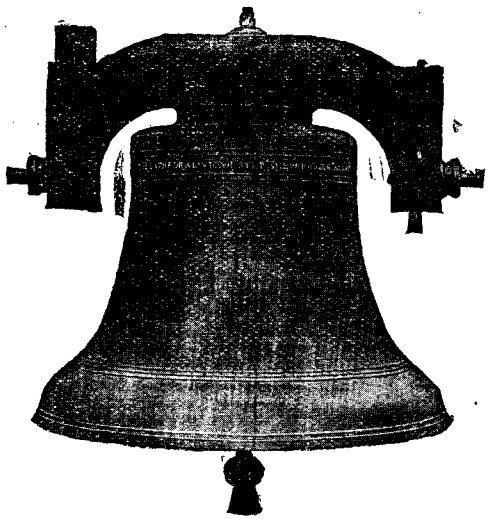

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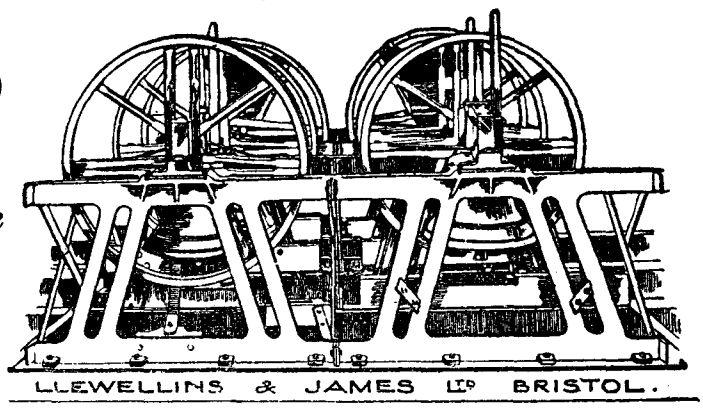

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THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the above was held at Beaumaris, Anglesey, on Easter Monday. Members assembled from Bangor, Buckley, Beaumaris, Crewe, Dolgelly, Portmadoc, Llangollen, Rhyl and Wrexham, whilst friends from all parts brought up the total to about fifty. The Bangor band welcomed several ringers at the Glanadda tower in the morning, where touches of Stedman, Superlative and Cambridge were among the methods rung. The Portmadoc ringers arrived by motor at 11 o'clock, rather cool (except in spirits), for it is well known that the vocal backbone of the Association hails therefrom (no names, please). Beaumaris, the old-fashioned town and capital of Anglesey is so well known that it needs no description here, and at about 1.30 an adjournment was made for lunch, which passed off (or rather away) in fine style, ample justice being done to the excellent things provided.

A short service was held in the church at 2.30, which was very well attended, and was conducted by the Rev. H. J. Morgan, who omitted the usual address, as he stated later in the day not because he was afraid to speak to the ringers, but on principle. He thought that after the recent services of the past week he could add nothing to what their own (the ringer's) respective clergymen had told them so very recently.

The business meeting was held in the new church room which is a very fine building. The President, the Rev. T. Lewis Jones, was in the chair, assisted by the Master, Mr. W. T. Pegler, the treasurer, Mr. M. J. Morris, and Mr. A. J. Hughes, who acted for the hon. secretary, who unfortunately was unable to attend. The various items on the agenda were disposed of in a business like manner. All the officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, and in some cases the voting was very close, notably that of the notice of motion respecting the change of the annual meeting day from Easter Monday to Whit Monday. The former however was again carried by a majority of four votes. This change is persistently advocated, and in all probability will eventually be passed, as the vestry meetings claim so many to their own respective duties. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed, as were also letters from Lady Frederick Cavendish and F. S. Percival, esq.

Mr. Evans, of Portmadoc, in a most eloquent manner eulogised upon the merits of the President, and aptly termed him the ringers' bishop, and moved that as being President of a public body application for admission to Carnarvon Castle should be made on the occasion of the investiture of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

This was of course carried unanimously, and the President, in his reply, heartily congratulated the Association on its success during the past year, and especially that of the youthful conductor of the peal of Stedman Caters at Wrexham, and hoped that it was only the forerunner of many others. Also that he would like to see other bands putting their shoulder to the wheel, and not leave the peal ringing to the comparative few of the Association.

After the meeting some of the members proceeded to the tower, and others to inhale the sea breezes before tea, but at 4.30 promptly all again mustered at the church room, and with one accord all determined to leave no stone unturned, or rather no course untried, and without exception full justice was paid to the comestibles passed round. As the leads and leaders were slowing up Mr. Evans, of Portmadoc, was again in evidence, this time to propose a very hearty vote to the Rector and Mrs. Morgan for the kindness and hospitality extended to the members, adding that he was sure from the looks of satisfaction displayed by those sitting down, they, the Rector and Mrs. Morgan, would feel amply repaid for their trouble and expense.

The President ably seconded the motion, and the Rector replied, saying that they were very glad to welcome the ringers and provide tea, as their efforts were appreciated, and extended a hearty welcome to the Association to Beamaris in the near future.

After two courses of Superlative there was a general rush for the 6 o'clock boat, as the majority of the ringers had a long way to go. The local company, assisted by members from Bangor, afterwards rung some very good touches of Grandsire Triples, and hope shortly to go for a peal. The bells were then lowered, and all decided that it had been a most enjoyable and red-letter day in the annals of the Association.

The next half-yearly meeting will be held at Machynlleth on Saturday, September 16th, and the annual at Wrexham on Easter Monday.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of this Guild was held at Rugby on Saturday, April 29th. By kind permission of the Rector and churchwardens the fine ring of eight at the parish church was available for ringing in the afternoon and evening. The ringing commenced with a plain course of London Surprise Major by the local company, it being their first in that method, and the bells were kept going by members of the Guild at intervals throughout the afternoon and evening with touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative. Tea was provided at the Cafe Lounge, and was followed by the meeting. Mr. W. G. Dickins presided in the absence of the ringing master, supported by the following officers: Messrs. J. George, A. Roberts, S. C. Small, R. Watson and the hon. secretary. The minutes of the last quarterly meeting were read by the hon. secretary and confirmed. The date of the annual general meeting at Warwick on Saturday, July 29th, as arranged by the Rev. C. C. Cox and hon. secretary to suit the Lord Bishop of Worcester was confirmed, and the May monthly meeting was fixed to be held at Kenilworth, on Saturday, May 27th. The hon. secretary gave formal notice that he should move at the annual meeting an additional new rule for non-resident ringing members, as follows: "That any ringing member who has paid 3s. in annual subscriptions and becomes a non-resident in the county shall remain a member of the Guild without

further subscription, but shall not receive the annual report except on payment of sixpence. Mr. J. W. Chandler prop sed, and Mr. J. George seconded the hon. secretary's recommendation, and it was carried unanimously.

Nine new members were proposed and duly elected. The hon. secretary reported that since May 10th, 1910, the Guild had rung seventeen peals, and that sixty different members had taken part in them, which was a very satisfactory percentage of the total ringing members in the Guild.

Mr. Fenton proposed, and Mr. Coleman seconded a vote of thanks to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells. The attendance of members and representatives of different towers was moderate.

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

I see in your issue of April 22nd, some remarks on four-part peals of Grandsire Triples, and am reminded that *regular* peals in four parts can be got by common Grandsire singles as for example thus :—

5040.		or thus	5040.	
234567			234567	
———	1-S		———	2-S
572634	1		762453	1
465372	1		347562	1
234765	2		253647	2
652473	1		472363	1
346752	1-S		534672	1-S
723546	3		625734	3
347265	4		536247	4
473265	3		365247	5
364752	2		263754	5
523476	1		762435	1
645723	5		547362	5
746352	2		345276	5
527634	1		243657	1
465327	2		762543	2
274536	5		437256	1
572643	2		624537	2
135267	5		376452	1
234756	2		243576	5
562473	1		542637	1
345762	3		765342	4
563427	1		657342	3
745263	2		746523	3
637524	3		627435	1
726345	1		546327	2
537426	2		275634	3
265743	1		532746	4
372465	5		325746	5
473526	5		723654	1
574632	5		467523	3
675243	3		724635	1
546732	4		567324	4
465732	1		675324	1
274365	3		436275	2
462753	1		754723	1
374562	5		367254	3
573246			753642	
Repeated thrice.			Repeated thrice.	

P.S.—The number of singles may be increased, and the number of inverted leads may be increased, and the number of calls may be increased. I see no advantage in any increase, but just prick here an example with more calls, and with four singles in each part instead of two, which is the least possible if the calling is to be exactly the same in each part. The more inverted leads there are, the clumsier the arrangements get, so I will not troub'e you with any example. And indeed I consider this example a clumsy thing in comparison with those which have all the inverted passage between the two singles, and I prick it merely as an example of how the inverted passage may be divided into two.

5040.

234467		643527	1
———	1-S	756243	2
762453	2 S	437625	2
357246	2	254763	5
463725	3	752346	1
314657	2	637452	3
573462	3	756324	2
365724	2	627543	2
243756	1	436752	3
652743	2	654327	2
436275	1	276435	3
524736	5	632754	2
725643	2-S	546273	1
347562	2	325746	5
623754	1	723654	1
476523	1-S	467523	3
534276	1	725635	2
625734	1	357462	2
476325	2	623745	1
254637	4	576423	2
542637	2	235647	1
375264	2	762435	

Repeated thrice.

W. H. THOMPSON.

THE ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL SOCIETY, EDINBURGH.

The members of this Belfry Guild travelled to Inverness on Monday, May 24th (Edinburgh Spring Holiday), and spent a most enjoyable day there. After dinner had been partaken of, Miss Sampson (daughter of the esteemed conductor), who has been a member of the Belfry Guild for over four years, was presented with a gold bangle, bearing the inscription: "St. Mary's Cathedral. From the Ringers, 24th April, 1911, as a small token of esteem and respect on the occasion of her leaving Edinburgh to tkae up a position in England."

Mr. J. R. Robertson (Secretary), made the presentation, and in a few well-chosen words said he joined with the members of the Guild in wishing Miss Sampson every success and prosperity in the situation she was taking up in England. In replying, Miss Sampson thanked all those who had united in giving her such a nice present, and said it would always keep her in mind of many pleasant days spent in the belfry of St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh. Thereafter the members adjourned to the Cathedral, and rang a few touches of Grandsire Triples on the bells. After leaving the Cathedral, the members were most hospitably entertained by the members of the Cathedral Belfry Guild, and on leaving in the evening were accompanied to the station by several of the Cathedral ringers, who were thanked for their kind hospitality.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held St. John's, Hackney, on May 16th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 11th and 25th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 30th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting for the revision of rules. will be held to-day. Saturday, May 6th. at St. Margaret's, Westminster, S.W. Business meeting in the Mission Room, Dean Farrar Street, Tothill Street, Westminster. All members are earnestly requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill.*

The Royal Cumberland Youths. — A meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, May 13th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea at The Bull inn at 5.30, at 9d, per head.

F. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*
3, *Margaret Terrace. Harts Lane, New Cross.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—A special general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes, on Saturday, May 20th, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. W. Bickford. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting in the parish room at 5.30 to consider proposed alterations of Rule vii. as follows: For the words "in September" substitute "on the Saturday in Easter week." All members are urgently requested to attend.

C. T. COLES,
H. C. CHANDLER, } *Hon. Secs,*
228, *St John's Road. Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

Central Northamptonshire Association.—Special ringing meetings will be held at Cranesley on May 6th; Raunds on May 13th; and Northampton on May 20th.

F. WILFORD, *Gen. Sec,*

The Midland Counties Association.-Burton-on-Trent District. — The next ringing meeting will be held at Ashby to-day, Sat., May 6th. Bells available at 3.30. Business meeting at 5 30.

H. WAKLEY, *Local Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association. — The annual general meeting will be held at West Retford to-day, Sat. May 6th. Business meeting in West Retford school at 3 30. Divine Service at 4.14 Tea at 5. Tea free to members, 1s. 6d. to visitors. The towers of East and West Retford and Ordsall will be open to ringers. Members of kindred Associations will be heartily welcomed.

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association. — The annual meeting of the above will be held at Brighton to-day, Sat., May 6th. St Peter's tower open for ringing from 11 to 1, and 6.30 to 8.30, and St. Nicholas from 6 30 to 8.30. It is hoped that the tower of St. Paul's may also be open in the evening. Luncheon at The Unicorn hotel, North Street, at 1.15 p m. chairman—The Lord Bishop of Chichester. Members' tickets 1s. 6d. Annual meeting at 2.30. Ringers' service at St. Nicholas at 4 p m. Preacher—the Lord Bishop of Lewes.

G. WATSON, *Hon. Gen. Sec.*
Vale Road, St. Leonards.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Bucknall to-day, Sat., May 6th. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 5.30. Short service at 7.

REV. C. E. DONNE,
J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Lancashire Association.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Prestwich and Whitfield on Saturday, May 13th. Further particulars by circular.

W. H. SHUKER,
J. H. BANKS, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Winchester District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Cheriton on Saturday, May 13th. Tichborne and Cheriton bells available during the afternoon and evening. Tea at H.H. inn at 5.15. A special meeting will be arranged to accept the kind hospitality of the Bishop of Southampton on Saturday, July 22nd. Further notice will be given of this meeting. JAS. W. ELKINS, *Dis. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

The Lancashire Association. — Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.

J. WATSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild — The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at St. Luke's, Crosby, on Saturday, May 13th. Full particulars by circular.

REV. W. T. BULPIT,
W. BENTHAM, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Childwall on Saturday, May 13th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. For full particulars see circular.

CLEMENT GLENN, *Hon. Sec.*
11, *Fisher Road, Sheffield.*

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Dover on Saturday, May 20th. The bells of St. Mary's (8), and St. James' (6), will be available after 3 p.m. Tea, provided by Canon Bartram, at the Dovonian restaurant at 4.30 p.m. sharp. Service at St. Mary's at 6 p.m., preacher—Rev. —. Watkins, Vicar of St. James. The usual business meeting will be held after tea. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid before the meeting.

E. TRENDELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.-Guildford District —A quarterly meeting will be held at Ewhurst on Saturday, May 20th. 3.0.-Bells (6) available, 5.30.—Service, with an address by the Rector, the Rev A. E. Clark-Kennedy. 6 15.—Tea at the Church Hall Tea tickets 6d. each: visitors 1s. A combined practice will be held at Binsted on Saturday, June 3rd Bells available at 5.

JOHN J JONES, *Hon. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A cycling run will take place on Saturday, May 20th. 3 p m. — Longdon (5); 4 p.m. Abbots Bromley (5); 4 45 p m. Blithfield (5); 5.45 p.m. Iogestre (6).

E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association -Tonbridge District.—The next mestiog of this district will be held at Hadlow on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open at 3 30. Service in church at 5. Business meeting in Parish Hall after service. Half travelling expenses up to, but not exceeding 2s. will be paid to members attending. W. LATTER. *Hon. Dis Sec.*

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT FRODSHAM. — This peal consisted of the extent of the "legitimate" plain Minor "bob" methods, excluding the two possible reverses (Reverse Hereward and Reverse Plain). The methods are numbered 10, 9, 8, 11, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, in the C.C. Collection. Nos. 10 and 8 were rung at Frodsham on October 1st, 1910, by the same band, and were called Frodsham and St. Lawrence, in case they had not already been named. Stepney is so called in Annable's note-book. No. 5 has already been named Hereward. No. 6 is the reverse of No. 5, although in the preface it is stated that the reverses are omitted.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Thursday, April 13th, the bells of St. Martin's church were re-dedicated by the Rev. Willson Thos. de Vine, M.A., after having been rehung with new stocks, wheels, sliders, stays, bearings, etc. The bells have also been quarter-turned; also a new floor. The frame is also being strengthened, and put into proper order for ringing by Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham. At the dedication service a touch of Grandsire Triples was rung, and at the close of the evening service touches of Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung. There were visiting friends from Wolverhampton, Birmingham, West Bromwich, Dudley, and also the local band. On Easter Day the bells were again rung by the local band at 5 a.m., who attended the first early service, all being members of the C.E.M.S, and again at 7.30, and also at the morning and evening service. The bells were originally a peal of six, and hung in the tower in the year 1798, but in the year 1848 they were made a peal of eight by re-casting the four largest, and re-tuning the six new ones to make up the peal of eight. Tenor 12 cwt. 25 lbs.: all the peal being cast by Messrs. Mears.

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WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

For the eleventh time in succession the Annual Meeting was held at Worcester on Easter Monday, but, as in general, so in the affairs of this Association. "The old order changeth yielding place to new," and next year, as the formation of three brances is now an accomplished fact, the meeting goes to Evesham, the centre of the Southern Branch, it being thought advisable to visit each branch in turn.

Although Worcester has been chosen for so many years, it apparently has not lost the attraction it has had in the past; for the attendance on this occasion was quite as good as usual, about 100 being present, representing practically all the towers affiliated. As is usual with meetings of ringers, the day started and ended with ringing, the bells of All Saints being risen about 10.30 a.m., and although both the tower and bells are sadly in need of repairs, they were in great demand all day. It is hoped that these bells will shortly be attended to, for the new Rector, the Rev. J. E. Mac Rae, is most enthusiastic, and intends to do all he possibly can to have them seen to. At one o'clock the usual service was conducted by the Rector in this church, the lesson being read by the Rev. H. J. Mercer, the Rev. Sidney Phillips, Hon. Canon and Clerical Secretary of this Association for many years past, delivering an address which was certainly one of the most interesting that have been given at these meetings for some years. He took for his text—"Thou art my God, and I will thank Thee; Thou art my God, and I will prise Thee. O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and His mercy endureth for ever." (Psalm cxviii. 28-29.) After a few opening words the preacher proceeded: I desire in the few words I am permitted to speak to you to-day, to put before you the very important part that you take in the service of the Church. Ever since the seventh century it has been the custom to call people together in England by the ringing of bells. You are church workers in the highest sense. No doubt many of you deight in the science of change-ringing, and have joined in many of those wonderful peals which we so often read about. When I was at Kidderminster I know that several such peals were rung. But, I trust, you ring with a higher motive, for the honour and glory of God. At one time, many years ago, men were accustomed to drink and use bad language in the belfry, and then, when they had called the people together, they themselves left the church. Now you stay to join in the worship of the Church, and have, I hope, made your communion this Easter. It is impossible to exaggerate the solemn effect that the ringing of the bells has upon persons, even who do not themselves come to church. Very often the story that they tell has more weight than the message delivered from many of our church pulpits. Longfellow tells us this in the Golden Legend:—

> The bells themselves are the best of preachers,
> Their brazen lips are learned teachers,
> From their pulpits of stone, in the upper air,
> Sounding aloft without crack or flaw,
> Shriller than trumpets under the law,
> Now a sermon, and now a prayer.
> The clangorous hammer is the tongne,
> This way, that way, beaten and swung,
> That from mouth of brass, as from mouth of gold,
> May be tanght the testaments, new and old."

The preacher then proceeded to show that: As there are three chief uses of the bells, so there are three qualifications of a really good ringer. The first is zeal. A man must be filled with zealous enthusiasm if he is to make a really good ringer. He must put aside other engagements, and come with regularity and punctuality to the belfry, and be very painstaking when he is there. Then the second is something very different. It is humility. When you become expert ringers there is the danger of your growing conceited. Now it is always necessary to be in subjection to authority, and to follow, without question, the directions of the leader of the band, even though you may really know much better than he does what is right. Unless you do this there are sure to be ructions and disputes, which have in the past done much injury to many bands of ringers. Let me give you an instance of wonderful humility which made a great impression on me. At one of the Cuddesdon festivals Bishop King, who had once been Principal, was asked to preach the sermon. At the luncheon afterwards his health was drunk, and in reply he said that it had been the greatest happiness of his life to have been the means of helping to make so many men so much greater than himself. The last and greatest of the three things needed is the Love of God. This should be the motive in all you do. Show your love by the readiness to do all for His honour and glory. Forget yourselves in His service. At Easter of all seasons in the year we should learn this lesson. As our Lord Jesus Christ has conquered death for us, we should desire to bring all that we do into conformity to His will. For the love of Jesus we should indeed love the belfry and all that we do in it. Then there will indeed be happiness and joy in our ringing. Finally, let us look forward daily, hourly, to the time when for us bellringing will cease. The time will come, we know not how soon, when our earthly worship will have passed away. Easter should give us a faint, but a very real image, of what is in store for us. We shall enter upon a new and better life, we shall be with Christ, and join in the song—"Worthy is the Lamb, that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing."

Immediately the service was over a move was made to the Cathedral Chapter House, in which, as usual, the business meeting was arranged to be held. Punctually at 2 p.m. the President, the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D D., Dean, took the chair, and was supported by the Rev. Canon Wilson, the Rev. Canon Claughton, the Revs. J. E. Mac Rae, H. J. Mercer, J. F. Hastings, and the Master, Mr. T. J. Salter. After a considerable amount of minute reading had been got through, the Dean expressed a wish to know how the new scheme of branches was working, and accordingly the branch secretaries, Messrs. E. J. Dowler, H. T. Knowles and J. Hemming each gave a short report, in each case mentioning how successful the first branch meetings had been, and expressing their opinion that it was most satisfactory; whereupon the Dean remarked how pleased he was to hear such good reports, and hoped that it might be found to be equally as satisfactory in twelve months time. It was decided in future to make the peal arranged at this meeting somewhat of the nature of a special performance, and after one or two suggestions had been put before the meeting, one being to arrange to attempt a peal, which should be the first peal of seven of the band, it was finally decided to leave it with the Secretary. The question of life membership was brought up, and in future any ringer living two miles outside the county, and not attached to any tower affiliated, may become a life member on the payment of five shillings. The auditors—Messrs. W. C. Jones and G. W. Checketts, were re-elected, and it was decided that peals should be credited to the branch within whose boundaries they were rung. Proceeding to the election of officers it was unanimously decided to re-elect the whole of them, although the Master stated that he would be glad to resign, and that next year he hoped someone would be found to relieve him. It being necassary to elect three hon. members to complete the central committee, the Revs. J. E. Mac Rae and J. F. Hastings, and J. Ashwin, esq. were elected. Thanks to the chairman the business was got through most expeditiously, and all that remained was to accord a vote of thanks, which was most ably proposed by Mr. A. E. Parsons, to the Chairman, to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the bells and chapter house, to the Revs. S. Phillips and J. E. Mac Rae and to all those clergy who kindly allowed their bells to be used, and to the Rev. Mercer for making the arrangements. The good wishes of the meeting were given the Rev. Mercer, who shortly leaves Worcester to take up a living in Lancashire.

The Dean replied, giving a cordial welcome from the Dean and Chapter, and remarking that he trusted the rumbles of disruption which were heard at the last annual meeting would be found to have no foundation, and that the alteration in the working of the Association would be found to be successful.

At the conclusion of the meeting a photo of all those present was taken at the west end of the Cathedral, after which a move was made to The Angel hotel, Sidbury, where tea was provided.

As the Cathedral bells were only available from 5 to 6, a considerable number made their way there as soon as tea was over, some to ring, some to see the bells, and some to admire the view from the top of the tower. The tower is well worth a visit. One of the first things which strikes a visitor, and this applies

not only to the tower but to the Cathedral as a whole, is the excellency of all the furnishing and the care and attention which is apparent everywhere. Except for the number of steps, the staircase is as good as in most houses, the lower portion being broad enough for two persons to ascend side by side. When the tower itself is reached it is found to be kept as clean as the body of the building, and all the way to the top the same state of things is to be found. The ringing chamber is large and well fitted. Above that is found the mechanism for operating the chimes, of which there is a large selection, and then the bells are reached. And here the size of the tower is realised, when it is found that there are no less than sixteen bells on a level, including the hour bell, weighing 90 cwt., and peal of twelve, tenor 50 cwt., and three half-tone bells hung for ringing, but at present only used in the chimes; and even then there is a passage round three sides of the frame for visitors to reach a platform situated slightly above the bells, on which to stand when the twelve are being rung and the clock strikes is an experience never to be forgotten. From the top a bird's eye view of the city is obtained, with all the numerous church towers and the splendid spire of St. Andrew's church, and the river Severn almost underneath, across which lies St. John-in-Bedwardine with its massive Norman tower, and then across the fertile valleys of the Severn and Tewe the whole range of the Malvern Hills is seen. To the east is seen Fort Royal Hill, which figured so prominently in the city's share of the war of the Royalist and Roundhead; northward and southward the valley of the Severn stretches away until the eye encounters the Clent Hills to the north and Bredon to the south.

At the other towers available, All Saints, St. Helen's (the mother church), St. Nicholas and St. John, the bells were, during the time available, giving forth the melody produced by Stedman Cinques, Caters and Triples, Grandsire, Double Norwich, and in fact most of the standard methods from Doubles to Surprise. In conclusion it is sincerely to be hoped that the splendid ring of ten at All Saints may shortly be restored. A successful meeting and an enjoyable day was brought to a close by the call of Father Time in the words of the inscription on a small ting-tang in All Saints' tower, cast in 1741, which says "Come away, make no delay."

THE MIDDLESBROUGH SOCIETY.

On Easter Monday, the members of this Society foregathered at Ripon for their twenty-fifth annual outing. The Dean having kindly granted the use of the bells full use was made of them in ringing touches of Stedman, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major. About noon four of the Tadcaster ringers joined them at lunch, making a merry party of seventeen. The catering for the day was undertaken by host Mackley, of The Black Bull, and proved quite satisfactory in every way. During the afternoon some Stedman was rung by the combined bands. The weather being gloriously fine the outing was thoroughly enjoyed, and the thanks of the visitors are tendered to Messrs. Gibson, Tingle and Metcalfe of the local band for looking to their creature comforts.

BARKING, ESSEX.

The bells of St. Margaret's Church will be reopened after rehanging on Saturday, May 13th. There will be a short Dedication Service, at which the "Bell Authem" will be sung, and a brief address given by the Right Rev. Lord Bishop of Barking at 3.30 p.m.

The tower will be open at 2 p.m., and the St. Margaret's Society cordially invite all ringers who may care to attend to take part. Tea will be provided (free) at 5.15 at the Red Lion Hotel for visitors who give notice of their intention of being present to G. W. FAULKNER, Hon. Sec., 84, Abbey Road, Barking.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A special meeting of the Guildford District was held at Blackmoor, Hants, on Saturday, April 22, and was attended by about 30 members, several of whom had cycled 40 or 50 miles before they reached home again.

The church is a very handsome edifice, and was erected by the late Lord Selborne some 40 years ago. The tower contains six musical bells, with plenty of room for two more trebles. The Vicar conducted the service, and gave an impressive address. Tea was held in the Schoolroom, and it was announced that the Ewhurst meeting would be on May 20th. A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar concluded the proceedings.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

On Sunday, April 23rd, the dedication of these bells took place after having been recast and rehung in a new frame and tuned on the Simpson principle. The work was entrusted to Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who have given every satisfaction. The local committee are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts. The service of dedication was conducted by the Bishop of Rochester (Dr. Harmer), who afterwards preached a most eloquent sermon on the uses of church bells from the early ages, his discourse being listened to with rapt attention by a crowded congregation. Taking for his text Numbers x. 10, his Lordship compared the present use of church bells to the use of the trumpets in the days of the Israelites in the wilderness. The processional hymn—"When morning gilds the skies," concluding with "We love the place, O God," finished a service to be remembered by all. Before and after service various touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major were rung, the local band being assisted by Messrs. Latter, Perkins, Maynard, Johnston, Dean Whibley and Edwards.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

At the Residence of J. E. Chapman,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part.

ALBERT V. INNS .. .. 1-2.	DAVID J. NICHOLS .. 5-6.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN .. 3-4.	FREDERICK W. SAWFOOT 7-8.

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

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GUILDFORD SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, April 30, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

At 21, Stoke Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT 1-2,	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER .. 7-8.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 9-10.

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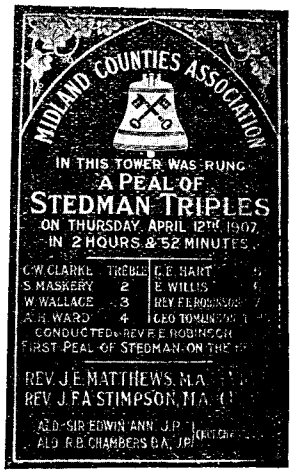

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The Metropolis.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

Thos. Groombridge, jun. *Treble.*	Frank Bennett .. .. 5.
Edwin Barnett, jun. .. 2.	Edwin Barnett, sen. .. 6.
William Hewett .. .. 3.	James E. Davis .. .. 7.
Isaac Emery .. .. .. 4.	Thomas Groombridge ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by Frank Bennett.

First peal in the method on the bells. This is the conductor's 300th peal as conductor. The band take this opportunity to thank the Rector, the Right Rev. F. E. Ridgway, D.D., Lord Bishop of Kensington, for the use of the bells.—This peal came to hand on May 2nd.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5014 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

Henry Springall .. ..*Treble.*	Alfred W. Grimes.. .. 6.
William Truss .. .. .. 2.	Samuel E. Joyce .. .. 7.
Herbert Langdon 3	Emanuel Hall.. .. .. 8.
Thomas H. Taffender .. 4.	Alfred B. Peck .. .. 9.
James Scholes .. .. .. 5.	George Barrell .. ..*Tenor.*

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, April 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, DEPTFORD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

WILLIAM JOHN RAWLINGS	*Treble.*	FREDK. W. RICHARDSON ..	5.
THOMAS HENRY HAWKINS	2.	ALBERT JAMES FORD ..	6.
GEORGE EDWARD RAWLINGS	3.	GEORGE HENRY DAYNES	7.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	4.	ARTHUR PAPWORTH ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Albert J. Ford, who was 21 years of age on April 26th, his brother-ringers congratulating him at the end of the peal. It was also his first peal with a bob bell.

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

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WOOLWICH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13½ cwt.

FRANK C. NEWMAN ..	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. HARDY ..	5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2.	JAMES SCHOLES ..	6.
AUGUSTUS A. SCAMBLER ..	3.	WILLIAM TRUSS ..	7.
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ..	4.	ARTHUR J. NEALE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by THOS. H. TAFFENDER.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, MAGDALENE, ENFIELD,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED R. GLASSCOCK	*Treble.*	JAMES PARKER ..	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ..	2.	JOHN ARMSTRONG ..	6.
NORMAN A. TOMLINSON ..	3.	JOHN E. MILLER ..	7.
JOHN H. BENSTEAD ..	4.	SIDNEY WADE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by SIDNEY WADE.

This is the first Surprise peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. H. Benstead. This is the 10000th peal by this Association, being finished about half-an-hour after the peal of Stedman Cinques at Cornhill on the same date. The ringers of the 5th, 7th, and tenor took part in the first peal of Superlative by the Association at Southgate on November 26th, 1897.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 41 cwt.

REUBEN SANDERS ..	*Treble.*	JAMES E. DAVIS ..	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE ..	2.	ROBERT E. STAVERT ..	8.
BERTRAM PREWETT ..	3.	*ALFRED W. GRIMES ..	9.
CHARLES T. COLES ..	4.	ALBERT W. COLES ..	10.
WILLIAM J. NUDDS ..	5.	ERNEST PYE ..	11.
HARRY FLANDERS ..	6.	WILLIAM PYE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

This peal has the 6th fourteen courses behind the 7th in the tittums, and twenty-four courses behind the 8th in the handstroke home position. *First attempt on twelve bells.

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

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, MAGDALENE, HOLLOWAY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt.

CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES*	*Treble.*	GEORGE W. FAULKNER ..	5.
SYDNEY F GOWLETT ..	2.	ALAN R. MACDONALD ..	6.
HENRY T. GOWLETT ..	3.	†ALBERT TURNER ..	7.
HENRY S. ELLIS ..	4.	RICHARD F. DEAL ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by RICHARD F. DEAL.

*First peal of Major. †First peal of Treble Bob.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 1, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

REUBEN SANDERS ..	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT ..	5.
WILLIAM PYE ..	2.	*ALBERT W. COLES ..	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE ..	3.	†ROBERT E STAVERT ..	7.
WILLIAM MILLER† ..	4.	ERNEST PYE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal of Major in the method. †First peal in the method.

The Provinces.

RAINHILL, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lbs.

J. A. CALLAND ..	*Treble.*	R. A. CARTWRIGHT ..	4.
R. DAYNAL ..	2.	F. J. HANCOCK ..	5.
R. LEATHER ..	3.	H. ASHTON ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. J. HANCOCK.

First peal on the bells which have lately been rehung by Mears and Stainbank.

SPROUGHTON' SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, January 18, 1910, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Double Bob, Double Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

ALFRED W. CLARKE ..	*Treble.*	HARRY J. MEE ..	4.
WILLIAM LEGGETT ..	2.	EDGAR RIVERS ..	5.
GEORGE W. MEE ..	3.	CHARLES MEE ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. RIVERS.

(This peal came to hand on Tuesday morning, May 2nd.)

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Grandsire, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor about 10 cwt.

DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE	*Treble.*	THOMAS H. VALLANCE ..	4.
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ..	2.	E. HARRY STONELEY ..	5.
EDGAR VALLANCE ..	3.	HARRY ARGYLE ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

First peal in seven methods by all except the ringers of the 2nd and tenor; also the first in seven methods on the bells.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

JOHN M. BUTTON	*Treble.*	JAMES M. BAILEY	5.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	2.	EDGAR H. BAILEY	6.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	3.	CHARLES SAMSON	7.
FREDK. J. SMITH	4.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a compliment to J. M. Button, on his 73rd birthday, the band wishing him many happy returns; also the conductor's 100th peal.

ROYSTON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(THE ROYSTON SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, Violet, Duke of York, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 11¾ cwt

ALBERT GILBERT*	*Treble.*	ROBERT WILKERSON	4.
WILLIAM L. DARLOW*	2.	SAMUEL E. ROBERTS	5.
ERNEST BONNETT*	3.	ROBERT G. KING	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT G. KING.

Rung to celebrate the recovery of the Vicar (the Rev. J. Harriason), from a serious illness Also in honour of R Wilkerson, the ringer of the 4th, who was married the previous Saturday. This is the first time that London Surprise Minor has been rung in a peal by an Hertfordshire band. *First peal of Treble Bob Minor. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

STANTON-BY-DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Woodbine, and two each of Oxford, Kent, and Plain Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

CHARLES ARBON*	*Treble.*	JOSEPH HALL	4.
ALBERT CHURCHILL†	2.	WILLIAM THORNLEY	5.
EDWARD C. GOBEY	3.	†FREDK. A. TANSLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

*First peal. †First peal in four methods.

HUNSDON, HERTS.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE A. BLACK	*Treble.*	GEORGE R. PYE	5.
GEORGE RADLEY	2.	GEORGE CARTER	6.
GEORGE F. MARGETSON	3.	GEORGE FAULKNER	7.
GEORGE DENT	4.	GEORGE B. LUCAS, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday April 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

HUBERT J. BLACKWELL*	*Treble.*	FRANK BENNETT	5.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE*	2	ISAAC EMERY	6.
WILLIAM HEWETT	3.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.*	4.	THOS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

*First peal in the method. This is T. Groombridge. senr's 300th peal.

GREAT HAMPION, WORCESTERSHIRE,

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, April 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being five 720s of Plain Bob, and two of Grandsire, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

RAYMOND YOUNG*	*Treble.*	HERBERT JORDAN	4.
JOSIAH HARRIS†	2.	THOMAS EDWIN	5.
JAMES HEMMING	3	FREDK. JORDAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor. Arranged for J. Harris, who was proposed a member of the above Association previous to starting.

NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 11 cwt.

HENRY BEALEY*	*Treble.*	*JOSEPH T. DYKE	4.
JOHN HOUGH	2.	ALBERT P. WARLEY	5.
HERBERT HURDMAN	3.	DAVID COTTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. P. WARLEY.

*First peal in seven methode.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MODWEN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

EDWARD J. STONE	*Treble.*	†HERBERT HURDMAN	5.
WILLIAM J. SMITH	2.	JOHN H. SWINFIELD	6.
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON*	3.	GEORGE ROBINSON	7.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY	4.	‡LEONARD BULLOCK	*Tenor.*

Composen by JOHN JAGGAR, and Conducted by LEONARD BULLOCK.

*First peal of Major. †First in the method. ‡First in the method as conductor.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, April 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

THOMAS RUSSAM	*Treble.*	*WILLIAM D. JAMES	7.
FREDK. DICKENS	2.	ALBERT WALKER	8.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON	3.	ALF PADDON SMITH	9.
JAMES H. SHEPHERD	4.	SAMUEL GROVE	10.
WILLIAM SHORT	5.	JAMES E. GROVES	11.
JOHN NEAL	6.	SIDNEY J. JESSOP	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

*First peal on twelve bells. This peal has the full extent with the 6 h at home in the tittums, and all the 5-6-7-8s at home in the last eleven courses, with the treble a 2nds place throughout.

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WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(Halesworth District.)

On Wednesday, April 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s. Tenor 14 cwt.

MISS R. C. STANFORD* ..*Treble.*	CHARLES MOSS .. .. .. 4.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT .. 2.	ALBERT LEE .. .. .. 5.
WILLIAM FIEBCE .. .. 3.	HENRY BARTON.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

*First peal of Minor.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

WILLIAM ALDIS*.. .. ..*Treble.*	ALFRED FUNNELL .. .. 5.
JOHN WILSON .. .. .. 2.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN. .. .. 6.
RICHARD BALDRY 3	GEORGE POYNTZ .. .. 7.
FREDERICK WHITHAM .. 4.	WILLIAM STEELE .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WM. STEELE.

*First peal of Treble Bob. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding of Campbell Steward, esq., and Miss Feiling, which took place at Christ Church, Southgate, on the above date.

GLOUCESTER.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Michael's Juniors.)

On Thursday, April 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY DE CRYPT,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES H. AUSTIN ..*Treble.*	THOMAS BALDWYN .. .. 5.
JESSE GILLETT .. .. .. 2.	THOMAS NEWMAN 6
REV. E. BANKES JAMES .. 3.	ERNEST E. DAVIS .. .. 7.
FRANCIS E. HART 4	REV. H. LAW JAMES ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is Johnson's variation of Middleton's peal. Rung for the institution and induction of the new Rector.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

JOHN J. MAWEY.. .. ..*Treble.*	ALFRED H. MARTIN.. .. 5.
ANDERSON Y. TYLER .. 2.	WALTER J. GERMAN .. 6.
FREDERICK WILFORD.. .. 3.	JAMES WARD .. .. .. 7.
J. HUBERT HORN .. .. 4.	WALTER PERKINS .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

HARRY BOTTRILL* .. ..*Treble.*	HARRY SMALE .. .. .. 5.
BENJAMIN COPPING .. .. 2.	JOHN SMITH .. .. .. 6.
GEORGE DENT .. .. .. 3.	JOHN CORDELL .. .. .. 7.
WALTER HOBBS .. .. .. 4.	ISAAC CAVILL .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by H. BOTTRILL.

*First peal as conductor, and rang as a birthday compliment to him.

SHROPHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being twenty-one 120s of Grandsire and twenty-one 120s of Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

RALPH ALLEN* .. .. ..*Treble.*	THOS. FITZJOHN.. .. .. 3.
HORACE ALLEN*.. .. .. 2.	WILFRED ALLEN .. .. 4.
HERBERT MASON .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by T. FITZJOHN.

*First peal. First peal on the bells.

MALDON, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Double Court, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt.

EBENEZER W. FINCH ..*Treble.*	ALFRED GOZZETT .. .. 4.
ALFRED SOUTH*.. .. .. 2.	HORACE J. MANSFIELD .. 5.
HAROLD FINCH*.. .. .. 3.	FRED CHALK .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HORACE J. MANSFIELD.

*First peal in seven methods.

PILLATON, CORNWALL.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ODULPH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES:

Being seven 720s each called differently.

REV. EVERARD S. POWELL *Treble.*	HAROLD BENNETT .. .. 4.
WALTER H. MARSH .. .. 2.	ERNEST W. MARSH 5
FRANK HOCKADAY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM G. HISCOTT ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

First peal on the bells. First peal of Minor on the bells.

BLACKBURN.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ESAU WALMSLEY* .. ..*Treble.*	†WILLIAM E. WILSON .. 5.
ARTHUR TOMLINSON† .. 2	†EMMANUEL DUTESON .. 6.
FREDERICK HINDLE†.. .. 3	WILLIAM MALLINSON .. 7.
JOHN P. FOULDS .. .. 4.	†JOHN WATSON .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by B. ANNABLE, and Conducted by W. MALLINSON.

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

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 24¾ cwt.

THOMAS W. GOBE* .. ..*Treble.*	DAVID BREARLEY .. .. 5.
GEORGE W. MOSS .. .. 2.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS .. .. 6.
JESSE J. MOSS .. .. .. 3.	GEORGE A. THOMPSON .. 7.
EDWARD C. GOBEY* 4	JOHN FLINT.. .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN FLINT.

*First peal in the method.

STRANTON, WEST HARTLEPOOL.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

FRED P. HOWCROFT .. ..*Treble*	G. JAMES LUNGLEY .. .. 5.
ARTHUR TEMPLE .. .. 2.	ALBERT SIMPSON .. .. 6.
JOHN G. HALL 3	THOMAS METCALFE .. .. 7.
JAMES BAXTER .. .. .. 4.	*JOHN LOWREY .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT SIMPSON.

*First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. First in the method as conductor. Rung as a token of respect to the late R S. Story, a former President of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.

ALFRETON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD .. ..*Treble.*	RICHARD DRAGE 5
JOHN HALL* .. .. .. 2.	BART MITCHELL .. .. 6.
JOHN C DICKEN .. .. 3.	†JOSEPH DAVIES .. .. .. 7.
NEVIL WIDDOWSON .. .. 4.	*ARTHUR BENTLEY .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH DAVIES.

*First peal of Stedman. †First peal of Stedman as conductor.

BLOXWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

ALBERT H. HARBER.. ..*Treble.*	ALFRED J. WALLATER .. 5.
REV. E. V. COX‡ .. .. 2.	EDWARD J. STAFFORD .. 6.
EDGAR T. SMITH* .. .. 3.	WILLIAM GRIFFIN .. .. 7.
THOMAS HUGHES† .. .. 4.	JOSIAH ELTON .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. ‡First peal in the method as conductor.

BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

(The All Saints and St. Laurence Guild, Evesham)

On Saturday, April 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part.

RAYMOND YOUNG† .. ..*Treble.*	†FREDK. JORDAN .. .. .. 5.
JAMES HEMMING.. .. .. 2.	GORDON CHECKETTS.. .. 6.
HERBERT JORDAN‡ .. .. 3.	FRANK COOK .. .. .. 7.
THOMAS EDWIN .. .. .. 4.	*HENRY J. PHIPPS .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GORDON CHECKETTS.

*First peal. †First peal on eight bells. ‡First peal on eight bells away from the treble. First peal by the above Guild.

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FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 1, 1911, in Four Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF PLAIN MINOR, 7200 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Frodsham Bob, Stedman's Slow Course Bob, St. Lawrence Bob Stepney Bob St. Clement's Bob, Hereward Bob, Double Oxford Bob, Oxford Bob, Double Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM BIBBY.. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE R NEWTON .. 4.
REV. A. T. BEESTON .. 2.	EDWIN H. LEWIS 5
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON 3.	HENRY W. WILDE .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. H. LEWIS.

Reference elsewhere.

Handbell Peals.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, April 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF J. E. CHAPMAN, THE BROADWAY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5104 CHANGES.

ALBERT V. INNES* .. 1-2.	E. MAURICE ATKINS .. 5-6.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN .. 3-4.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT .. 7-8.

Composed and Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Rung to celebrate the birthday of the ringer of the tenors, the ringers wishing him many happy returns. *First handbell peal. Umpire—W. Mace

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, April 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,

In the Belfry of Holy Trinity Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

ALFRED H. PULLING .. 1-2.	JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 5-6.
MAURICE SMITHER.. .. 3-4.	FRANK BLONDELL.. .. 7-8.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—C. Willshire.

LONDON,

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(York Town District.)

On Friday, April 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

At Shirland Road, Paddington,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part Reversed.

ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD .. 1-2.	GEORGE B. EDSER .. 5-6.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 3-4.	WILLIAM A. WOODROW 7-8.

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Umpire—F. G. Woodiss. Rung as a wedding compliment to the ringer of 5-6, who has been recently married.

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LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LONDON.—On Sunday, April 23rd, for evening service at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Brook's Variation), in 47 mins. H. Hibbert, T. H. Taffender, C. Hughes, J. Milner, H. Gowlett, F. Hardy, W. Taffender, A. Hines. Rung in honour of St. George's Day.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

WALTHAMSTOW. — On Sunday, April 30th, after evening service at St. Mary's church, 1259 Grandsire Caters in 52 mins. A. Chapman, J. Adams, P. Hislop. R. Maynard, sen., F. Rumens, H. Rumens, H. Maynard, F. Maynard conductor, H. Alford, J. Tucker. Composed by R. Maynard, jun. Arranged for F. Rumens, who is on a visit from Chicago.

UPPER CLAPTON.—On Thursday, April 27th. at St. Matthew's Upper Clapton, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in 51 mins. F. Maynard, *J. Adams, W. Kemp, *P. Hislop, C. T. Coles conductor, F. Rumens, H. Rumens, A. Coles. *First in the method. The ringer of the 6th is on a visit from Chicago, and this is his first touch on eight bells since leaving this country three years ago.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

EPSOM,—On Sunday, March 4th, at Christ Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. W. Robinson, R. Kendall, E. Fisher, A. Mann, F. Crawford, T. Tutte, A. Gower conductor, R. Etherington.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARWELL (Berks.)—On Sunday, Feb. 12th, 720 Grandsire Minor, and 120 Stedman Doubles. G. Rice, Miss M. Nightingale, W. Hitchman, A. Bosley, V. Hitchman, R. Rice conductor.

5664 BOB MAJOR.

BY E. M. ATKINS.

23456	W	B	H
23564	–	–	6
23645	–	–	3
42635	–		3
32645	S		3
43625	–		3
62435	–		1
32465	–		6

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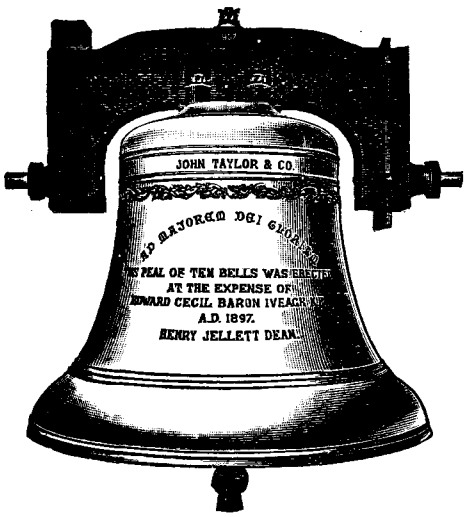

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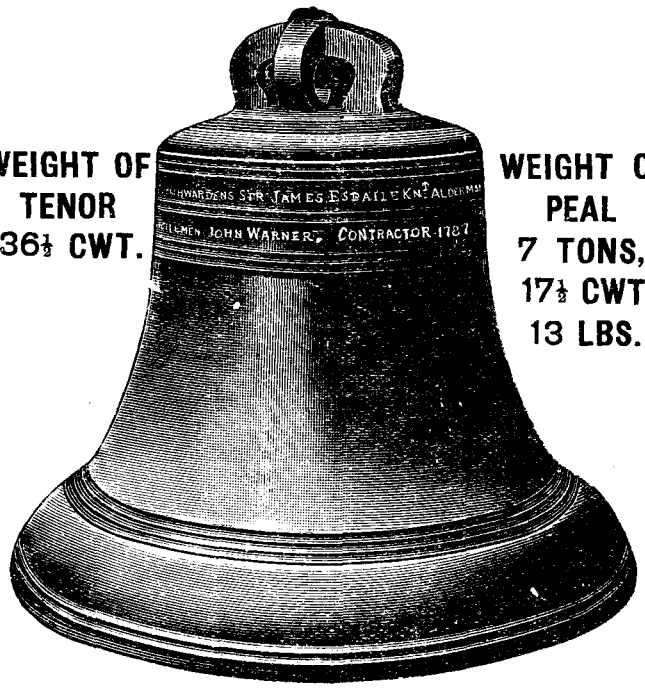

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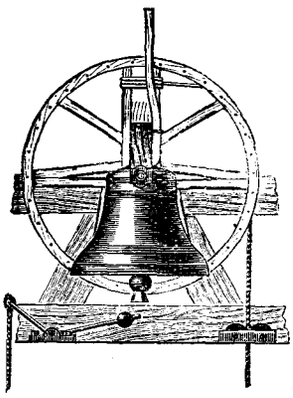

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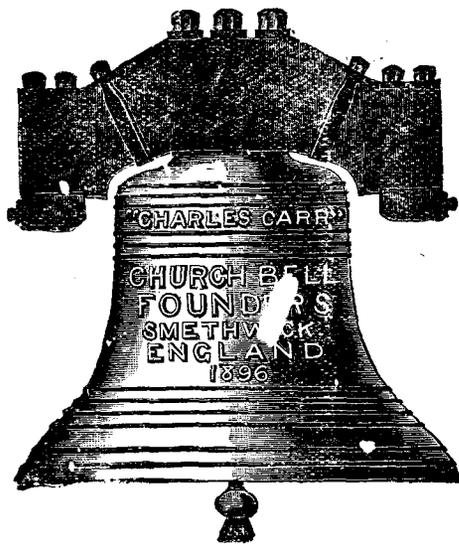

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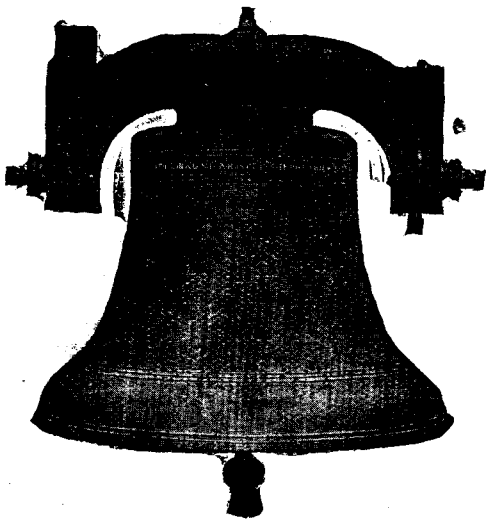

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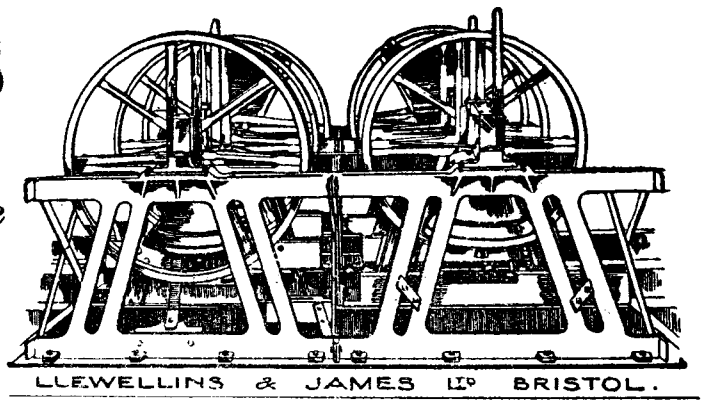

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OAKE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

Dedication of Memorial Bells.

The dedication of the two treble bells which have been presented to Oake parish church by Miss Lillie L. Broughton in memory of her mother, took place on a recent Saturday evening. The service was conducted by the Rural Dean, the Rev. W. F. Eustace, M.A., Vicar of Bishop's Lydyeard, who officiated in the place of the late Archdeacon Askwith, whilst the Rector (the Rev. J. R. Broughton), was also present. Previous to the restoration of the church, the tower only contained three bells, one of which, the tenor, was badly cracked. While the work was in progress, the bells were sent to Messrs. J. Warner and Sons, Cripplegate Foundry, London, where the tenor was recast, and the three were sent back with entire new fittings. The new cage put in by the builders to the design of the architect was, unfortunately, only erected for three bells, and considerable alterations with some difficulty had to be made before the additional cages for the two new bells could be fixed into the tower. As the old bells had been renovated by Messrs. Warner, it was thought desirable that the same firm should supply the two new bells, which they have done, with the result that Oake church now possesses a musical little ring of five bells, the tenor weighing 9 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs., and producing a note of a sharp G. The whole of the work was entrusted to Messrs. T. Doble and Son, bellhangers, of Taunton, who have carried it out in a very satisfactory manner.

The inscriptions on the new bells are as follows:—"These two bells are given by Lillie L. Broughton in memory of her mother, Louisa Broughton, died January 20th, 1911. R.I.P."

"Those evening bells, those evening bells,
How many a tale their music tells
Of youth and home and that sweet time
When first I heard their soothing chime.

And so it will be when I am gone,
Those evening bells will still ring on,
When love and joy and life are fled,
But hope lies buried with the dead."

"Henry T. Broughton, died August 7th, 1908."

The service opened with the hymn "Now thank we all our God," then followed two suitable collects and the chanting of the Magnificat. During the singing of Psalm cxxii., the Rural Dean, the Rector, the churchwarden, and the ringers proceeded to the tower. Here the rector, aud then the churchwarden, handed the ropes to the Rev. W. F. Eustace, requesting him to dedicate the bells. After the dedicatory verses had been recited, the bells were rung by Messrs. Shartand, Langford, Winter, Mitchell, Bowden, Fry, and Broom. The Rural Dean, the Rector, and the churchwarden returned to their places during the chanting of Psalm cl. Then followed the hymn "O thanks to Thee, our gracious Lord," and suitable prayers. After the hymn "Hark, on high the joyful music," the Rural Dean gave an earnest address, in the course of which he said that right far back in the history of the Christian Church, bells had been used to bring men and women together to worship. In fact he thought he was right in saying that bells were introduced by a Bishop as far back as the year 400. They were introduced into France about the middle of the sixth century, whilst handbells were used about that time. It was a very good idea to use bells to summon men and women to worship, and from the single bell in the church in the quiet hamlet to the grand peal of the cathedral, all were used for that purpose. Without its bells a church was not considered fully equipped. The bells also pealed in joy and gladuess, as well as with a tale of sadness. He would remind them that the bells could only be legally rung with the consent of the Rector. The parishioners of Oake had much to be thankful for. Their house of God had been restored for His service, and the two new bells just dedicated, had been given by one in memory of a very dear friend. They should be thankful for the very satisfactory restoration. He had enjoyed his visit there that evening; it was a privilege to take part in the service, but they must remember that had it not been for the waps of God, which they could not understand, he would not have taken part in it. He, in fact the whole diocese, had lost a dear friend in the late Archdeacon Askwith. He had worked hard for the Saviour in Whose steps he had tried so earnestly to follow. Let them try and follow his example, as he had tried to follow the Master's.

After singing the hymn "Christ is our corner-stone," the service concluded with the Blessing.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch of the above Association held its annual meeting at Midsomer Norton, on Saturday, April 29th. Proceedings commenced with tea in the Church of England School at 4.30 p.m. In spite of the very unfavorable weather about thirty sat down to a most enjoyable tea, excellent arrangements for which had been made by Mrs. I. B. Holmyard. This pleasant function was presided over by the Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill, Vicar of Leigh-Mendip, who is the popular President of the Branch. After tea the usual business meeting was held under the genial control of the rev. gentleman above mentioned. After several new members (honorary and performing) had been admitted, it was unanimously decided to acquiesce in the request by the Association Secretary that the Publow band should be allowed to work with this branch. The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. The retiring President (Rev. J. E. W. Honnywill) was unanimously re-elected to fill this office. He accepted the duties, and his decision was hailed with great acclamation. Mr. I. B. Holmyard was highly complimented on his work as hon. secretary, and was re-appointed. He thanked the members for the honour again conferred upon him, and said that his one aim would be, as it had always been, the best interests of them all as ringers, the interest and success of their branch, and also that of the Association at large. Votes of thanks were then cordially passed to the Vicar (Rev. W. E. Newling) of Midsomer Norton, and churchwardens for the use of the bells and the school.

room; to Mrs. Holmyard for her assistance in connection with the tea, and to the President for his kind services as chairman.

Evensong followed at 6 p.m., the address, a most impressive one, being given by the curate, the Rev. —. Upward. Mr. Holmyard presided at the organ. After evensong touches of Stedman and Grandsire (Doubles and Triples) were rung on the bells, whose "go" is all that can be desired. Thus ended another pleasant gathering, one more to be added to the many existing now only as memories in the minds of members of this Deanery Branch.

A CANTER TO CANTERBURY.

A little party of six—all parsons except one—set themselves down in the old cathedral town of Canterbury on Monday, May 1st, anxious to test some of the bells of East Kent after the manner of change-ringers. The Rev. F. J. O. Helmore had drawn up an attractive programme, and a start was made the same evening at St. Stephen's, Hackington, a good peal of Double Norwich coming round in just over three hours. Tuesday morning was labelled for Hythe, and here again the bells ran home, this time to a grand peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by the Master of the Oxford Guild. There was no time to spare for a pull at Folkestone, as practice at the Cathedral was down for the evening. A tour round the building before this, under the guidance of Miss Helmore, was greatly appreciated. Ospringe on Wednesday morning brought the first disappointment, Double Norwich coming to grief close on the finish. Then on to Faversham in the afternoon where Grandsire Triples was started for at a great speed, but this also proved a failure, so the rest of the time was devoted to practising Superlative and Double Norwich, two plain courses of the former and a short touch of the latter being brought round. The "heavy bell man" was at this point compelled to retrace his steps from Faversham homewards to Caversham, whilst the remainder of the party returned to headquarters and spent the evening happy in the possession of handbells. The existence of a performing cat as a diversion at mealtimes must not be forgotten. Thursday morning began with a rush for the train, but Birchington was reached safely, and Stedman Triples came round here in fine style well under the three hours. Quex Park, the rendezvous for the afternoon and the last item on the programme, was marked out for Stedman Caters; a knowledge of the Railway Company's time table, however, blighted somewhat the work in hand, and two hours ringing was the utmost that could be achieved. Three peals out of six attempts, and nevertheless plenty of enjoyment and a great deal that was new and interesting to occupy the time during the four days.

The thanks of the visitors are recorded to the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore for all his excellent arrangements, and to those "men of Kent" who took part in the ringing at the various places. C. C. C.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Burton-on-Trent district was held at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on Saturday, May 18th, when ringers were present from Burton, Ashby, Newhall, Netherseal, Hugglescote, Etwall, Derby, Bardon Hill, Long Eaton, etc. The eight bells of the parish church were kept going during the afternoon and evening, touches being rung of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Duffield, Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Bob Major. The business meeting was held at the Vicarage, the Rev. H. E. Sawyer, vicar of Ashby, presiding. Mr. W. C. Wakley undertook the duties of secretary in the absence through illness of the local hon. sec., Mr. H. Wakley. The next meeting was fixed to take place at Hanbury-on-the-Hill on June 10th, when it is hoped a good muster will be present to ring on the handy peal of eight. A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and for presiding was carried with applause; the Vicar, in reply, stating he was only too pleased to do what he could for the welfare of the ringers, and cordially invited them to a substantial tea at the Vicarage, which was much appreciated.

HAULING A BELL UP THE MOUNT OF OLIVES.

Recently an interesting transport feat was performed in the Holy Land, when a huge bell, measuring 7 feet across its lower rim, and turning the scale at 6 tons, was successfully hauled up the steep and rough slopes of the Mount of Olives by a team of mules. It is one of a series of large bells for the new German hospice which was formally opened in April last. Curiously enough, it was twenty years ago that a similar feat was performed by Russian women. A huge bell had arrived at Jaffa for the Russian sanatorium on the Mount of Olives. It remained here two years, no one being willing to take the contract for bringing it up the rough cobblestone road from Jaffa, and especially up the steep and rough ascent of the Mount of Olives. At last an enthusiastic company of women-Russian pilgrims set themselves to dragging it up the mountains, and placing it at the base of the tower which had been waiting to receive it. It was a thrilling sight as this army of devotees passed along the rough mule track that then ran along the outside of the north wall of Jerusalem, tugging at the long rope by which they drew the sacred burden, going on with songs and rejoicings, and never giving up until the bell was at the summit of the Mount of Olives.

Correspondence.

FALSE PEALS.

SIR,—The peal of Bob Major rung at Galleywood, Essex, on April 22nd, composed by E. Mullins and conducted by me, published in your issue of April 28th, is false. The figures of this peal appeared in "THE BELL NEWS" of July 3rd, 1909. I do not remember them being struck out as false, but my friend Mr. J. E. Groves writes and sends the figures showing were it is false. I now give up all claim to the peal, apologising to the members who took part, and also to the Exercise at large for having called a false peal. HENRY F. COOPER.

SIR,—I thank Mr. E. Gobey, of Ilkeston, for advising me, through "THE BELL NEWS," that my 5184 of Treble Bob, published in your issue of April 22nd, is false, and very much regret having published a false peal. I cannot understand how I came to overlook the false part, as to make doubly sure, I had the figures of each lead before me when the peal was sent for publication. W. J. G. BROWN.

THE PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB AT LODDON, NORFOLK.

SIR,—The first peal of Kent Treble Bob Major on these bells was 6240 changes, and was rung by eight members of the Society of Norwich Scholars on Monday, October 19th, 1891, conducted by FREDK. KNIGHTS.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held St. John's, Hackney, on May 16th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 16th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill on the 30th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Royal Comberland Youths. — A meeting will be held at Hornchurch on Saturday, May 13th. Tower open at 3.30. Tea at The Bull inn at 5.30, at 9d, per head.

F. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*
3, *Margaret Terrace, Harts Lane, New Cross.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—A special general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes, on Saturday, May 20th, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. W. Bickford. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting in the parish room at 5.30 to consider proposed alterations of Rule vii. as follows: For the words "in September" substitute "on the Saturday in Easter week." All members are urgently requested to attend.

C. T. COLES, H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Secs,*
228, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

Central Northamptonshire Association.—Special ringing meetings will be held at Raunds on May 13th; and Northampton on May 20th.

F. WILFORD, *Gen. Sec,*

The Lancashire Association.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at Prestwich and Whitfield to-day, Sat., May 13th. Further particulars by circular.

W. H. SHUKER, J. H. BANKS, *Hon. Secs.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Winchester District. — A quarterly meeting will be held at Cheriton to-day, Sat., May 13th. Tichborne and Cheriton bells available during the afternoon and evening. Tea at H.H. inn at 5.15. A special meeting will be arranged to accept the kind hospitality of the Bishop of Southampton on Saturday, July 22nd. Further notice will be given of this meeting.

JAS. W. ELKINS, *Dis. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

The Lancashire Association. — Blackburn Branch —The next branch meeting will be held at Clitheroe to-day, Sat., May 13th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.

J. WATSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild. — The annual meeting of this Guild will be held at St. Luke's, Crosby, to-day, Sat., May 13th. Full particulars by circular.

REV. W. T. BOLPIT, W. BENTHAM, *Hon. Secs.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Childwall to-day, Sat., May 13th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Kent County Association. — Ashford District.—A meeting of the above will be held at Appledore to-day, Saturday, May 13th. Ringing to commence at 4 o'clock. Tea (free) at The Swan hotel at 6 o'clock, at which the Vicar of Appledore will preside.

C. TRIBE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Shipley on Saturday, May 20th. For full particulars see circular.

CLEMENT GLENN, *Hon. Sec.*
11, *Fisher Road, Sheffield.*

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Dover on Saturday, May 20th. The bells of St. Mary's 8), and St. James' (6), will be available after 3 p.m. Tea, provided by Canon Bartram, at the Dovonian restaurant at 4.30 p.m. sharp. Service at St. Mary's at 6 p.m., preacher—Rev. —. Watkins, Vicar of St. James. The usual business meeting will be held after tea. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid before the meeting.

E. TRENDELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild—Guildford District —A quarterly meeting will be held at Ewhurst on Saturday, May 20th. 3.0.—Bells (6) available, 5.30.—Service, with an address by the Rector, the Rev A. E. Clark-Kennedy. 6 15.—Tea at the Church Hall Tea tickets 6d. each: visitors 1s. A combined practice will be held at Binsted on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available at 5.

JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A cycling run will take place on Saturday, May 20th. 3 p.m. — Longdon (5): 4 p.m. Abbots Bromley (5): 4.45 p.m. Blithfield (5); 5.45 p.m. Ingestre (6).

E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Hadlow on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open at 3 30. Service in church at 5 Tea will be provided (free) in the Parish Hall at 5.45, followed by the business meeting. All members intending to be present at tea are requested to notify the District Secretary not later than Wednesday, May 17th.

W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
26, *Dukes Road, Tunbridge Wells.*

The Lancashire Association —Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at St. Luke's, Heywood, on Saturday, May 20th. Bells ready at 3.30 Meeting at 6 o'clock.

J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — A special meeting will be held at Burslem on Saturday, May 20th. Please notify Mr. T. Hurd, 23, Tombshaw Street, Burslem, how many intend to be present not later than May 18th. The next monthly meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, June 3rd, of which further notice will be given.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, *Hon. Secs.*
143, *Flint Terrace, Tunstall.*

The Hertford County Association.—Northern Division —A meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, May 20th. Bells (6), available from 3 to 8 p.m. Tea, 9d. a-piece, at The Dairy, to all who inform me by May 18th.

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Sec.*
12, *Grove Road, Hitchin.*

Rickmansworth (Herts)—A meeting will be held here on Saturday, May 27th, open to all ringers in the Watford rural deanery. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.15. Tea provided free for all those who let me know not later than May 22nd.

11, *Church Street.* H. SHIRE.

The Dudley and Districts Guild. — The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Brierley Hill on Saturday, May 27th. The tower will be open for ringing at 3.45. Service in church at 4 30. with an address by the Rector, the Rev. H. Dibben.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday. Divine Service at St. Mary's at 11 30; preacher — Rev. W. A. Errington, Rector of Hunsdon, Herts. Business meeting to follow. Notice of intention to dine must be sent to the Hon. Secretary not later than June 1st. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*
Great Totham, Witham.

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT HIGHAM FERRERS.—A. H. Martin's 100 peals for the Central Northamptonshire, Association, who becomes entitled to a gold medal given by the above society for ringing 100 peals. Seven Minor methods 7: Grandsire Triples 18; Bob Triples 1; Bob Major 9; Treble Bob Major 5: Stedman Triples 13: Double Norwich Major 23: Superlative Surprise Major 23; London Surprise Major 1. Total—100. All rang on tower bells.

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The order has just been placed with Messrs. Llewellins and James, of Bristol, to rehang the existing ring of six bells, and to add a new treble, so as to complete the octave. The bells have been idle for many years, and would have been rehung some months ago, but on the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary of the Llandaff Association, to complete the octave, it was deferred with good results.

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In Memoriam.

HARVEY REEVES. DIED MARCH 28TH, 1911. AGED 69 YEARS.

In life we are too prone to judge our fellow-man according to our own light. Our various frames of mind cause us to criticise men and things by a standard set up by ourselves, making little or no allowance for the human weaknesses to which we all are only too liable. How few of us would care to be measured even by our own standard? In life we often say and think that which is uppermost in our minds. In Death—we draw the veil. As we stand within the darkened room, as we gaze at the coffined clay and muse o'er the unfathomable mystery, as millions have mused and will until the end of Time; all the frailties, all the infirmities, all the imperfections of our nature, with all its dross, sink out of sight, covered as with a mantle; but through it all shines the metal of the Man—the man at his best.

Harvey Reeves, Editor of "THE BELL NEWS," was born at Worcester on November 10th, 1841, being the only son of Charles Reeves, of that city. At an early age he made his way to the tower of All Saints, where hung a ring of ten bells. Uuder the tutelage of the celebrated James Burford he progressed, and ultimately rang his first peal there. This was followed by several others, rung during his apprenticeship at Messrs. Bayliss, Printers. At the age of twenty-three he left the faithful city for Tunbridge Wells. While situated there two opportunities were offered him in the ranks of journalism at one and the same time, at Cheltenham and London respectively. He chose the latter, and entered the establishment of Messrs. Waterlow. After fifteen years' service he joined the publishing house of Cassell and Co. At that time the journal "Church Bells"—now extinct—gave a page to ringing, and the remainder to church work. At the invitation of the late Canon Erskine Clarke, who was then proprietor, deceased undertook the control of the ringers' page, and from this connection evidently sprang the idea of an entire Ringers' Journal. During the seventies his ringing was therefore with the Londoners of the old school. His contemporaries were such celebrated men as Muskett, Dwight, Haley, Cox, Booth, Cooter, Wood and Murray Hayes. There lies before the writer a volume of "Church Bells" for 1872, and opened haphazard there is recorded in the ringing colums, Grandsire Caters rung by the St. James's Society at St. Clement Danes, Strand, composed and called by Harvey Reeves. In those days, every Sunday morning found him at Bethnal Green—the "Mecca" of many ringers now gone to dust. Another record is Grandsire Caters called by Geo. Dorrington at All Saints, Poplar, in December, 1871, the composition of H. Reeves, who rang in it. It was during these ringing excursions that friendships were formed, and one of them was with Mr. Henry Dains, another with Mr. Samuel Hayes of the College Youths. Both these veterans deeply deplore the demise of their friend who has now been called home. About 1880 the deceased decided to live in Walthamstow. There were then only eight bells, the present ten being an augmentation. Ringing at Walthamstow was at a very low ebb, but Harvey Reeves got a band together, taught them, and called their first peal. In all he had taken part in about 140 performances. In 1881 the idea of a ringers' paper took tangible form in the appearance of "THE BELL NEWS" as a monthly, To rescue ringing from the sporting press was uphill work, but it was done, and on April 8th, 1882, No. 1 vol. 1 as a weekly appeared. It was only a sheet of eight pages then, and the first number contained but six peals. Those six had some peculiar characteristics. They read: The first of Double Norwich by the College Youths, with such men as R. Jameson, J. W. Rowbotham, R. French, C. F. Winney, F. E. Dawe, E. Horrex and M. Hayes. Another was called by the late George Newson; another by the late Henry Johnson; and yet another by the late Thomas Hattersley, of Sheffield. What impetus ringing journalism has had upon the ringing of peals can only be conjectured, but with the progress of the one was also the contemporary of the other.

The pioneers of any successful movement must necessarily stand out in bold relief. Theirs is not the reward. It is to posterity to give them their meed of gratitude. Broken down in health with cancer on the bladder, and bedridden for nearly a year, the deceased was obviously unable in his latter days to devote his mind and body to the work originated by him, and after a period of intense pain and suffering, Harvey Reeves passed to his rest in his 70th year.

No man's worth can be fairly measured in his day. It is only after full reflection of the difficulties that beset the path of a pioneer that judgment can be pronounced. In the years that are to come, it will be realised that the spadework of Harvey Reeves did much to add prestige to the Art of Ringing, and he was one of those content to be weighed in the balance—

"When he had passed from the earth and its toiling,
To be only remembered by what he has done." R.I.P.

WILLIAM WILLSON.

Miscellaneous.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

OLD WINDSOR (Berks).—On Thursday, March 16th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. S. Boore, J. Guttridge, T. Gosling, G. Williams, W. Ralph, A. Blake, W. Welling conductor, D. Guttridge. Rung to welcome the Rev. J. R. Napier as Vicar of the parish.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN.—On Sunday, March 18th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, composed by the late Harvey Reeves. J. Norris, R. G. Knowles conductor, E. Wilkshire, J. Brown, G. Checketts, C. Cam, H. T. Knowles, W. Stone. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the 3rd and 6th, they being members of the local company.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CRANLEIGH (Surrey).—On Wednesday, April 26th, for practice, 672 Bob Major. Mrs. R. Whittington, H. Tidy, G. Farnfield, R. Whittington, W. Streeter, J. Knight, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor. First touch in the method by the ringer of the treble. On Saturday, April 29th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (2520 changes), in 1½ hours. Mrs. R. Whittington, H. Charman, R. Whittington, H. Tidy, C. Charman, A. Charman, W. Charman conductor, H. Ledger. On Sunday, April 30th, for evening service, 960 Kent Treble Bob Major. H. Charman, W. Streeter, A. Charman, H. Tidy, R. Whittington, J. Knight, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BRIDGEND.—On Easter Sunday, at St. Illtyd's church, 504 Grandsire Triples. For 11.0 a.m. service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, R. Evans, J. Evans, D. R. James, J. Cox conductor, R. Bunstone. For afternoon service 1008 Bob Major J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, R. Evans, J. Evans, D. R. James, R. Runstone, J. Cox conductor. For evening service 910 Grandsire Triples, standing as before.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHWOLD.—On Sunday, May 7th, for morning service, 504 Grandsire Triples (from Holt's ten-part). F Osborne, A Sergeant, J Gillings, H Brrton conductor, E Goodwin, T King, G Thompson, G Blowers. For evening service 742 Grandsire Triples, from Holt's Original. F Osborne, H Barton conductor J Gillings, M Ploommer (Christ Church, Hants), E Goodwin, T King, G Thompson. A Sergeant.

BOW.—On Sunday evening, March 5th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter peal of Kent Treble Bob, 1280 changes. W. Truss. T. Cranfield, R. J. Turner, Y. Green, T. Faulkner, W. Theobald. R. Sarders, H. Torble conductor. Rung in honour of the wedding of the eldest daughter of Mr. G. Hayden (a brother ringer) to Mr. John McPhail, the band wishing them a long and happy life.

BLETCHLEY.—On Sunday, March 12th, for afternoon service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. J. Mead, F. Hedghs, J. Marks, S. Smith conductor, T. Best, E. Marks, H. Sear V. Sear. Composed by J. George of Rugby. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (taken from the Clavis), in 47 mins. J. Mead, F. Hedges, J. Marks, S. Smith, T. Best, E. Marks, H. Sear conductor, V. Baker.

COBHAM (Kent).—On Sunday morning, April 30th, at the church of St. Mary Magdalene, 720 Grandsire Minor. G. G. Mungeam, jun., F. Mitchell, G. Mungeam, sen., A. Shearman G. Morrad, F. Hayes conductor. First 720 of Minor by G. Mungeam, jun. and A. Shearman, and on a bob bell by G. Mungean, sen.

CRAWLEY.—On Thursday, March 2nd, at the church of St. John the Baptist, 1248 Double Norwich, in 44 mins. H. Brewer, O. Sippets, A. Harman, A. E. Mitchell, A. D. Mills, G. W. Stokes, J. Rice conductor. Longest length in the method by the ringers of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6.

CAMBRIDGE.—On Tuesday, March 7th, 720 Kent Treble Bob, tenor covering. W. B. Kempton T. W. Dickerson, J. Taylor, G. Taylor, B. D. Buttress, F. E. Kempton conductor, W. Schnider.

GOOLE.—On Monday, March 6th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. J. Clarke, D. Carmichael, C. W. King, M. Tute, T. Smith. F. Tute, H. Ludkin conductor, F. Hodgson. First quarter-peal of Stedman by all the band. The first seven ringers are all members of the local company, the tenor man being attached to Howden.

ISLEWORTH.—On Sunday afternoon, for Men's Service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 45 mins. G. Ransom, A. J. Trollope conductor, J. Kent, F. Goddard, W. New, T. Beadle, F. Skevington, A. Harding.

KINGSWOOD (Surrey).—On March 11th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. L. Killick, W. Bashford, A. Bashford, W. Cheeseman, J. W. Russell. F. Hawkins conductor. And 720 Kent Treble Bob. L. Killick, J. Tassell, W. Wilson, J. W. Russell, W. Bashford, G. Huggetts conductor.

LONDON.—On Sunday, April 30th, for evening service, at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 chages, in 52 mins. W Doran conductor, A Scambler, T Carnfield, H Torble, A Neale, W Theobald, S Parmenter, G Hayden, E Hall, G Barrell.

LONGBOROUGH. (Gloucestershire).—On Easter Sunday at 6 a.m., the following rose the bells in peal and rang a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles, followed by a good fall. A. Pardington, T. Pethrick, A. Williams, T. Williams, A. T. Scriven, A. Spragg. For the 11 o'clock service two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. For the 6 o'clock service three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, conducted by A. T. Scriveus, a native of Longborough, but now residing at Birmingham.

LEYTONSTONE.—On Sunday, March 26th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, 720 Plain Bob. F. Doran, G. A. Black, W. Theobald, G. Dawson, W. Miller, H. Torble conductor. F. Doran is the son of W. H. Doran, the well known tower keeper at West Ham, and it is his first 720. On Sunday, April 23rd, 720 Plain Bob. A. W. Fiddes, W. Theobald, G. Hayden, J. Moule, W. Miller conductor, H. Torble. First 720 by the ringer of the treble.

NETHERTON (Worcestershire).—On Saturday, March 11th, at St. Andrew's church, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples, which was unfortunately lost in the 5th part, conducted by A. Greenfield. Rung with the bells muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. D. Robinson, wife of the donor of the trebles, who interred in the above churchyard on that day. The bells were also rung half-muffled on Sunday, March 12th a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1280 changes) being successfully brought round, conducted by A. Prestidge. The local band wish to thank the Brierley Hill company for the use of their muffs.

OAKHAM.—On Friday, March 24th, at All Saints church, 504 Grandsire Triples. H. Burbeck, G. H. Towell, S. B. Higgs, P. E. Higgs, W. E. Higgs, W. Stimson, F. C. Towell conductor, R. Briggs. Nirst 504 on the new bells by the local ringers.

RIPLEY (Derby).—On Monday evening, March 13th, a quarter-peal of Superlative Surprise Major, 1344 changes, in 52 mins. W. C. Pilcher, H. Day, G. A. Bowmer, F. W. Hill, J. Flower, G. A. Haslam, A. Hutchison, H. George conductor. First quarter-peal in the method by all.

WINDSOR.—On Sunday, March 5th, for evening service at St. John's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. T Smith, R Flaxman, A R Macdonald, W Welling, R H Young, L Stillwell, F Richardson conductor, H Parslow. Rung as a birthday compliment to A R Macdonald and H Parslow, the band wishing them the usual compliments.

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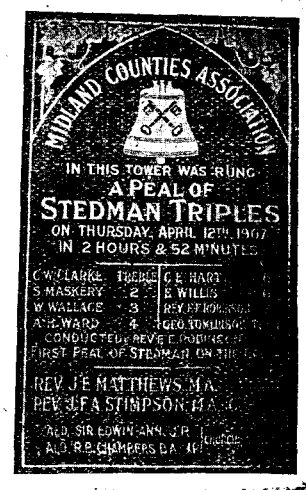

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On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Clement Danes, Strand,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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Frank Hairs .. .. .. 4.	John H. B. Hesse .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by Challis F. Winney.

The band met for Stedman Caters, but in pulling the 2nd bell up the wheel fell in half, and Triples was rung instead.

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ALFRED BARNES	*Treble.*	TOM WILDE	5.
HERBERT DAVENPORT	2.	SAMUEL BOWKER	6.
ARTHUR HAUGHTON	3.	SAMUEL WOOD	7.
HARRY NORGROVE	4.	BENJAMIN THORP	*Tenor.*

Composed by SAMUEL WOOD, and Conducted by B. THORP.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

MOTTRAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, April 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR D. BURGESS	*Treble.*	BENJAMIN THORP	5.
JOHN POWNALL	2.	SAMUEL HILL	6.
ARTHUR JACKSON	3.	JOHN HARRISON	7.
WILFRED HINCHLIFFE	4.	SAMUEL WOOD	*Tenor.*

Composed by T. HERON, and Conducted by B. THORP.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

HENRY BURCH	*Treble.*	GEORGE ABLITT	4.
DAVID LEGGETT	2.	CHARLES E. FISHER	5.
HENRY PUTTOCK	3.	WILLIAM SAWYER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

BURSLEM, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE-ON-TRENT ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, April 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL DF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Wells, Cambridge and Killamarsh Surprise, College Pleasure, Woodbine and Oxford. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN FARRALL	*Treble.*	EDWARD TIGWELL	4.
WILLIAM WHEELDON	2.	DANIEL PRESTON	5.
JOHN E. WHEELDON	3.	CHARLES PRESTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. E. WHEELDON.

This is the first peal ever rung on these bells which have been in the tower since 1818.

CANTERBURY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 11 cwt.

REV. W. S. WILLETT	*Treble.*	REV. E. BANKES JAMES	5.
WILLIAM B. JAMES	2.	REV. E. V. COX	6.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE	3.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN	7.
EDWIN G. BUESDEN	4.	*REV. C. CAREW COX	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

*First peal in the method, and fiftieth peal.

HYTHE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 2, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM E. PITMAN	*Treble.*	REV. C. CAREW COX	5.
REV. W. S. WILLETT	2.	REV. E. BANKES JAMES	6.
WILLIAM D. JAMES	3.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN	7.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE	4.	REV. E. V. COX	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES.

Tenor 28 cwt.

GEORGE R. FARDON	*Treble.*	WILLIAM KNIGHT	6.
JESSE B. TYLER	2.	WILLIAM A. CAVE	7.
CHARLES H. GORDON	3.	JOHN THOMAS	8.
RAYMOND J. WILKINS	4.	JOHN A. BURFORD	9.
HENRY PORCH	5.	RICHARD CHAMMINGS	*Tenor.*

Composed by WM. J. SMITH, and Conducted by GEORGE R. FARDON.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(BOWDON AND STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, May 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELIZABETH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 12½ cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON	*Treble.*	WILLIAM JACKSON	5.
HAROLD JACKSON	2.	ROBERT DAVIES	6.
WILLIAM LOWERY	3.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON	7.
HARRY LANGLEY*	4.	ALLEN S. GORDON	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

*First peal of Major.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-five 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, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

ONSLOW J FOREMAN	*Treble.*	GEORGE H. SPICE	4.
WILLIAM SPICE, JUN.*	2.	WILLIAM SPICE, SEN.	5.
THOMAS JULL	3.	ALBERT J. DAY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

*First peal of Minor with a bob bell. Rung as a farewell peal to O. J. Foreman, who is leaving for Canada, the band wishing him prosperity.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, May 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qrs.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	*Treble.*	GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	5.
ROBERT E. STAVERT	2.	ALAN R. MACDONALD	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	ROBERT H. YOUNG	7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	4.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

KENWYN, CORNWALL.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. KENWYN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S IRREGULAR FIVE-PART. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 20 lbs. in F.

ERNEST E. TRUEND ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	.. 5.
DR. J. T SYMONS ..	.. 2.	WILLIAM P. TRESTAIN	.. 6.
HARRY M. SMEATH ..	.. 3.	WILLIAM H. SLEEMAN	.. 7.
ALBERT F. KNIGHT ..	.. 4.	CHARLES H. SLEEMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

BIRCHINGTON-ON-SEA, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM SPICE	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM D. JAMES ..	.. 5.
REV. W S. WILLETT ..	2.	REV. C. CAREW COX	.. 6.
REV. E. BANKES JAMES ..	3.	REV. E. V. COX ..	.. 7.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE	4.	EDWARD E. FOREMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

GEORGE BUGGS	..*Treble.*	†WILLIAM WOODGATE	.. 5.
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN†	.. 2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS ..	.. 6.
GEORGE H. JAYE ..	.. 3.	WESLEY WATSON ..	.. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE.. ..	.. 4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

†First peal in the method.

BLACKBURN.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, May 4, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt in F.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON†	..*Treble.*	EMMANUEL DUTESON	.. 5.
WILLIAM BRIGGS ..	.. 2.	JOHN WATSON	.. 6.
FREDERICK HINDLE ..	.. 3.	WILLIAM E. WILSON	.. 7.
ESAU WALMSLEY ..	.. 4	JAMES ASHTON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. E. WILSON.

First peal of Stedman by all the band. First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal of Stedman by the Blackburn Branch.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 23 cwt.

GEORGE H. TOWELL	..*Treble.*	W. EDGAR HIGGS ..	.. 5.
SYDNEY HUDDLESTON ..	2.	RICHARD MOUNT ..	.. 6.
MISS LILIAN A. WILLSON	3.	R. HENRY BARTRAM	.. 7.
WALTER JAMES	.. 4.	SYDNEY B. HIGGS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. HENRY BARTRAM.

First peal rung in the town of Oakham, and first on the bells, recently recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

PERCIVAL J. STOKES*	..*Treble.*	FREDERICK W. STOKES	.. 5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES	.. 2.	JOHN W. WOOD.. ..	.. 6.
ARCHIE C. STOKES* ..	.. 3.	*ARTHUR MACKEARS ..	.. 7.
JAMES OSBORN	.. 4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This is Johnson's variation of Middleton's peal. *First Surprise peal. This is the first peal of Major on the bells, and was rung on the anniversary of the Royal Accession.

HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 22 cwt.

JOHN BLACKWELL MARTIN	*Treble.*	ALFRED H. MARTIN..	.. 5.
ALFRED EVERITT ..	.. 2.	J. HUBERT HORN ..	.. 6.
JAMES WARD	.. 3.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER	.. 7.
CHARLES W. CLARKE ..	4.	HARRY PETTIT	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

This peal is the 100th peal by A. H. Martin for the above society, a list of which appears elsewhere; also a birthday compliment for C. W. Clarke.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(The St. Peter's Amalgamated Society.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

SAMUEL WESLEY ..	..*Treble.*	CLEMENT GLENN ..	.. 5.
FRED COATES	.. 2.	THOMAS LEE	.. 6.
ALBERT NASH	.. 3.	GEORGE HALESWORTH	.. 7.
TOM O'HARA	.. 4.	GEORGE LEWIS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of Thomas Lee, with the best wishes of the rest of the band. An attempt on the exact date (May 1st) had to be abandoned owing to the gas going out.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY, THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6368 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

ISSAC SIDEBOTHAM ..	..*Treble.*	ISAAC SCHOFIELD ..	.. 5.
SAMUEL WOOD	.. 2.	SAMUEL BOOTH	.. 6.
JOSEPH GODDARD ..	.. 3.	CHARLES H. MARSLAND ..	7.
SAMUEL STOTT	.. 4.	BENJAMIN THORPE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by E. TIMBRELL, and Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

The 6th ringer was proposed a member of the Chester Guild, and the treble and 3rd ringers were proposed members of the Lancashire Association before starting. The peal is a part of the 17,120.

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CALVERTON, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(North Bucks. Branch.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, 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 College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 11 cwt.

HERBERT C. EDWARDS	*Treble.*	WALTER W. BONHAM	4.
ALBERT J. GREEN	2.	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS	5.
EDWIN YATES	3.	CECIL A. VALENTINE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all. The ringers wish to thank the Rector, the Rev. R. F. Rumsey, for allowing the use of the bells.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt.

HARRY BARTON	*Treble.*	FENTON THOMPSON	5.
FREDK. NAUNTON	2.	JAMES HOWARD	6.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT	3.	JOHN LARTER	7.
ERNEST LINCOLN	4.	THOMAS KING	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by H. BARTON.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14¼ cwt.

MISS MAY THOMPSON*	*Treble.*	FRED STANIFORTH	5.
DICK ILIFFE	2.	†HARRY P. SMITH	6.
ARTHUR PETTITT†	3	ERNEST MORRIS	7.
LOUIS E. ALLEN†	4.	*HARRY J. CUTLER	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE, and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

*First peal. †First of Grandsire with a bob bell. The band is the youngest in the Midlands to ring a 5000, the ages being respectively 15, 21, 20, 21, 21, 21, 21, 19 Average 19 years 10½ months.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13½ cwt.

DANIEL RICHARDS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. INGLESANT	5.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN.	2.	THOMAS BOTTRILL	6.
ALBERT MASON	3.	JAMES HARRIS	7.
ARTHUR R. ALDHAM	4.	WILLIAM WILLSON	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

Rung in honour of Accession Day.

BRETFORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE,

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(The All Saints and St. Lawrence's Guild, Evesham.)

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

JOHN C. PERKINS*	*Treble.*	FREDK. JORDAN	4.
HERBERT JORDAN	2.	FREDK. JOHNSON	5.
RAYMOND YOUNG†	3.	FRANK COOK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRANK COOK.

*First peal. †First peal away from the treble. This was the quarterly peal.

MILNROW.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROCHDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 20 cwt.

LEONARD FIELDING	*Treble.*	JOHN H. C. MASSEY	5.
ROBERT BUCKLEY	2.	JOSEPH GREENWOOD	6.
STANLEY FIELDING	3.	SAMUEL BRIERLEY	7.
ARTHUR FIELDING	4.	*JOHN J. HARTLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH GREENWOOD.

*First peal. Rung as a compliment to the churchwardens, who have generously promised a peal-board to commemorate the event.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qrs.

JAMES MUGGRIDGE	*Treble.*	HUBERT JARVIS	5.
JOEL SMITH	2.	WILLIAM LATTER	6.
STEPHEN FAITHFULL	3.	STEPHEN PERKINS	7.
ARTHUR T. VERRELLS	4	HARRY OUTTRIDGE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM LATTER.

First peal by the 4th, 5th, and tenor ringers. Rung in honour of the first anniversary of the Accession of His Majesty King George V., and also as a birthday compliment to J. Muggridge, who attained his 70th birthday on April 25th, his brother-strings hoping that he may be spared to ring with them for some years to come.

BIRCHINGTON, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE WATERLOO TOWER, QUEX PARK,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rev. C. D. P. Davies's Five-Part

BEN. REED	*Treble.*	LIONEL SHOOBRIDGE	5.
GEORGE WILLSHIRE	2.	ERNEST WILSON	6.
RICHARD SUTTON	3.	JAMES LARKINS	7.
JONATHAN DOORNE	4.	ALBERT GOLDER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLSHIRE.

This peal was arranged as a farewell to L. Shoobridge, who is shortly leaving for Western Australia.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lbs.

FREDK. G. GODDARD	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
ALAN R. MACDONALD	2.	*THOMAS BEADLE	6.
WILLIAM J. NEW*	3.	JOHN H. B. HESSE	7.
GEORGE SPENCER	4.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Beadle, the respected Master of the South-Western district of the Association, who has been connected with the tower for 25 years.

The Rev. E. Giles, the Quarry, Lincoln, writes: "I thank you for publishing my offer of a set of handbells, which has brought me twenty applications. Kindly allow me by means of this letter to inform the writers that I wish I were able to supply all instead of only one of them."

GARSTON.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(LIVERPOOL BRANCH)

On Monday, May 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 12½ cwt.

EDWARD CAUNCE	*Treble.*	JAMES MARTIN	5.
GEORGE R. NEWTON ..	2.	JOHN ALLEN	6.
THOMAS JENNIONS	3.	WALTER HUGHES	7.
HENRY FYLES	4.	WILLIAM DAVIES	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by WALTER HUGHES.

APPLETON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

ARTHUR H. WHITE	*Treble.*	FREDE. WHITE	6.
ALBERT E. LOCK	2.	F. STEDMAN WHITE ..	7.
HARRY HOLIFIELD	3.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN.	8.
EDGAR HOLIFIELD	4.	RICHARD WHITE	9
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN.	5	FRED WHITE	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, SEN.

Rung in honour of the conductor's birthday, the band wishing him the usual compliments.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, May 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN SHERRATT*	*Treble.*	ARTHUR ALLMAN	5.
JOHN MATTHEWS	2.	JAMES HENRY RIDING ..	6.
JOHN BRASSINGTON	3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.	7.
RICHARD SHERRATT* ..	4.	*FREDK. J. HARRISON ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal.

Handbell Peal.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-Six Minutes,

At the Residence of J. E. Chapman,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

ALBERT V. INNS	1-2.	DAVID J. NICHOLS ..	5-6.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN ..	3-4.	FREDERICK W. SAWBOOT	7-8

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

Umpire—Charles W. Bird. First peal of Bob Major rung on handbells by a local band in the county.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Monday, May 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.

LOUIS ATTWATER*	1-2.	*GEORGE B. EDSER ..	7-8.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ..	3-4.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD ..	9-10
JAMES W. DRIVER* ..	5-6.	WILLIAM A. WOODROW	11-12.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WM. SHEPHERD

*First peal on twelve bells. First peal of Cinques as conductor. Umpires—F. G. Woodiss and W. J. Troughton. First twelve-bell peal by the above society.

LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR.

BY YORK GREEN.

5088.

23456	M	B	W	H
64352	–			–
34256	–			
24653	–			
36452	–			–
53462			–	
52364		–	–	–
35264				–
23564				–
62534			–	
36524			–	
45623	–			–
64523				–
52643			–	–
36245	–			–
43265			–	
64235			–	
23645			–	–
42635			–	
45236		–	–	–
24536				–
52436				–
35426			–	
23456			–	

This peal has the 6th five course-ends in 5ths, and six course-ends in 6ths. The 5th five course-ends each way in 5-6; also the 4th five course-ends in 6ths.

BARKING, ESSEX.

The bells of St. Margaret's Church will be reopened after rehanging on Saturday, May 13th. There will be a short Dedication Service, at which the "Bell Authem" will be sung, and a brief address given by the Right Rev. Lord Bishop of Barking at 3.30 p.m.

The tower will be open at 2 p.m., and the St. Margaret's Society cordially invite all ringers who may care to attend to take part. Tea will be provided (free) at 5 15 at the Red Lion Hotel for visitors who give notice of their intention of being present to G. W. FAULKNER, Hon. Sec., 84, Abbey Road, Barking.

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On Tuesday evening, May 2nd, the members of the Chester-le-Street branch of the above Association held their tenth annual supper, kindly provided by church friends. Meeting at the belfry of the old parish church at 6 p.m., ringing was indulged in freely, when several touches of Major were conducted by E. Ferry. At 7 o'clock an adjournment was made to The Bridge End hotel, where ample justice was done to the good things provided. The Rector (Rev. A. B. De Moleyns), presided over a good muster of ringers, and was supported by the President of the Association (Mr. C. L. Routledge), and Mr. E. Ferry. After the usual toast of "The King" by the chairman, Mr. Siddle proposed the toast of "The Bishop and Clergy," which was replied to by the chairman. Mr. Sheraton proposed "Our Visitors," and in doing so, recalled the time, some twenty-six years ago, when Mr. Routledge and the late Mr. Lees used to walk from Newcastle (8 miles), and sometimas back again, to lend a helping hand to the Chester-le-Street band.

Messrs. Routledge and Ferry in replying to this toast, dwelt at some length on the work of the Association, and of the help which was readily given by the clergy. They spoke ably, and showed themselves not only to be ringers or speakers, but later in the evening—ringers of repute. The local secretary (Mr. J. Crawford), had no difficulty in providing the evening's harmony, for songs were rendered by Messrs. Routledge, Robinson, Siddle, Ferry, Edmundson, Watson, Anderson, Crawford, and Ward; and duets by Messrs. Brown and Siddle. Mr. J. Young, organist of the parish church, rendered the accompaniments in his usual manner, and with the singing of Auld Lang Syne a most enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

READING.—On Tuesday, May 9th, at St. Laurence's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 41 mins. F. Longshaw, W. Newell, E. Bailey, F. Newman, A. Osborne conductor, E. Barnes, E. Denham, S. Bristow. Rung as a farewell touch to E. Barnes who is leaving Reading for Canada. This is the first quarter-peal by the ringers of the treble, 6th, and tenor, who have been taught to ring by Mr. Newell in about a year's practice, and was commended for their good striking A farewell shake of the hand was given to E. Barnes, wishing him success in his new sphere of labour.

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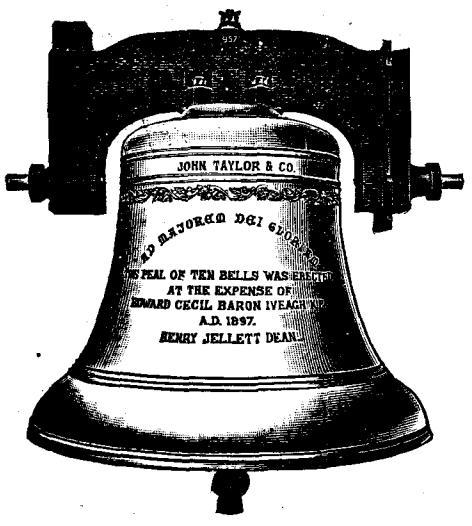

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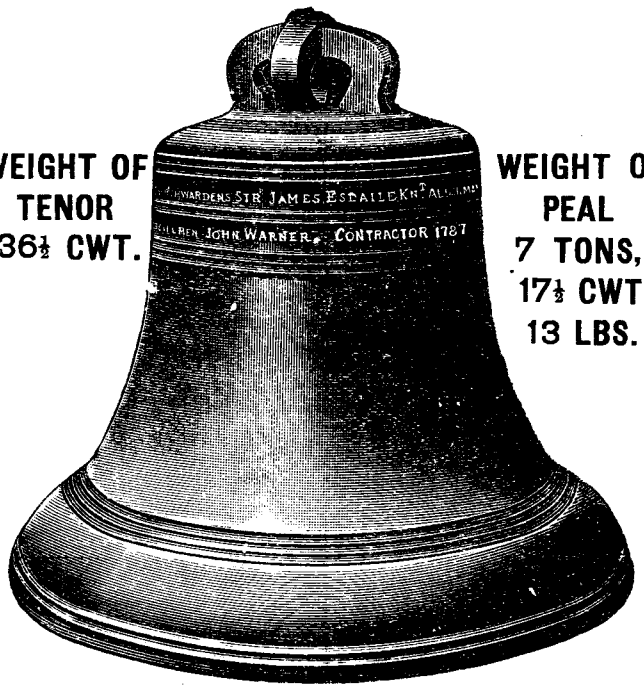

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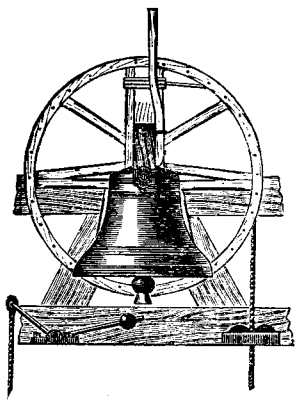

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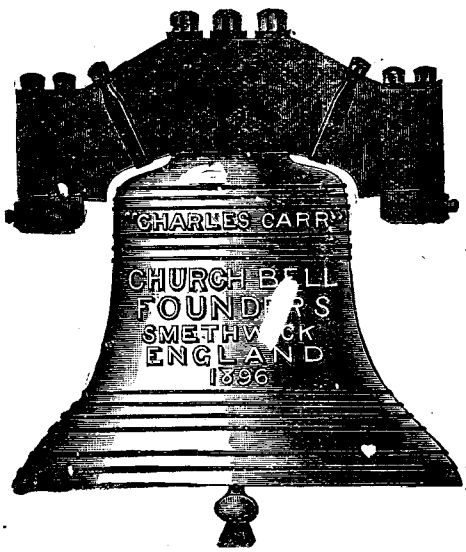

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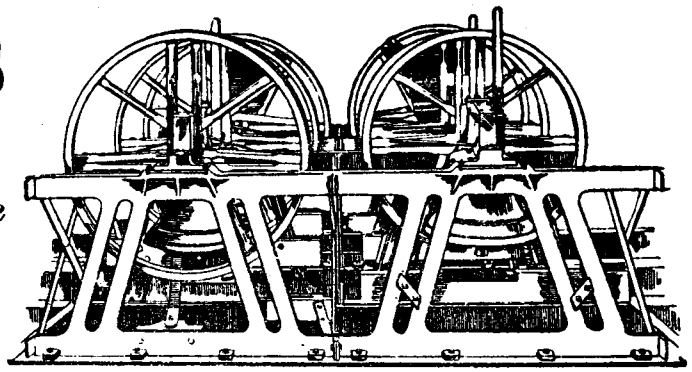

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The spring meeting of the Chipping Norton Deanery Branch of this Association was held at Charlbury on Saturday, May 6th. Although the weather was fine there was not a very large attendance of members. The service in the church was conducted by the Vicar of Charlbury (the Rev. J. D. Payne), and the lessons were read by the Master of the Guild (the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn). The address was given by the Vicar, who took as his text Psalm xix. 4.—"There sound has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world." At the outset he expressed regret that the rural dean, who was to haven given the address that day, was so ill, although he was glad to say he was now out of danger. The words of the text, he said, were very familiar and appropriate because they expressed what was the true message of bellringing. Particularly might the text be applied to the bells in this the Coronation year, because on Coronation day truly the sound of the bells would go out to the greater portion of the world wherever there was an English church. The message would go forth first of all to every parish in the country, whether in big towns or rural districts. Those who would be ringing on that day would be doing their share in sending out a message which would very nearly encircle the world. There was always something attractive in a world wide movement, and the ringer on that occasion would be in his own parish taking part in a great movement that would be world wide, associated with a world wide Church. This was not only true on a gala day, but was the same to a large extent every Sunday, and an added dignity was given to bellringing by the thought that they were taking part in an act of witness to God in their own parish or village, but in a world wide church. They might not think that very often the sound of the church bells was to many much more than they knew.

At the close of the service, this being Accession Day, the National Anthem was sung.

The members assembled in the Town Hall for tea, after which the business meeting was held. The Master of the Guild presided, and was supported by the Rev. J. D. Payne, the Rev. W. J. Palmer (Enstone), and Mr. J. F. Barlow (hon. secretary). The following towers were represented: Ascott, Charlbury, Shipton, Hook Norton, Enstone, Chastleton, and Chipping Norton.

The Chairman said how sorry they all were to hear of the illness of the Chairman of the branch. They were glad to know he was on the right road to recovery, but he was sure the members would like to send a message of hearty condolence and regret at the cause of his enforced absence.

The meeting unanimously agreed, and the Secretary was asked to convey the expressions to Mr. Carter.

Letters of apology for absence were read from the Rev. E. G. Freeman (Hook Norton), the Rev. G. A. Littledale (Chipping Norton), the Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis (Hon. Secretary to the Guild), Mr. Reeves (Assistant-Secretary), the Rev. C. Walford (Ascott), and Mr. O. Dickens (Hook Norton).

The Secretary announced that the balance in hand on the 31st December last was £3 1s.

Ernest Luckett and Horace Luckett were elected members of the branch, and certificates were presented to them and to R. Allen, W. Allen, H. Hathaway, T. Huckin, S. Newman, and Charles Coleman.

The Master announced that the annual meeting of the Guild would be held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting of the branch at Chipping Norton next autumn.

The Master moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Charlbury for welcoming the branch to his parish, and also for his excellent address.

The Rev. J. D. Payne, in reply, expressed the pleasure it gave him to receive the members at Charlbury, and regretted that the Chairman through ill-health, had been compelled to ask him to address them in church.

The Rev. W. J. Palmer proposed a vote of thanks to the Master for presiding, and reminded the members that he had now attended their meetings for almost thirteen years without a break.

The Master, in reply, said how pleased he was to attend branch meetings of the Guild, and it gave him particular happiness when the Chipping Norton Deanery were holding their meetings. He referred to the committee meeting recently held at Oxford, when he introduced a form of service for ringing meetings, which he thought would be very helpful to the Guild, because it was so often found that the incumbents were somewhat at a loss to know what kind of service it was most suitable to conduct on such occasions. In reminding the members of the annual meeting at High Wycombe, when this subject would be further discussed, he hoped that the Chipping Norton branch would be represented and would support the new proposal.

Ringing was indulged in from an early hour in the afternoon until late in the evening, the methods rung being Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Bob Minor.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly meeting was held at Prestwich on Saturday, May 13th, when fourteen towers in the county sent representatives to the number of about forty, when ringing was indulged in till 5.30. An adjournment was then made to the Church Institute, where they were met by the Rev. F. W. Cooper, Vicar of Prestwich, who gave them a hearty welcome, saying he was pleased to be able to offer them eight bells to ring on, having had two new trebles by Taylor added during the last twelve months.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee (President), explained the meaning of these meetings in being different from the branch meetings,

A discussion ensued on the peal record question, and the Ringing Secretary would like a post-card sent on when a peal was rung, particularly with a mixed band, telling the towers the ringers belonged to. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the authorities for the use of the bells

closed the meeting, when some went into the Prestwich Clough to find a place to satisfy the inner man, and if expression was anything to go by, they succeeded. A short evensong was said in church at 7.30, after which the bells were kept going till 9.30 to the tune of Bob Minor and Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Major and Superlative Surprise, when every one made their way home, voting it was a very good meeting. Whitefield was also lent for this occasion, but no one seemed to wish to go further, owing to a thunderstorm which broke over the district about eight o'clock.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The second quarterly meeting this year of the members of the Winchester District was held at Cheriton on Saturday, May 13th. The six-bell towers of Tichborne and Cheriton were open during the afternoon and evening. Members attended from Winchester, North Stoneham, Haslemere, Twyford, Owslebury, and the local bands. The General Secretary of the Guild (Rev. W. E. Colchester), was also present. Some good touches of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round, also of Kent Treble Bob and Bob Minor, including 360 of the former, and 720 of the latter, the conductors being Messrs. Tucker, Andrews, Lampard, and W. H. George, Oxenbury, etc. The weather being fine, tea was provided in the garden of the H.H. inn. A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar (Rev. H. A. Brownlow), for the use of the bells. It is hoped both Cheriton and Tichborne towers will become affiliated to the Guild.

PEAL ANALYSIS COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1910.

We, the undersigned, being members of the Peals Analysis Committee appointed in 1908, desire to present to the Council the result of our labours for 1910.

We desire at the outset to call attention once more to the want of care on the part of senders of peals for publication. No fewer than eight peals have been repeated in the columns of "THE BELL NEWS" in 1910, as compared with two in 1909. One of these at least is a corrected peal, and ought not, in our opinion, to have been sent without a reference to the previous publication.

We have also noticed several peals in Minor methods, which are really peals of Treble Bob Minor, and yet are not so stated. We have given the enhanced value of these peals in our Analysis, on the present occasion; but, in future, after having called attention to the matter, we shall make no endeavour to rectify the omissions of those who are responsible for sending their peals for publication. We take this opportunity of asking that any peals rung with "broken leads" may be so earmarked by those who communicate them; as your Committee are bound to confess that they are not sufficiently familiar with such methods to be able to appraise them at their proper value.

We note that, in two cases, six methods only have been enumerated out of seven methods rung, and we have looked in vain for the omissions to be rectified. We have ourselves investigated several cases of incomplete entries, and in some of them we have been informed that the fault does not rest with the senders of the peals.

It may not be uninteresting to give a sample of the difficulties with which we have to contend. On page 173 (vol. xxix.) the *Rev.* T. B-swell is stated to have rung his first peal on the treble, and to be fifteen years of age! Again, on page 620, a peal at Lyminster, Sussex, is said to have been conducted by C. Golding. The ringer of the 5th bell is said to be C. Goldsing, and we shrewdly suspect that the name after all should be Goldring. Once more, as an example of a slovenly report, on page 441 there is a note "First peal as conductor," in spite of the same person having conducted a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major in the same tower on the 20th June—see page 295. It is clear that the words "in the method" have been omitted. A great deal more might be said about similar inaccuracies, but the above samples will suffice to serve our purpose in calling attention to them, which is to enjoin people who are at fault to be a little more careful.

We now pass on to a few matters of interest, which have been revealed by a somewhat closer scrutiny of the pages of "THE BELL NEWS" than we have usually given. The number of first peals total 629, of which 121 were on a covering bell. The first peals away from the tenor are 17 in number. These figures are only approximate, as in some peals we have found an asterisk against a footnoote, without any corresponding mark against any of the ringers. A case in point is that of a peal rung at Hornchurch on page 596.

Those who rang their first peals as conductors in 1910 were 80 in number; in other words, the old conductors on the active list for 1910 were recruited to the extent of some 16 per cent by new conductors.

The first peals on the bells (new or added) were rung in 71 cases; on restored bells, in 11 cases: and by an entirely local band, in 22 cases. These figures are not, however, readily ascertained, because in some cases the words "first on the bells" are clearly taken to mean "the first *in the method* on the bells."

The number of birthday peals rung was 134; of wedding peals, 50 (including one "diamond" and five "golden weddings"); of muffled peals, 55. These last include three for the old year, but exclude those rung on the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII., and on the death of the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, which are enumerated in our general Analysis. The peals of "welcome" and "farewell" are 24 in number; peals rung on public occasions 59; and "quarterly" peals, 5.

The ages of ringers are not uninteresting. On the younger side, we find two of 12; five of 13; two of 14; two of 15; and a young lady of 16. At the older end, we find persons aged 70, 71, 74, 75 and 83 still on the active list, and still ringing peals.

JOSEPH GRIFFIN.
ARTHUR T. KING, (Chairman.)
GEORGE P. BURTON.
E. W. CARPENTER.

Correspondence.

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

SIR,—I am much disappointed to find that the interesting peals of Grandsire Triples by Mr. W. H. Thompson, in your issue for May 6th, are all false. Being rather busy with Coronation festivities I have not been able to fully examine the peals, but this much I see almost at a glance. In the first peal 572634 is produced with a single, but not 752634. In the second peal 762453 is produced with a single, but not 672453. In the third peal the two singles at the beginning of the parts pair all right, but the other singles do not. Mr. Thompson may see a way to make these peals true. At the same time I fail to see how inverted plain leads are to be marked in, unless there is a complete Q set of them. Another important point—the part-ends are bad. A peal might just as well be served up in the best possible form. A set of part-ends of this kind would be more interesting:—

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Farnham Royal. J. J. PARKER.

LATE NOTICE.—CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Higham Ferrers on Whit-Monday, June 5th. The bells of Higham and Irthlingborough will be ready at 10 a.m. Service in the church at 12 noon. Luncheon and business meeting at The Green Dragon at 1 o'clock. All those intending to be present at the luncheon must let me know not later than May 31st. Luncheon—members 1s. each; visitors and friends 2s.

29, Bostock Avenue, Northampton. F. WILFORD, Hon. Sec.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 25th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the the 30th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER. *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—A special general meeting will be held at St. Clement Danes, to-day, Sat., May 20th, by kind permission of the Rector, the Rev W. Bickford. Bells available at 3.30. Meeting in the parish room at 5.30 to consider proposed alterations of Rule vii. as follows: For the words "in September" substitute "on the Saturday in Easter week." All members are urgently requested to attend.

C. T. COLES, H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Secs,*
228, St. John's Road, Walthamstow.
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The 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 27th The bells of St. Mary's will be available for a short time from 4 o'clock, ringing afterwards being continued at St. Peter's. Tea will be provided at a small charge at The Beehive hotel at 5.30. Members and friends cordially invited. H. C. CHANDLER *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Shipley to-day, Sat., May 20th. For full particulars see circular.

CLEMENT GLENN, *Hon. Sec.*
11, Fisher Road, Sheffield

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Dover to-day, Sat., May 20th. The bells of St. Mary's 8), and St. James' (6), will be available after 3 p.m. Tea, provided by Canon Bartram, at the Dovonian restaurant at 4.30 p m. sharp. Service at St. Mary's at 6 p.m., preacher—Rev —. Watkins, Vicar of St. James. The usual business meeting will be held after tea. Subscriptions are now due, and should be paid before the meeting.

E. TRENDELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A cycling run will take place to-day, Sat., May 20th. 3 p m. — Longdon (5): 4 p.m. Abbots Bromley (5); 4.45 p.m. Blithfield (5); 5.45 p.m. Ingestre (6).

E. V. Cox, *Hon. Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Guildford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Ewhurst to-day, Sat., May 20th. 3.0.—Bells (6) available, 5.30.—Service, with an address by the Rector, the Rev A. F. Clark-Kennedy. 6 15.—Tea at the Church Hall Tea tickets 6d. each: visitors 1s. A combined practice will be held at Binsted on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells available at 5.

JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Hadlow on Saturday, May 20th. Tower open at 3 30. Service in church at 5. Tea will be provided (free) in the Parish Hall at 5.45, followed by the business meeting. W. LATTER. *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
26, Dukes Road, Tunbridge Wells.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at St. Luke's. Heywood, to-day, Sat., May 20th. Bells ready at 3.30 Meeting at 6 o'clock. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — A special meeting will be held at Burslem to-Saturday, May 20th. The next monthly meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, June 3rd, of which further notice will be given.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, *Hon. Secs.*
143, Flint Terrace, Tunstall.

The Hertford County Association.—Northern Division —A meeting will be held at Royston to-day. Sat., May 20th. Bells (6), available from 3 to 8 p.m.

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Sec*
12, Grove Road, Hitchin.

Rickmansworth (Herts)—A meeting will be held here on Saturday, May 27th, open to all ringers in the Watford rural deanery Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.15, Tea provided free for all those who let me know not later than May 22nd.

11, Church Street. H. SHIRE.

The Dudley and Districts Guild. — The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Brierley Hill on Saturday, May 27th. The tower will be open for ringing at 3.45. Service in church at 4 30, with an address by the Rector, the Rev. H. Dibben.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Helmshore on Saturday, May 27th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6-30.

T. ROLLERSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Chigwell Row, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3 30. Tea (9d. per head), at Richardosn's Retreat, at 5.30, the Rector presiding. The tower of St. Mary's, Chigwell, will also be open in the evening. Will those intending to be present let me know by May 31st.

T E. D. LOOSEMORE. *Hon. Sec.*
80, Elgin Road, Seven Kings.

The Essex Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday. Divine Service at St. Mary's at 11 30; preacher — Rev. W. A. Errington, Rector of Hunsdon, Herts. Business meeting to follow. Notice of intention to dine must be sent to the Hon. Secretary not later than June 1st. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*
Great Totham, Witham.

The Kent County Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Folkestone on Whitsun Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting in Woodward Institute at 11 a.m. Service at 12, with an address by the Rev. A. P. Rutty, Rector of Lyminge. Dinner at 1 p m. For dinner tickets, apply before Thursday, June 1st, to the Hon. Secretary, Towers open for ringing—Folkestone (8), Hythe (8), Lyminge (8), Cheriton (6), Newington (6). FRED J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*
Canterbury.

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild. — Eastern Counties Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Long Sutton on Whit Monday, June 5th. Dinner at The Bull hotel at 1 o'clock. Short service with address in the parish church at 3.30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT STOKE MANDEVILLE.—Thes bells have been augmented from 5 to 6 by the adding of a new treble, and the re-casting of the old treble, and hung in a new iron frame, making a very handy little ring, the work being entrusted to Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham, and ably carried out by their representative, Mr. J. E. Groves, who took part in the opening peal. The Rev. F. J. Winterton has after much labour accomplished this work of not only having the peal augmented, but has, through his untiring energy, got a promising band of young ringers together and already has rubbed the rough off, that they can ring rounds, and are learning under him the Art of change-ringing The Bishop of Oxford attended to dedicate the bells, and the parishioners gathered in strong numbers at the service which formed part of the day's ceremony. The Vicar generously provided both dinner and tea for the ringers, for whom the esteemed Master of the Guild (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), conveyed their thanks for the kindness, also hoping that the local band would progress and become members of the Guild. The Messrs. Wilkins hail from High Wycombe: Fussell from Slough; Evans from Hughenden; Groves from Birmingham; Reeves from Reading: and the Rev. C. W. Jenkyn from Caversham.

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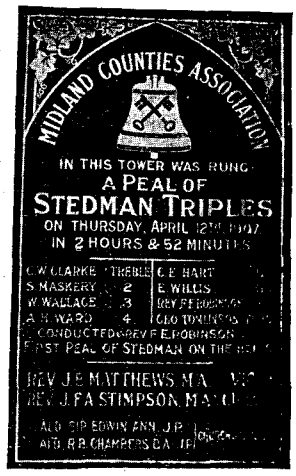

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 1911.

In its proper place upon another page will be found the Analysis of peals for 1910. This collossal production grows in volume year by year. From the time of its inception by the gentleman whose name it bears—Mr. G. F. Attree and his able assistant Mr. Geo. Baker—the compilation has steadily increased. Retrospection brings to mind that the two gentlemen aforesaid evidently foresaw the day when the Analysis would be beyond the powers of any two persons, and they were reluctantly compelled to relinquish their task. *Respice Finem!* Even with four astute members of the Council the office is obviously no sinecure, and it is safe to say that no improvement upon this mathematical maze is possible. The thanks of the Exercise as a whole are undoubtedly due to Messrs. J. Griffin, A. T. King, G. P. Burton and the Rev. E. W. Carpenter for their untiring labours extending over many months. There was a time when ringers were undecided whether the Analysis served any useful purpose or not. To-day the answer is an emphatic affirmative. In it we read at a glance all the work of a year throughout the length and breadth of the kingdom. It is a veritable "Ringers' Year Book," and brings up for mental discussion the performances that have gone to make history. The Analysis has come to stay. Looking through its details the first ground for congratulation is the fact that 1910 constitutes a record! Let those who look for the decadence of ringing digest that fact. Another point—not of gladness but of gratitude—is the spontaneous outburst of loyalty and sympathy evinced at the

death of His late Majesty King Edward VII. The steeples of the land spoke the Nation's sorrow, as again in a few week's time they will, but in happier tones, echo "Vive le Roi."

The growth of our Art is exemplified by the fact that no less than *fifty-six* peals were rung upon handbells! Once it was quite a feature to record a peal "rung in hand," but now the feats bid fair to occupy a page to themselves. This fact demonstrates beyond a doubt the intensity of the intellectual side of change-ringing. Another welcome feature is observed that 1910 was undeniably "the march of the ladies." No less than eleven members of the fairer sex have accomplished peals in company with their sterner brother-strings. Since the time when MRS. GEORGE WILLIAMS rang 1-2 in a peal of Grandsire Triples, and MISS ALICE WHITE rang the treble in the tower, the desire to accomplish something in what was hitherto man's domain, has steadily grown, and with charming results. We offer our sincere congratulations to the ladies of our Art who figured in 1910. Their respective performances will be found set out in detail in the margin of the Analysis. Among the list of conductors we notice many who have figured highly for years; but there is one exception. He who generally was at the head of the list, will never again be mentioned in this capacity. The late REV. F. E. ROBINSON's name is given for the last time among the conductors of peals. Altogether the information is so vast and interesting that our readers will need no recommendation to peruse it.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, HOLBORN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT ..	..*Treble.*	REUBEN SANDERS	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE..	2.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
HARRY RANZETTA†	3.	WILLIAM PYE	8.
WILLIAM J. KEMP	4.	JAMES GEORGE	9.
ALBERT W. COLES	5.	HARRY FLANDERS ..	..*Tenor.*

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

†First peal on ten bells.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW, N.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY	..*Treble.*	JAMES C. ADAMS	6.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ..	2.	FREDK. MAYNARD	7.
HENRY SPRINGALL	3.	*ALBERT A. HUGHES ..	8.
RICHARD F. DEAL	4.	JOHN H. B. HESSE	9.
HENRY J. RUMENS	5.	†JAMES BULLOCK	..*Tenor.*

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A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores of Grandsire. Tenor 8 cwt.

WALTER PAINTER* ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN B. HALLIFAX	3.
JOHN WELTON*	.. 2.	*REV. J. P. S. HARRIS ..	4.
*SAMUEL VINCENT	..	..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN B. HALLIFAX.

*First peal. W. Painter was elected a member previous to starting.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lbs.

ALFRED KIRK	..*Treble.*	*HORACE COPERWHEAT ..	5.
FRED STUBBS	2	FRED GILBERT	6.
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ..	3	HENRY STUBBS	7.
WALTER GILBERT	4.	FRANK KIRK	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by FRED GILBERT.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell peal to F. Gilbert, who left for South Australia on May 16th, his brother-ringers wishing him every success.

PORTMADOC, NORTH WALES.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN MCMILLAN* ..	..*Treble.*	HENRY WAKEFIELD	5.
JOHN OWEN	2.	*EVAN RICHARD JONES ..	6.
HARRY MCMILLAN*	3.	WILLIAM HENRY EVANS..	7.
JOHN PARSONS*	4.	*JARVIS P. THOMAS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN OWEN.

*First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mrs. F. Percival, wife of the donor of the tower and bells, who died on May 4th, and was buried at Llanbedrog on the above date. Rung with 6-7-8 covering.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

HAROLD G. JENNEY*	..*Treble.*	JOHN FLOWER	5.
HERBERT DAY	2.	*G. ARTHUR HASLAM ..	6.
G. ARTHUR BOWMER* ..	3.	*ALEX. HUTCHISON	7.
FRED W. HILL*	4.	HENRY GEORGE ..	..*Tenor.*

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VALUE IN PTS. PER PEAL	Total Peals.	Treble Bob. 16 Maximus.	14 Royal.	12 Major.	30 14 T. B. M. M.	19 9 " "	15 7 " "	Grandsire. 12 Maximus.	9 Caters.	8 Major.	7 Triples.	Plain Methods. 0 Royal.	8 Major.	7 Triples.	2 Doubles.	Minor 16 14 Minor mthds.	12 "	11 "	10 "	9 "	8 "	7 "	6 "	5 "	4 "	3 "	2 "	1 "	Dble. Method. 16 Dbl. Ox. Major.	28 Dbl. N. Royal.	22 " Caters.	16 " " Major.	Surp 50 London S. Maj.	50 Bristol S. Major.	6 Cam. S. Maxms.
1 Norwich Dio. Assn.....	138	2	1	23	—	—	5	—	—	—	5	—	20	—	7	1	—	—	—	4	1	6	3	5	1	8	—	—	—	6	6	2	1
2 Middlesex Cty. Assn....	79	—	1	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	12	—
3 Midland Cties. Assn....	136	—	2	15	—	—	—	—	8	—	28	1	9	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	1	5	—	—	—	17	4	—	—
4 Kent County Assn.....	113	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	30	—	6	3	—	—	—	—	—	21	—	1	1	1	—	2	—	1	—	9	4	—	—
5 Yorkshire Association...	118	2	3	27	1	—	9	—	7	—	19	—	20	-	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	4	5	—	—
6 Sussex County Assn....	90	—	—	9	—	—	4	—	—	—	17	—	3	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	—	-	—	9	—	—	—
7 Oxford Dio. Guild.....	103	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	39	—	3	2	7	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	8	1	—	—
8 Winchester Dio. Guild..	66	—	—	4	—	—	1	—	5	—	15	—	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	4	3	—
9 Essex Association	63	—	1	12	—	—	—	—	1	—	7	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	2	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	1	—
10 Gloucester & Bristol Ass.	51	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	5	—	7	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
11 Lancashire Association..	82	3	1	20	—	—	—	—	2	—	24	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	—	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
12 St. Martin's Guild Birm	31	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
13 Durham & Newcstl. Ass.	37	—	—	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
14 Worcs. & Dists. Assn...	42	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	5	—	6	—	2	1	—	—	2	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	3	1	—
15 Chester Dio. Guild.....	64	—	3	16	—	—	5	—	—	—	17	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	4	1	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
16 Centl. Northamp. Assn.	49	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	4	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	14	—	—	1	—	5	4	—	—	—	2	3	—	—
17 Hertford County Assn..	30	—	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	-	1	—
18 Lincoln Dio. Guild.....	48	—	1	6	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	4	—	—	1	2	8	—	—	2	4	—	4	—	—	—	5	—	—	—
19 Soc. Archdy. Staffs.....	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—
20 Surrey Association.....	31	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	3	—	6	—	3	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
21 London County Assn....	21	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	—
22 Ancient Soc. Coll. Yths..	16	1	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23 Royal Cumberland Yths	13	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2	—	—
24 Bath & Wells Assn	38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	—	—	—	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25 North Wales Assn.	14	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
26 Hereford Dio. Guild.....	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	11	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
27 Salisbury Dio. Guild.....	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
28 Bedford Association....	16	—	—	1	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
29 Devonshire Guild	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	9	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30 Stoke Achdl. Assn.....	11	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
31 Warwick Guild	11	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
32 Cleveland & N. Yorks....	18	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	7	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
33 Llandaff Dio. Assn.....	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	—	2	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34 Ely Diocesan Assn.	14	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	—	5	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 CambridgeUniv. Guild ..	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
36 Salop Arch. Guild	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
37 North Notts. Association	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
38 Liverpool Diocesan Gld	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
39 Truro Diocesan Guild ..	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40 Peterboro' & Dists. Assn.	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
41 Cumberland Association	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
42 Towcester Association ..	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
43 Independent Societies ..	49	—	—	6	—	—	1	—	2	—	11	—	1	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
Grand totals.....	1725	8	18	184	1	1	35	1	52	1	331	3	111	12	83	3	3	1	2	84	2	13	23	17	11	56	1	1	1	97	38	23	1

The 49 peals rung by Independent Societies were thus distributed, viz.: Berkshire 1; Breconshire 1; Cambridgeshire, 1; Cheshire 4; Derbysh
Lancashire 1; Middlesex 8; Norfolk 1; Northumberland 1; Staffordshire 3; Suffolk 1; Surrey 3; Sussex 1; Warwickshire 6; Worcestershire 3;
The 210 peals of Treble bob were rung—in the Kent Variation—Maximus 8; Royal 18; Major 157; in the Oxford Variation—Major 26; and in the
The 331 peals of Grandsire Triples were: Holt's Original 44; Holt's Six-part 1; Holt's Ten part and Variations 68; Parker's One-part 5; Part
Twelve-part and Variations 24; Taylor's Bob and Single 34; Rev. C. D. P. Davies's peals 9; Hollis's peals 12; Vicar's 9; Lindoff's peals 5; Moor
Barnes's peals 2; Aspinwall's peals 2; Biddlestone's peals 2; Bruerton's peals 2; Penning's peals 2; Walker's peals 2; other peals including three un
The 126 peals in Plain Methods comprise: Bob Royal 3; Bob Major 109; College Single Major 2; Oxford Bob Triples 7; Plain Bob Triples 4; U
The 83 peals of Doubles are comprised in the following statement;—

Association	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Methods
Bath and Wells	9	2	1	—	1	—	
Central Northamptonshire	4	2	—	—	—	—	
Devonshire Guild	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Ely Diocesan	—	—	—	—	—	1	
Gloucester and Bristol	—	2	—	—	—	—	
Hereford Diocesan	9	1	1	—	—	—	
Hertfordshire County	1	—	—	—	—	—	
Lincoln Diocesan	4	—	—	—	—	—	
Llandaff Diocesan	3	—	—	—	—	—	

Association	C
Midland Counties	
Norwich Diocesan	
Oxford Diocesan	
Salisbury Diocesan	
Archdeaconry of Stafford	
Surrey County	
Sussex County	
Warwickshire Guild	
Independent Societies	

THIS PAPER.

RS.

	Forward Royal	Forward Major	Royal.	Major.	Duffield Major.	Cinques	Caters	Triples.	Total points.	Average points per peal.
			Fo' 20	20	Hands-worth. 18	14	Duffield 10	Ste'ma'n. 28	24	24
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	—	—	—	—	—	6	18	11	2039	26 443
	—	—	1	1	3	—	10	15	1980	14·558
	2	—	—	—	—	2	5	10	1769	15·654
	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	12	1726	14 627
	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	34	1410	15·555
	—	1	—	—	—	1	6	18	1325	12·864
	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	15	1225	18 560
	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	4	1209	17 779
	1	2	—	—	—	—	9	12	1076	21 093
	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	11	980	11 951
	—	—	—	—	—	7	2	9	895	25 967
	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	6	735	19 864
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	726	17·285
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	716	11 187
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	629	12·836
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	588	19 600
	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	527	10·979
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	511	19 269
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	412	13·900
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	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	5	344	21·500
	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	3	324	24·923
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	281	7·394
	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	255	18 214
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	221	7·892
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	203	14 500
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	181	11 312
	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	167	9 823
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	162	14 727
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12	3	3	1	1	3	19	84	264	26466	15·342

shire, 1; Essex 1; Gloucestershire 5; Herefordshire, 1; Total, 49.

ion—Major 1.

13; Parker's Twelve-part and Variations 75; Carter's Shipway's peals 3; Rev. E. Bankes James's peals 2;

Three	Four	Five	Six	Methods
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The 264 peals of Stedman Triples comprised:—Thurstan's One-part 5; Thurstan's Four-part and Variations 219; Parker's Six-part 1; Heywood's peals 10; Washbrook's peals 13; Carter's peals 12; Bulwer's Irregular Ten-part 3; Lindoff's peals 1.

The greatest number of changes in one peal was 10,080, viz., Double Norwich Court Bob Major, rung by the Kent County Association. One peal of Superlative Surprise Major rung by the Worcester and Districts Association contained 9,728 changes. Another peal contained 8,160 changes; two peals were over 7,000 changes; and four peals over 6,000 changes. Under 6,000 changes there were 1,716 peals rung.

The number of peals rung on church bells was 1669; on hand bells 56. Total 1,725 peals.

The peals rung are 97 more than last year, and create a new record. They were rung in the following months viz; January 115, February 138, March 135, April 145, May 231, June 85, July 93, August 108 September 151, October 165 November 169, December 190.

By the death of the Rev. F. E. Robinson, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers, and member of many other Associations, we have to deplore the loss not only of an indefatigable exponent of the Art of ringing, but also of a bright example to the brotherhood of ringers. He passed away on the 16th February last, and was buried at Wokingham on the 19th, when bellringers from all parts of the country met to pay their last tribute of respect to him. The number of muffled peals, rung by eleven different Associations, reached a total of 21.

By the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII. on the 7th May, 1910, ringers throughout the length and breadth of the land were called on to interpret the national sorrow. No less than 181 muffled peals are recorded as having been rung, from which it may be inferred that the total number of muffled peals attempted and of touches rung, must have been very large indeed.

Eleven ladies have taken part in successful peals during the year 1910, viz.;—

Miss E. N. Belcher two peals of Stedman Triples for the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Miss C. M. Garforth a peal of Bob Minor for the Norwich Diocesan Association.

Miss Gillingham a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Bath and Wells Association.

Miss M. W. Nightingale a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

Miss Sarah Pigott has rung her first peal, Stedman Triples, for the Worcester and Districts Association.

Miss Edith K Parker has surpassed all previous attainments by the brilliancy of her record for 1910, having rung three peals of Stedman Triples for the Royal Cumberland Youths, and one for the Hertfordshire Association, being also the first lady to ring a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major for the Winchester Diocesan Guild, and two peals of London Surprise Major for the Royal Cumberland Youths with a bob bell. She has also rung two peals of Superlative Surprise Major, one for the Royal Cumberland Youths, and another at Crawley for the Sussex County Association

Miss Philips (16 years of age) rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples for the Winchester Diocesan Guild,

Miss Margery Sampson rang in a peal of Grandsire Triples for the St, Mary's Cathedral Society, Edinburgh.

Miss Kate Stanford rang in a peal of Doubles for the Norwich Diocesan Association.

Miss Alice White took part in a peal of Grandsire Caters and Grandsire Triples, also one of Stedman Triples, all on handbells, for the Winchester Diocesan Guild, and

Miss Lilian Willson took part in a peal of Grandsire Triples, three peals of Kent Treble Bob Major, and one of Double Norwich Court Bob Major for the Midland Counties Association.

Conductors of four peals and upwards were: William Pye, 45; Keith Hart. 39; A. H. Pulling, 31; Bertram Prewett, 29; Frank Bennett, 28; William Short and George Williams, 21; William Keeble and James Motts, 20; Clement Glenn, 19; J. E Groves, 18; C. F. Bailey, Rev. H. L. James, and F. G. May, 17; C. W Clarke and David Elliott, 15; R. Sperring, 14; R. Matthews and T. H Taffender, 13; F. C. Lambert and J. Thomas, 12; J. E. Davis, A. Knights B. A. Knights, C. R. Lilley, and D. J. Nicholls, 11; A. J. Day, R. T. Holding, sen., G. Holifield, sen., W Shepherd, S. H. Symonds, and J. W. Washbrook, 10; J. Cotterell, Samuel Grove, E. H. Lindup, J, Morgan. Wm. Steele, and F. Watkinson, 9; J. H Cheesman, T. T. Gofton, F. A. Holden, W. Large, J. Potter, G. N. Price, W. Sawyer, W. S Smith, W H. B. Wilkins, and William Willson, 8; E. M. Atkins, Rev. A. T. Beeston, F. R. Borrett, E. G. Buesden C. Jackson, S. Thomas, and G. F. Williams, 7; E. Barnett, sen., F. W. Dixon, J Fernley, J. W. Lake, G. R. Newton, G. R. Pye, J. W. Seamer, A. Simpson, C. A. Valentine, Wm. Watts, W. E. Wilson, and S. Wood, 6; J. Austin, J. W. Barker, L. Bullock, John Carter, G. Cattermole, W. Chapman, A. Coppock, A. Davies, W. E. Garrard, E. C. Gobey, A. W Gravett, P. J. Johnson, H. Knight, W. Lincoln, E. W. Marsh, H. Moore, W. J. Paice, James Parker, F. W. Rice, R, E. Stavert, B. Thorpe, A. Y. Tyler, W. Welling, and C. F. Winney, 5; T. Baldwyn, W. H. Barber, F. Barker, W. A. Cave, the Rev. C. C Cox, R. F. Deal, A. Edwards, A. Ellis, W. G. Ellis, G. H. Gale, J. Goodman, jun., Joseph Griffin, T. Groombridge, sen., F. Holder, G. Irvine, J. A. Lambert, E. R. Martin, J. Pagett, Miss E. K. Parker, A. E. Pegler, E. Ridgwell, Rev. F. E. Robinson, H. Springall, G. E. Symonds, A. G. Warnes, E. Wightman, G. Wightman, and A. H. Winch. 4.

In addition to these, 66 persons conducted three peals each; 104. two peals; and 279 one peal. Two peals were published without a conductor's name, and the total number of persons who acted as conductors, was 568. Two ladies appear in the list of conductors—Miss E. K. Parker, who conducted three peals of Stedman Triples, and one of Superlative Surprise Major, she being the first lady conductor in these methods; and Miss N. Gillingham, one peal of Grandsire Triples. Two conductors rang two tower bells—J. W. Washbrook who rang 3-4, and conducted a peal of Stedman Triples at Silverdale, and W. H. Lawrence who rang 1-2, and conducted a peal in seven Minor methods at Little Munden.

The conductors of four peals include an honoured name which we shall not see again in this list. The note at the end of the peal of Stedman Triples at Southleigh on January 5th, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson "on the eve of the 77th anniversary of his birthday," concludes with the pathetic words—the band wishing him many happy returns,"

while the next peal he conducted on January 15th, being his 1230th, proved to be his last. But "his works do follow him" R.I.P.

The following peals were rung on handbells, viz.: Stedman Cinques 2; Caters, 5; Triples, 6; Grandsire Caters, 10; Triples, 9; Doubles, 1; Kent Treble Bob Major 2; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Bob Royal, 1; Major, 13; Minor, 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 1; New Cambridge Surprise Major, 1; Superlative Surprise Major, 3. Total—56.

NOTE.—In reckoning points for peals, those over 7,000 and under 10,000 changes count as two peals; 10,000 and under 12,000 count as three peals, and so forth.

The following table gives the first twenty Societies and their relative positions since 1896:—

	1896	1897	1898	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906	1907	1908	1909	1910
Norwich Diocesan	4	5	9	5	6	6	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	1
Middlesex County	—	25	18	9	4	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	3	2
Midland Counties	3	8	6	6	13	11	13	10	5	5	5	4	1	1	3
Kent County	7	7	8	3	3	4	4	6	9	3	3	3	4	5	4
Yorkshire	6	9	11	8	14	12	12	9	3	4	4	7	5	4	5
Sussex County	2	1	1	2	5	3	7	3	7	7	17	10	7	7	6
Oxford Diocesan	1	3	2	1	1	2	3	4	8	8	6	5	6	6	7
Winchester Diocesan	9	14	12	15	10	13	16	23	18	15	10	9	9	12	8
Essex	16	11	10	12	9	10	9	8	6	6	7	11	11	10	9
Gloucester and Bristol	13	12	7	11	11	9	6	7	11	14	13	22	12	11	10
Lancashire	10	4	5	7	7	8	14	19	22	9	8	6	8	8	11
Saint Martin's Guild	21	13	20	16	8	7	11	11	15	12	19	15	15	16	12
Durham and Newcastle	8	18	19	31	18	16	10	13	10	11	12	17	10	14	13
Worcester and Districts	12	6	3	10	15	18	21	20	23	17	14	8	14	9	14
Chester Diocesan	19	24	22	23	21	20	19	22	28	20	9	23	19	19	15
Central Northampton	18	10	14	14	16	15	22	14	14	16	22	20	16	20	16
Hertfordshire	25	19	13	18	20	14	8	12	12	13	16	12	13	13	17
Lincoln Diocesan	—	—	—	32	32	29	26	26	26	26	25	29	25	17	18
Archdeaconry of Stafford	15	21	17	13	19	19	17	18	25	21	21	13	18	18	19
Surrey County	14	10	16	17	12	21	18	16	13	18	23	14	22	23	20

The number of peals rung annually since the publication of "THE BELL NEWS" are shown by the following table—

1881	156	..	1886	536	..	1891	878	..	1896	791	..	1901	1194	..	1906	1313
1882	244	..	1887	646	..	1892	802	..	1897	905	..	1902	1313	..	1907	1339
1883	330	..	1888	759	..	1893	705	..	1898	1002	..	1903	1469	..	1908	1474
1884	419	..	1889	797	..	1894	859	..	1899	912	..	1904	1512	..	1909	1628
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BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, May 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

ALGERNON P. G. STONE* .. *Treble.*	*GEORGE BULL .. .. .. 5.
JOHN H SWINFIELD* .. 2.	*ALBERT P. WAKLEY.. .. 6
EDWARD I. STONE .. .. 3.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN .. .. 7.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY* .. 4.	GEORGE ROBINSON .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

*First peal in the method.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

ALBERT G. WARNES.. ..*Treble.*	EDWARD FRANCIS .. .. 6.
FREDK. PESTELL .. .. 2.	FREDK. H. KNIGHTS .. 7.
DENISON HAYWARD .. .. 3.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN.. .. 8.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN* .. 4.	FREDK. KNIGHTS .. .. 9.
CHARLES E. BENNETT .. 5.	GEORGE H. HAMMOND ..*Tenor.*

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STOKE MANDEVILLE, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

JAMES W. WILKINS .. ..*Treble.*	JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 4.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 2.	ALBERT E. REEVES .. .. 5.
JOHN EVANS .. .. .. 3.	REV. C. W. O JENKYN ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES W. WILKINS.

J. E. Groves was elected a member before starting for the peal. Further reference elsewhere.

MARSHFIELD, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 11 cwt.

SIDNEY DAWE .. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM G. MILLER .. 5.
CADWALADR WILLIAMS .. 2.	JOHN CLUTTERBUCK .. .. 6.
WILLIAM B. BISS .. .. 3.	FRED CHAMBERLAIN.. .. 7.
WILLIAM BOLTON .. .. 4.	ALLEN ROWLEY.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. and Conducted by A. ROWLEY.

First peal of Major as conductor, first in the method on the bells, and the 100th peal by the above Association.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 17½ cwt.

JOHN MORRIS	..Treble.	JAMES R. NEWMAN	5.
ROBERT G. KNOWLES	2.	*CHARLES CAMM	6.
ERNEST WILKSHIRE*	3.	HERBERT T. KNOWLES	7.
JOSEPH BROWN	4.	GORDON CHECKETTS	..Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT G. KNOWLES.

*First peal, and members of the local band. First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal on the bells with a local ringer taking part.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE,

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Grandsire, and Plain Bob, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

EDGAR VAILANCE	..Treble.	THOMAS H. VAILLANCE	4.
ROBERT C. CLIFFORD	2.	DOUGLAS H. ARGYLE	5.
WALTER J. HORTON	3.	E. HARRY STONELEY	..Tenor.

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

The ages of the band are respectively 17, 22, 19, 20, 14, 22, average 19 years. This is the second peal on these bells by a band whose ages average 19 years, the other being rung on December 3rd, 1910.

KEELE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

JOHN MORLEY	..Treble.	*WILLIAM BROUGH	4.
ARTHUR GOODWIN*	2.	CHARLES MORLEY	5.
CHARLES BISHOP	3.	WILLIAM FITCHFORD	..Tenor.

Conducted by W. FITCHFORD.

*First peal. First peal of Minor by all the band. First peal on the bells.

COLSTON, BASSETT, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

WM. WAGSTAFFE*	..Treble.	JOS. WOOLLEY	5.
ALF. BARRATT*	2.	WM. BELLAMY	6.
T. A. D. BODNHAM	3.	HARRY R. COBBIN	7.
JAMES H. CLARKE†	4.	E. J. OLIVER	..Tenor.

Composed by VALENTINE GOSLING, and Conducted by JAMES H. CLARKE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. M. Bellamy, father of the ringer of the 6th, on his 70th birthday. This peal is now rung for first time, and the composer is now resident in New York. Previous to his departure, he himself attempted this peal, but came to grief through a rope breaking, and it was his wish that his old band should ring this peal, which was successfully rung at the first attempt. *First peal of Bob Major. †First peal as conductor in the method. The band wish to tender their sincere thanks to the Rev. M. H Pimm and his wife for their kind hospitality after the peal.

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CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM SHILVOCK*	..Treble.	JOHN BASS	5.
HORACE F. STREET*	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
WILLIAM SHORT	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
CHARLES DICKENS*	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS	..Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

REIGATE, SURREY.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WALTER CLAYDON	..Treble.	ARTHUR HOLMAN	6.
HENRY REEVES	2.	HENRY F. EWINS	7.
HENRY BENNETT	3.	HENRY A. HOAD	8.
GEORGE F. HOAD	4.	GEORGE H. CROUCHER	9.
ALBERT HARMAN	5.	HARRY W. EDWARDS	..Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by HENRY REEVES.

SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14¾ cwt.

HARRY WALTER	..Treble.	JOHN J. PRATT	5.
JOHN H. B. HESSE	2.	ALAN R. MACDONALD	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	7.
ARTHUR HARDING	4.	WILLIAM WARNE	..Tenor.

Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 15, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD	..Treble.	*JOHN W. GLEW	5.
WILLIAM H. POYSER*	2.	*ERNEST H. CLARKE	6.
GEORGE TOMLINSON*	3.	BART MITCHELL	7.
ROBERT G. BASSON*	4.	†JOHN HAYNES	..Tenor.

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. Rung with the bells deeply-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Alderman Sir H. H. Bemrose, J.P. This is the first peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local company.

FLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, May 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Double Court, and two 720s each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS COPELAND	..Treble.	WILLIAM H. HILLIAM	4.
REV. C. J. STURTON	2.	GEORGE R. TRUSS	5.
HARRY V. FLETCHER	3.	JOHN B. HALLIFAX	..Tenor.

Conducted by J. B. HALLIFAX.

Arranged for the Rev. C. J. Sturton, who was paying a short visit to his old parish

Handbell Peals.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 10, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,*

At 21, Stoke Road,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES.

ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD .. 1-2.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER .. 7-8.

WILLIAM A. WOODROW .. .. .. 9-10.

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—C. Willshire.

LONDON, W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(YORK TOWN DISTRICT.)

On Thursday, May 11, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifteen Minutes,*

AT 52, SHRUBLAND ROAD, PADDINGTON,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD .. 1-2.	GEORGE B. EDSER .. 5-6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD.. 3-4.	*FREDERICK G. WOODISS 7-8.

Composed by FREDERICK A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

Umpire—W. A. Woodrow. *First peal of Major on handbells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 12, 1911, *in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,*

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5211 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN, 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER .. 7-8.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. .. 9-10.

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—F. Blondell. For calling see J. Carter's broadsheet.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 13, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,*

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. NICOLAS CHDECH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5005 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER .. 7-8.

F. BLONDELL .. .. 9-10.

Composed by J. GEORGE, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—S. Radford.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 14, 1911, *in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,*

AT 21, STOKE ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.	†JOHN S. GOLDSMITH .. 7-8.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. .. 9-10.

Composed by G. T. DALTRY, and Conducted by A.H. PULLING.

†First peal on handbells. Umpire—M. Smither.

Miscellaneous.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DEPTFORD.—On Sunday evening, May 7th, for Divine Service at St. John's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from the Original, in 43 mins. R. Fosdike, T. Deal, F. Bacon, F. Richardson conductor, A Bennington, J. Law, W. J. Jeffries, W. Daynes.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Tuesday, May 9th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. Constant, J. Burles conductor, G. Jones, F. Hayes, F. Mitchell, R. Constant. First 720 by the ringer of the treble. Rung on the 18th birthday of J. Burles.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

BARNET.—On Sunday evening, March 5th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 44 mins. A. T. King, F. Chandler, J. Sumpter, H. Burlingham, W. Seer, F. A. Milne, C. Tricker conductor, A. New.

THE WORCESTER CATHEDRAL GUILD.

WORCESTER.—On Monday, May 1st, for practice at the Cathedral, 503 Grandsire Caters. G. Hinton, J. Hill. J. Morris, B. Hill, *W. Bankes, A. Hill conductor, H. Wilkes, W. Edgington, R. Knowles, E. Watkins. *Longest touch of Caters. On Sunday, May 7th. 593 Grandsire Cinques. B. Hill, G. Hinton, J. Hill, B. Hill, W. Powell, J. Morris, A. Hill. T. Lane, J. R. Newman conductor, W. Edgington, E. Watkins, W. H. Johnson.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

HIGH LITTLETON (Somerset).—On Wednesday, March 22nd, at Holy Trinity church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles in 48 mins, A. Evans, R. Lawrence, J. Adams, F. Ryman conductor, G. Dando, H. Taylor. Rung with the bells half-muffled on the day of the funeral of the late Rev. A. M. Foster, Rector Sampford Brett, formerly Vicar of Higher Littleton, during whose incumbency these bells were increased from three to six.

BRIDGEND.—On Easter Sunday, at St. Illtyd's church, 504 Grandsire Triples. For 11.0 a.m. service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, R. Evans, J. Evans, D. R. James, J. Cox conductor, R. Bunstone. For afternoon service 1008 Bob Major J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, R. Evans, J. Evans, D. R. James, R. Runstone, J. Cox conductor. For evening service 910 Grandsire Triples, standing as before.

KINGSWOOD (Surrey).—On March 11th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. L. Killick, W. Bashford, A. Bashford, W. Cheeseman, J. W. Russell. F. Hawkins conductor. And 720 Kent Treble Bob. L. Killick, J. Tassell, W. Wilson, J. W. Russell, W. Bashford, G. Huggetts conductor.

ISLEWORTH.—On Sunday afternoon, for Men's Service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 45 mins. G. Ransom, A. J. Trollope conductor, J. Kent, F. Goddard, W. New, T. Beadle, F. Skevington, A. Harding.

ST. ALBANS.—On Saturday, May 6th, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins. A. Hull, E. P. Debenham, F. Rice, R. Kirby conductor, J. Porter, H. Lightfoot H. Fewell, T. Seymour.

STOKE-ON-TRENT.—On Sunday evening, May 6th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Bloor, F. Woods. H. Page, E. Landon, C. Page, S. Churton, F. Page conductor, H. Austin.

ST. LEONARDS-ON-SEA.—On Sunday morning, May 6th, for Divine Service at Christ Church, 336 Grandsire Triples. Miss M. Nightingale, W. Alcock, J. Livermore, F. Kennett, F. Lock, F. Medhurst, G. Watson conductor, H. Denman. On Monday, May 8th, 504 Stedman Triples. Miss M. Nightingale, J. Livermore, W. Alcock, F. Medhurst, F. Kennett, W. Franks, G. Watson conductor, H. Denman.

THIRSK.—On Sunday, May 6th, at St. Mary's church, 490 Grandsire Triples. H. Browne, jun., H. Browne, sen., J. Stott, J. Neesam, J. Watson, G. Neesam, R. Browne conductor, R. E. Neesam. For evening service 720 Bob Minor. H. Browne, W. Browne, J. Stott, J. Watson, R. Browne, J. Neesam conductor, R. Neesam.

NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION

The annunl general meeting of this Assrciation was held at Retford ou Saturday. May 6th. We were favored with a lovely day, and the clean, cosy little town, decked with frequent gardens and orchards, in which the plum and cherry trees were in full bloom, with the river Idle running clear and full through the midst, was very fair to look upon, as some of us basked in the sunshine in the adjoining cricket field, waiting for the commencement of the business meeting, which was the first item on the order of procedure. The sound of the Ordsall bells which came floating down the stream, showed that some of the brethren had arrived early, and meant to have something for the Secretary to record before business began. The Rev. Canon Gray, with his usual kindness and courtesy, presided at the meeting, and afterwards conducted service in his church, when the Rev. G. J. d'Arcy, Vicar of Worksop, preached an excellent sermon on Numbers x. 10. The afternoon passed much as usual on occasions. The Secretary raised his usual lament as to the difficulty of realising some of the subscriptions; the office-bearers of the preceding year were, as usual, re-elected, even the Secretary, as no one seemed willing to take his place; then came the usual bright service in St. Michael's church, followed by the usual good tea at Howard's Rooms. But one unusual feature there was about this meeting, namely, the election of the first lady member, Miss E. Steele, the well-known lady golf champion, now living at Bedford, but formerly of this district. To her prowess at golf she has now added considerable proficiency in the Art of change-ringing, and has taken part in several 720s with the Anston company on re-visiting the neighbourhood of her former home. On this occasion she rang the 3rd bell in a touch oi Oxford Treble Bob at Ordsall tower, and rang the treble in a 270 of Grandsire Caters on the peal of ten of East Retford church. B.

SELBY ABBEY, YORKS.

On Tuesday, May 9th, a very interesting ceremony took place. The corner-stone of the new transept was laid by Mrs. W. Liversidge, of Millgate House, Selby, wife of the donor, and a 882 of Grandsire Triples was rung before the ceremony by P. James, T. Morgan, A. Cryer, J. Jackson, F. Cryer, A. Hall, H. Fairlam conductor, T. Strudwick. After the service touches of Grandsire Triples were rung, conducted by F. Cryer and A. Hale.

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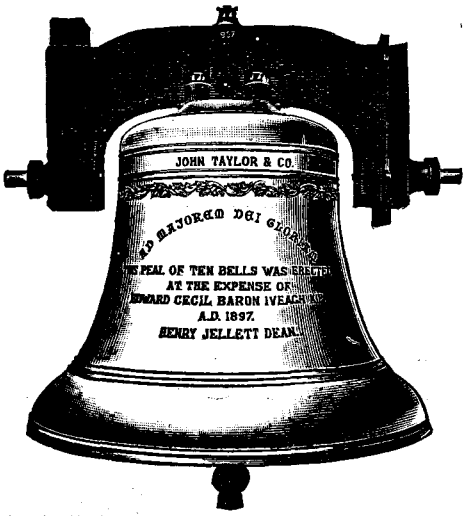

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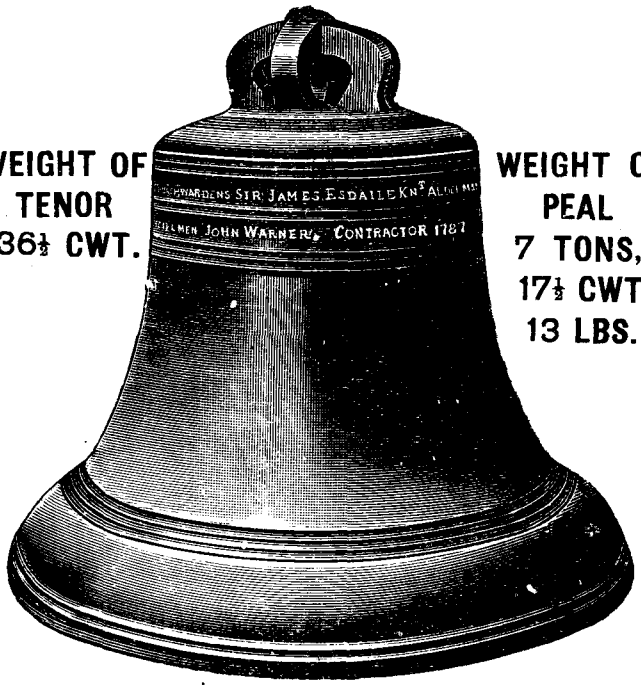

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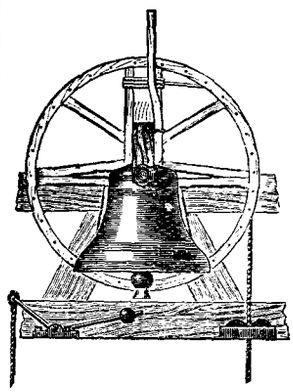

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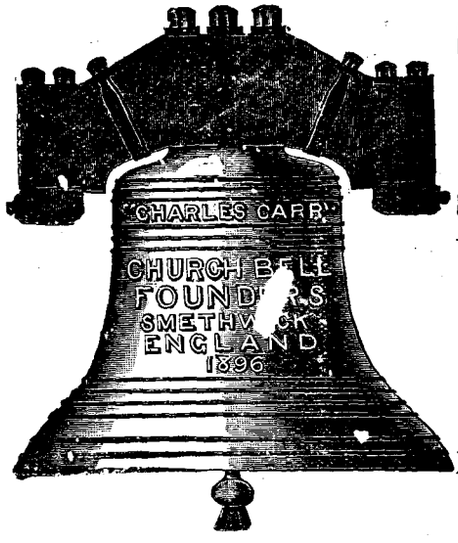

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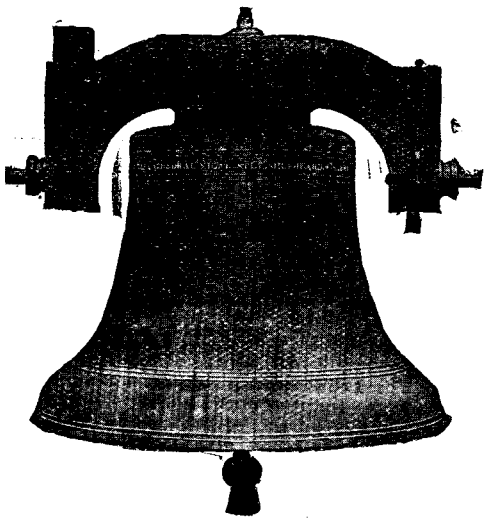

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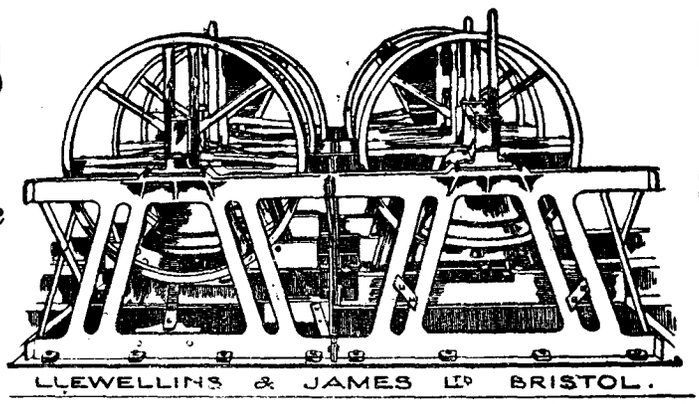

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BARKING, ESSEX.

RE-OPENING OF ST. MARGARET'S BELLS.

Bell openings, as a rule, are somewhat exclusive affairs, so the St. Margaret's Society felt that in throwing open and sending a general invitation through these columns to all ringers to participate in the re-opening of their bells, that they were trying a rather bold and unusual experiment. How far that experiment succeeded it is not for the writer to say, but, judging from opinions expressed by the visitors, it is certainly worth imitating. *Verb Sap.* Soon after two o'clock on Saturday, May 13th, ringers began to assemble at St. Margaret's church, and ringing at once commenced. Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, more Stedman and Double Norwich—good ringing all of it—brought us to service time, 3.30. In the church there was a large congregation assembled to participate in what was to most of them a service of unusual character. The choir had turned up in force, and it was a graceful act on their side, to add to the dignity and worship, with a exquisite rendering of Purcell's "Bell Anthem." The sermon, preached by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Barking, was mainly historical, dealing with bells in early days, and their early uses, contrasting our ringing with that of other countries, pointing out the message of the bells, how they reminded the people of higher things, and enabled those who were not able to go to church through sickness or infirmity that there was service going on in the church walls, and so enabled them to be present in spirit if not in the flesh. Bells, said his Lordship were to be rung on special occasions, in times of joy and in times of sorrow; they were not to be rung on occasions of party or political strife, not at times when people ought rather to be on their knees, praying for God's blessing, or rejoicing for something that might be anything but pleasant. It was said that in the year 1739, when war was declared with Spain, that the church bells rung out to encourage the troops going to the front. The statesman, Walpole, more wise than the rest, was heard to say—"Yes, they are ringing their bells now; soon they will be wringing their hands." And he was right. They looked forward this year to the bells ringing joyously for the Coronation, and the bells would probably remind the people in such a way that nothing else could of the great national rejoicing.

The concluding hymn was "Lifted high within the steeple, all our bells are set on high." Service over, the bells were soon set going to Superlative and Stedman, and subsequently about eighty ringers were entertained by the local Society to a substantial tea at The Red Lion hotel. The Vicar presided, and the vice-chair was occupied by Mr. E. A. Davies. Amongst the company present were Mr. W. T. Cockerill, E. Horrex, Mr. A. B. Peck (Master), Mr. C. S. Burden and others of the College Youths, Mr. G. A. Black, Master of the South Western Division of the Essex Association, S. Hayes, past master, A. Whight (Chelmsford), members of the West Ham, Leytonstone, Dagenham, Romford and St. George's, Southwark companies, Mr. G. F. Margetson—poet and philosopher—Mr. W. J. Nevard, Mr. Day, Mr. Hughes.

After tea Mr. G. A. Black, on behalf of the visitors, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the members of the St. Margaret's Society for kindly inviting them there that day. He thought that the St. Margaret's Society held a proud and unique position, aad he looked upon them as one of the finest and best local societies in the kingdom. He did not think there was a church in the kingdom that could show a record where the bells were rung every Sunday throughout the year the same as they were there. There was hardly a church throughout England that had achieved such a record as Barking had with its ringers and bells. He thought the success of the Society was largely due to the fatherly interest which their worthy vice-chairman (Mr. Davies) took in it. If it was not for the interest he took in it the Society would not have got to the high state of efficiency it had that day.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Black very heartily for the good words he had said of Barking, and especially of Barking ringers. They wanted to keep up this good reputation. He, as Vicar of the parish, was exceedingly proud of the ringers, and looked upon them as amongst his most valuable church workers. Some time ago, in that very room, he ventured to say that the Barking bells should not cease to ring, and his words had been verified. He pointed out that it was through the efforts of Messrs. Day and their good friend Mr. Hughes that the work was pushed forward, and they were able to have a glorious peal on Easter Day.

Mr. E. A. Davies said it afforded him great pleasure, as the oldest member of the St. Margaret's Society, to respond to the vote of thahks. It was a red-letter day for the Society, and one that was unique, for they could now say that the St. Margaret's ring of bells was complete and in good going order. The society had passed through many vicissitudes in its time. It was formed in 1871, when Bishop Jermyn was Vicar. He (Mr. Davies) became one of the first members with the late Mr. Robert Sewell. When the society was first started the tenor bell was cracked, and the 4th was in two pieces. These were recast in the same year by Messrs Warner. In 1886 the 6th bell was cracked whilst practice was going on, and in the same year the treble and 2nd bells had also to be recast. Now the 5th had had to be recast, so that of the whole peal in St. Margaret's there were only one of the original bells left, viz., the 7th. They would therefore see that a large sum of money had been collected in Barking during his time for the bells of the old church, and he thought it showed that the people of the town not only loved their church, but loved their bells also. With regard to their ringers, he had often said that they only wanted two rules, and those were—first of all, loyalty to the Church of which they were members, and, secondly loyalty to each other. Those two rules would carry any ringers to success, and make them not only a credit to themselves, but to the parish to which they belonged.

Mr. T. Faulkner, who also responded, said if individual effort, energy and perseverance would accomplish anything, he ventured to predict that the St. Margaret's Society would last for a good many years. He urged the

younger members of their societies to cultivate enthusiasm and to persevere in ringing—also to get about among other ringers, and then they would soon find they would have the conceit knocked out of them. In conclusion he proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the visitors, the choir, and the church officers.

Mr. Cockerill, Mr. Hume, Mr. H. Berry, and Mr. S. Hayes suitably responded

The Vicar then referred to the kindness of Lady Hulse in giving £50 for the re-casting of the 5th bell, and proposed that they send their hearty congratulations to Sir Edward Hulse on his having attained his majority, and wishing him long life and happiness.

The proposition having been carried unanimously, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Day acknowledged the kindly references which varions speakers had made with regard to the manner in which they had carried out their respective work in connection with the bells.

The company then dispersed, and a nnmber of the ringers went back to the belfry and rang the bells.

Later in the evening a social hour was spent at The Red Lion, under the presidency of Mr. E. A. Davies, songs being sung by Messrs. Upton, Minter, Burrows, R. Fenn, sen., Margetson, and Bosworth; and a touch of London Surprise was given on the handbells by Messrs. T. Faulkner, A. Hardy, C. Fenn, and R. Fenn.

During the evening the following touches were rung on the bells : Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major, Double Norwich Major, Superlative Major, Kent Major, and London Surprise Major. All the ringers were agreed that there was a great improvement in the bells, also that the new 5th is a splendid bell, and a good "splice" in the peal.

The weekly practices, at which any ringer receives a hearty welcome, are now resumed : 7.30 p.m. Thursdays, and ringing on Sundays 10 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. For the present there will be no special facilities given to peal-snatchers; later on, invitations may be sent to some of the gentlemen who honoured Barking with their presence on this auspicious occasion, to take part in, or arrange for a few peals.

On Sunday morning, May 21st, for Divine Service, Thurstans's quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. Fenn, H. Parker, F. Russell, T. Faulkner, A. C. Hardy, J. Norris, C. Fenn conductor, E. A. Davies.

THE HENFIELD (SUSSEX) SOCIETY.

On Tuesday, May 9th, in delightful weather, a party of fifteen started from Henfield by the 7.46 a.m. train for Seaford, which was reached at 9 45. The morning was spent in going to the cliffs known as the "Seven Sisters," some tunes and a few courses of Stedman Triples being rung on handbells, afterwards returning to The Old Tree hotel for luncheon. In the afternoon the party seperated, some indulging in a drive to Lillington, some to Newhaven Harbour, and others to Blatchington; afterwards returning to Seaford tower and ringing two 504s of Stedman Triples. Leaving Seaford at 7.35 the party on reaching Brighton visited St. Nicholas' church and rang some Caters, Henfield being reached at 10.53, after a most enjoyable day.

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An adjournment was made, and after tea, provided by the Rev. F. A. A. Bartlett had been partaken of, the business meeting commenced. It was presided over by the Ven. Archdeacon Spooner, President of the Guild, who expressed his satisfaction at holding that office, and his entire sympathy with the work of the Guild, and his fervent desire to be useful to the members.

The Rev. W. T. Bulpit (Master), congratulated the members on celebrating the 21st anniversary of their enrolment at Christ Church, Southport, and on the good work accomplished in the intervening years.

The Rev. G. J. Howson, warden of the Guild, expressed his gratitude to the Bishop for his helpful address, and presented the foreman of each belfry with a prayer card, to be placed in the tower for use.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. John Martin), then read the balance-sheet, which showed £9 6s. 6d. in hand. He moved its adoption, and an addition of deacons.

Mr. W. Short seconded, and spoke of the usefulness of local officers.

The Ven. chairman, in putting the resolution, advised that a committee should appoint the deacons.

Thanks were accorded to the retiring officers of the Guild, and they were then elected for the ensuing year.

The Rev. E. C. Collier, in a very humorous speech, gave some excellent advice, and proposed hearty thanks for the excellent meal that had been enjoyed.

This was seconded by Mr. T. Taylor (churchwarden of St. James's, Wigan), and carried with acclamation.

The Rev. F. A. Bartlett responded, and expressed his indebtedness to the ladies who had so worthily assisted.

The Rev. W. T. Bulpit proposed that thanks be given to the chairman, and this was seconded by Councillor W. Hutton, of Ormskirk, and carried amid cheers.

The Ven. Archdeacon Spooner expressed his thanks, ann said he would make acquaintance by shaking hands with each Guild brother. Afterwards he concluded the meetting by pronouncing the Benediction.

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The Third Session of the Seventh Council (21st Annual Meeting) will be held on Whitsun Tuesday, June 6th, in the "Old Guild Hall" of the Old Town Hall at Leicester at 11 a.m. punctually. The morning sitting will be adjourned from 1 p.m. till 2.30 p.m., from which hour the Council will sit, if necessary, until 5.30 p.m.

The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

AGENDA, 1911.

1.—Minutes of the last Meeting.

2.—Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.

3.—Election of Honorary Members.

4.—Introduction of New Members to the President.

5.—To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:—

(*a*) Peal Collection.

(*b*) Church Press.

(*c*) Legitimate Methods.

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8.—That the Central Council give to the "Ringing World" recognition equal to that accorded to "THE BELL NEWS" for the publication of official reports and communications, and that any peals published exclusively in the "Ringing World" shall be counted in the Central Council's Analysis.

9.—Other business, if any.

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

There will be a Social gathering of members in the evening, the place of which will be announced in the next issue.

The Old Town Hall in which the Council Meeting will be held is one of the most interesting and historic buildings, among many such, in the ancient and important town of Leicester, and is situate within twenty yards of St. Martin's church, with its ring of ten bells. Besides the Guild Hall, the Council's Meeting room, which has witnessed many a stirring scene, and in which Shakespeare himself is said to have acted, the building contains the "Mayor's Parlour," a lovely old oak panelled room, with a glorious mantelpiece, and is the room in which Prince Rupert held a Council of War. The whole building occupies the site held by the ancient religious fraternity known as the "Guild of Corpus Christi," and is replete with archeological interest. For those who have time to spare there are innumerable antique buildings of all sorts to be seen, the glorious church of St. Mary, originally two churches, side by side, next door to the Castle, the Saxon Church of St. Nicholas, and the splendid bit of Roman Masonry called "Old Jewry Wall," and sometimes "Old Bones," just outside the churchyard, and a magnificent piece of Roman pavement under a shop on the opposite side of the road. We can only just mention one or two other buildings and sites such as Holy Cross Priory, Old Trinity Hospital, St. Margaret's Church, the Chantry House of the Guild of St. George, and the Newarke (New Work) a district contiguous to the Castle built by John of Gaunt when he was Lord of Leicester. Unless our friends have plenty of time, and to spare, there is just one place to which we would advise them *not* to go, viz., to the remains of the Abbey, where Wolsey died. It is a long way out of the town, with practically nothing to see when one gets there.

The custodian of the Old Town Hall has kindly furnished the following directions for reaching the building from the various railway stations:—

GREAT CENTRAL.—Three minutes' walk. Turn to the right on leaving station, then second on the left, St. Nicholas' Street, first on the right, High Cross Street, and first on the left, Town Hall Lane.

M. R. AND L. & N. W. R.—Cross the road and take Narborough Road car, 1d., and alight at High Cross Street, turn to the left, and first on left again.

GREAT NORTHERN.—Take car marked "East Park Road," 1d., and alight at the Clock Tower. From here go up Silver Street, the continuation of which is Town Hall Lane; the building being towards the further end and on the left hand side, immediately past St. Martin's church.

Mr. Wm. Willson, of 4, Keythorpe Street, Leicester, writes:—"To delegates. Will any delegates who are coming to Leicester before Tuesday communicate with me, as if the number justifies it some entertainment may be made for the Monday night. Also any stranger requiring accommodation can rely on my co-operation to provide it for them if they will enclose addressed post card."

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

By kind invitation of Mr. Jos. Heckingbotton, Postmaster of Denton, near Manchester, a party of six-bell ringers visited that town on Saturday, May 13th. Leaving Leeds at 1.15 we were soon speeding along the L. & N. W. express route to Huddersfield, where on arrival we were joined by friend Barraclough, of that town. Manchester was duly reached at 2 30, and a short walk along Victoria and Market Streets found us waiting for a car to Denton, just at the moment that a very heavy downpour gave us a forcible reminder that Manchester was keeping up its unenviable reputation. On arrival at our destination, we found our genial host waiting, and after a hearty handshake all round he at once conducted us to his private residence, where we again received a cordial welcome from Mrs. Heckingbottom and family. An invitation to take our places at the tea table was readily responded to, and during the consumption of the good things provided, pleasant reminiscences were indulged in, Mr. Heckingbottom having previously resided at Armley, being attached to the Christ Church, Upper Armley company for a number of years. Tea being over, a short walk brought us to the church of St. Ann's, where we found a ring of 6 in excellent running order, tenor 15 cwt. Touches of Tulip, Primrose, College Trebles, College Exercise, London Scholars, City Delight, College Pleasure, Arnold's Victory, Duke of York, Woodbine and Oxford were successfully brought round, the visitors being joined by members of the local band in some of the methods. Time passed all too quickly, ringing terminating at 7 40 awing to a service commencing at that time in the church. A further pleasant chat, and we took our departure to catch the 9.0 o'clock express to Leeds, arriving safely at 10.30 after a most enjoyable outing. Our heartiest thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Heckingbottom for their generous hospitality, to the local ringers for their hearty welcome, and to the Vicar of St. Ann's for the use of the bells. J. W. T. H.

NELSON, LANCASHIRE.

An anonymous donor is equipping the Nelson parish church with a complete ring of thirteen bells, at a cost of £1600. They will be the finest in Lancashire.

BRIDSTON (Herefordshire).—On Wednesday, May 10th, for practice, 720 Bob Minor, in 25 mins. J. Clark, E. Summers, W. J. Sevier, W. Poston, F. Voyce, William Poston conductor. On May 17th, 720 Bob Minor. H. Marklove, E. Summers, J. Blake, W. Poston, F. Voyce, William Poston conductor.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Report of the Peal Values' Committee.

Your Committee having been instructed at the Meeting at Manchester last year to take the question of a general scheme for allotting points to peals into their further consideration, beg leave to report as follows:—

They have given very carefful attention to the whole subject, and have endeavoured to embody in the schedule which they now propose for your adoption the chief features that were recommended in the discussion that was held at the meeting, principal among them being the allotment of comparatively more points to peals on the higher numbers of bells. The chief difficulty that has confronted them has been that of securing this feature without the employment of any complicated formula in the calculation of the points, their only regret being that the formula which they have felt compelled to adopt—the simplest that they can find—is more complicated than they really like.

SCHEDULES.

A.—For Peals on Seven Bells and Upwards.

Class	Value	Triples	Major	Caters	Royal	Cinques	Maximus
I.	8	6	8	10	12	15	18
II.	10	8	10	13	16	19	22
III.	11		11		17		25
IV.	14	11	14	18	22	26	31
V.	20		20		31		45
VI.	24	18	24	30	38	45	54
VII.	32		32		50		72
VIII.	40		40		62		90
IX.	50		50		78		112

The foregoing Schedule is calculated by the formula $\frac{V N_2}{64}$, i.e. Multiply the number found in the column headed "value" by the number of bells, and the product by the number of bells once more, and divide the last product by 64.

B.—For Peals on Six Bells.

Number of Methods rung.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Plain Methods	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Treble Bob Methods ...	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
Methods with "broken leads"	5	8	11	14	17	20	23
Surprise Methods	6	10	14	18	22	26	30

Thus, a peal consisting of two 720s in Treble Bob Methods, two in "broken lead" methods, and three in Surprise methods would count 6+8+14=28.

For 42 six-scores of Doubles your Committee recommend 3 points.

Arthur B. Carpenter, John Carter, Henry Dains, Charles D. P. Davies.

Notice has been given to the effect that the following Schedule will be proposed as an amendment to Schedule A given above:—

Table Constructed From the Formula $\frac{V N_2^3}{8_2^3}$

Description	Triples	Major	Caters	Royal	Cinques	Maximus
Plain Methods	7	8	10	11	13	15
Alliance, etc.	8	10	12	14	16	18
Treble Bob, etc.	—	11	—	15	—	20
Erin, Forward, etc.	12	14	17	20	23	26
Double Norwich, etc.	—	20	*24	28	—	37
Stedman, Duffield, etc.	20	24	29	34	39	45
Superlative, etc.	—	32	—	45	—	60
Cambridge, etc.	—	40	—	56	—	75
London, etc.	—	50	—	70	—	95

* D. N. Caters.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.-Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Michael's. Cornhill, on May 30th. Members are specially requested to attend the meeting on May 30th, when a matter of urgent importance relating to Rule iv. will be discussed.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. A special general meeting will be held on Saturday, May 6th.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The 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 27th The bells of St. Mary's will be available for a short time from 4 o'clock, ringing afterwards being continued at St. Peter's. Tea will be provided at a small charge at The Beehive hotel at 5.30. Members and friends cordially invited. H. C. CHANDLER *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

Rickmansworth (Herts)—A meeting will be held here to-day, Sat.. May 27th, open to all ringers in the Watford rural deanery. Bells available from 3 p.m. Short service at 4.15, H. SHIRE,
11, *Church Street.*

The Dudley and Districts Guild. — The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Brierley Hill to-day, Sat., May 27th. The tower will be open for ringing at 3.45. Service in church at 4 30. with an address by the Rector, the Rev. H. Dibben.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Helmshore to-day, Sat , May 27th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6-30.

T. ROLLERSON, *Br. Sec.*

The Warwickshire Guild. — The May monthly meeting will be held at Kenilworth to-day, Saturday, May 27th. Bells ready at 3.30 p m. ARTHUR COLEMAN, *Hon. Sec*

The Essex Association.—South-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Chigwell Row, on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells ready at 3 30. Tea (9d. per head), at Richardson's Retreat, at 5.30, the Rector presiding. The tower of St. Mary's, Chigwell, will also be open in the evening. Will those intending to be present let me know by May 31st.

T. E. D. LOOSEMORE, *Hon. Sec.*
80, *Elgin Road, Seven Kings.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Derby District.—A ringing meeting of the above will be held at Belper on Saturday, June 3rd. Bells (6), available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.

BART MITCHELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec,*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Stone on Saturday, June 3rd. Those intending to be present please notify Mr. Peter Preston, 3, Red Hill, Church Street, Stone, not later than Thursday, June 1st.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } *Hon Secs.*
143, *Flint Terrace, Tunstall.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.-North Bucks. Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Shenley, Bucks., on Saturday, June 3rd. Service at 3 30. F. W. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday. Divine Service at St. Mary's at 11 30; preacher — Rev. W. A. Errington, Rector of Hunsdon, Herts. Business meeting to follow. Notice of intention to dine must be sent to the Hon. Secretary not later than June 1st. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*
Great Totham, Witham.

The Kent County Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Folkestone on Whitsun Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting in Woodward Institute at 11 a.m. Service at 12, with an address by the Rev. A. F. Rutty. Rector of Lyminge. Dinner at 1 p m. For dinner tickets, apply before Thursday, June 1st, to the Hon. Secretary, Towers open for ringing—Folkestone (8), Hythe (8), Lyminge (8), Cheriton (6), Newington (6). FRED J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*
Canterbury.

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild. — Eastern Counties Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Long Sutton on Whit Monday. June 5th. Dinner at The Bull hotel at 1 o'clock. Short service with address in the parish church at 3 30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*

Peterborough and District Association.—A meeting will be held at Maxey on Whit-Monday, June 5th. Bells available all day Hearty invitation to all ringers. Tea will be provided, 6d. each, at 5.30, at The Bluebell, to those who let the Secretary know by Monday, May 29th. J. JUITON, *Sec., pro tem.*
St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at Whitley Bay and North Shields. Bells of St. Paul's and Christ Church available all day. Committee meeting at The Station hotel, Whitley Bay, at 1 o'clock Dioner at the same place at 1.30 Members intending to be present p'ease notify

CHAS. TODD, *Hon. Sec.*
26, *Greenbank Crescent, Darlington.*

Central Northamptonshire Association.-The annual meeting will be held at Higham Ferrers on Whit-Monday, June 5th. The bells of Higham and Irthlingborough will be ready at 10 a.m. Service in the church at 12 noon. Luncheon and business meeting at The Green Dragon at 1 o'clock All those intending to be present at the luncheon must let me know not later than May 31st. Luncheon—members 1s. each; visitors and friends 2s. F. WILFORD, *Hon. Sec.*
27, *Bostock Avenue, Northampton.*

The Hereford Diocesan Guild.—Festival, Thursday, June 8th, held at Ledbury, by the kind permission of the Rector and churchwardens. 11 a.m.—Divine Service. Preacher, the Ven. the Archdeacon of Hereford, with offertory for the Guild. 12 noon.—Business meeting in the baptistry. 1 p m.—Dinner (2s.) at The Royal Oak hotel. Ringing by arrangement at Ledbury, Eastnor, Colwall Coddington and other towers. The Herefordshire and Worcestershire Agricultural Society's Show, second day. All bookings to Ledbury this day at 1¼ fares, irrespective of member of each party.

AUGUSTUS C. LEE, *Hon. Sec.*
Lugwardine Vicarage, Hereford.

N.B -Advise the Hon. Secretary, if coming, not later than Wednesday, May 31st State wishes for the afternoon.

The Essex Association.—North-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harlow Common on Saturday, June 10th. Tea will be provided at The White Horse at 6d. per head for those who notify me by the Thursday previous J. F. PENNING *Hon. Sec.*
"*Fairyville*," *Saffron Walden*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Hanbury-on-the-Hill on Saturday, June 10th Bells available at 3.30. By the kindness of the Vicar a tea will be provided free to all the ringers attending, who send their names not later than June 8th to

H. WAKLEY, *Sec.*
160, *Horninglow Road, Burton-on-Trent.*

The Ely Diocesan Association.-The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

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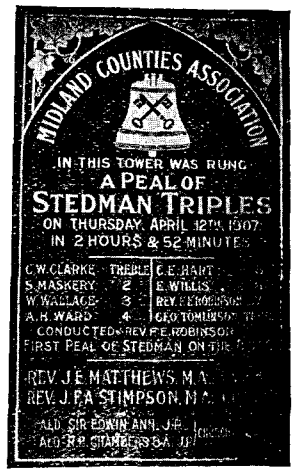

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SATURDAY, MAY 27, 1911.

The Metropolis.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints, Edmonton,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 17¾ cwt. in F.

Wilby J. Hazell	*Treble.*	George Radley	5.
Miss Edith K. Parkee ..	2.	George A. Card	6.
Henry Dains	3.	James Parker	7.
John H. Benstead	4.	George Peace	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. Dains, and Conducted by James Parker.

(H. D.—This peal has not been sent before.)

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

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary, Battersea,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
In the Kent Variation. Tenor 15¾ cwt.

Ernest A. Reeve	*Treble.*	Alfred W. Grimes.. ..	5.
William J. Dean*	2.	*Harold Burton	6.
Arthur N. Hardy	3.	*Frank J. Hairs	7.
Henry S. Ellis	4.	*Harry Mance	*Tenor.*

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On Saturday, May 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lbs

HEBER DERBYSHIRE	*Treble.*	JOHN WELSBY	5.
JAMES H. RIDYARD	2.	FRED DERBYSHIRE	6.
JOSEPH LOWE	3.	PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE	7.
ARTHUR RIDYARD	4.	JOSEPH RIDYARD	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JOSEPH RIDYARD.

First peal in the method by A. Ridyard. All the band belong to the local company.

SPELDHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

PHILIP CHAPMAN*	*Treble.*	JAMES MAYNARD	5.
JAMES BAKER	2.	WILLIAM LATTER	6.
ARTHUR MAYNARD†	3.	CHARLES CHAPMAN	7.
GEORGE FUGGLE†	4.	GEORGE TURLEY	*Tenor.*

(No conductor mentioned.)

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Baker on his 68th birthday, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns. It was also rung to celebrate Mr. Baker having been a ringer at this church for 53 years.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 24¼ cwt.

G. W. MARTIN	*Treble.*	H. M. SMITH	5.
H. R. BUTCHER	2.	C. BRASIER	6.
F. HAMMOND	3.	A. MARTIN	7.
E. BISHOP, JUN.	4.	E. BISHOP, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. R. BUTCHER.

First peal of Grandsire by the local band.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ST. MODWEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 19 cwt.

JAMES HICKLIN	*Treble.*	‡WILLIAM J. SMITH	5.
HARRY KENDRICK	2.	†CECIL A. BEELS	6.
JOSEPH BRITTAIN*	3.	LEONARD BULLOCK	7.
THOMAS DICKEN	4.	FRANE SHEPHERD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by LEONARD BULLOCK.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. ‡100th peal.

BARROW-ON-HUMBER, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, May 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720s. Tenor 18½ cwt.

REV. H. LAW JAMES	*Treble.*	*ARTHUR HOODLESS	4.
JOSEPH BARRICK	2.	HARRY ASHTON	5.
HENRY EBBATSON	3.	JOHN W. CROWDER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells; also the conductor's 200th peal, a list of which will appear next week.

WIDNES.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10¾ cwt.

JOHN A. CALLAND	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. HANCOCK	5.
RICHARD DAGNALL	2.	GEORGE CLEWS	6.
ROBERT LEATHER	3.	GEORGE SANT	7.
HERBERT ASHTON	4.	ALBERT HARRIS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. J. HANCOCK.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect for the late Mrs. Morton.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, May 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER*	*Treble.*	*GEORGE F. SWANN	5.
CHARLES DICKENS	2	†SAMUEL GROVE	6.
GEORGE PIGOTT	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS*	4.	*JOHN WITHERS	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. This is J. Dowler's 150th peal, a list of which will appear next week.

MARSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 7 cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES	*Treble.*	*GEORGE H. CROSS	5.
GEORGE S. SOAME	2.	EDWARD H. KING	6.
WILLIAM A. HEMPEL*	3	ERNEST G SUFFLING	7.
GEORGE MOY	4.	FREDK. W. ELLIOTT	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

*First peal of Treble Bob. †First peal.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

FREDK. BORRETT	*Treble.*	HENRY GARNHAM	5.
FREDK. SUBBIDGE*	2.	CHARLES ROOPE	6.
ALFRED SMITH	3.	WILLIAM ROOPE	7.
CHALES BAKER	4.	FREDK. ROOPE	*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal in the method.

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs.

FREDK. BORRETT	*Treble.*	*GEORGE GOWER	5.
EDWIN WHITING	2.	JOSEPH BOTWRIGHT	6.
WALTER MOBBS	3.	RUSSELL RICHES	7.
EDWARD LUBBOCK	4.	FREDK. SMITH	*Tenor.*

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal in the method.

BUNGAY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr 4 lbs. in F.

FREDK. R. BORRETT..	*Treble.*	ERNEST LINCOLN	5
CLAYTON PARNELL	2.	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ..	6.
CHARLES BAKER	3.	JOHN LARTER	7.
GEORGE BAXTER	4.	THOMAS KING	*Tenor.*

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by FREDK. R. BORRETT.

Rung as a welcome to the new Vicar, the Rev. —. Packer. It was also E. Lincoln's ninth peal on these bells, be having rang each of them to a peal.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, AND THE ASHTON UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Five Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 9056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM	*Treble.*	ISAAC SCHOFIELD	5.
SAMUEL WOOD	2.	SAMUEL BOOTH	6.
JOSEPH GODDARD	3.	CHARLES H. MARSLAND ..	7.
SAMUEL STOTT	4.	BENJAMIN THORPE	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. TIMBRELL, and Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

This peal is part of the 17,120.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

PERCIVAL J. STOKES..	*Treble.*	JOHN W. WOOD..	5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	JAMES OSBORN	6.
ARTHUR MACKEARS	3.	FREDK. W. STOKES	7.
ARCHIE C. STOKES	4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

First Surprise peal on the bells.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S No. 47. Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHORT	5.
HARRY DICKENS..	2.	JAMES DOWLER	6.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK	3.	SAMUEL GROVE	7.
CHARLES DICKENS	4.	OLIVER JAMES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN J. LAMB	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
GEORGE RADLEY	2.	ISAAC CAVILL	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE..	3.	JAMES GEORGE	7.
PERCY R. HISLOP*	4.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

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

*First peal in the method.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM ALDIS..	*Treble.*	RICHARD BALDRY	5.
JOHN F. WILSON	2.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	6.
ALFRED FUNNELL	3.	GEORGE POYNTZ	7.
FREDK. WHITHAM	4.	WILLIAM STEELE	*Tenor.*

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT, and Conducted by WM. STEELE.

HORSELL, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM A. WOODROW†..	*Treble.*	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ..	4.
JAMES BRACKLEY*	2.	ERNEST J. HAMBLIN ..	5.
FREDK. G. WOODISS	3.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD.. ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

*First peal. †First peal on tower bells.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

RALPH MEEK	*Treble.*	WILLIAM GOODMAN	6.
THOMAS WATTON	2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE	7.
HERBERT SHEPPARD	3.	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ..	8.
WILLIAM ROCK SMALL ..	4.	HARRY GOODMAN	9.
WILLIAM MILLS..	5.	CHARLES FAULES	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by J. GOODMAN, JUN.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

ALFRED T. REEVES*	*Treble.*	JOHN SWAIN	5.
HENRY TUCKER	2.	CHARLES GILES	6.
WALTER A WEBB	3.	ALBERT E. REEVES.. ..	7.
CHARLES COX	4.	WILLIAM H. BUCKLAND	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT E. REEVES.

*First peal.

Handbell Peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Eleven Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

ALFRED H. PULLING ..	1-2.	MAURICE SMITHER ..	5-6.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN,	3-4.	FRANK BLONDELL	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The footnote to the peal at South Wigston, reported in our last issue, should read—"This was the youngest band to ring a peal on eight bells by the Midland Counties Association."

Date Touches.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HULL.—On Friday, May 19th, at All Saints church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1911 changes), in 1 hr. 9 mins. T. Harrison, M. Hedges, A. Naylor, T. Whitfield, C. Jackson (composer and conductor), A. B. Cook, H. Jenkins, G. Hedges. Rung as a birthday compliment to John Maude Gaunt, an hon. member of this Association, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

Miscellaneous.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday afternoon, May 21st, for a meeting of the C.E.M.S., the ringers all being members of that Society, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Allen, J. Burles, G. Jones, R. Tall, R. Constant, F. Mitchell conductor. The Milton band thank Messrs. Constant and Tall, of Gravesend, for completing the band.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

NOTTINGHAM.—On Sunday, April 23rd, at St. Peter's church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob, 1280 changes. W. Bellamy conductor, T. R. Flint, T. A. Burnham, A. Barratt, J. H. Clarke, H. R. Cobbin, F. Tite, E. J. Oliver. On Sunday, May 7th, 1232 Bob Major. H. Burdock, T. R. Flmt, A. Barratt, J. H. Clarke conductor, E. J. Oliver, H. R. Cobbins, F. Tite, W. Bellamy. On Sunday, May 14th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. J. Hickman, S. Wesley, T. A. Burnham, F. Johuson, F. Tite, H. R. Cobbin, E. J. Oliver conductor. W. Bellamy.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

SEDBERGH.—On Thursday, May 18th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1280 changes). J. Smith, T. Sisson, E. Rennington, R. Atkinson, H. Haresnape, W. Pennington, J. Pennington, G F. Woodhouse conductor. Rung with the bells deeply muffled in affectionate memory of the late J. E. Senogles, who had been a ringer at the above church for 13 years.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HOUNSLOW.—On Saturday, May 13th, at St. Paul's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. G. Spencer, G. A. Ransome, F. C. Goddard, J. Chave, T. Beadle, A. Harding, W. J. New conductor, A. Beckensale.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST WYCOMBE.—On Sunday, May 14th, 1080 Bob Minor. A. Ashman, F. Hayes, C. Coles, W. Goodchild, G. Williams, J. W. Wilkins conductor. It was intended to ring a peal, but owing to the bad going of the bells it could not be done. It is a matter of regret for this fine peal to remain in such a condition.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

AYLSHAM (Norfolk).—On Friday evening, May 5th, at St. Michael's church, 504 Grandsire Caters. G. Neal, E. H. King, E. Suffling, G. Soame, W. Rought, J. R. Pilch, J. Moy, W. Miller, G. Moy conductor, John Moy. 504 Bob Royal. G. Neal, G. Moy conductor, E. Suffling, G. Soame, E. H. King, J. R. Pilch, J. Moy, W. Wrought, W. Miller, John Moy. On Friday, May 12th, 576 Oxford Treble Bob Major. E. H. King, G. Soame, E. Suffling, J. R. Pilch, J. Moy, W. Rought, G. Moy conductor, F. W. Elliott. And 504 Bob Royal. F. W. Elliott, E. H. King, E. Suffling, G. Soame, J. Moy, J. R. Pilch, H. Burgess, W. Rought, G. Moy conductor, John Moy.

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

RUGBY.—On Wednesday, May 24th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. O. White, R. Watson, E. Hughes, J. A. Fenton, J. George, W. Malins, J. B. Fenton conductor, A. J. Hessian. Tenor 25 cwt. in D. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

BRIDGEND.—On Sunday, May 14th, for evening service at St. Illtyd's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, J. Evans, R. Evans, R. James, J. Cox conductor, D. Powell.

CALDICOT (Mon).—On Tuesday, May 9th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. G. Boucher, A. Lewis, C. King. A. Pippin, F. Viles, C. Greedy conductor, W. Margetts, E. Rowe.

LONDON.—On Sunday, May 14th, for Evensong, at the church of St John the Evangelist, Wilton Road, Pimlico, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (taken from Holt's Original, in 45 mins. W. D. Farrow first quarter-peal, G. F. Harder, G. R. Channer first quarter-peal as conductor, E. Jones, J. Thimblethorpe, E. C. Phillips, F. T. Gover, E. Weaver. Rung as a farewell to W. D. Farrow, who is leaving London.

NEWPORT (Mon).—On Thursday, May 18th, for practice at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. J. W. Jones, F. Morgan, J. Bullen, F. Atwell, J. Butler, J. Pippin, A. E. Morgan conductor, J. Goddard.

NETHERTON (Worcestershire).—On Sunday, May 20th, for morning service at St. Andrew's church, 840 Erin Triples. R. Hill, H. Price, J. Faulkner, W. Prestidge, A. Greenfield, A. Prestidge, A. Davies conductor, J. Massey. Longest length in the method by all.

SKILLINGTON (Lincs).—On Saturday, May 18th, at St. James's church, a quarter-peal of Doubles, being 240 Canterbury Pleasure, 300 Grandsire, 240 Plain Bob, 120 Stedman, 360 St. Dunstan's. H. Thorpe, D. B. Overton, W. G. Thorpe, A. C. Darnell, J. Lord conductor. Rung on the occasion of the erection of a peal board recordiag a peal rang here on November 19th, 1910.

THIRSK (Yorks).—On Wednesday, May 10th, at St. Mary's church, with the bells muffled for the memorirl service to the iate Bishop Camidge, formerly Vicar of Thirsk, 966 Grandsire Triples. H. Brown, jun., H. Brown, sen., G. Stott, G. W. Neesam conductor, G. Watson, G. Neesam, R. B. Brown, R. E. Neesam.

BOLNEY, SUSSEX.

The members of the Bolney company had a most enjoyable outing to Eastbourne on Saturday, May 20th. Leaving Bolney at 8 a.m. the party arrived at Eastbourne at 10.45 and proceeded to The Victoria hotel (which was made the headquarters for the day), where a bread and cheese luncheon was partaken of. A stroll along the grand sea front created an appetite for a capital hot dinner, which was awaiting them on their return at one o'clock. Two o'clock found the party in a pair-horse brake en route for Beachy Head, where the grand scenery was much admired. The bells of St. Saviour's church had been placed at the disposal of the party for one hour, and punctually to time the brake arrived at the church, the party being welcomed by Mr. W. Ware, captain of the local ringers, L. Faulkner, T. Willoughby and other Eastbourne ringers. Touches of Grandsire Triples were brought round, the fine tone of this grand ring being much admired. Tea followed, the party being joined by Mr. Faulkner, after which Mr. G. Walder, jun., hon. sec., proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of St. Saviour's for allowing them the use of the bells, and to the Eastbourne ringers for the cordial welcome extended. Needless to say the vote was carried unanimously. Mr. Faulkner responded, and expressed the pleasure it gave them to receive visits from other ringers. Owing to local circumstances it was difficult to obtain permission for much ringing, but the welcome of the local ringers was none the less welcome on that account. An hour at an electric theatre brought train time, and the party arrived at Bolney at about 10.30, after a most enjoyable day.

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SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The first cycle run of the season took place last Saturday afternoon. Ringers from Walsall, Wolverhampton, and Four Oaks met at Longdon at 3.15. After admiring the magnificent Norman south doorway and chancel arch and the excellent state in which everything visible is kept in the church, we ascended the tower, where are five bells by Robert Newcombe. Unfortunately for us, they very much need rehanging—a fact which made it quite impossible to "strike" a 6-score. Having mentioned the names and addresses of a few bellhangers to the Vicar, we were off to Abbots Bromley, where we found ringers from Uttoxeter and Haughton awaiting our arrival. Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Singles were soon tapped off on a good ring of five, which are only spoilt by the flatness of the fourth bell. The Vicar entertained us to tea, and showed us photographs of the famous "Horn Dance," which takes place in the village annually at the "wakes" on the first Monday after September 4th, and to which visitors come from all parts of England. This year the event will be held on September 11th. The horns are the property of the Vicar for the time being, and are kept in the tower. This dance is a pageant of immemorial antiquity. The performers are twelve in number, the six with the reindeer horns, one (now called Robin Hood) with a hobby-horse, a boy with a cross-bow and arrow, a man representing Maid Marian, another in the guise of a fool, and two musicians. All wear special and very quaint costumes of red and green, with flowered breeches. The most plausible suggestion as to the origin of the dance is that it was a demonstration to prove that the townspeople possessed the right of hunting deer in the adjoining Needwood Forest. Our next tower on the programme was Blithfield (6) where five minutes, owing to a service, were quite sufficient on bells which sorely need rehanging. The six miles between us and Ingestre were soon covered. We were here joined by a ringer from Bloxwich, who had been patiently awaiting our belated arrival. We had indeed fallen on a sorry selection of towers (except Abbots Bromley) that afternoon, for here again the bellhanger needs to be employed, while the 2nd bell is very sharp, not only in tone, but in "going over," as one of our party found out. Three courses of Bob Minor were brought round, in addition to Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. Although a ride of over twenty miles lay before most of us, we left Ingestre at 8.30, having fully enjoyed the outing, if not the bells.

ABOVE THE BELLS.—Some time ago a rook's nest was built on the top of the spire of Brunswick church, near Whitby. The rooks were in no way disturbed when the bells were rung, and it is doubted if even a Coronation peal would have driven them away.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Canterbury District was held at Dover on Saturday, May 20th. The bells of St. Mary's (8), and of St. James's (6), were rung from 3 till 9 p.m., exceptmg for the interval for tea and service. Tea was very kindly provided at the Dovonian Restaurant at 4,30 by the Rev. Canon Bartram, at which fifty-two members sat down. The Rev. R. W. Reed (Master of the St, Mary's Society), presided. The Secretary and representative were both re-elected. St. Lawrence, Thanet, Canterbury, and Upper Deal with Walmer, were chosen as places of meetings for the current year. Fifteen new members were elected. It was remarked that eighteen towers out of forty-nine were in union with the Association, and forty out of 158 members had rung in complete peals during the past year.

A special service was arranged for 6 p.m. at St. Mary's church, at which the Rev. T. B. Watkins, Vicar of St. James's, preached an eloquent and appropriate sermon upon the duties and privileges of ringers calling together God's saints unto Him, and at which Mr. W. E. Pitman, of Lyminge, presided at the organ. A hearty vote of thanks to Canon Bartram for the use of the bells, and for the refreshments, was carried unanimously. Mr. H. E. Bridges very ably made the arrangements for the meeting

W. H. T.—Next week.

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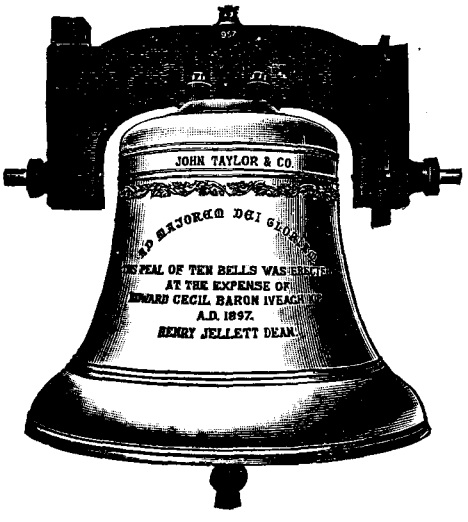

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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A meeting of the Guildford District was held at Ewhurst on Saturday, May 20th, and was attended by about thirty members—a good meeting, considering the position. Service was held in the church, and a very practical address given by the Rector (Rev. A. E. Clark Kennedy), who described himself a sailor as well as a parson, and said when they wanted to know if a ship was smart, they always looked at the smallest boat, and the way it was manned, and he ventured to think the same rule applied to ringers and ringing, and that it was the small things done well which made a good ringer.

At the tea, held in the Church Hall, Walter Webb, esq., presided, and said how pleased he was to see such a body of men there, and how much he had enjoyed the hearty manner in which they had joined in the service they had just held. He understood that two of the bells in their tower were over 400 years old; two more were put up in 1671, and when the tower fell down and flung the four into the churchyard in 1835, they were re-placed, and two more added. In the Coronation year of King Edward VII., they quarter-turned their bells, and he thought what a good memorial it would be of the Coronatlon year of King George if they could add two more, and make a nice peal ot eight, and he was prepared to do his share, and would use what influence he had with his neighbours to try to bring it about.

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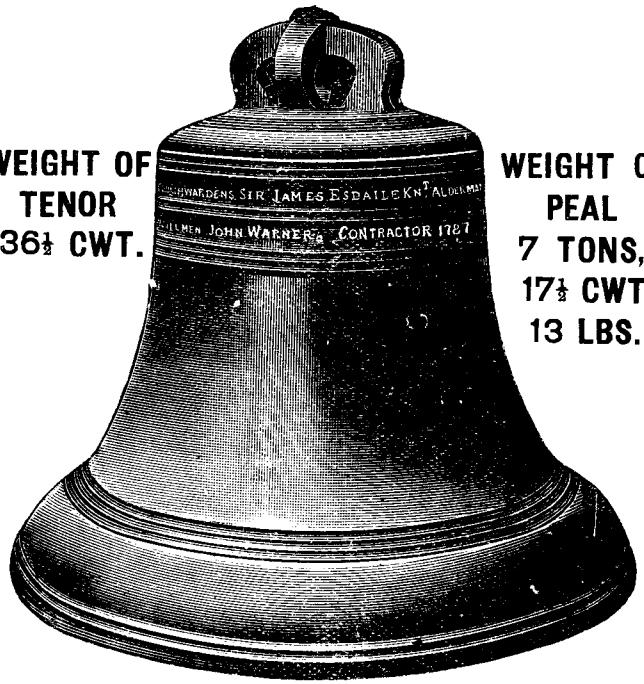

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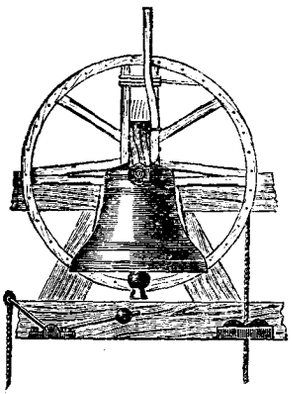

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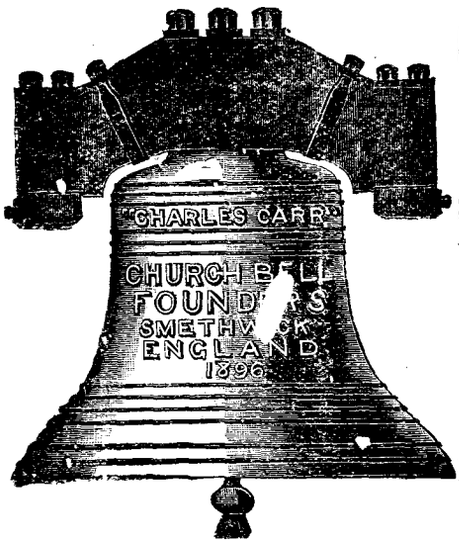

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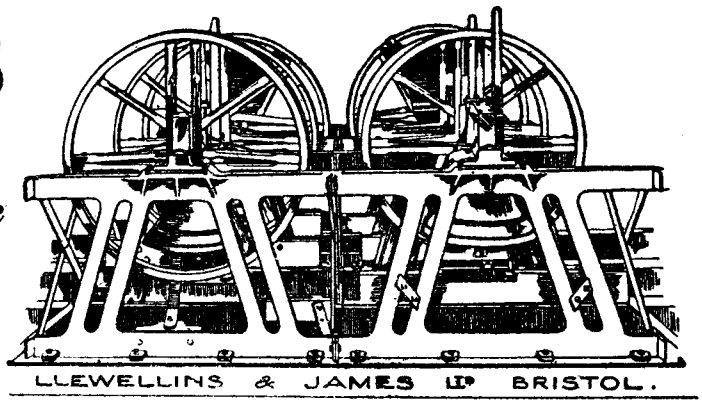

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Tonbridge District of the above was held at Hadlow on Saturday, May 20th, and was very well attended, members being present from Chiddingstone, Horsmonden, East Peckham, Shipbourne, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, Maidstone and the local company. Ringing commenced at 3.30. At 5 o'clock the members attended a special service conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. C. Groves. A member of the local band presided at the organ, and the members joined heartily in the singing of the well known hymns—"All people that on earth do dwell," and "O Jesu I have promised." The Vicar gave an excellent address, taking his text from Daniel iii. 24–25. At the outset the rev. gentleman extended a hearty welcome to the members, whom he was glad to see in such numbers, and proceeded to have, as he termed it, a short talk as from man to man. At the conclusion of the address the hymn "O happy band of pilgrims" was sung.

Service over the members adjourned to the parish hall, where an excellent tea was kindly provided by the Vicar, who presided, supported by the two churchwardens. The district secretary read a letter of apology from J. P. S. Hervey, esq., for non-at endance. One new member was elected, and the election of another confirmed. It was decided to attempt the next quarterly peal at Tunbridge Wells on June 5th, method Bob Major, conductor Mr. E. E. Lambert. The district secretary reported that the bells at Edenbridge had been recast and rehung in a new iron frame by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and that he visited Edenbridge on April 23rd, when the bells were dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Rochester, and the tone and go of the bells was everything that could be desired. A new treble had been added at Cowden, making a ring of six. There being no other business the district secretary proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, for his excellent address, and for generously providing tea. This was carried unanimously.

The Rev. T. H. Monneypenny, in reply, said that he could only repeat what he said in his address, viz., that it gave him the greatest pleasure to welcome them to Hadlow. He recognised the enormous amount of good theirs and other Associations had done, and he hoped the time would not be far distant when they would pay Hadlow another visit. He thought they could say their service was unique, as it was conducted entirely by members, himself, the organist and organ blower all belonging to the Association.

The district secretary, in proposing votes of thanks to J. Burgess and H. S. Ward, esqs. for their attendance, recalled what they done at the time when the bellframe was condemned as unsafe for ringing, and they were faced with a heavy expenditure to do the necessary repairs, and although they had not heen able to have done all that was desired, yet the members were very pleased at the manner in which they took steps at once to raise the funds for the work.

Mr. Burgess, in reply, expressed his pleasure at being present, and said what he done as hon. secretary of the bell restoration fund was a very pleasant duty, and he was glad their efforts had been successful.

Mr. H. S. Ward disclaimed that he had done anything in getting the bells restored, beyond having a certain amount of impudence in trying to persuade people that it was their business to help to rehang the bells when they thought otherwise. However, he was glad they had done what they could, and they had raised and spent about £150 on the bells, and although all had not been done that was necessary, yet he could assure them that it was not lost sight of, and he hoped that at some future time the trebles would be recast and an entirely new frame put in. Mr. Ward concluded by paying a compliment to Mr. Latter, their district secretary, for the way in which he conducted the business of the branch.

Votes of thanks to Mr. C. Groves for presiding at the organ, and to the ladies who so kindly waited on them at the tea, concluded the meeting, and the members adjourned to the tower and rang touches in various methods until 9.30. The captain of the local band (Mr. A. H. Reader) very kindly arranged for the tower of Hadlow Castle to be open to members, and a good many availed themselves of the opportunity of climbing to the top from whence a good view of the surrounding country was obtained.

THE CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL SOCIETY NEW ZEALAND.

The Annual General Meeting of this Society was held in the ringing chamber recently. The following members were present: Rev. H. B. Jones (President), Messrs. T. W. Biddle, R. Broadbelt, L. Cameron, L. A. Clark, F. Page, W. Jones, F. Woods, W. Wraight and W. Saunders. The minutes of the half yearly meeting were read and confirmed. Correspondence was received and read from the Very Rev. Dean Harper and Mr. W. F. Saunders. The President moved that Mr. Saunders' resignation be accepted with regret, which was seconded by Mr. Biddle. Mr. Saunders, who was present, stated that his chief reason for resigning was that he thought it was his duty to take his children to church on Sunday mornings, and by so doing he would be unable to attend the meetings of ringers on Sundays.

The Secretary's report and balance sheet were read and adopted, and it was then moved that copies of same be forwarded to the Chapter. This was carried. Messrs. E. Barter and L. Cameron were duly elected members of the Society. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Rev. H. B. Jones; Master, Mr. T. M. Biddle; Deputy Master, Mr. W. Wraight; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, L. A. Clark; Auditor, Mr. R. Broadbelt; Committee, Messrs. E. Barter, L. Cameron, F. Page and F. Woods.

Mr. Biddle, when thanking the members on being returned as Master for the ensuing year, drew their attention to the fact that the attendances and punctuality were not by any means perfect, and hoped the members would bear this in mind in future. He also mentioned that he

would like to have the time on Tuesday nights extended to half past nine, to enable the ringers to put in more practice. He stated that he had the nucleus of a good band now, and that if the members would only enter into the new year with the object of ringing several peals he was confident that they would accomplish their tasks.

Mr. Barter proposed, and Mr. Biddle seconded, that a fine of 1d. be imposed on members being five minutes late. This was carried.

Mr. Biddle suggested that the floor of the ringing chamber should be covered with linoleum so as to give it a more comfortable appearance, and would also be the means of keeping the tower cleaner. This suggestion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The President moved that the matter be left in the hands of the committee. This was agreed to. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the chair.

The Rev. —. Simpson, son of the late Canon Simpson, of Surrey, England, paid visits to the tower on Sunday the 8th, and Tuesday, the 10th of January, and gave a few very interesting talks regarding the bells and towers of his county, and also gave a brief outline of the tuning of bells—his father being the inventor of the new method of the tuning of bells. Mr. E. Barter, mentioned in the above report, was a member of the Exeter Ringers' Cycling Club, and also of St. David's Society.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A monthly meeting of the above Guild was held at Kenilworth on Saturday, May 27th. The attendance, though not large, was quite representative, ringers being present from the following places: Allesley, Berkswell, Coventry, Nuneaton, Rugby, Stoke Golding, and Warwick. Owing to the late arrival of most of the members, very little ringing was indulged in before tea, but during the evening touches were rung in the following methods: Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Double Court, Oxford, Oxford Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles. The conducting was shared by Messrs. Adams, Chandler, James, and Stoneley.

ST. ILLTYD'S CHURCH, BRIDGEND.

The annual meeting of the above society was held in the Parish Room on Saturday, May 27th, the Vicar in the chair. The election of officers were as follows: Mr. R. Evans re-elected Master for the 23rd year in succession, the Vicar congratulating and complimenting him upon his splendid work and faithfulness in the tower. Mr. A. J. Stanley was unanimously re-elected Secretary. The Vicar complimented Mr. F. J. Evans on his ringing attendance, having attended the full number of times, and as an appreciation, the Vicar said he would present him with a Bible.

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The Standing Committee will meet previously at 9.45 a.m. in the same room.

AGENDA, 1911.

1.—Minutes of the last Meeting.

2.—Statement of Accounts and of Sale of Publications.

3.—Election of Honorary Members.

4.—Introduction of New Members to the President.

5.—To receive and discuss the Reports of the following Committees:—

(*a*) Peal Collection.
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8.—That the Central Council give to the "Ringing World" recognition equal to that accorded to "THE BELL NEWS" for the publication of official reports and communications, and that any peals published exclusively in the "Ringing World" shall be counted in the Central Council's Analysis.

9.—Other business, if any.

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

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Mr. Wm. Willson, of 4, Keythorpe Street, Leicester, writes:—"To delegates. Will any delegates who are coming to Leicester before Tuesday communicate with me, as if the number justifies it some entertainment may be made for the Monday night. Also any stranger requiring accommodation can rely on my co-operation to provide it for them if they will enclose addressed post card."

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT BARROW-ON-HUMBER (reported last week).—Rev. H. Law James' 200 peals.—Kent Treble Bob Maximus 1; Plain Bob Maximus 1, in hand; Grandsire Cinques 1; Cambridge Surprise Royal 3, conducted 2, the first two rung; Kent Treble Bob Royal 4, conducted 3; Plain Bob Royal 3, conducted 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Caters 1, the first rung; Stedman Caters (Norwich) 6, conducted 2; Grandsire Caters 4, conducted 1; London Surprise Major 2, conducted 2; Gloucester Surprise Major 1, conducted 1; Cambridge Surprise Major 8, conducted 7; Superlative Surprise Major 6, conducted 3: Double Norwich Court Bob Major 30, conducted 25, including the first in hand; Double Oxford Bob Major 2, conducted 2; Kent Treble Bob Major 18, conducted 12; Oxford Treble Bob Major 3, conducted 2; Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Major 1, conduceed 1; Plain Bob Major 16, conducted 10, one in hand; Stedman Triples (Norwich) 40, conducted 11; Grandsire Triples 13, conducted 4, one in hand; Plain Bob Triples (so called) 3, conducted 2, two in hand; Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Triples (so called) 1; Minor* 30, conducted 26; Doubles 2, conducted 2. Total 200, conducted 119. *Including the first in 8, 9 and fourteen methods, consisting of seven complete 720s.

THE PEAL AT KINGS NORTON (reported last week).—Mr. J. Dowler's 100 peals.—Grandsire Doubles 1, Grandsire Triples 12 conducted 2; Grandsire Caters 3, Stedman Triples 42, Stedman Caters 1, Stedman Cinques 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 19, conducted 3; Kent Treble Bob Royal 1, Oxford Treble Bob Major 2, Oxford Treble Bob Royal 1; Double Norwich Major 15, Double Oxford Major 1, Duffield Major 1, Bob Major 6, Superlative Surprise 16, Cambridge Surprise 7: Bristol Surprise Major 4, London Surprise Major 15. Total 100, conducted 5.

THE PEAL AT BURTON-ON-TRENT (reported last week).—Mr. W. J. Smith's 100 peals.—Stedman Caters 1, Grandsire Caters 2, London Surprise Major 7, Superlative Surprise Major 5, Cam-Surprise Major 1, New Cumberland Surprise Major 1, Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 7, Duffield Major 4, Double Oxford Bob Major 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Bob Major 1, Stedman Triples 33, Grandsire Triples 28, Grandsire Triples on handbells 4, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Minor 1, Minor in three plain methods 1, Bob Minor 2. Total 100.

Correspondence.

NEW TRIPLE METHOD.

SIR,—Mr. Astbury's method is interesting to me, as about five and twenty years ago I tried a method very similar to it, my treble dodging in 1, 2, naking 3rds, and then dodging in 4, 5, and 6, 7, both up and down—having in fact, with the exception of 3rds on the way up and down, a continuous dodging hunt. But I soon gave it up, as it seemed hopeless to get anything true out of it. Of the four rows in which Mr. Astbury's treble is at lead three are positive and only one negative. This looks questionable, to say the least of it. But I must leave complete investigation to some one with more time to spare than I have at present.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

HANDBELL RINGING IN DERBY.

SIR,—It is just one year since I bought a set of handbells. I set to work to teach the undermentioned boys change-ringing, and they made such rapid strides in the Art, that they were able to ring a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples on Sunday, May 6th, my eldest boy conducting same, his age being 17 years on the 6th of this month. But this is not the first quarter-peal they have rung, for with the assistance of Mr. A. H. Ward they have succeeded in ringing six quarter-peals altogether. The ringers of this quarter-peal were—S. Vickers conductor, 1-2; J. Vickers, sen., 3-4; A. Braines, 5-6; J. Vickers, jun., 7-8.

J. VICKERS.

G. F. M.—Next week.

E. BURGESS.—We are writing to you.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LIVERPOOL.—On Empire Day, at the church of St. John the Baptist, Tue Brook, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. T. Hammond, sen., G. R. Newton conductor, T. Hammond, jun., H. Fyles, W. Heyes, W. Twist, E. Caunce, W. Mansell.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

SOUTHWARK.—On Sunday, May 29th, at the church of St George the Martyr, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 47 mins. C. H. Hughes, S. F. Gowlett, H. T. Gowlett, T. H. Taffender conductor, W. H. Taffender, F. J. Hardy, R. F. Deal, S. B. Weatherstone.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

WORCESTER.—On Sunday, May 28th, for Divine Service at St. Helen's church, 840 Stedman Triples. G. Hinton, J. Morris, J. Brettell, W. H. Johnson, J. Bullock, A. Hill conductor, E. Watkins, J. Pardoe.

BRIDGEND.—On Sunday, May 28th, for morning service, 336 Bob Major. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. J. Paul, A. J. Stanley, T. J. Evans, R. Evans, T. Butler, J. Evans, J. Cox conductor, D. Powell.

Handbell Peals.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT 7, MARKET ROAD, HOLLOWAY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

BERTRAM PREWETT ..	1-2.	GEORGE R. PYE	5-6.
ERNEST PYE	3-4.	†WILLIAM PYE	7-8.

Umpire—A. W. Coles. †100th peal on handbells. It was arranged to ring Cinques, but meeting short had to result in the above.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT)

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 7023 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT	1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN.	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING ..	3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER ..	7-8.
FRANK BLONDELL	9-10.		

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—S. Radford. Rang in honour of the birthday of His Majesty King George; also as a compliment to F. Blondell and J. Hunt. Longest peal on handbells by all. For calling see "THE BELL NEWS" November, 1898.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT "ANTONEYS,"

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

FRANK MARTIN*	1-2.	‡CHARLES N. LEMAN ..	5-6.
GEORGE SHIPP†	3-4.	*JOHN E. ROOTES	7-8.

Conducted by F. MARTIN.

*First peal. †First peal on handbells and first peal of Triples. ‡First peal on handbells. Umpire—Albert George.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Speldhurst, and reported in our last issue, was conducted by W. Latter.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Report of the Peal Values' Committee.

Your Committee having been instructed at the Meeting at Manchester last year to take the question of a general scheme for allotting points to peals into their further consideration, beg leave to report as follows:—

They have given very careffful attention to the whole subject, and have endeavoured to embody in the schedule which they now propose for your adoption the chief features that were recommended in the discussion that was held at the meeting, principal among them being the allotment of comparatively more points to peals on the higher numbers of bells. The chief difficulty that has confronted them has been that of securing this feature without the employment of any complicated formula in the calculation of the points, their only regret being that the formula which they have felt compelled to adopt—the simplest that they can find—is more complicated than they really like.

SCHEDULES.

A.—For Peals on Seven Bells and Upwards.

Class	Value	Triples	Major	Caters	Royal	Cinques	Maximus
I.	8	6	8	10	12	15	18
II.	10	8	10	13	16	19	22
III.	11		11		17		25
IV.	14	11	14	18	22	26	31
V.	20		20		31		45
VI.	24	18	24	30	38	45	54
VII.	32		32		50		72
VIII.	40		40		62		90
IX.	50		50		78		112

The foregoing Schedule is calculated by the formula $\frac{V N_2}{64}$, i.e. Multiply the number found in the column headed "value" by the number of bells, and the product by the number of bells once more, and divide the last product by 64.

B.—For Peals on Six Bells.

Number of Methods rung.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Plain Methods	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Treble Bob Methods ...	4	6	8	10	12	14	16
Methods with "broken leads"	5	8	11	14	17	20	23
Surprise Methods	6	10	14	18	22	26	30

Thus, a peal consisting of two 720s in Treble Bob Methods, two in "broken lead" methods, and three in Surprise methods would count 6+8+14=28.

For 42 six-scores of Doubles your Committee recommend 3 points.

Arthur B. Carpenter, John Carter, Henry Dains, Charles D. P. Davies.

Notice has been given to the effect that the following Schedule will be proposed as an amendment to Schedule A given above:—

Table Constructed From the Formula $\frac{V N_2^3}{8_2^3}$

Description	Triples	Major	Caters	Royal	Cinques	Maximus
Plain Methods	7	8	10	11	13	15
Alliance, etc.	8	10	12	14	16	18
Treble Bob, etc.	—	11	—	15	—	20
Erin, Forward, etc.	12	14	17	20	23	26
Double Norwich, etc.	—	20	*24	28	—	37
Stedman, Duffield, etc.	20	24	29	34	39	45
Superlative, etc.	—	32	—	45	—	60
Cambridge, etc.	—	40	—	56	—	75
London, etc.	—	50	—	70	—	95

*D. N. Caters.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on June 6th and 20th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 8th and 22nd; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 13th; and St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 27th. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m.
WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand, every alternate Monday at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.
T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Southern District.—A special meeting for united practice and election of officers for the above district will be held at St. Luke's, Chelsea, S.W., on Saturday, June 10th. Tower open from 3.45 to 8.30. Business meeting in the tower at 8.30. Members of this district are specially roquested to attend.
T. H TAFFENDER, *Hon. Gen Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street Denmark, Hill.*

The Essex Association.—Sonth-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Chigwell Row, to-day, Sat., June 3rd. Bells ready at 3 30. Tea (9d. per head), at Richardson's Retreat, at 5.30, the Rector presiding. The tower of St. Mary's, Chigwell, will also be open in the evening.
T. E. D. LOOSEMORE. *Hon. Sec.*
80, *Elgin Road, Seven Kings.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Derby District.—A ringing meeting of the above will be held at Belper to-day, Sat., June 3rd. Bells (6), available from 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.
BART MITCHELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec,*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Stone to-day, Sat., June 3rd.
REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*
143, *Flint Terrace, Tunstall.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.-North Bucks. Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Shenley, Bucks., to-day, Sat., June 3rd. Service at 3.30. F. W. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit Monday. Divine Service at St. Mary's at 11 30; preacher — Rev. W. A. Errington, Rector of Hunsdon, Herts. Business meeting o follow. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*
Great Totham, Witham.

The Kent County Association. — The annual meeting will be held at Folkestone on Whitsun Monday, June 5th. Committee meeting in Woodward Institute at 11 a.m. Service at 12, with an address by the Rev. A. F. Rutty, Rector of Lyminge. Dinner at 1 p.m. For dinner tickets, apply before Thursday, Jnne 1st, to the Hon. Secretary, Towers open for ringing—Folkestone (8), Hythe (8), Lyminge (8), Cheriton (6), Newington (6). FRED J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Sec.*
Canterbury.

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild. — Eastern Counties Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Long Sutton on Whit Monday. June 5th. Dinner at The Bull hotel at 1 o'clock. Short service with address in the parish church at 3.30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*

Peterborough and District Association.—A meeting will be held at Maxey on Whit-Monday, June 5th. Bells available all day Hearty invitation to all ringers.
J. JUITON, *Sec., pro tem.*
St. Mary's School House, Peterborough.

Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—The Whit-Monday meeting will be held at Whitley Bay and North Shields. Bells of St. Paul's and Christ Church available all day. Committee meeting at The Station hotel, Whitley Bay, at 1 o'clock. Dinner at the same place at 1.30.
CHAS. TODD, *Hon. Sec.*
26, *Greenbank Crescent, Darlington.*

Central Northamptonshire Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Higham Ferrers on Whit-Monday, June 5th. The bells of Higham and Irthlingborough will be ready at 10 a.m. Service in the church at 12 noon. Luncheon and business meeting at The Green Dragon at 1 o'clock.
F. WILFORD, *Hon. Sec.*
27, *Bostock Avenue, Northampton.*

The Hereford Diocesan Guild.—Festival, Thursday, June 8th, held at Ledbury, by the kind permission of the Rector and churchwardens. 11 a.m.—Divine Service. Preacher, the Ven. the Archdeacon of Hereford, with offertory for the Guild. 12 noon.—Business meeting in the baptistry. 1 p m.—Dinner (2s.) at The Royal Oak hotel. Ringing by arrangement at Ledbury, Eastnor, Colwall, Coddington and other towers. The Herefordshire and Worcestershire Agricultural Society's Show, second day. All bookings to Ledbury this day at 1¼ fares, irrespective of member of each party.
AUGUSTUS C. LEE, *Hon. Sec.*
Lugwardine Vicarage, Hereford.

The Essex Association.—North-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harlow Common on Saturday, June 10th. Tea will be provided at The White Horse at 6d. per head for those who notify me by the Thursday previous. J. F. PENNING *Hon. Sec.*
"*Fairyville,*" *Saffron Walden*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Hanbury-on-the-Hill on Saturday, June 10th Bells available at 3.30. By the kindness of the Vicar a tea will be provided free to all the ringers attending, who send their names not later than June 8th to
H. WAKLEY, *Sec.*
160, *Horninglow Road, Burton-on-Trent.*

The Sussex Caunty Association.-Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at West Tarring on Saturday, June 10th. Tower open from 3.30 till 9 p.m. Tea at 5.30 by kind invitation of the Rector, for those who let me know by Thursday, June 8th. Service at 6.30. H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Widnes and Farnworth on Saturday, June 10th. Bells ready at Widnes at 3; Farnworth at 7.
WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at Rishton on Saturday, June 10th, Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.
J. WATSON, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association -Manchester Baanch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.
W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A special meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Unveiling of peal tablet at 5.30. Tea in schools at 6. Intending visitors must send word not later than Tuesday, June 13
H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Further particulars later.
Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.-The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.
R. L. TWELLS. *General Secretary.*

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—W. F. Hartshorne has removed to 28, Ruskin Road, Crewe.

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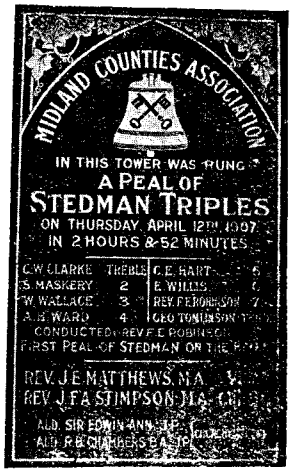

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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary, Acton,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 14½ cwt.

Jarrold Hayward ..	..*Treble.*	William J. Dean ..	.. 5.
Thomas H. Taffender ..	2.	Frank Skevington ..	.. 6.
William A. Garrard* ..	3.	Arthur Harding ..	.. 7.
Henry S. Ellis	4.	Frede. J. Hardy ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. Johnson, and Conducted by Thos. H. Taffender.

*First peal of Major. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

The Provinces.

KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

Leonard P. Bailey..	..*Treble.*	James M. Bailey ..	.. 5.
Norman R. Bailey ..	.. 2.	Ernest S. Bailey ..	.. 6.
Frede. W. Bailey*	.. 3.	Charles F. Bailey	.. 7.
Edgar H. Bailey ..	.. 4.	George Hardy ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. Craven, and Conducted by Charles F. Bailey.

*First peal in the method.

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SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 17¾ cwt.

JOHN S. GOLDSMITH	*Treble.*	WILLIAM PALMER	6.
ALBERT D. STONE	2.	ROBERT J. DAWE	7.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	3.	ALFRED J. TURNER	8.
ERNEST GOWER	4.	KEITH HART	9.
CHARLES PALMER	5.	RICHARD STREDWICK	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM BURGESS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY	5.
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN	2.	JAMES G. RUMSEY	6.
WILLIAM J. GROOM	3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN	7.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN	4.	PETER LAFLIN	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(HALESWORTH DISTRICT.)

On Monday, May 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, and four of Kent.

Tenor 10 cwt.

FREDK. C. LAMBERT	*Treble.*	ARTHUR H. TOOK	4.
JOHN O'NEILL	2.	JAMES HOWARD	5.
HARRY BARTON	3.	ALBERT LEE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

HELMINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 19¼ cwt.

WILLIAM WIGHTMAN	*Treble.*	†WALTER WHITING	5.
ROBERT H. HAYWARD	2.	WILLIAM LAST	6.
ERNEST E. LANHAM	3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN	7.
GEORGE WHITING	4.	*JOHN C. CREASEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WIGHTMAN.

*First peal. †First peal in the method.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS	*Treble.*	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	5.
ALFRED FUNNELL	2.	WILLIAM STEELE	6.
FREDK. WHITHAM	3.	GEORGE POYNTZ	7.
JOHN F. WILSON	4.	†GEORGE H. CROSS	*Tenor.*

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY	*Treble.*	CHARLES F. BAILEY	5.
CHARLES SAMSON	2.	NORMAN R. BAILEY	6.
JAMES M. BAILEY	3.	JAMES G. RUMSEY	7.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	4.	EDGAR H. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by C. F. BAILEY.

Rung in honour of Empire Day.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TLINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM H. HORNEY	*Treble.*	JAMES PARSONS	5.
ERNEST E. BISH	2.	JOHN FEIST	6.
THOMAS STRINGER	3.	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	7.
HENRY J. GRAVETT	4.	WILLIAM SIENNING	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. W. GRAVETT.

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22½ cwt. in E.

W. A. CARR†	*Treble.*	ROBERT W. FALCONER	5.
W. H. BARBER	2.	JOSEPH W. PARKER	6.
B. C. DIXON*	3.	A. H. HILLIER	7.
NORMAN FLECK	4.	J. S. RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

†First peal in any method. *First peal of Stedman.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHARLES CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 23½ cwt. in D.

ERNEST W. MARSH	*Treble.*	†WILLIAM RUNDLE	6.
ALFRED H. NEWCOMB*	2.	HAROLD BENNETT	7.
WALTER H. MARSH†	3.	†FRANK HOCKADAY	8.
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT	4.	‡GEO. HARRY MYERS	9.
REGINALD A. H. DOBSON	5.	FRANCIS PURSE	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

*First peal. †First peal of Stedman Caters. ‡First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman Caters in the Three Towns by residents. Rung in honour of Empire Day.

UXBRIDGE, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qrs.

JOHN J. PRATT	*Treble.*	GEORGE H. GUTTRIDGE	5.
HENRY C. CHANDLER	2.	EDGAR HANCOX	6.
ALAN R. MACDONALD	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	HENRY H. CHANDLER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN J. PRATT.

Rung on the occasion of Empire Day. First peal as conductor.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch.)

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5014 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt. in C sharp.

George F. Williams*	*Treble.*	*Ralph Coles	7.
Sidney T. Goodchild*	2.	*Arthur F. Ashman	8.
John Evans	3.	*Fred Hayes	9.
J. Armiger Trollope*	4.	*Richard Buckland	10.
Fredk. G. Biggs*	5.	*James W. Wilkins	11.
John C. Truss	6.	Benjamin Page	*Tenor.*

Composed by John Nelms, and Conducted by G. F. Williams.

Rung on Empire Day. The Mayor of the borough, Councillor H, J. Cox, has very generously offered to present a tablet recording the same. *First peal on twelve bells. The company includes eight members of the local band.

WEST COKER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Martin,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

Major C. Hughes D'Aeth*	*Treble.*	Rev. F. Ll. Edwards	5.
John Thomas	2.	Ernest B. Crowder	6.
W. W. Hughes D'Aeth*	3.	Gabriel Chamberlain	7.
Jesse B. Tylee	4.	*Walter Smith	*Tenor.*

Conducted by John Thomas.

*First peal of Triples. The ringers of the treble and 5th were proposed members before starting.

EAST COKER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Original. Tenor 12 cwt.

Major C. Hughes D'Aeth	*Trebls.*	Jesse B. Tyler	5.
R. G. Lewis	2.	John Thomas	6.
W. W. Hughes D'Aeth	3	T. Hervey Beams	7.
Harry J. Parsons	4.	W. G. B. Northover	*Tenor.*

Conducted by John Thomas.

Both the peals at West and East Coker were the first on the bells, and both have lately been restored by Llewellins and James, of Bristol. At West Coker two new trebles have been added, and the tenor has been recast, and a new iron frame fixed in the tower, so they have now a sery musical peal of eight. At East Coker the bells have all had new fittings, and the frame bolted together, and both peals go very well and strike even.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, May 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs.

John H. B. Hesse	*Treble.*	George Spencer	5.
Sydney Carter	2.	Alan R. Macdonald	6.
Bertram Prewett	3.	Robert E. Stavert	7.
Charles S. Bird	4	*Ernest R. Gladman	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. Haley, and Conducted by E. R. Gladman.

*First peal as conductor, and of Major away from the treble. Rung on the Queen's birthday, and as a birthday compliment to the Vicar of Heston.

COSELEY. STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Friday, May 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part.

William A. Jeavon	*Treble.*	Benjamin Gough	5.
Arthur Baker	2.	Samuel Baker	6.
Walter Grinsell	3.	William Fisher	7.
Samuel Pearce	4.	Albert E Law	*Tenor.*

Conducted by William Fisher.

Rung in honour of the Queen's birthday.

WATLINGTON. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs.

Sidney Staines	*Treble.*	William Goodrum	4.
Alfred Bacon	2.	Oliver Staines	5.
John Mardell	3.	Edward Barker	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. Barker.

First peal on the bells. At the close of the peal the ringers were kindly entertained to supper by the Rector, the Rev. —. Bailey.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

Harry Argyle	*Treble.*	*Douglas Harold Argyle	5.
Thomas W. Chapman	2.	Herbert Cure	6.
Thomas Dickin*	3.	James F. Clarke, sen.	7.
James F. Clarke, jun.*	4.	*Alfred Hancox	*Tenor.*

Conducted by James F. Clarke, sen.

Rung in honour of the King's birthday. *First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor, and also the first peal in the method by entirely local ringers. The ringer of the 5th is fourteen years of age.

RUMBURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(Halesworth District.)

On Friday, May 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Grandsire, April Day, Morning Star, Old Doubles, and Plain Bob, and two 720s of Canterbury Doubles.

Tenor 10 cwt.

Austin Head*	*Treble.*	Charles Moss	3.
Fredk. C. Lambert	2.	John O'Neill	4.
Albert Lee	*Tenor.*		

Conducted by F. C. Lambert.

Rung to celebrate the birthday of Her Majesty the Queen. *First peal.

GREAT YARMOUTH.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, May 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-Part. Tenor 30½ cwt.

Charles Pidgeon	*Treble.*	Robert Christian	5.
William A. Hempel	2.	Frederick Pestell	6.
Edwin R. Todd	3.	Denison Hayward	7.
George H. Cross	4.	George H. Hammonds	*Tenor.*

Conducted by D. Hayward.

ERITH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE HAYES	*Treble.*	EDWARD F. PIKE	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE	2.	REUBEN SANDERS	6.
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	3.	WILLIAM PYE	7.
JAMES GEORGE	4.	ERNEST PYE	*Tenor.*

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

WARE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qrs.

WALTER S. INWOOD	*Treble.*	GEORGE H. BARKER	5.
HUBERT EDEN	2.	FREDERICK WHITE	6.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY	3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD	7.
GEORGE H. PRICE	4.	ALFRED B. PECK	*Tenor.*

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

First Surprise peal on the bells.

HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LADERENCE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 15½ cwt.

HAROLD G. JENNEY	*Treble.*	J. CHARLES DICKEN	5.
ALBERT COPPOCK	2.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	6.
HERBERT DAY	3.	PERCIVAL PRICE	7.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD	4.	BART MITCHELL	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

First peal in the method on the bells.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY	*Treble.*	ERNEST S. BAILEY	5.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	2.	THOMAS KING	6.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	3.	CHARLES F. BAILEY	7.
JAMES M. BAILEY	4.	FREDERICK J. SMITH	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT	*Treble.*	REUBEN SANDERS	5.
ARTHUR J. NEALE	2.	HARRY FLANDERS	6.
J. ARMIGER TEOLLOPE	3.	CHARLES CASTLE	7.
HENRY RANZETTA	4.	ALBERT J. BAYNES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

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HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 10 cwt.

ROBERT E. CHICHESTER	*Treble.*	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN	5.
FREDERICK KNIGHTS	2.	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON	6.
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN	3.	ALBERT G. WARNES	7.
GEORGE H. CROSS	4.	FREDK. H. KNIGHTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

LLANGATTOCK, BRECONSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, May 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores each called differently. Tenor 17½ cwt.

C. POWELL	*Treble.*	N. ALLBUTT	4.
G. MORTIMER	2.	J. POWELL	5.
J. HAMMOND	3.	R. W. ALLBUTT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. HAMMOND.

Rung in honour of the Queen's birthday. Quickest peal on the bells.

COALBROOKDALE, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Sunday, May 28, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHDRCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qrs. 10 lbs.

HERBERT BAILEY	*Treble.*	JAMES YORK	5.
JOHN CARTER	2.	WM. SAUNDERS	6.
WM. HENRY GODDEN	3.	WALTER LAGO	7.
FRANK S. DOWNING	4.	HAROLD ASTON	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WM. SAUNDERS.

LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDEAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 29¾ cwt.

BERNARD WITCHELL	*Treble.*	REV. E. V. COX	5.
JAMES PRATT	2.	JOHN H. SWINFIELD	6.
J. D. JAMES	3.	FREDERICK J. COPE	7.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY	4.	JAMES GALLIMORE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERNARD WITCHELL.

Rung to mark the occasion of Mr. Gallimore (father of the ringer of the tenor) completing 55 years as a ringer at the Cathedral. Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. PETER MANCROFT RINGERS' GDILD.)

On Tuesday, May 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANCROFT,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES.

Tenor 43 cwt.

GEORGE HARVEY*	*Treble.*	ROBERT E. CHICHESTER	6.
ALEXANDER POTTER*	2.	GEORGE P. BURTON	7.
CHARLES E. BORRETT	3.	JOHN E. BURTON	8.
FRANK H. PHILLIPS*	4.	GEORGE MAYERS	9.
HARRY J. BORRETT	5.	BENJAMIN S. THOMPSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JOHN E. BORTON.

*First peal on ten bells.

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436275	1	273465	1
524736	2	542673	1S
365472	1	635742	3
243765	5	546327	1
742536	1	735246	2
657342	5	467523	2
356274	2	234756	1
743625	2	672534	2
257364	3	346257	1
762543	5	723546	5
567234	3	527634	2
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367425	2	273645	3
253746	2	342756	4
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364527	1	594372	2
753264	5	725436	1
257436	1	647325	3
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576234	3	347526	2
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735624	5	527346	2
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542763	5	653724	2
745326	5	246375	1
347652	5	532746	2
643275	1	465273	1
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372465	5	246753	5
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		327564	5
		523476	5
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		372465	1
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		725364	2
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Repeated twice. Repeated twice.

Taunton.—On Sunday, May 28th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. H. J. Poole, J. Matthews, F. Millard, W. Doble, G. Yeandle, T. Doble, E. E. Burgess conductor, E. Priddle.

5040 BOB ROYAL.

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35246		–
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Call the 8th, tenor, and 9th to make the bob in the 1st, 2nd, and 8th courses. The 5th is thirteen courses home, and the 6th at home throughout.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Newton Nottage, Porthcawl (Glamorgan).—On Sunday, May 21st, for morning service at the church of St. John the Baptist, four 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. R. W. Cook, D. Thomas, J. Buckingham, T. Wood, A. E. Williams, R. Sharp conductor. For evening service three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. J. Partride, D. Thomas, J. Buckingham, T. Wood, conductor, R. W. Cook, R. Sharp. At the close of the evening service three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, with the bells muffled, as a tribute of respect to the late Mrs. Mary H. Gordon who passed away on that day. T. Cook, D. Thomas, J. Partridge, T. Wood conductor, R. W. Cook, R. Sharp.

Thirsk (Yorks).—On Wednesday, May 10th, at St. Mary's church, with the bells muffled for the memorirl service to the iate Bishop Camidge, formerly Vicar of Thirsk, 966 Grandsire Triples. H. Brown, jun., H. Brown, sen., G. Stott, G. W. Neesam conductor, G. Watson, G. Neesam, R. B. Brown, R. E. Neesam.

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THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the above Guild was held at Brierley Hill on Saturday, May 27th. The bells were set going at 4 o'clock, and at 4.30 the Guild service was sung in the church, conducted by the Rector, the Rev. H. H. Dibben, who took for his text the words from Psalm cxxii.: "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord." After a brief but very interesting address, the rev. gentleman urged his hearers of their sacred office by calling others to worship, to see that they went themselves. After the service an adjournment was made to the schoolroom, where tea was provided by the kind thought and generosity of the Rector, for those who were present at the service.

After tea the business meeting followed, the chair being taken by the Master of the Guild (Mr. S. Spittle), through the unavoidable absence of the Rector, who was obliged to leave at the end of the service. After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, Mr. Spittle, on behalf of the President (Rev. A. Gray Maitland), presented to the Brierley Hill band the prize entitled "The Bells of England," by the Rev. Dr. Raven, given by the President. Mr. Whatmore accepted the book on behalf of the Brierley Hill company, and expressed his thanks, also his band, to the President for his gift. After other routine business had been gone through it was proposed and carried that the next quarterly meeting be held at the pretty village of Wombourn: also that the best thanks of the meeting be given to the Rector for the service in church, for the use of the schoolroom and bells, and for kindly providing for those present; also to the organist and his choir for the part they took in the service; and a special vote of thanks to Mrs. D, Jones for presiding at the table and seeing that every one was looked after.

Mr. D. Jones replied on behalf of his wife, which terminated a very happy meeting.

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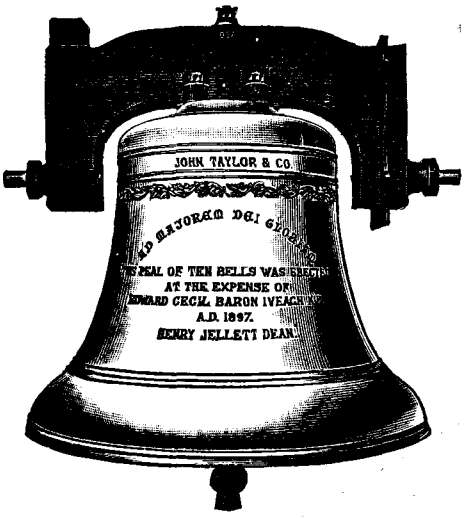

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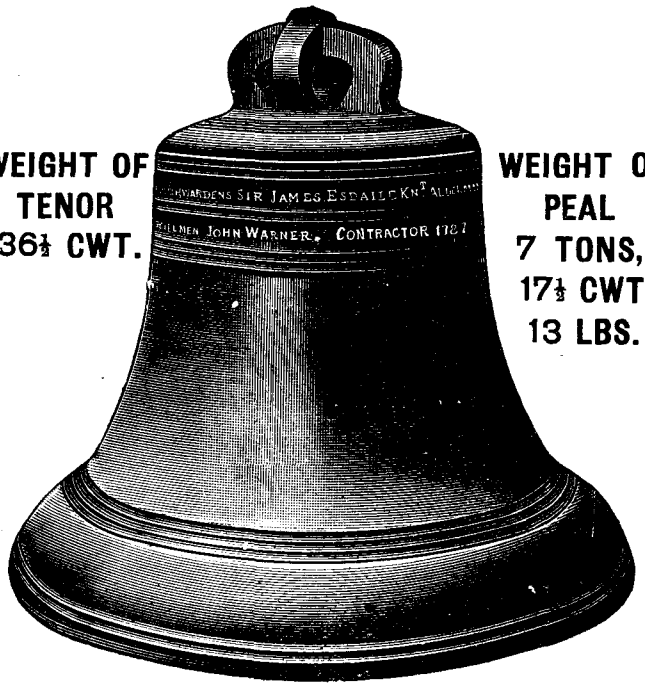

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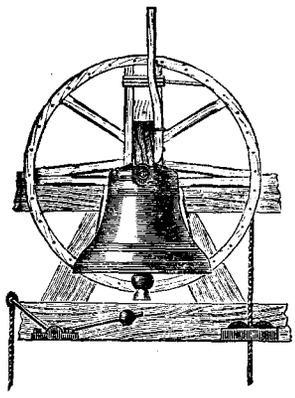

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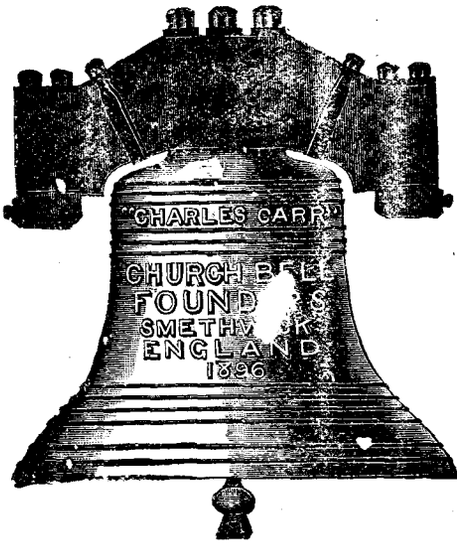

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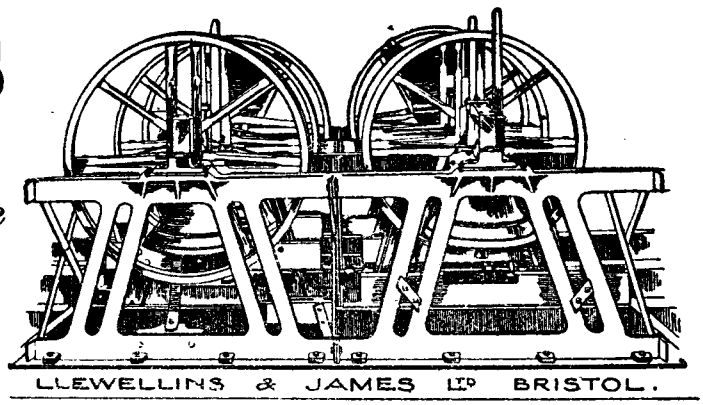

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MOUNTSORREL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

It was on January 30th, 1883, that the bells of St. Peter's, Mountsorrell, were dedicated, the ring having been enlarged from three to six. Of the visitors who rung in the opening touch some are with us yet, such as Messrs. J. W. and E. D. Taylor, and the Rev. W. C. Pearson, then curate of Syston, and now Vicar of Henley, Ipswich.

The Rev. Thomas Drake, who was at that time Vicar of Mountsorrel, attempted to learn change-ringing on handbells and to instruct a band; and his eldest son, now Rector of Braisworth, Suffolk, made repeated attempts to carry on his father's work, on handbells and in the tower. It was not however till some twenty years later that a local band was at length permanently established; some of the ringers having stuck to their work through the many disappointments of so long a period. At the beginning of this year it was decided to rehang the bells and tune them on modern principles. The proposal was so warmly supported by all the inhabitants that it has been possible to add two trebles; and a beautiful little ring of eight (tenor 9½ cwt.) now hangs in the tiny Perpendicular tower of this ancient church.

On Empire Day the new ring was dedicated by the Bishop of Leicester, the new bells being rung first by Mrs. Martin (who has always taken a great interest in the church). With the collections at the service over £200 out of £260 has been raised. The work, including recasting all the old bells, and additions to the clock, has been executed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston of Croydon. Of especial interest to ringers is the fact that the names of two of them are cast on the tenor: "In mem. Ed. VII. R. & I. Peacemaker. Rev. W. J. Lewis, Vicar; R. L. Diggle, W. Simpson, Wardens; W. Smith, Sec.; T. Collins, G. Bowler." Mr. Collins is the instructor who has been so successful in teaching the band: and Mr. Bowler is one of the original ringers in the tower. It is largely owing to the persistent efforts of these two gentlemen that another ring of eight has been added to the Midland counties.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

A District Meeting of the above was held at Maxey on Whit-Monday, June 5th, ringers attending from St. John's, St. Mary's, Peterborough, Glinton, Castor, Lutterworth, Market Deeping, West Deeping and James Deeping, with the local band. The bells, six, rehung by Taylor some four years ago, were available all day, and Market Deeping, six, in the evening. A short service was held at five o'clock, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. S. G. Short, who also gave an excellent address. The tea and meeting followed at 5 o'clock, over which the Vicar presided. The Vicar heartily welcomed all those present, and spoke of the good work the Association was doing. In the old days rules were formed against intemperance, but things were very different now. Speaking of the Maxey bells, they were a good ring of six. The restoration was undertaken by his predecessor, and was paid for now, and he hoped there were some present who would see the octave complete; but they must have an organ first.

Four new members were elected from Littleworth, two from James Deeping, two from Maxey, and two probationers, one from Castor and the Vicar, although getting on in life was willing to learn to ring. The methods rung during the day were Grandsire, Plain Bob and Treble Bob. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells and his presence; also to the Rector of Market Deeping. A vote of sympathy was passed to the Rector of Market Deeping in his bereavement.

TWITCHEN BELLS, DEVON.

The service in connection with the re-opening of the church bells and restoration of the church proved very successful. The day, which was beautifully fine, was a memorable one for the parishioners of Twitchen, who may well feel gratified at the completion of the work of restoration. The bells, owing to the dangerous state of the framework, had long been useless, and the church was damp and mouldy. Owing to the lack of funds it was anticipated that the work of restoration would be long deferred. However, thanks to the exertions of Mr. Thorne, of Kerswell, the churchwarden, who spared himself no pains, and the splendid and loyal response of the parishioners to the call made upon them, the whole of the work was practically completed in six months. Lord Poltimore very kindly restored the chancel and contributed £10 towards the bells. This, together with ten guineas generously contributed by Mr. A. Terrell Shapland, gave the work a good start, and put all the parishioners in good heart for their task. Among those kind friends outside the parish who gave their support were the Bishop of Crediton, Mr. Turner, of Molland, and Mr. J. Yendell, of Northmolton.

The proceedings commenced with a public tea in the schoolroom at 4.30, at which the Vicar presided, and in the course of his speech extended a hearty welcome on behalf of himself and parishioners to the Bishop of Crediton, who was present.

The Bishop, in response, thanked all for their kindly welcome, and expressed himself as being highly pleased at the way in which the good work had been carried out, and the unity and goodwill which prevailed among them in connection with it.

Mr. Terrell Shapland brought over a party from Northmolton. The service, which was read by the Vicar and curate, was at 7 p.m., and the church was packed with an overflowing congregation, some of whom had to remain in the churchyard. An interesting sermon was preached by the Bisbop of Crediton.

The work in the church was carried out by Mr. Bowden, and the restoration of the bells by Messrs. Harry Stokes and Son, of Woodbury.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. Thompson, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

THE STEEPLEKEEPER.

It is said that the Genius of Happiness seldom appears, for his favourites are few, and that he invariably fulfils his promises to those who are worthy of his regard.

On one occasion he is said to have appeared to two boys who were swinging themselves on a five-barred gate by the roadside. After inquiring their names, he asked Jack what he should like best to make himself happy, and the boy replied "I should like to swing with Tom on this gate all day long and eat apples." The genius then turned to Tom, and put the same question as to what he would like best, to which Tom replied: "I should like the same as Jack wishes for, that is to eat apples and swing on this gate, but that Jack should push the gate." The genius became angry with Tom for desiring enjoyment without labour, and while he granted Jack all his wishes, Tom never saw the good spirit again.

Among the few favoured by the Genius of Happiness is the steeplekeeper. He is generally a man well advanced in years, recovered of the fever of sensual gratifications, and content with himself and the little he possesses. He is never known to work very laboriously outside the belfry, and appears to have no other employment beyond attending the church on Sundays and holy days, ringing or chiming a short time, and then devoting the rest of the day to his heart's desire. Occasionally he goes to hear the banns published, to ascertain a likely wedding for the bells, looks in at home to see if there be anything in the meal-tub, and puts his trust in Providence for the morrow. He is not arrayed in silks and fine linen, nor does he carry much money, for his friends are ever willing to treat him. At night he retires to rest, "to sleep, perchance to dream," that tomorrow is a ringing day or a practice night, when he shall gather in the steepleage or grease-money. Thus he passes his days in peace and contentment, which are generally long in the land of his forefathers.

There was once a steeplekeeper in Ipswich whose name was Nat Trenter. He was old when I was young, and of whom I was well acquainted. He was known to every clerk and sexton in the town, by whom he would be employed as occasion required for deaths or funerals. Apparently he had no other means of gaining a livelihood, but one could observe that he mended or patched his own shoes and garments. He was unconsciously a disciple of Diogenes, the cynic philosopher of Athens. Nat, however, never drank water when beer was cheap, that is, when someone else paid for it, for he never had any money with the exception of his share out on a ringing day.

On one occasion, in the belfry, Nat asked me whether I was fond of work. I told him I rather disliked it, for the day seemed so long, and I found it did not agree with my constitution, and that I should like to be a steeplekeeper. I noticed a twinkle in Nat's eyes as he remarked: "You're like me, then, not very ambitious."

I asked Nat one day whether he would not prefer to be wealthy. "No," said Nat. "The less luggage you carry the better you enjoy your journey through life." He lived to a ripe age, and two peal-boards perpetuate the memory of him, though his performances never reached beyond Doubles.

Robert Haworth and I once slept together at Leith, in Scotland. He was then just past fifty years of age, and wore a large night-cap I suppose to prevent catching cold. Before going to sleep I was inquisitive enough to ask him the secret of obtaining a free and independent life, "for," said I, "you were a comp. like myself; how did you manage to escape from print?" Bob replied by telling me to contract my desires, and save the pieces, meaning the coins.

Then there was "poor old John Cox," as some of us called him. How I often envied his talents and his freedom from compulsory labour. The only hours he worked hard were chiming those six bells at St. Bride's, or ringing and conducting peals. He, too, knew the pleasures of being a steeple-keeper. The Genius of Happiness had come both to him, Bob Haworth, and old Nat Trenter.

One dinner-hour, while I rested beneath my composing frame in the printing office, the Genius appeared to me, asking if I preferred to change my occupation, or state what best I should accept at his hands. Instantly I implored that he would grant me freedom and see that I became a steeplekeeper.

"Rather a big order," he replied gravely, but it shall be done, though I say not when." He disappeared, and for some years I began to think I was unworthy of his care. But he fulfilled his promise at last by revealing the promised land and more, by making me a steeplekeeper, not of a lot of worn-out kettles in a ricketty frame, but of bells well tuned and hung by the Whitechapel Foundry.

As I now pass to and from the belfry, I reflect on the lives of John Cox, Robert Haworth, and Nat Trenter. Like tired children, they have been called home to their beds, and they sleep well. And as I notice the young, rich, and gay, in their delusive quest of shadows, I often think the Genius of Happiness has yet to appear to them, as he did to the boys swinging on the gate who desired no more than eating apples, and to others whose ambition soared no higher than that of becoming a steeplekeeper.

G. F. M.

DEATH OF THE LATE MAJOR G. FEARN, J.P.

On Tuesday evening, May 30th, the sad news was received of the death of Major George Fearn, J.P., founder of St. George's church, Stockport. On receipt of the sad intelligence, Mr. J. W. Bayley, the tower-keeper, got the ringers together, who muffled the bells, and in a short time they were announcing in deep solemn tones, the loss of a real friend to every inhabitant of the town of Stockport. Several touches of Stedman Caters were rung before the ringers descended the tower. On Friday, June 2nd, the interment took place at the borough cemetery, directly opposite the church. Prior to the interment the usual funeral service was gone through in St. Goorge's church, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. H. Thorpe, B.D., and the Rev. J. Beggs, Vicar of Woodford, the latter reading the lesson. The hymns sung were "Now the labourer's task is o'er," and "On the resurrection morning." While the coffin was being reverently carried out at the south door, the organist (Mr. H. M. Dawber), played Chopin's Funeral March. The school children of St. George's were lined up in the avenue between the church and schools, and the school wreath was carried by two litle boys directly in front of the coffin, which bore the inscription—"George Fearn, died May 30th, 1911, in his 66th year." The last rites at the graveside were conducted by the Vicar, at the end of which the choir sang the Nunc Dimittis, and gave a beautiful rendering of Stainer's Sevenfold Amen. Previous to the service in church, touches of Stedman Caters were rung with the bells deeply muffled, and at the conclusion of the service in the cemetery, a touch of Stedman Caters was rung with

the bells half-muffled. On Sunday morning for Divine Service (at which the Vicar referred in his sermon to the life and character of the deceased gentleman), a touch of Stedman Caters was rung with the bells half-muffled. The whole of the ringers comprising the local company, took part in the ringing, the conducting being shared by H. Jackson and J. Mottershead. Among a number of most beneficent bequests to the town generally, is one in particular, for keeping in repair the bells of St. George's church. G. A.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 28th, a few members of the Western Branch, carried out a most successful tour among the outlying parishes of the county, proving the wisdom of dividing the Society into branches to stimulate local enthusiasm, and to encourage their efforts. Two o'clock was the time fixed to meet at the church of St. Gabriel, Hanley Swan, and to the minute, as all good ringers do, the company arrived on the scene by cycle. A few preliminaries, and the bells were set going to Oxford Bob, 720 of which was rung in 23 mins. A few six-scores of Stedmnn completed this part of the programme. This peal of six are in good going order, but a very peculiar musical combination. Tenor about 9 cwt.

Welland, St. James, was the next order for 3.30. Sundry attempts were made, but after mastering the conditions, and the immense ropes, a 720 each of Kent and Canterbury were brought round. This is a pretty little ring, and go well. The ropes would suggest to the unitiated, great feats of strength and daring. The ringing-chamber has not received the attention of the builder so much as other parts of the church, and rather suggests the jerry builder. Tenor about 12 cwt.

Castlemorton, St. Gregory, next call. A ride across the common, in full view of the whole range of the majestic Malverns in their stately grandeur, down lanes with many twists and turns, brought us to the church, surrounded in its sylvan beauty. The long draught of rope and lightness of metal, required all our attention, the veteran having tacked on to the front end a well-struck 720 of Bob Minor, which was accomplished like clockwork, and a six-score of Grandsire with the local men brought time for evensong. The day being hot and fatiguing, the "Joyfields" was explored here. Mr. Short set us going with cups and saucers. The handyman with knife was busy to satisfy our hunger with "cuts" noted not for their "finesse." The operating table, the repairing outfit and pumps, an half-hour's spin, brought us to Hanley Castle old church. Here a fine ring of six were soon going. A 360 of Oxford Treble Bob, with a short touch of Grandsire, concluded the ringing for the day.

Some of the towers brought happy recollections of bygone days. The younger brother some 24 years back rang his first "quarter" of Doubles, ringing the tenor, and the elder mastered the intricacies of Extremes, etc.

Mapping out fresh fields for our next adventure, an hearty handshake and good-night, we dispersed for home, well pleased with our effort.

The company included W. Page (Master), H. T. Knowles (Hon. Secretary), R. G. Knowles, E. Barber, G. Checketts, and A. Sadler, and were from Malvern Link and Worcester. H. T. K.

SUBMARINE BELLS.

Mariners tales, which, for centuries, have told of hearing the bells of vessels long sunk, while out on the quiet seas, or, more often still, out above the roar of a storm or in the depth of a fog, are to become a reality. Not content with ships that pass in the night, hailing one another in passing, by wireless and even communicating sufficiently to give information for a daily paper to be published abroad, they are now to speak, under water, and to learn from the music oi the bells.

The story of the invention, or, better still, the planning, is one of importanoe, as well as of interest. As given by the promoters, a Boston concern, the explanation of the submarine bell system is simplicity itself. Underlying it is the well-known fact that sound travels rapidly under water, and this to considerable distances.

All that one need have, therefore, in order to bring messages from ship to shore, or to give warning in time of fog, as from some lightship, is a producer of sound beneath the waves, and what more simple than a bell?

A bell, a telephone to catch the sound, as it goes on, convey it to the pilot-house or bridge, or wherever desired.

Simplicity? Of course! But many of the world's greatest inventions have been of the very simplest.

We quote from an extended account of the plan:

"For communicating with these bells, there is needed a signalling apparatus adapted to producing sounds in the water. This has to be placed at a fixed station, such as say a buoy or lightship, or it may be upon a moving ship. Then, too, there must, obviously be the receiving apparatus, and that is generally on ship-board. By means of it the navigator hears the signals, and determines the directions from which they came. This signalling apparatus is varied in form, according to the particular uses to which it is to be put."

For stationary fog signals, such as are intended to warn ships of the presence of dangerous rocks and shoals, or for guiding them into safe channels, the signalling device is usually a submerged bell, of peculiar design, adapted to produce sounds of long range under water.

The bell is rung by striking it with a clapper, making distinct strokes, separated by intervals of silence. The length of the intervals may be so varied as to cause the tones to constitute signals such as those, say of the Norse alphabet, or to indicate certain stations, as the numbers given upon fire bells do.

The bells themselves range from fifteen to eighteen inches in diameter, and while carrying power will extend from five to six miles, now and then the notes can be heard as much as fifteen miles away.

This submarine bell, it seems, is hung, then, in the water, from, say a lightship, and is operated at will by automatic machinery under control of men on the ship, much as a fog horn might be. Or, again, it might be suspended from a buoy and run automatically, by the motion of the waves. Again it might be supported rigidly from the sea bottom, and connected with electric cable.

SOLDIER'S BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

BLACKPOOL.

RINGERS and their friends will find good accommodation at Mr. John Smith's, 41, Hornby Road, Blackpool, (late of Rawtenstall). Near Central Station and Sea. Piano. "The Bell News" taken. Good half-pull neighbourhood.

SCHEDULE OF ATTENDANCES AT THE MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COUNCIL IN THE OLD TOWN HALL, LEICESTER, ON WHITSUN TUESDAY, 6 JUNE, 1911.

ASSOCIATION.	PRESENT.	ABSENT.
Ancient Society of College Youths	F. Dench	W. T. Cockerill J. W. Rowbotham W. D. Smith
Royal Cumberland Youths		F. Bennett H. Dains R. A. Daniell J. Parker
Bath and Wells Diocesan Assn.		E. E. Burgess A. E. Coles Rev. C. C. Parker D. G. Taylor
Bedfordshire Association	Rev. W. W. C. Baker	
Birmingham Diocesan Assn.	W. H. Godden	
Cambridge University Guild	E. H. Lewis	
Chester Diocesan Guild	Rev. A. T. Beeston Joseph Norbury	
Cleveland and N. Yorks. Assn.		G. J. Clarkson Rev. W. P. Wright
Devonshire Guild	Rev. M. Kelly A. W. Searle	
Durham and Newcastle Dio. Assn.	W. Story (Vacant)	C. L. Routledge
Ely Diocesan Association	Rev. J. M. Clarkson	
Essex County Association	W. J. Nevard	C. H. Howard Rev. Canon Papillon N. J. Pitstow
Gloucester and Bristol Dio. Assn.	John Austin W. A. Cave Rev. H. A. Cockey	
Hereford Diocesan Guild	John Clark	
Hertford County Association	Bertram Prewett	R. Marston
Irish Association		Lord Justice Cherry
Kent County Association	E. Barnett Rev. F. J. O. Helmc	J. H. Cheesman T. Groombridge
Lancashire Association	H. Chapman Rev. H. J. Elsee	J. H. Banks S. Wood
Leeds and District Society	J. Broadley	
Lincoln Diocesan Guild	G. Chester Rev. H. Law James R. Richardson J. W. Seamer	
Liverpool Diocesan Guild		W. Bentham
Llandaff Diocesan Association	J. W. Jones	
London County Association		G. R. Fardon T. H. Taffender
Middlesex County Association	A. T. King	H. C. Chandler W. Pickworth J. R. Sharman
Midland Counties Association	Sir A. Heywood, Bart. Joseph Griffin John W. Taylor W. E. White	
Central Northants. Association	F. Wilford	
North Notts. Association		H. Haigh
North Wales Association		Rev. T. Lewis Jones
Norwich Diocesan Association	G. P. Burton	C. E. Borrett W. L. Catchpole J. Motts
Oxford Diocesan Guild	Rev. G. F. Coleridge Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn W. Pole Routh	F. W. Hopgood
Salisbury Diocesan Guild		Captain J. E.Acland Rev. H. E. T. Bassett A. F. M. Stewart
Salop Archidiaconal Guild		
Staffs. Archidiaconal Society	S. Reeves	
Surrey Association	A. B. Carpenter, M.D. Charles Dean	
Sussex County Association	R. J. Dawe S. H. Howse F. B. Tompkins G. Watson	
Truro Diocesan Guild		J. C. Daubuz
Warwickshire Guild	A. L. Coleman	
Winchester Diocesan Guild	Rev. C. E. Matthews H. White	J. W. Whiting C. Willshire
Worcestershire and Districts Assn.	J. R. Newman T. J. Salter	
Yorkshire Association	G. Bolland C. H. Hattersley W. Snowdon	C. Glenn
HONORARY MEMBERS	Rev. A. H. F. Boughey Rev. E. W. Carpenter John Carter Rev. C. D. P. Davies J. W. Parker J. S. Pritchett Rev. H. S. T. Richardson J. A. Trollope G. Williams	C. E. D. Boutflower Tom Lockwood James Pettit W. H. Thompson

ANALYSIS.

	PRESENT	ABSENT	TOTAL
Representative Members	51	45	96
Honorary	9	4	13

Associations fully represented 19
" partially " 12
" not " 9

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.-Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on June 20th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 22nd; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 13th; and St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 27th. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next meetings will be held on Monday, June 12th, and June 26th, at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Southern District.—A special meeting for united practice and election of officers for the above district will be held at St. Luke's, Chelsea, S.W., to-day, Saturday, June 10th. Tower open from 3.45 to 8.30. Business meeting in the tower at 8.30. Members of this district are specially requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Gen. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street Denmark, Hill.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 24th, by kind permission of the Vicar. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea can be obtained close to the church. Members and friends cordially invited.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Essex Association.—North-Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harlow Common to-day, Sat., June 10th. Tea will be provided at The White Horse.

J. F. PENNING *Hon. Sec.*
"*Fairyville*," *Saffron Walden*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.-A ringing meeting will be held at Hanbury-on-the-Hill to-day, Sat., June 10th. Bells available at 3 30.

H. WAELEY, *Sec.*
160, *Horninglow Road, Burton-on-Trent.*

The Sussex County Association.-Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at West Tarring to-day, Sat., June 10th. Tower open from 3.30 till 9 p.m. Service at 6.20.

H. EVANS, *Hon. Div. Sec.*
Northbrook, Goring, Worthing.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Widnes and Farnworth to-day, Sat., June 10th. Bells ready at Widnes at 3; Farnworth at 7.

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at Rishton to-day, Sat., June 10th, Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.

J. WATSON, *Branch Sec.*

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.-Wimborne Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Cranborne, to-day, Saturday, June 10th. Ringing from 3. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5. followed by business meeting. Bells of Wimborne St. Giles a'so available.

C. A. PHILLIPS, *Hon. Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association -Manchester Baanch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A special meeting will be held at Tipton on Saturday, June 17th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Unveiling of peal tablet at 5.30. Tea in schools at 6. Intending visitors must send word not later than Tuesday, June 13.

H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Burbage, Saturday, June 17th. A. T. BERSTON, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Balderstone, Rochdale, on Saturday, June 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.-Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this district will be held on Saturday, June 24th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Swanscombe. Tower open from 3.30 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Further particulars later.

Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.-The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

William John Sevier, of 92, Bright Street, Wolverhampton, would be very thankful to his brother-ringers of years standing, for a few copies of "THE BELL NEWS" for Saturday, July 12th, 1890.

THE DUDLEY GUILD,

On Saturday, May 20th, ten members of the above Guild rang a peal of Grandsire Caters, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs and 15 mins., to commemorate the wedding-day of the President of the Guild, the Rev. A. Gray Maitland), and Mrs. Maitland, who afterwards invited the ringers to supper at the vicarage. The invitation was given for the evening of Ascension Day. The ringers, fourteen in number were prompt in attendance, a splendid repast being in readiness, served hot and quick. The Vicar was at one end of the table, and Mrs. Maitland at the other, serving and seeing that every one was properly attended to. After supper, an adjournment was made to the beautiful lawn, which was decorated with fairy lamps and lanterns, the company being augmented by about thirty invited guests to meet the ringers, tunes and changes being rung on the handbells, also pitching, bowling, and other games, the puffing of the soothing weed, and the promenading of the fair sex were indulged in. A smoking concert was commenced, and songs were rendered by Miss Madge Lewis, and Messrs. Lewis, Spittle, Faulks, Sheppard, and Watton, and a pianoforte solo by Miss Ruby Maitland, Mr. North kindly accompanying the songs. The Vicar, in a feeling speech, thanked the ringers on behalf of himself and wife for the peal they rang. He listened to the ringing, and was pleased with the way the bells were being rung, not knowing at the time the purpose for which they were ringing. He also thanked the ringers for their steady and punctual attendance to duty on Sundays and other occasions, when called upon in the interests of the Church. The churchwardens endorsed the remarks of the Vicar, and promised to do all they could to encourage and support the ringers. Mr. Spittle suitably replied on behalf of the band, and the singing of one verse of the National Anthem brought a very happy meeting to a close.

TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By JOHN HOWES, *Kingston-on-Thames.*

5040.

	M	W	H	
23456				
32654	2		2	
43526	2	1	2	
34625	2		2	
64235		2	1	
43265		2		

Repeated. July 1908.

5040.

	M	W	H	
23456				
62534	2	1	2	
65324		1	2	
23564		2	2	
42635	2	1	2	
46325		1	2	
23645		2	2	
25346	2		1	
43526		2	2	
45236		1	2	
23456		1	1	

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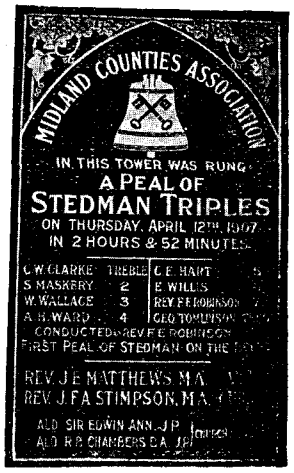

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SATURDAY, JUNE 10, 1911.

THE CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Middleham (Yorks).—The Festival of Dedication of the new ring of eight bells (by Messrs. Taylor, tenor 18 cwt.) will take place on Thursday, June 15th, at 2.30 o'clock, by the Bishop of Knaresbro'. The Rector and local ringers cordially invite all ringers to take part in this Festival, and will provide free lunch and tea for those who send notice to Mr. Parrish by the 11th inst.

WIMBORNE, DORSETSHIRE.

The ring of bells at Wimborne Minster will be dedicated on Wednesday, June 14th, at 3.30, by Bishop Perrin, of British Columbia, followed by evening service at 7.30.

NOTICE OF LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

On Saturday, June 24th, at St. Michael's church, Mottram-in-Longdendale, eight members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will attempt to ring Mr. E. Timbrell's 17,120 Treble Bob Major, commencing at 7 a.m.

NOTICE.

We must again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper must be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the Publishers. Several items reached us too late for last week's number owing to our friends not sending direct to the office.

The Metropolis.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,
A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17¾ cwt.

JOSEPH WAGHORN	*Treble.*	*EDWARD F. COLE	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER..	2	GEORGE A. CARD	6.
JOHN T. KENTISH*	3.	JAMES PARKER	7
JOHN H. BENSTEAD	4.	GEORGE PAICE	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.
*First peal in the method.

The Provinces.

ABINGDON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

A. WHITE	*Treble.*	FREDK. WHITE	6.
ALBERT E. LOCK	2.	STEDMAN WHITE	7.
EDGAR HUMFREY	3.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN.	8.
HARRY HOLIFIELD	4.	RICHARD WHITE	9.
GEORGE HOLIFIELD	5.	FREDK. WHITE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, SEN.
Rung on the occasion of E. Humfrey's birthday.

CRANSLEY, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being two 720s of Grandsire and Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

ERNEST W. LENTON ..	*Treble.*	GEORGE HOLLAND	4.
FREDK. E. WOOLLEY ..	2.	ALBERT E. WYKES	5.
PERCY J. LENTON	3.	HORACE W. SHARMAN ..	*Tenor.*

Condocted by H. W. SHARMAN.
First peal in three methods by all. First peal in three methods on the bells; also by a resident band.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 29, 1911, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single, Double Conrt, St. Clement's, and Bob Minor. Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT BROWN	*Treble.*	FREDK. MANSER	4.
GEORGE SNELLING	2.	FREDK. SEAGER	5.
SIDNEY EVERITT	3	JOHN SNELLING..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

BUNWELL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 30, 1911, in Two Honrs and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

SIDNEY ANNISON*	*Treble.*	GEORGE SMITH	4.
OLIVER HINCHLEY	2.	WALTER CHANDLER.. ..	5.
ROBERT HUTTON	3.	FREDK. BURROWS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. BURROWS.
*First peal. First peal as conductor.

GREAT TOTHAM, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 31, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, Woodbine, Double Court, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

GEORGE H. NEVILLE ..	*Treble.*	HORACE MANSFIELD.. ..	4.
HAROLD FINCH	2.	ALFRED SOUTH	5.
FREDK. WHITE	3.	JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM.

WORKINGTON, CUMBERLAND.
THE CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM NORMAN	*Treble.*	ALFRED W. BRIGHTON ..	5.
JOSEPH S. MAWSON	2.	THOMAS BIRKETT	6.
JAMES WILSON	3.	ALFRED J. SANDERSON ..	7.
JAMES PEEL..	4.	WILLIAM J. JOHNSON ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by A. W. BRIGHTON.
First peal on the bells. First peal by all except the conductor.

PORTISHEAD, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 31, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PARKER'S SIX-PART Tenor 16 cwt.

REGINALD WILLIAMS * ..	*Treble.*	MISS MARY JUKES ..	5.
ERNEST GOLDSTONE	2.	JAMES NISBET	6.
MISS NELLIE GILLINGHAM ..	3.	WILLIAM GILLINGHAM	7.
FRANK W. MAY	4.	ALBERT LUKE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by MISS M. JUKES.
*First peal. First peal as conductor. Rung on the 21st anniverary of the above Association.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;
In the Oxford Variation. Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE CROSS	*Treble.*	GEORGE MAYERS	5.
FRED J. CROSS	2.	WILLIAM MAYERS	6
WILLIAM HEMPEL	3.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	7.
ALFRED FUNNELL	4	WILLIAM STEELE	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by GEORGE CROSS.
First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method by the ringers of the 2nd and 6th.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt.

THOMAS BOTTRILL	*Treble.*	GEORGE R. PYE	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE	2.	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN...	3.	WILLIAM WILLSON	7.
WM. H. INGLESANT	4.	ERNEST PYE	*Tenor.*

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ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

WALTER S. INWOOD*	*Treble.*	*HARRY HOLDICH	5.
FREDK. BRINKLOW	2.	FREDK. WHITE	6.
GEORGE N. PRICE	3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD	7.
HUBERT EDEN	4.	*FREDK. JEFF	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. WHITBREAD.

*First peal in the method.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 CHANGES.

Tenor 16¾ cwt.

ALBERT D. STONE*	*Treble.*	GEORGE ADES	6.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	2.	WILLIAM PALMER	7.
CHARLES T. COLES	3.	ALFRED J. TURNER	8.
HERBERT RANN	4.	KEITH HART	9.
CHARLES PALMER	5.	WILLIAM C. HART	*Tenor.*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

*150th peal.

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16¼ cwt.

MISS EDITH K. PARKER	*Treble.*	JOHN H. BENSTEAD	5.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD	2.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY	3.	JAMES PARKER	7.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY	4.	GEORGE BULL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

HENSTRIDGE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE AND PLAIN BOB DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

FRED BRINE	*Treble.*	HENRY MILBORNE	4.
GEORGE CREED	2.	ERNEST CREED	5.
T. G. VINCENT	3.	GEORGE GODDARD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST CREED.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14¾ cwt.

ARTHUR T. VERRELLS*	*Treble.*	*THOMAS SMITHERS	5.
TOM SAUNDERS*	2.	WALTER MARSHALL	6.
ANDREW MARSHALL	3.	WILLIAM LATTER	7.
ERNEST C. LAMBERT	4.	EDWIN LAMBERT	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and
Conducted by ERNEST C. LAMBERT.

*First peal of Major. For calling see K. C. A. report for 1906, peal No. 1064. Rung in honour of His Majesty the King's birthday. It was the quarterly peal of the Tonbridge District.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5376 CHANGES.

WILLIAM T. HOLDING	*Treble.*	WILLIAM RIGBY	5.
EDWARD HARPER	2.	WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT	6.
IRWIN MASSEY	3.	HARRY FURBER HOLDING	7.
JAMES HENRY RIDING	4.	RICHARD T. HOLDING	*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and
Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

Rung in honour of His Majesty the King's birthday.

LEE, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 3. 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN CROWDER	*Treble.*	THOS. H. HAWKINS	5.
WM. WEATHERSTONE	2.	EDWARD E. RICHARDS	6.
GEORGE R. SIMMONDS*	3.	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES	7.
FREDK. W. RICHARDSON	4.	†AUGUSTUS GEO. FISHER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM JOHN JEFFRIES.

†First peal. *First peal with a bob bell. Rung in honour of the birthday of King George V., also as a birthday peal to John Crowder, and to commemorate the 36th anniversary of his being a ringer at this church. It is the first peal rung during the Rectorship of the Rev. R. Meddings, M.A., whom the ringers wish to thank for allowing ringing through the service.

STANFORD-ON-SOAR, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALBERT MASON	*Treble.*	JAMES HOUGHTON	5.
GEORGE R. PYE	2.	WILLIAM WILLSON	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	EDWARD READER	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	ERNEST PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed by CORNELIUS CHARGE, and
Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

Rung for evening service.

LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

ON THE ROYAL MEMORIAL BELLS OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

MISS LILIAN A. WILLSON	*Treble.*	GEORGE R. PYE	5.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	ERNEST PYE	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	JAMES HARRIS	7.
JAMES HOUGHTON	4.	WILLIAM WILLSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST PYE.

First attempt for a peal of Stedman by Miss Willson and J. Harris.

LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	2.	ALBERT P. WAKLEY	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	JAMES HOUGHTON	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	4.	ERNEST PYE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal of Cambridge Surprise in the county, and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Prewett, sen, father of the conductor, on attaining 69 years. The band desire to thank Mr. J. Needham, steeplekeeper, for his attentions.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt

ALBERT D. STONE ..	..*Treble.*	ALFRED J. TURNER	5.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ..	2.	CHARLES T. COLES	6.
CHARLES PALMER	3.	KEITH HART	7.
GEORGE GATLAND	4.	WILLIAM STENNING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, the band wishing him the usual compliments.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24½ cwt.

FREDERICK E. SMITH*	..*Treble.*	GEORGE HOLLIS..	5.
HERBERT DAY	2.	*THOMAS W. GORE	6.
WILLIAM T. PEGLER ..	3.	SAMUEL WESLEY	7.
FRANK JACOBS	4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

*First peal of Oxford.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DERBY BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

WALTER BECK*.. ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE BASSON..	5.
JOHN VICKERS	2.	HENRY H. WILDE	6.
ALBERT H. WARD	3.	JOSEPH DAVIES	7.
GEORGE FREEBURY	4.	HERBERT WARD.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. W. WILDE.

*First peal.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

Number of changes not given. Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD..	..*Treble.*	JOHN H. BENSTEAD	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ..	2.	EDWARD I. STONE	6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY ..	3.	JAMES PARKER	7.
WILLIAM J. SMITH	4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

This peal, and the one rung at Ashby-de-la-Zouch, was arranged for Miss Edith K. Parker and friends, the band congratulating her on her successful performance.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN LLOYD*	..*Treble*	WALTER PRESTIDGE.. ..	5.
VICTOR WHITE	2.	ALFRED HACKETT	6
HARRY HILL	3.	†ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ..	7.
ARTHUR E. WHATMORE ..	4.	JOSEPH FAULKNER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by ABRAHAM GREENFIELD.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor.

DUNSTABLE, BEDS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

FREDE. JEFFS	..*Treble.*	GEORGE N. PRICE	5.
THOMAS L. SIMMONS ..	2.	*GEORGE E. HOWCHIN ..	6.
WALTER S. INWOOD* ..	3.	FREDK. WHITE	7.
HUBERT EDEN	4.	EDWARD WHITHREAD	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

*First peal in the method.

ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's 12-Part. Tenor 14½ cwt.

F. G. HAMMOND ..	..*Treble.*	E. EDE	5.
H. EAVENS	2.	C. BLACKMAN	6.
E. H. LINDUP	3.	H. STALHAM	7.
J. NETLEY	4	†G. SWAIN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. STALHAM.

†First peal.

Central Council Peal.

SOUTHWELL, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	*Treble.*	JOSEPH W. PARKER	5.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	3.	WILLIAM STORY	7.
EDWIN H. LEWIS	4.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	..*Tenor*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN W. LAKE	..*Treble.*	*ALBERT C. DARNELL ..	4.
WILLIAM G. THORPE* ..	2.	JAMES OSBORN	5.
SYDNEY PROCTOR*	3.	FRED BLOOD	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

*First peal in seven methods.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lbs.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN ..	..*Treble.*	HORACE COPPERWHEAT ..	5.
FRANK KIRK	2.	JOHN B. MARTIN	6.
WILLIAM J. GILBERT ..	3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN.. ..	7.
WALTER GILBERT	4.	WALTER PERKINS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PLISTOW, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

Handbell Peal.

EAST HARPTREE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 13, 1910, in Two Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE SEXTON'S HOUSE.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

HERBERT KNIGHT* .. 1-2. | JOHN THOMAS.. .. .. 3-4.
*JESSE B. TYLER .. .. 5-6.

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

*First peal on handbells. First peal of Bob Minor on handbells by the Association.

(Our correspondent says this peal has been sent before. We do not remember receiving it till last week.

Miscellaneous.

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

RUGBY.—On Sunday, June 4th, for morning service, 840 Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. J. B. Fenton, R. Watson, W. Malins, H. O. White, C. W. Wheeler, J. A. Fenton, J. George composer and conductor. A. T. King. After evening service 336 Grandsire Triples. J. B. Fenton, H. O. White, W. Taylor, J. A. Fenton, W. Malins, C. J. B. Cooke, J. George composer and conductor, A. J. Hessian. On Monday, June 5th, in the belfry of St. Andrew's church, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 36 mins. J. B. Fenton, 1-2; H. O. White, 3-4; A. J. Hessian, 5-6: W. Malins conductor, 7-8. Composed by J. George. Umpire—J. A. Fenton. Mr. A. T. King has been spending Whitsuntide with Mr. James George. Mr. C. B. Cooke is one of the oldest members of the St. Andrew's Society.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FARNWORTH, NEAR WIDNES.—On May 26th, after a Confirmation Service, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 24 mins. J. Wilde, jun. A. Dennett, J. Wilde, sen., J. Witter, W. P. Johnson conductor.

BLETCHLEY (Bucks.)—On Sunday, June 4th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins. H. Sear, J. Mead, W. Sear, F. Stanton, S. Smith, E. Marks, T. Best conductor, V. Sear. Composed by J. George. On Wednesday, June 7th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins. H. Sear, J. Mead, J. Marks, F. Stanton, T. Best conductor, E. Marks, F. Hedges, V. Sear. Composed by S. Smith. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of the composer.

GORTON.—On Whit Sunday, for afternoon service at Brookfield Unitarian church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. H. Jones, R. Rider, J. Turner, A. Barnes conductor, G. P. Ingram, J. E. Barnes, W. Watts, H. Gaskill. Longest length by all except the conductor.

HORNSEA.—On Monday, June 5th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor, in 26 mins. J. Plumb, C. Ross, W. Dixon, A. Howell, A. Jacob conductor, F. Fensom. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. Thicknesse, who is leaving Hornsey to take up duties at St. George's Hanover Square.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A special meeting for united practice and election of officers for the above district will be held on Saturday, June 17th, at St. Mary's, Islington. Tower open from 5.30 to 8. Business meeting at The King's Head, Upper Street, at 8 p.m. All members of the district are specially requested to attend.

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SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.

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5056.

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54632				–
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5056.—By the same Author.

23456	B	M	W	H
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35426				–
42356			–	–
34256				–
56234	5 & 4			–
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25346	–			–
32546				–
53249				–
64235		–	–	–
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The Cathedral ringers at Brisbane, Queensland, recently received a charming message from their fellow-ringers at Bradfield parish church, Berkshire. It was signed by all the ringers, and was accompanied by a photograph of the church. The bells of Brisbane Cathedral, part of which has been built and consecrated recently, are hung in a temporary belfry, until such time as it is possible to build the tower in which they will eventually hang. The following is the text of the message address of the Brisbane ringers:—

"With us, New Year's Eve was a quiet night, with no preventing wind, so that we walked to our belfry just before midnight to help to ring out the old year, and ring in the new, the cry of the bells from other towers came to us through the dark, with their many messages of hope and encouragement for the year just dawning. And we thought of all the ringers of the earth, and wished them well. But it seemed good to us that you should have a special and more tangible proof of our well wishing, because the fame of your beautiful Cathedral has reached us, and we have seen a photograph of the bells which are to hang, or even now hang, in the tower thereof. And though the very existence of ringers in Brisbane is simply a matter of conjecture, we like to think that the Cathedral bells will utter their voices in response to willing hearts and skilful hands, and not solely at the bidding of some chiming apparatus.

"It is the thought of the youth of your bells, and the age of ours, which gives us from a parish church courage to greet you of a Cathedral. Generation after generation of us (for the most part agricultural labourers) have rung these bells each Sunday. We have pealed them in muffled sadness at the passing of Kings and Queens, and many other sorrowful times; and joyfully rung them for Coronation and other glad occasions."

"And we hope that you will have many happy hours in the belfry; for besides being an opportunity of service and a sort of confession of our Faith, the study of the science of campanology is a most engrossing one.

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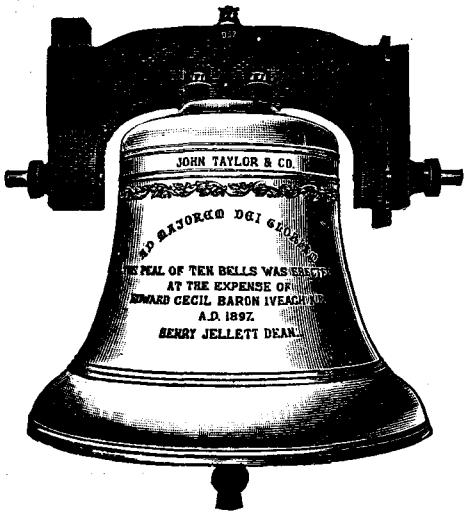

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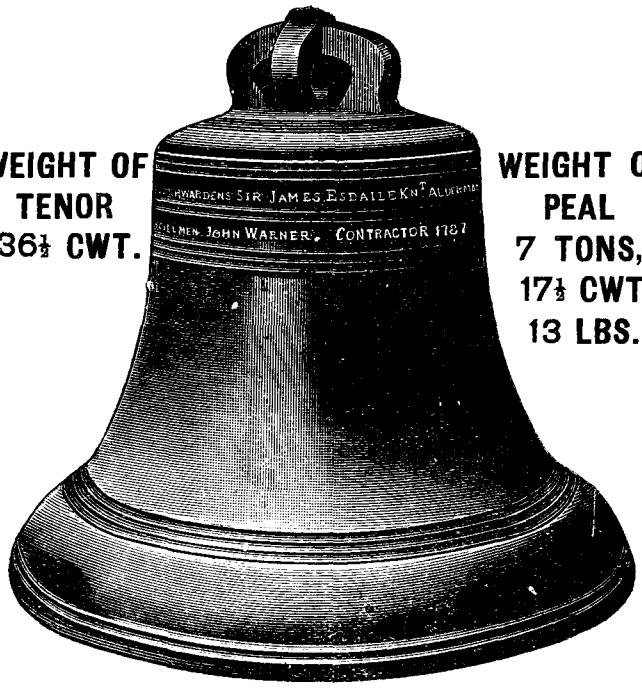

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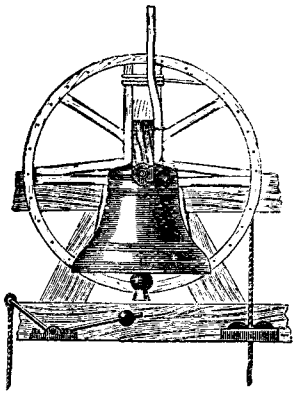

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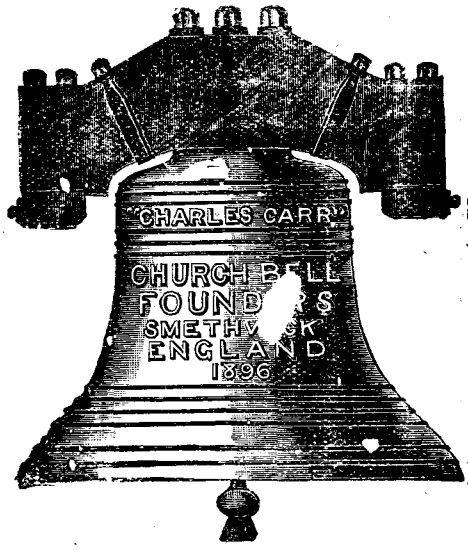

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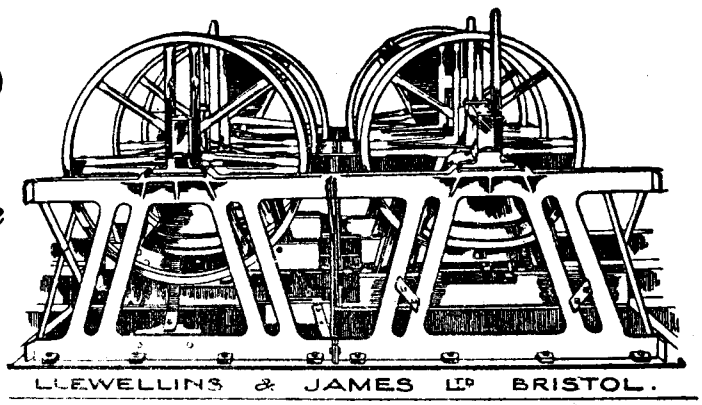

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-second annual meeting was held at Folkestone on Whitsun Monday, June 5th, when, in addition to the tower of SS. Mary and Eanswyth, the Hythe (8), Lyminge (8), Cheriton (6), and Newington (6) towers were open for ringing during the day. Members began to arrive quite early, and the bells of the old parish church were soon set going. Some, more energetic than others, rejecting the facilities afforded by the South Eastern, came on bicycles, visiting towers on their way. One party, for instance, from Romney Marsh way, had an early ring on the six at Sellinge, a village on the London Road about five miles west of Hythe, where the Vicar, the Rev. H. Stevens, regaled them with coffee on the Vicarage lawn.

A meeting of the Central Committee was held before service in one of the classs-rooms of the Woodward Institute, a handsome building close to the church, erected in memory of the late Vicar, the Rev. Canon Woodward, who presided at the last annual meeting held in Folkestone twenty years ago. The annual festival service took place in the beautiful old church at noon, and was largely attended by members and others. The prayers were intoned by the Hon. Secretary, and the lessons read by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Knollys, Mr. W. E. Pitman, Mus. Bac., a well known member presiding at the organ. The hymns sung during the service were "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven," "Our blest Redeemer," and "Now thank we all our God." The Rector of Lyminge, Rev. A. F. Rutty, gave the address from Ex. xxviii. 34—"A golden bell and a pomegranate on the hem of the robe round about." The offertory for the Belfry Repairs Fund amounted to £1 3s. 8d.

At one o'clock members and visitors to the number of 150 sat down to dinner in the hall of the Woodward Institute. Canon Knollys presided, and was supported by the Mayor of Folkestone (Alderman E. J. Bishop), Alderman S. Penfold, Revs. A. F. Rutty, C. S. Playfair and E. Knollys (curates), A. S. Hope (St. Bartholomew's, Dover), Mr. C. G. Church (organist), tne Hon. Secretary, Messrs. C. Tribe, E. Trendell, T. Groombridge, E. A. G. Allen, district secretaries, and others. After the usual toasts (the King, and Archbishop and Clergy) had been duly honoured, the hon. secretary read his annual report, in which touching reference was made to the death of the Rev. R. B. Knatchbull-Hugessen, the founder and first Secretary of the Association, whose earnest efforts on behalf of ringing and ringers paved the way for the success which the Association has for so many years enjoyed. A long list of members and friends who had provided hospitality at district meetings was read out, and the hearty thanks of the Association was accorded them. There are now 28 life, 106 honorary, 126 non resident life, and 900 practising members, making a total of 1160, compared with 1152 last year. Grants from the Belfry Repairs Fund have been made to Meophan (£2 2s.), Birchington (£2 2s.), and Edenbridge (£5 5s.) The balance to the credit of the fund at the end of 1910 was £108 11s. 7d.: and that of the ordinary account was £71 12s. 11d. One hundred and thirteen peals were rung during 1910, and three first peal performances of Royal were recorded, viz., Forward, Double Norwich, and Duffield, all rung at St. Clement Danes, Strand, and conducted by Frank Bennett. A collection made on behalf of the widow of W. J. Collison, a former member of the Margate band, amounted to £1 17s. The business of election of officers, etc., was rapidly transacted, as the majority of those present shewed an overweening desire to get outside, either to remain ringing, or to enjoy the bright air and sunshine on The Lees or the beach. The thanks of the Association are due to Canon Knollys for his kindly welcome to the members and his active interest in the day's proceedings, to the Rector of Lyminge for his address, and to the incumbents of the other churches open for ringing. The meeting, though not so largely attended as some in previous years, passed off well, and the day's outing was thoroughly enjoyed.

An unfortunate accident, however, which might have been worse, occurred in the evening after the ringing. The foreman of the Folkestone band had locked the belfry door, btt left the bells up in case any more members wanted to have a pull before going home. The senior curate, the Rev. C. S. Playfair, had procured another key and gone up to chime for evensong. Not knowing, or forgetting that the bells were up, he pulled one of the bells off, and was taken up with the rope and thrown on the floor. The foreman, who was standing near the church, hearing the bell, ran up the belfry stairs and found him lying unconscious on the floor, and upon medical aid being procured it was found that his collar-bone was broken. Apparently it was thought impossible for any one to get into the ringing chamber; but in any case, when bells are left up, a danger notice to that effect should always be set in some conspicuous position. On the other hand, the accident will serve, it is hoped, to inculcate the much-needed lesson that the handling of a bell should be a necessary part of a clergyman's training; or, if that be deemed a counsel of perfection, to bring about the general adoption of the rule, at least where bells are rung, that no person, cleric or lay, be allowed to chime a bell by himself, unless he understands the handling of a rope when the bell is up.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

By A Member.

The policy of the Central Council when fixing its places of meeting in the country is to cover as much ground as possible. If we go north one year, next year we go south; if we go east one year, next year we go west. And so we meet at all kinds of towns and cities, from the quaint and quiet cathedral cities of the south, to the large industrial towns of the north. But I think that if you take the opinion of the members you will find that the smaller the town the better from a social point of view is the meeting. In a large town, and especially in London, the members are lost among the crowd, and unless you are one of the same party you seldom meet other Councillors except

at the actual meeting. In a small place you run across them at every corner of the street. I have very pleasant memories of Cambridge and Canterbury, to mention only two. But when the meeting was fixed for Leicester I was dubious. Leicester is no doubt a very important and historical place, but in my ignorance I pictured the modern town as altogether given over to shoemakers and radicalism—two most excellent things, but for which I had no particular use at the time. Consequently I fell readily enough into the suggestion that I should make one of a week-end peal ringing band, and only get to Leicester in time for the meeting. Time was when I was of those who hold that peals are not things to be encouraged at Council meetings, but times change and we with them, and anyhow I had much temptation, for three bands offered me hospitality. One was to attempt a peal at Southwell Cathedral, another had four peals for Leicester and district; while we were to try for four in and about Loughborough. The Southwell band got their peal all right—Double Norwich, the first on the bells, and if report spenks truly of the state of the bells, a very fine performance. The Leicester band had for a backbone Messrs. Prewett, Bob and Ernest Pye, and I. G. Shade, and with them in the party a good bag was assured from the first. As a matter of fact they got the lot; Superlative at Anstey and Stanford, and Stedman and Cambridge at Leicester. But misfortune dogged our footsteps. One of our men could not get away from London till late Saturday, and so a peal of Stedman Caters at All Saints was off. We lost a peal of Double Norwich at Shepshed through a simple shift, though we had one of the finest conductors in England. On Monday morning we again met at All Saints to attempt Stedman Caters, but by some means or other a service had been overlooked, and so we could not start. So we went to the foundry, where, by the courtesy of Mr. Taylor, the pretty little ring had been placed at our disposal, and here we rang a 5024 of Double Norwich. To our regret Mr. Harry Chapman had to stand down, as he had received news that his father was dying. It was too late then, and truth to tell too hot to think of further peal-ringing, but we had a most enjoyable and instructive time in the foundry, and then we had to break up, some back to London and work, some to Leicester for the morrow's meeting. We learnt at night that yet another band, which included Mr. and Miss Parker, had rung peals of Stedman and Superlative at Ashby and Burton.

The meeting was held in the Old Town Hall, an ancient and interesting old place, and was very well attended, about sixty members being present, including almost all the men one expects to see regularly from year to year. The most noticeable absentees were perhaps Messrs. R. A. Daniell, Dains, Motts, Catchpole, Cockerill, and Bennett. The agenda was not a very full nor a very promising one, and truth to tell, the meeting rather inclined to the dull side. First we had the more or less formal business, the reading of the minutes, and statement of finance and election of honorary members, and so forth. Then a resolution expressing regret at the loss of the late Mr. Story was passed: regret that was deeply felt, for Mr. Story had been for years a prominent and welcomed attendant at the Council's meetings. The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn told us as to how the Robinson memorial was getting on. Apparently the large sum required for the screen in Drayton church is not forthcoming, and the Committee will probably have to adopt some less costly memorial. It seems that the response has been very much less in some parts of England than others, but it must be remembered that Mr. Robinson's influence was much greater, and his name stood much higher in some parts of the country than in others. Then we come to the reports of Committees, and their reports had pretty nearly all the same thing in common, that they had nothing much to report. One report, though, did give rise to much talk; that of the much wrangled about Points for Peals. The Committee had prepared and published in "THE BELL NEWS" a new scheme, which new scheme of course satisfied nobody, and no scheme will ever satisfy everybody. We had one breezy and characteristic speech from the Rev. H. Law James, the burden of which was that ten and twelve bell ringing is much over-rated. He gave us his reasons clearly enough, and his speech was quite clever enough to have convinced us if we hadn't known better. Result: the report referred back for further consideration. Then we came to the resolutions. First Mr. James wanted to define a six-bell peal, and incidentally to stop ringing fourteen 360s, a point which the Yorkshiremen were so sore about a few years ago. He would let you ring as many methods as you please, but you must ring whole 720s. The Council is never dull when Mr. James is speaking, and his popularity is unbounded, but most of the members are eight-bell ringers, and apart from the speaker the subject did not interest them very much.

Then Mr. Cave wanted to alter the rules as to representation on the Council. He wanted that only such members of a territorial Association as live in its district, should be counted when reckoning the number of representatives for that Association. Several members scented danger to their particular societies, and the London members were dead against it. As a result, the motion was lost.

The last item on the agenda gave rise to a very considerable amount of unexpected heat. It was moved that the Council treat the new paper in the same way that it does "THE BELL NEWS,"

The mover stated emphatically that the resolution was not in any way directed against "THE BELL NEWS," and indeed it does not appear how it would cause a single copy less of this paper to be sold. But the Analysis Committee and the President thought it would mean extra work to them. They said so and said so emphatically. The air was getting a trifle thundery when Mr. Pritchett moved the "previous question," and that being carried, the matter and the meeting closed.

I do not rememcer a Council's meeting when the exodus afterwards was so rapid and so large. Many always have to go to catch trains; the Southwell party returned thither, the President carried off a number to Duffield, and when a few hours later we met for the usual social there was scarcely more than a dozen Councillors left. For the moment it looked as if the thing was going to be a fiasco, but the local men turned up in good numbers, and the presence of Mr. J. W. Taylor saved the situation. He made an excellent chairman, and as Mr. Willson had provided music much above the average, what with songs and handbell ringing we got through a very pleasant couple of hours. And then the final break up; some to bed and some to the railway station. I to a long wait and a night journey back to London, which felt very cold and cheerless after the excitement of the past three days.

Mr. C. Edwards, of Ridgway Road, Farnham, writes to say that the subscription lists re the above are now ready.

THE KNARESBOROUGH SOCIETY.

Few ringers can pride themselves on their membership of a society with so interesting a record as that of the change-ringers at the above parish church, the formation of which, in 1800, together with the quaintly worded rules, which are given in extenso below, are well worthy of perusal. They are reproduced from the minute-book, which, considering the usage it must have had during the century of its existence, remains in a good state of preservation.

In addition to the Articles of Association there were a number of rules which were strictly enforced and carried with them monetary extractions. Mention is made of them as follows: "Playing at ball outside the north door, 3d.:" "Proposing a wager;" "Ringing with hat on;" "Making bell speak before the hour," etc. Then the ringers were above all patrotic, as there are records of peals being rung on several Coronation days, and one in 1805 to celebrate the victory of Nelson. That of course would occasion no surprise, but one wonders what was the inducement for ringing peals on Parliamentary election days, and there is room for conjecture as to which side—Whig or Tory—the rejoicing was in honour of.

Another entry is rather interestiug: "That the ringers meet on November 5th in each year for the purpose of commemorating the diabolical attempt of Guy Fawkes to destroy the leaders of Christianity."

In the far-off days referred to there were evidently some skilful ringers, as the following testifies: "On the 8th July 1802, was rung by this society, a complete peal of Union Triples, consisting of 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 minutes, performed in six courses by the 210 method of calling."

The Articles are appended:

"We, the following persons, whose names are underwritten, do enter ourselves as a society of ringers belonging to the parish church of Knaresborough, and think ourselves subject to the following articles:

"Society, being a collective set of persons formed together under proper laws for the better carrying out of some particular afiair; so may be said of us who have set apart for ourselves a particular amusement, which is, as it were, forming ourselves into a society, for the government of which we think the following set of articles proper to which every person must agree who is now or in future may be a member of this society.

Article the 1st.—That it is the resolution of this society to admit no person therein whose conversation or character may not be agreeable to the members therein, or without he shall have the voice of a majority of the society, he shall not be admitted on any account whatever.

Article the 2nd.—That the price of admission shall be four shillings as soon as the person signifies his intention, and four more before he shall he introduced into changes, which money must be divided amongst the set.

Article the 3rd.—That the set shall meet at the church door by nine e'clock on Sunday mornings, and at two in the afternoon. A person neglecting herein shall if absent, when the clock has done striking, forfeit 1d., if a quarter past 1d., and if absent at the chime time 1d, more; but any person shall be free from fine if he shall engage to attend for him any person whose names are at that time upon the roll.

Article the 4th.—That the whole society shall attend once a week certain on any evening which may be at the society's pleasure; that the person who shall be absent at the hour appointed shall pay 1d., and if he be in the town and not appear at all, and his plea not thought sufficient by the society, he shall pay 3d.

Article the 5th,—When any of the set shall resign or leave their place, another shall be chosen in his stead out of the society by a majority of the set.

Article the 6th.—That it will be unnecessary to repeal the rules which are now in force in the belfry. It is determined they shall remain in full force as usual, and the fines inflicted accordingly.

Article the 7th.—That the money arising from fines, as also on ringing days, shall be spent at some of the scoiety's houses if there be any who keep public-houses: if not, where the society shall think proper except when the churchwardens interfere, and then it shall rest with the society whether they are bound to obey, as the money is allowed by the parish and earned by the society consequently at their disposal.

Article the 8th.—None of the society shall be allowed to talk any kind of debauched or foolish language of any kind which may tend to corrupt the morals of those who otherwise disposed.

Article the 9th.—That whenever this socioty shall meet as well on club nights as any other meeting when bread and cheese is called for, there shall be allowed for the same, that is 1½d. for each person, at the same time it is expected that each person at whose house the meeting is at will provide a comfortable room for the society, wherein no person shall be admitted to whom any one of the society shall object.

John Inman, Robt. Morley, John Fowlard, Wm. Hopwood, Wm. Andrews, Wm. Morley, Matthew Winter, R. Sly, W. Robinson, B. Inman, A. Sly, J. Heppel, J. Luty, J. Hopwood.—1800.

Coincident with the 111th year of the formation of the society, four members of the set completed 111 years combined service in the belfry at the above parish church on a recent Sunday. The members were—F. Smith (24 years), M. Styles (28), W. Swires (30), and F. Thompson (29). The occasion was marked by the ringing of a date touch of 1911 changes, which was done in the remarkably good time of 1 hr. 17 mins. B. Budd, F. Thompson, W. Morrell, F. Smith, J. Lee, J. Watson, W. Swires conductor, M. Styles, Tenor 19½ cwt. The resignation of two esteemed members of the society—Messrs. Morrell and Watson—was received with regret, both having been ringers for several years.

NOTICE OF LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

On Saturday, June 24th, at St. Michael's church, Mottram-in-Longdendale, eight members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will attempt to ring Mr. E. Timbrell's 17,120 Treble Bob Major, commencing at 7 a.m.

Correspondence.

To Members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild.

Sir,—May I use your paper to call the attention of members of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild to the last page of the Report, and to say that I am open to receive annual subscriptions until July 20th? H. Law James.

Cambridge Surprise Major.

Sir,—The first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major in Leicestershire was rung on May 6th, 1911, by the Lincoln Diocesan Guild. H. Law James.

Grandsire Triples.

Sir,—The two peals of Grandsire Triples in your issue for June 3rd, by Mr. W. H. Thompson, are false. J. J. Parker.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A general meeting of this Association was held at Downham Market on Whit Monday, when, by kind permission of the authorities the bells of the parish church, and also those at Hilgay, Stow Bardolph, and Denver were available. Luncheon was served at The Castle hotel, Downham, presided over by Mr. J. W. Sedgley, of King's Lynn, supported by Messrs. Duffield, Moy, F. R. Borrett, Fitzjohn, and C. E. Borrett (Secretary), and representatives from several towers in the district. A cordial welcome was accerded by everyone present to Mr. E. A. Davies, of Barking, Essex, who was on a visit to the neighbourhood. The usual loyal toasts were honoured, new members were proposed, and King's Lynn was decided upon by a large majority for the meeting on Whit Monday, 1912. A cordial vote of thanks to the authorities for the use of the bells concluded the business part of the proceedings.

These meetings in West Norfolk are arranged for the benefit of those residing in this somewhat out-of-the way part of the diocese, and it is hoped that even more ringers will avail themselves of these opportunities for meeting together.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the North-Western division was held at Harlow Common on Saturday, June 10th, Saffron Walden, Bishop's Stortford, Harlow, London, etc., being represented. The Vicar, the Rev. J. D. Elwell, presided at the tea and business meeting, and the thanks of the members present was proposed by the Rev. H. T. Eyre, General Secretary of the Assoiiation.

The Vicar in reply said it was always a pleasure to him to see visitors, and on behalf of the churchwardens and himself, thanked those present for their appreciatiou.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting in October at Bishop's Stortford if suitable arrangements can be made.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The ordinary meeting of the Eastern Counties Branch was held at Long Sutton on Whit-Monday, when about forty members attended from Lynn, Clenchwarton, Walpole, Fleet, Moulton, Spalding, Deeping St. Nicholas, Pinchbeck, Surfleet, Gosberton, Donington, Pricker and the local ringers. During the day some good 720s were rung in the following methods: Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Bob Minor and Double Court. Dinner was held at The Bull hotel, presided over by the Rev. T. Dixon Spain, Vicar of the parish, who gave the ringers a hearty welcome to Long Sutton. Five new members were elected from Long Sutton, Donington and Clenchwarton. A vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Rev. J. M. Coates, a vice-president of the branch, and who was at one time Secretary. A vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding and for the use of the bells brought to a close a very successful meeting. At 3.30 a short service was held in the church, which was well attended, the Vicar giving an excellent address.

BLACKPOOL.

RINGERS and their friends will find good accommodation at Mr. John Smith's, 41, Hornby Road, Blackpool, (late of Rawtenstall). Near Central Station and Sea. Piano. "The Bell News" taken. Good half-pull neighbourhood.

A VISIT TO ORSETT.

On Saturday afternoon, June 10th, a company of ringers from West Ham and Barking visited the above place for the purpose of a revival meeting in these isolated parts of Essex. Many people visit Orsett, not for change-ringing, but in order to retire from the world in which they have failed to satisfy their creditors. Here all such find rent-free apartments in a beautiful palace, valgarly called "The Lump," built by the guardians of the poor—a place where you can ruminate on the past and make the best of the present, with a future prospect of being decently buried.

Curiosity led me to inspect a place where, if fate decreed, I might find a habitation. A male pauper showed the way, remarking he had just been to the churchyard to "tuck up his wife's grave." The 5 o'clock supper bell rang out as we approached the workhouse. One or two coppers and a good-bye sent him off in good spirits, and in a moment he had vanished into those cheerless corridors and dungeons of despair. Over each door, in imagination, were written—

Abandon hope all ye who enter here,
Of bacca, snuft, your liberty and beer.

Arrived in this old-world village, we were soon welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Keeling, who generously provided tea for all of us. While the kettle was boiling, six of us found our way to the belfry and rang a 720 of Kent Treble Bob. The tea was very refreshing after walking five miles from Grays Station, with the prospect of another five miles return. During the evening several touches and a 720 of Cambridge Surprise was rung, at the conclusion of which there followed an *entente cordiale* at The Whitmore Arms. Here on the handbells were rung touches of Bob Major and Stedman Triples by the famous T. Faulkner, G. Faulkner, A. Hardy, E. Fenn, and H. Torble on the tenors, much to the admiralion and delight of the local ringers, who included Mr. Plowright, to whom the writer is indebted for his kindness and courtesy in showing him all that was interesting in the town.

At nine o'clock a hurried movement of separation took place, in which the most sincere sentiments of friendship were manifest. There was now no time to spare in order to cover the five miles between Orsett and Grays, where a train left for London at ten o'clock, while I had 18 miles to myself and my charger the old bike.

Now sallied forth the Barking men eight strong,
Led on the dusty roads by Harry Long;
His giant strides made perspiration stand,
Upon each brow of all this gallant band.

So swift he sped by hedgerow, wood, and glen,
He quite exhansted Faulkner, Hardy, Fenn;
On swallow's wings they flew, forgive this rhyme,
If we but hope they reached the train in time.

G. F. M.

The London County Association Late The St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A special meeting for united practice and election of officers for the above district will be held on Saturday, June 17th, at St. Mary's, Islington. Tower open from 5.30 to 8. Business meeting at The King's Head, Upper Street, at 8 p.m. All members of the district are specially requested to attend.

T. H. Taffender, Hon. Gen. Sec. pro tem.
35, Crawford Street, Denmark Hill.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.–Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on June 20th; and St. Giles. Cripplegate, on the 27th, at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 26th, at 8 p m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 24th, by kind permission of the Vicar. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea can be obtained close to the church. Members and friends cordially invited. C. T. COLES, *Hon Sec.*
228, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Lancashire Association –Manchester Baanch.—The next meeting will be held at Stretford to-day, Sat.. June 17th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A special meeting will be held at Tipton to-day, Sat., June 17th. Ringing at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Unveiling of peal tablet at 5.30. Tea in schools at 6. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Burbage, to-day, Saturday, June 17th. A. T. BERSTON, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's, Balderstone, Rochdale, to-day, Sat , June 17th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.–Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this district will be held on Saturday, June 24th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Swanscombe. Tower open from 3.30 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Further particulars later.
Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual festival will be held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th. Special service in the parish church at 11.30; preacher—the Ven. E. D. Shaw. Archdeacon of Bucks, Business meeting in the Guildhall at 12.20. Dinner in a marquee at The Swon hotel at 1 30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members *only* who send the money with the order to me on or before Wednesday, July 5th, and one shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner. But members failing to send for their tickets, must pay 2s. at the door, and have no refund.

ALBERT E. REEVES, *Festival Sec.*
5, *Fatherson Road, Reading.*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.–The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

GRANDSIRE CATERS.

BY ERNEST MORRIS, *Leicester.*

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Repeat above 18 courses twice, calling the first course of the first repeat 1, 2, 4, and of the second 1, 4, 5s, 6, 9, 10. The front bells are in the same position in each of the three parts.

BOB MAJOR.

By the same Author.

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Repeat first eleven courses, omitting first w, and substituting s for last call; then repeat the whole.

SOWTON, DEVON.

If a snap-shot could have been taken of the feces of the members of the above band on a recent Tuesday evening, it would have revealed very pleasant smiling faces, the occasion being the presentation of a "peal record book" by Mr. J. Totterdell, on behalf of his brother-strings, to their instructor, Mr. F. Davey, for the kindly help and assistance he had given them during the past eighteen months in helping them to master the Art.

In acknowledging the gift, Mr. Davey said he felt amply repaid when they gained their certificates for the Devon Guild, and trusted they would keep together and persevere still further, for there were many treats yet in store for them. He should treasure the memento of his efforts among them, and the harmonious labours together in learning half-pull ringing.

PRESENTATION AT BRISTOL.

A meeting of the Guild of St. Nicholas' ringers was summoned on Tuesday, May 30th, to meet one of their members, Mr. C. Downing, who is leaving England to seek bis fortune in Australia. It was hoped that the Vicar, who is President of the Ringers' Guild, would have been present, but at the last moment he found himself unavoidably detained some distance from home, and he wired his inability to be with them. This was regretted, as every member of the Guild had subscribed his portion towards the present, which was to be handed to Mr. Downing that evening by the Vicar, the Rev. Vernon Holt. This duty devolved upon the Master of the Guild, Mr. F. G. May, who apologised for the Vicar's absence, and then proceeded to make a few suitable remarks to Mr. Downing, who is one of the original members of the Guild, he having been enrolled when it was first proposed to form the Guild in 1900. During the period of ten year's which has elapsed, it can truthfully and with much credit be said, be was one of the most regular members of the Guild in his attendances on all occasions when the bells were required to be rung. From that point of view he will greatly be missed, but his loss as a member of the Guild will be felt in another way, viz., as Secretary for some years he did good work, and it was in connection with his official capacity that his friends recognised his services to the Guild by asking him to accept a small present from from them in the shape of a silver-mounted silk nmbrella, inscribed as follows; "St. Nicholas Guild of Ringers, Bristol, May 1911. Presented to C. Downing by his brother-ringers on his leaving England for Australia."

Mr. May asked the recipient to accept the gift as a token of their esteem and regard for him, and on behalf of the Guild he tendered the heartiest good wishes to his family and himself for their future happiness and welfare.

Mr. Downing feelingly thanked his colleagues for their kindness, mentioning that the gift was acceptable, and one that would always remind him of the pleasant and happy days he had spent with the members of the Guild.

A farewell peal of Stedman Caters was successfully rung on the bells of St. Nicholas on June 6th, and recorded in its proper place, and regret was expressed that every member of the Guild did not share in a farewell peal with their departed comrade. This could not be satisfactorily arranged, owing to very urgent business claims of his unsuccessful colleagues.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. C. T. Coles has removed to 173, St. John's Rd., Walthamstow.

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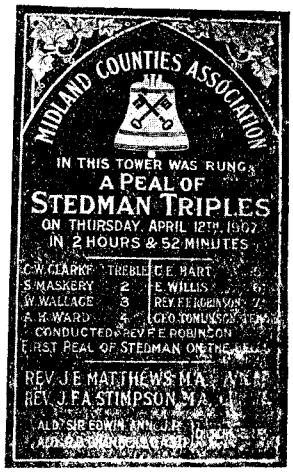

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 1911.

The recognition of Church Bellringers as church workers has always been the fundamental object and principle of Ringing Associations. That is a truism. Whether the religious side of the ringers' office has been lost sight of in the pursuit of the scientific, is a question that gives us pause. Such criticism as was passed upon ringers by the Rev. A. G. Titley, M.A., Vicar of Barwell, at the Ruridecanal Conference held at Hinckley, Leicestershire, last week, calls for some comment. The status of bellringers came up for discussion, and the newspaper report of the proceedings states that "Mr. G. M. Edmunds spoke of the work of the Midland Counties Association, whereupon the Rector of Barwell said there ought to be a little more religion in the ringing. At present many of the ringers seemed to ring for their own glory and honour, and not much for the honour of God! Mr. R. S. Lee said the Associations took ringing as a sport, but admitted that the ringers of his native place were as well known and as much respected as the parson. The Rev. A. E. Disney suggested that a meeting of all the bellringers in the district should be called, and this was agreed to."

From enquiries which we have made, we find that the Rector of Barwell has a ring of eight bells under his care, but he rarely ever enters his belfry when the ringers are present. Moreover the Captain is one well known throughout the Exercise—Mr. Arthur R. Aldham—who rang in the long peals at Debenham and at South Wigston, a man highly respected by all who know him or by repute. We do not know whether the reverend gentleman's remarks were directed to his own ringers. We sincerely hope not. But if he knows so little about his own, we ask with all courtesy, whence comes the knowledge about other ringers?

The practise of change-ringing makes for a higher

standard of efficieney. That is beyond question. We feel sure that the critics do not deplore that. If in the pursuit of their calling the ringers meet with success and honour, is *that* to be considered a detriment? Everyone knows that the powers of oratory are improved by exercise, but neither layman nor clergyman ever repudiated a compliment upon an approved discourse. Would any minister tell his organist that in seeking his degree of F.R.C.O. or his Doctorship of Music, that there was no religion in his playing, and that he was doing it for his own glory, and not for the honour of God? We think not. Again, how would a minister feel if the same charge was levelled against him while studying for his M.A.? We venture to think that any reverend gentleman would feel it to be a gratuitous insult; and he would be right.

We hold no brief for ringers who fail to realise that they *are* church workers. We would hail with pleasure the adoption of a church service at every Annual Meeting, to which all members should consider it their bounden duty to attend. Where clergyman join the ringer's ranks this is usually the case. Let them bring their leaven to work upon the unleaven. Among the ringers of the country are many who wear the bronze cross of the Church of England Men's Society. May we suggest to the clerics who consider the ringers to be outside the fold, to gather their own into their branch of the C.E.M.S. One thing is clear. If the men who call others to church from the steeple have not been shepherded themselves, the fault lies with the shepherd. Rectors who are wise recognise that ringers of to-day are not part of the great unwashed, but men of mental ability, and whose assistance in Church matters are invaluable when they are utilised. The Associations need the help of the clergy in their work of progress. Anyone may be an iconoclast, but it goes without saying that pulling down is one thing and building up is another. The Associations that operate in nearly every county are the organisations to which the critical should turn their attention, and one ounce of their work from within would be found to be more valuable than a ton of their outside criticism. *Cadit Quoestio.*

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

Ringers in West Middlesex will be glad to know that the bells of St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, are to be put in ringing order again. The order has gone to Gillett and Johnston to provide a new iron frame for ten, tune and put all new fittings to the present eight, and supply two new trebles. The work is to be completed by October the 1st.

The Metropolis.

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

On Wednesday, May 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE	*Treble.*	ARTHUR HARDY	5.
WILLIAM HEWETT	2.	FRANK HAIRS	6.
EDWIN PIKE	3.	ERNEST BRETT	7.
ALFRED GEIMES	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

JAMES STARLING	*Treble.*	GEORGE ABLITT	4.
DAVID LEGGETT	2.	CHARLES E. FISHER	5.
HENRY PUTTOCK	3.	WILLIAM SAWYER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

ENVILLE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, June 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

HERBERT KNIGHT	*Treble.*	CHARLES F. WHITE	5.
HARRY PRICE	2.	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD	6.
JOHN BASS	3.	ROBERT MATTHEWS	7.
REV. E. V. COX	4.	JOSEPH FAULKNER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT MATTHEWS.

By the expressed wish of the Rector the above peal was rung half-muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. Chapman.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

HARRY BREWER	*Treble.*	JOHN RICE	5.
OLIVER SIPPETTS	2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	3.	FREDK. DENCH	7.
ALFRED D. MILLS	4.	FREDK. W. RICE	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by F. W. RICE.

Messrs. Williams and Buckland were elected members of the Asso- previous to starting for the peal.

FRAMSDEN, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE WHITING	*Treble.*	WILLIAM BURGESS	5.
ALBERT STAFF	2.	JOHN J. CREASEY	6.
ERNEST E. LANHAM	3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN	7.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN	4.	WILLIAM T. LAST	*Tenor.*

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 6 cwt.

JOHN OLDHAM*	*Treble.*	ROBERT E. DAWE	5.
JABEZ A. TROLLOPE	2.	*JAMES HUTCHBY	6.
FRANK BENNETT	3.	*ERNEST W. ABBOTT	7.
DANIEL RICHARDS	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. HOLDEN, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

*First peal in the method.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES M. BAILEY	*Treble.*	EDGAR H. BAILEY	5.
WILLIAM J. GROOM	2	PETER LAFLIN	6.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	3.	NORMAN R. BAILEY	7.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	4.	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

BRISTOL.—THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5055 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

FRED G. MAY	*Treble.*	*CHARLEL PERRY	6.
CHARLES DOWNING	2.	SAMUEL PHILLIPS	7.
ALBERT STOWELL	3.	GILBERT WILTSHIRE	8.
FREDE. W. WADE	4.	ISAAC LONG	9.
HENRY HOWELL	5.	URIAH BRAVEN	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by FRED G. MAY.

*First peal in any method. Rung as a farewell to the ringer of the 2nd, who was leaving England on June 9th for Australia. Further reference elsewhere.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES BAILEY	*Treble.*	GEORGE CLAYBROOKE	5.
BERNARD V. SMITH	2.	WILLIAM LAWLEY	6.
DANIEL JONES	3.	ALFRED FALLON	7.
ANDREW JONES	4.	ARTHUR EVERSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. FALLON.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DERBY BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S 12-PART. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN HAYNES†	*Treble.*	JOHN GLEW	5.
WILLIAM POYSER	2.	LEWIS LOMAS	6.
JOSEPH DAVIES	3.	ROBERT G. BASSON	7.
GEORGE TOMLINSON	4.	*FREDERICK FOSTER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH DAVIES.

†First peal away from the tenor. *First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. F. E. Moult (sidesman of St. Peter's), to Miss C. A. Moore.

BRIGHTON.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

WILLIAM PALMER	*Treble.*	ERNEST GOWER	5.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	2.	RICHARD STREDWICK	6.
CHARLES T. COLES	3.	ALBERT D. STONE	7.
CHARLES PALMER	4.	KEITH HART	*Tenor.*

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PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

DAVID LEGGETT	*Treble.*	HENRY PUTTOCK	4.
GEORGE ABLITT	2.	CHARLES E. FISHER	5.
ALDERMAN LING	3.	WILLIAM SAWYER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH,)

On Friday, June 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Plain Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

R. HUGH RICHARDSON	*Treble.*	C. WILLIAM SMITH	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES	2.	GEORGE LADD	5.
REV. C. J. STURTON	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Rung with the bells muffled in memory of the Rev. J. M. Coates, a vice president of this branch.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALFRED T. BAKER*	*Treble.*	HENRY FLETCHER	5.
EDWARD C. GOREY	2.	†HENRY HARRISON	6.
ALBERT H. WARD	3.	BART MITCHELL	7.
JOSEPH DAVIES	4.	‡JAMES F. GEORGE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

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

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

WILLIAM KING	*Treble.*	GEORGE ABLITT	4.
DAVID LEGGETT	2	CHARLES E. FISHER	5.
HENRY PUTTOCK	3.	WILLIAM SAWYER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

This was the first peal of Treble Bob in seven different methods on the bells.

KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs.

FREDK BORRETT	*Treble.*	*FREDK. BUROWS	5.
FREDK. MANSER†	2.	†EDWIN WHITING	6.
ALFRED NEWSON	3.	JOHN SNELLING	7.
JONATHAN CUNNINGHAM†	4.	GEORGE SNELLING	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

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

HARRY DICKENS*	..*Treble.*	GEORGE F. SWANN	5.
CHARLES DICKENS	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
FRANK WITHERS*	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
ARTHUR CRAMBERS	4.	JOHN WITHERS	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells, and first peal in the method in the county of Warwickshire.

PONTEFRACT, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BULWER'S IRREGULAR TEN-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

BERNARD MOODY	..*Treble.*	*WILLIAM PEARSON, JUN.	5.
WILLIAM P. BROOK	2.	WILLIAM PEARSON, SEN.	6.
FREDERICK MOODY	3.	THOMAS M. BARKER	7.
HARRY WALTERS	4.	ARTHUR GILL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by T. M. BARKER.

*First peal of Stedman Triples.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

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

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs.

LEWIS W. WIFFEN	..*Treble.*	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY	5.
REV. WM. C. PEARSON	2.	WILLIAM L. CATCHPOLE	6.
WILLIAM MOTTS	3.	EDWARD EVANS	7.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT	4.	JAMES MOTTS	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, asd Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

First peal in this method by all, and by the above Association; also the first but one rung in the Eastern Counties.

MILVERTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM ANDREWS, JUN.	..*Treble.*	REV. E. V. COX	5.
HENRY NORMAN	2.	ARCHIBALD J. ANDREWS	6.
ROBERT SCOTT	3.	WILLIAM CHAPMAN	7.
EDWIN CHAPMAN	4.	ROBERT CHAPMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

HARBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 960 each of St. Dunstan's, Canterbury Pleasure, Old Doubles, and Plain Bob, and 1200 of Grandsire. Tenor 9 cwt.

HERBERT WM. MOULDS	..*Treble.*	JAMES JACKSON	3.
WILLIAM E. WHITE	2.	THOMAS DICKMAN	4.
		WALTER WHITE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WALTER WHITE.

Rung on the 12th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. James Jackson, and of a peal rung on the same bells on June 12th, 1899, to celebrate the wedding, in which the Messrs. White and T. Dickman took part.

Handbell Peals.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(DERBY BRANCH.)

On Monday, June 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

At the Residence of Mr. J. Vickers, 81, Nottingham Road, Derby;

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

SAYWELL VICKERS*	1-2.	ALBERT H. WARD	5-6.
ARTHUR BRAINES†	3-4.	‡JOHN VICKERS	7-8.

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

*Aged 17. †Aged 16. ‡Aged 15. Umpires—J. Vickers, sen., and Bart. Mitchell.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The number of changes in the peal of Superlative Surprise Major rung at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, is 5056.

Miscellaneous.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARWELL (Berks).—Recently, 720 Grandsire Minor. H. R. Cooper, A. R. Bosley, T. Hughes, W. Hitchman. V. R. Hitchman, R. G. Rice conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the late Mr. Hutchings, Vicar's warden. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, on the occasion of a wedding. C. Hitchman, W. Hitchman conductor, R. G. Rice, T. Hughes, V. R. Hitchman, A. G. C. Rice. Before a recent evening service, 540 Grandsire Minor. H. C. Mulford, G. C. Rice, R. G. Rice conductor, W. Hitchman, V. R. Hitchman, R. F. Deal.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

BLAKENHALL (Wolverhampton).—On Monday, June 5th, an attempt was made for a peal of London Surprise Major, which came to grief after ringing 2500 changes in 1 hr. 30 mins. H. Price, G. Hughes, H. Knight, W. Fisher, J. Bass, A. Davies, C. F. White, R. Matthews conductor. Longest length in the method by all except the 6th and tenor men.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

NETHERTON.—On Sunday evening, June 11th, for Divine Service at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Erin Triples, in 42 mins. H. Hill, A. Greenfield, J. Faulkner, W. Prestidge, H. Price, A. Prestidge, A. Davies conductor, J. Massey. First quarter-peal in the method by all.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND. — On Tuesday, June 15th, for practice, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor. R. Tall, J. Burles, G. Ambrose, F. Mitchell, R. Constant, F. Hayes conductor. First in the method by Messrs. Tall, Ambrose, and Mitchell. Rung to commemorate the restoring of the belfry window by Mrs. Russell, widow of the late Mr. Churchwarden Russell, of Milton.

SWANSCOMBE (Kent).—On Mar. 29th, 720 Cambridge Surprise. R. Smith, *J. Burles, F. J. Ring, W. Lane, G. Hayes, W. Harper conductor. *First in the method. On Monday, June 12th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples in 46 mins. F. J. Ring, *J. Burles, *F. Hayes, *R. Smith, J. Cheesman, W. Lane, W. Harper conductor, G. Hayes. *First quarter-peal in the method.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday morning, June 4th, at St. John the Divine, 504 Stedman Triples, Miss L. A. Willson, G. R. Pye, I. G. Shade, W. H. Inglesant, A. W. Searle, B. Prewett, J. Harris, E. Pye conductor. Messrs. Pye, Prewett, and Shade hail from London; A. W. Searle from Exeter; the remainder from local districts.

DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

By G. Cross, *Norwich.*

5024.

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46325				–
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62345				–
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43526			–	
35246	s			–
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23546				–
45326	–			–
53426				–
24356	–			–
43256				–
32456				–

Repeat once.

BOB MAJOR.

By the same Author.

5024.

23456	W	B	H
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35264			–
26354	–		–
32654			–
63254			–
56234	–		
23564	–		–
62345	–	1	–
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24365	–		–
32465			–
43265			–
64235	–		
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43526			–}
54326			–)
32546	–		–
5324k			–
25346			–
34256	–		–
32456			s

Repeat once, omitting calls braced in one part. Has all combinations of 4th, 5th, and 6th in 5-6.

HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Sunday, May 28th, at the parish church, on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Nelly Verry, eldest daughter of Mr. T. Verry, steeplekeeper, to Mr. Joseph Clark, 360 Grandsire Triples. E. Wood, W. G. Ellis, E. Starkey, B. Starkey, W. Anker, S. Danby, C. Starkey, R. Speakman. Mr. Thomas Verry is the eldest son of the late William Verry, who was tower-keeper for over fifty years. Mr. Thomas Verry himself has rang at the same church for quite forty years. On Monday, May 29th, 504 Grandsire Triples, in honour of the 100th birthday of Mrs. Hemms, of Handsworth. E. Wood, J. Corrigan, G. Taylor, C. Starkey, W. Anker, R. Faux, W. G. Elliss, S. Danby.

The following three peals arrived too late for insertion in their proper places.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

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

On Thursday, June 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 32 cwt.

Edgar Pemberton ..	..*Treble.*	Arthur S. Boar	5.
Charles J. Sedgley ..	2.	William P. Garrett ..	6.
Edward Evans	3.	James Motts	7.
William J. Nevard ..	4.	Charles Crapnell ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by James Motts.

Arranged and rang especially to oblige Mr. Nevard. This was the first day of the Suffolk Agricultural Show now being held in Christchureh Park, Ipswich.

TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Wednesday, June 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Editha,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Pritchard's Variation of Thurstans's. Tenor 22 cwt.

Arthur J. Marks* ..	..*Treble.*	Frederick J. Cope	5.
Alfred Chaplin*	2.	†William D. James	6.
Joseph W. Timms	3.	James Pratt	7.
Thomas Bloor	4.	James W. Gallimore	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by William D. James.

*First peal of Stedman. †First peal as conductor.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

In the Belfry,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part.

Hubert Eden	1-2.	*George E. Howchin ..	5-6.
George N. Price.. ..	3-4.	Fredk. White	7-8.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the South-Western district was held at Chigwell Row on Saturday, June 3rd, and was attended by about twenty members representing most of the towers in the district. Ringing commenced soon after 3. Tea and meeting were held at Richardson's Retreat, presided over by the District Master (Mr. G. A. Black), supported by the Rector (Rev. G. H. Hopkins), who very kindly paid all expenses of the tea, and Mr. Hughes (Mears and Stainbank). Mr. Margetson proposed, and Mr. Hughes seconded, the election of the Rev. G. H. Hopkins as honorary member, which was carried unanimously. Two new ringing members were also elected. The chairman then proposed that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter of sympathy to the widow of the late Mr. Squires. This was agreed to by all present. The chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells, and in reply the Rector said he was very pleased to welcome the ringers, and hoped they would come to Chigwell Row again. Barking was selected as the next meeting-place.

A vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, brought the meeting to a close, and the tower was again visited, some of the members going on to St. Mary's, Chigwell, kindly placed at their disposal by the Vicar, for which their thanks are due. Ringing ceased about 9 o'clock, after a pleasant gathering in ideal weather.

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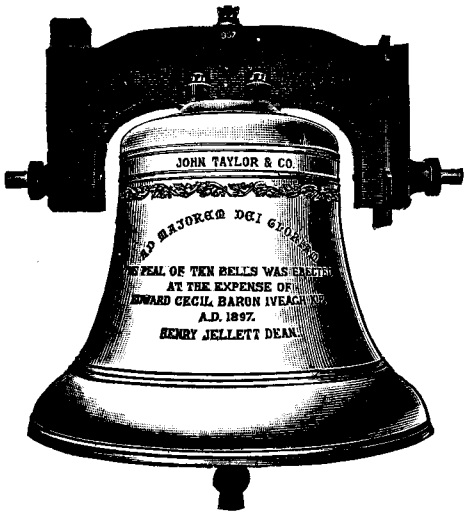

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The fine peal of five bells at the parish church, some of which belonged to the old priory, have been rehung by Messrs. Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, and, in order to raise £43 still owing, a garden fete and bazaar have been held in the vicarage grounds. Mrs. Daw, until lately a near neighbour, kindly opened the bazaar. Stalls, etc., were prettily arranged in the Church Room. The Torrington town band played, and at intervals the bells were rung by bands from Monkleigh, Weare Gifford, and Little Torrington, as well as by the local ringers. The gross takings amounted £57 5s. 6d., so that the main object of the event was attained. Mr. Wickett deserves a word of thanks for the loan of part of his field, for fetching and returning the tent kindly lent by Lord Clinton, and for help in various other ways. To Mr. C. R. Bruce and Mrs. Bruce the thanks of all churchpeople are especially due, for they planned, worked, collected, and gave so liberally, that success was almost bound to follow their efforts.

J. F. PENNING.—Thanks.

REV. H. LAW JAMES.—Next week.

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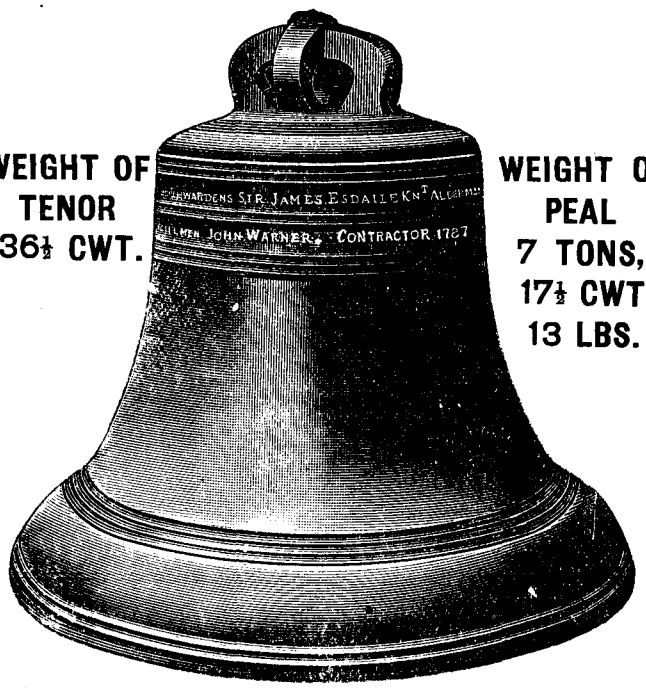

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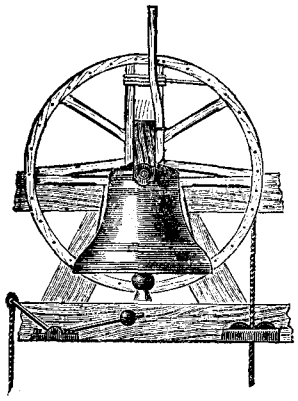

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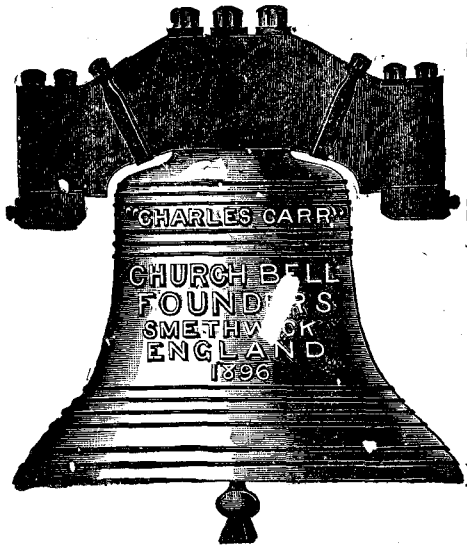

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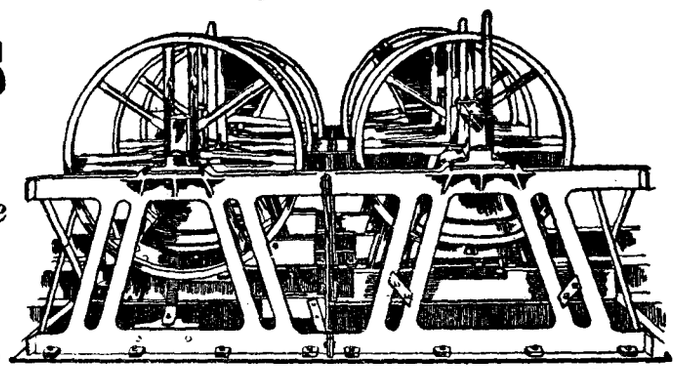

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BRASSINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.

On Friday, June 9th, the inhabitants of this quaint and peaceful village, which reposes restfully amongst "the everlasting hills," were in festival mood. The occasion was the bringing to fruition of a scheme for furnishing the parish church with a suitable ring of bells. The ancient and beautiful edifice is of twelfth century design, and retains many of its original Norman features, notably the massive arcade separating the nave and south aisle, and chancel and south chancel aisle; and the fine ronnd archway giving access to the tower. The church possessed bells from a very early date. In the reign of Edward VI. there were —"two bells—one sanctus bell in the stepull." At a later date there were three bells, the first having traces of lettering; the second rudely inscribed with "God save the King, 1677;" and the third bearing the legend "God save his Church, 1743. Tho. Hedderly, Founder." These were described by an expert as a "weird trio, not tuned to any recognised scale." The frame and fittings were much dilapidated and beyond economic repair. The deliberations of the bell restoration committee culminated in the placing of an order with Messrs. John Taylor and Co. for a new steel frame and a ring of five bells, the old 1743 bell to be retained as the fourth of the new ring. The result of the work of the Loughborough firm is a light melodious ring of excellent tone and quality, tenor 8 cwt. 26 lbs. Provision has been made for the addition of a treble, and the enthusiasm of the ringers and villagers is such that this may be expected at an early date.

The special service was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. F. C. Mahony, M.A., assisted by the Rev. A. Gamble, M.A., Vicar of Bradbourne, and the dedication ceremony was performed by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Derby, who also delivered an excellent address. Immediately after the dedicatory prayers a course of Grandsire Doubles was rung by Messrs. R. M. Blackwall, H. George, F. Johnson, B. Greatorex, and W. Fox, who assisted by Messrs. E. Manners, H. Baldry, H. Midlame and the local band kept up Grandsire and Plain Bob until the shadows began to fall.

A sale of work, opened by Col. R. H. Jelf, C.M.G., was held in the schoolroom during the afternoon, and this effort has happily enabled us to say that the bells were dedicated free from debt.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

By the addition of a new treble and tenor to the former ring of six, Netherseale now possesses a pretty ring of eight bells. The new bells have been given by W. W. Worthington, esq., of the Old Hall, who is himself an enthusiastic ringer, and has rung several peals with the Midland Counties Association. Messrs. Taylor, of the Loughborough foundry, were entrusted with the work, and have, in addition to casting the new bells, retuned the whole on the new principle, and recast the 4th. The "go" and the tone of the peal is highly gratifying, and the octave, with a tenor of 11½ cwt., has a very musical effect. The dedication ceremony was performed on Saturday, June 17th, and ringers to the number of about thirty were present from all quarters. The proceedings opened with a touch of 350 Grandsire Triples, conducted by the donor, and touches of Stedman, Double Norwich, Treble Bob and Plain Bob followed, ringing being continued till about 8 p.m. Evensong was sung at 6.30, when Mr. Worthington presented the new bells to the Rector and churchwardens. The curate, in the absence of the Rector, received the bells, and, holding the ropes in his hand, read the formal dedication and a few prayers. A touch of 224 Grandsire Triples was rung immediately after service.

The visitors were kindly entertained by Mr. Worthington throughout the afternoon and evening, the day closing with a little handbell ringing, and selections on the gramophone.

WOLVEY, WARWICKSHIRE.

The parish church of St. John the Baptist, Wolvey, one of the most picturesque and pleasantly-situated of local edifices, now possesses a ring of six bells. Three of these were dedicated and rung for the first time on Sunday, June 18th. It is believed that the three original bells belonging to Wolvey church were placed in the tower at the Restoration of Charles II. in 1660, by the Astleys, of Wolvey Hall. The larger of the three is probably about 500 years old, and is the only known example of the Johannesde Yorke (probably Leicestershire) make in the country. It is said to have been brought from Nuneaton Abbey at the time of the dissolution.

Some time ago it was found that the bells mentioned were in such a condition that it was deemed dangerous to ring them. Mr. Taylor, of the well-known Loughborough firm, was consulted, and he advised that the bells should be rehung with entirely new fittings and framework. The parishioners put the matter in hand at once. Messrs. Taylor were instructed to thoroughly overhaul and rehang the bells, and given an order for three new ones, Mr. E. Hawley, of Leicester Grange, Mr. T. Carver, of Wolvey Abbey, and the Vicar (Rev. T. D. Williams) and Miss Williams, his sister, having generously offered to make up the peal to six. The work has been expeditiously carried out by Messrs. Taylor, and Wolvey now possesses as fine a peal as any church in the immediate neighbourhood. The total cost of the work is over £300.

The new bells were dedicated by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Coventry on Sunday evening last, in the presence of a large congregation. The dedication took place after the collects and prayers of ordinary evenson. The Archdeacon, accompanied by the Vicar (Rev. T. D. Williams), the Rev. W. Bleiben (a former incumbent of Wolvey), and the churchwardens proceeded to the west end of the church, and taking up a position in the belfry the Archdeacon offered up dedicatory prayers, "setting apart these bells for holy purposes, and for the glory of God." In subsequent prayers he charged the Vicar "as the appointed minister of Christ in this parish, to receive the bells in sacred trust for the use in God's service and

glory." Addressing the churchwardens of Wolvey he said the bells had been placed in the custody of the Vicar of the parish to be used by his consent only, subject to the control of the Bishop of the Diocese.

The completion of the dedication was announced by a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles by the ringers of Barwell parish church. The Archdeacon afterwards preached from the words "Glory to God in the highest." The Rev. W. Bleiben and Mr. F. H. Seaton read the lessons; while the choir rendered the anthem "Sing a song of praise." The special hymns included "Now thank we all our God," "Give sentence with me O God," and "O praise God in His holiness. "The offertory was for the bell fund. At the conclusion of the service 720 Bob Minor was rung in 27 mins. by A. Aldham conductor, W. A. Needham, J. J. Garratt, C. H. Belton, H. Briggs, W. H. Inglesant.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING.

This week's "Bell News" contains an interesting account of the Central Council meeting at Leicester by a member. As it is an unsigned article, I feel at liberty to call attention to two statements in the account, which I should hardly like to take notice of if it were signed, but I feel sure that under the circumstances the author will realise that what I have to say is intended for the good of the Exercise at large, and is not intended for an attack upon him. Referring to what I had to say about ten and twelve-belll ringing, he says–"He gave his reasons clearly enough, and his speech was quite clever enough to have convinced us if we hadn't known better."

Now this statement is very interesting; it is a splendid illusrtation of the way in which too many ringers approach any controversy connected with ringing: they have made up their minds already, and no argument, however good, is going to convince them; they know better. I am not surprised at it; it is the natural way in which the unscientific mind approaches these matters; but what I want to point out is that in change-ringing, as in every other science, you have to find out tbe facts, which in this case means the figures, and follow them to their natural conclusion, and until you have freed yourself from the slavery of prejudice which makes you think that you know, and start boldly out to follow the figures wherever they lead you, you are not in a position to form an opinion on these subjects at all.

In any other science a man carefully studies his subject for years before he ventures to give an opinion at all; but too many ringers havs no sooner rang a peal or two, than they begin to publish figures, which they are pleased to call methods, compare and publish so-called peals, which even if they are true, are not worth ringing, and state their opinions on the subject of the extension of Stedman, although their studies have not been carried far enough to understand the difference between a B and a P upon which the whole argument is founded; and as Sir Arthur Heywood pointed out to the meeting, this not only makes them look exceedingly foolish, but also brings the whole Exercise into a false position.

I turn next to the six-bell question, and the author states that "most of the members are eight-bell ringers, and apart from the speaker, the subject did not interest them much."

This also is true; the average eight, ten, and twelve-bell ringers take little or no interest in six-bell ringing and think that it is quite beneath their dignity, whilst the average six-bell ringers look with awe upon eight, ten, and twelve-bell ringing, and think that it is far beyond their reach. Now this is just the point which I cannot agree with. A peal of Minor in seven methods, and much more a peal of Minor consisting of seven true 720s in fourteen methods is a much more difficult performance than the eight, ten, and twelve men think; whilst a peal of Maximus is a much simpler matter than the six-bell man imagines, and the sooner we get rid of these pernicious notions the better, and how are we to do so? There is but one way; try it and see. If the six-bell men will boldly attempt 8, 10, and 12-bell ringing, they will find that its terrors disappear, and if the 8, 10, and 12-bell men will try Minor ringing in a variety of methods, they will find that it is extremely interesting, and by no means easy. This is what I have been telling six-bell men in South Lincolnshire for some time past, and Grandsire Caters, Bob Royal, Treble Bob Royal and Norwich Stedman Caters, Cambridge Major, Double Norwich Major, not to mention the other Major methods and Norwich Stedman Triples appear in the peal lists of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, rung principally by men from six-bell towers.

One speaker at the Council tried to discount my arguments by very politely suggesting that I was an exceptional ringer; if so, all I can say is that there must be a good many other exceptional ringers in South Lincolnshire; for only on the Saturday before the Council Meeting, we attempted a peal of Superlative Surprise Major at Spalding with five men in, who had never struck a blow in the method, and rang nine courses with excellent striking.

Now I do not myself believe that South Lincolnshire ringers are exceptional; there are plenty of good six-bell men elsewhere, and what we have done, I am certain that they can also do, if they will only discard these foolish notions and go forward,

Finally a word to six-bell ringers. The C.C. Collection of Legitimate Methods, Part I., contains all those Minor Methods which are worth ringing, then why go on ringing worthless stuff like Woodbine and Violet?

The book is not complete in itself. True, but in every Minor method the bob is always 4ths place. If the Method has 2nds place made when the treble leads a whole pull. call the tenor W R W, and you have a 720; if the method has 6ths place when the treble leads a whole pull, call the tenor 1 0 1, and you have a 720: but in Plain Methods the callings have to be doubled, and two singles called to produce the 720; if there is 2nds at the plain lead, make 2nd, 3rd and 4ths at the single; if there is 6th at the plain lead, 4th, 5th and 6th at the single. This gives you a large variety of good methods, well worth ringing, and if you are not content with seven methods in a peal, then you can construct 720s in two plain methods by ringing 360 in one method and calling a S, and then 360 in the other, taking care that the two singles are alike, i.e. either 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in both methods, or 3rd, 4th and 5th in both methods, and that the rows in the courses are odd and even in the same way in each: and you can construct 720s in Treble Bob methods by substituting another plain course for the 3 plain courses which come up in every 720 with nine bobs, provided that the other plain course contains the same 120 as the plain course ones, for which it is substituted, for this gives true 720s in fourteen methods, which is surely better than fourteen 360s.

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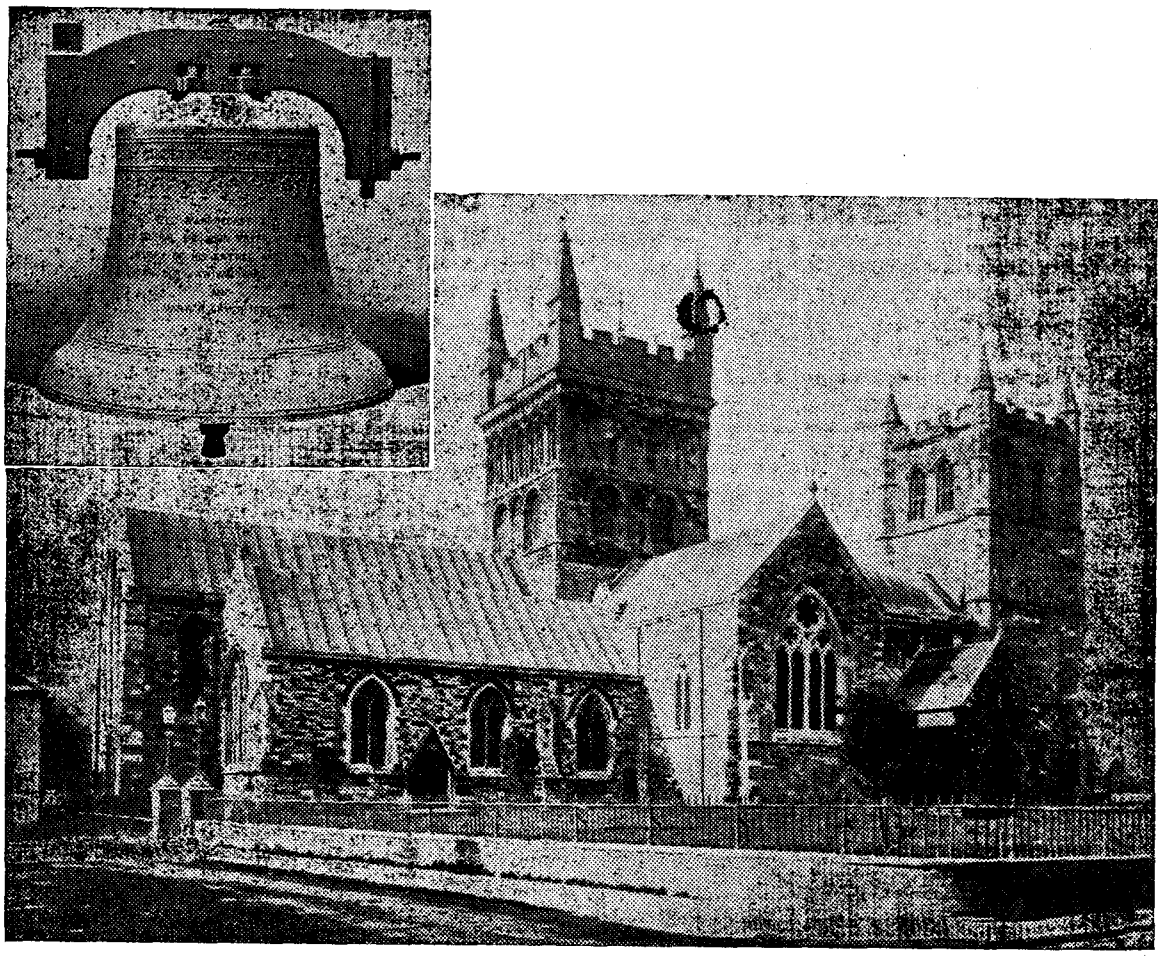

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In the presence of a large congregation on Wednesday afternoon, June 14th, the fine old ring of eight bells of Wimborne Minster, which have been recast and added to by two new trebles, the generous gift of Mr. Henry Oakley Chislett, chairman of the Church Governors), by reason of the "great love and veneration" he has ever felt for, and his almost life-long association with, the Minster, were dedicated by the Bishop of Columbia.

His Lordship, who, with the clergy, had robed at the church house, was met at the main entrance-to the Minster, by the choir, the hymn "We love the place, O God," being sung as a processional. Besides the members of the Minster staft—the Vicar (Rev. J. M. F. Fletcher), the Rev. T. J. C. Parry Evans (Kingston Lacy), J. Lynes, and the Rev. N. Balfour—the clergy present included the Revs. Canon E. R. Bernard, T. G. Blackwood Price (St. John's), A. D. H. Allan (headmaster of the Grammar School), E. E. Kindersley (Colehill), W. H. Stent (Broadstone), J. Cross (Stufminster Marshall), T. Cooper (Portland), formerly one of the curates at the Minster, F. Ll. Edwards (Kington Magna), and the Rev. C. A. Phillips, of Bournemouth, branch secretary of the Guild. Following prayers and Psalms lxxxiv. and cl., the Lesson—Numbers xi., 11—was read by Canon Bernard, Stainer's anthem, in which the words are taken from the 1st and 2nd verses of Psalm xlvii. and other portions of Scripture, "O clap your hands, all ye people," was effectively rendered by the choir, after which the Bishop, clergy and churchwardens proceeded to the baptistry in the west tower, a voluntary being meanwhile played by the organist. Arrived here, the churchwardens, taking the rope connecting the bells, requested the Bishop, who, by the way, was acting on behalf of the Bishop of Salisbury, whose illness prevented his attending, to dedicate "to the glory of God, and for the use of this church, this peal of bells." His lordship, receiving the ropes, made response, and led the congregation in prayer for the undertaking, afterwards, still holding the ropes, dedicating the bells and offering petitions apropos their use in summoning people to worship, for the ringers, the newly married, the sick, those who absent themselves from the House of Prayer, and the departed. The response to these petitions —"Let us make a cheerful noise to the Rock of our Salvation," was a short touch rung on the bells by the Minster band, conducted by Mr. Edmund Tubbs, and the Bishop and clergy returned to their places in the choir. "Lifted safe within the steeple" was the hymn of

the office, preceding the sermon by the Bishop, who selected as his text the words "Things new and old," found in the 13th chapter of St. Matthew, part of the 52nd verse.

No sermon, be remarked, could set forth more plainly and more clearly what the objects of the bells were than the service in which they had joined. In the prayers and in the hymn they had just sung all was clearly set before them as to what was the ideal of a peal of bells. He added nothing to it beyond emphasising the fact of the need that there was constantly for the congregation, who were helped by the ringing of the bells to remember the ringers in their prayers, and incidentally be mentioned that he remembered once how Dr. King, Bishop of Lincoln, not long ago taken to his rest, told him that he had made it a rule to always pray for the organ-blower. It sometimes seemed to him that those who ministered in church—whether as bellringers or as choirmen and choirboys, were criticised and very seldom prayed for or thanked for all of the work that it involved. Was there anyone present who had not found fault at times with the singing of the choir, and yet they forgot all the time that was given to the work—how the choirman or choirboy gave up a certain part of his leisure time week by week for practice, and how they ought to be thankful to them for that which they gave for the service of God: and equally so to those who rang the bells. He was told that the old bells at one time hung in the old Norman tower, and they had to be removed because the tower itself might have been injured, to that which, comparatively speaking, was the more modern part, at the west end. As one thought of what those very stones had seen in ages past, as he was allowed that morning to look into a Saxon chest in that church, which a thousand years ago and more was roughly hewn for its purpose, as he saw there all the following steps of their great architecture plainly and clearly, to his mind, living in a country in the far west of Canada, where nothing was old except the country itself—where they had in their diocese not a single church that was built of brick or stone, where to look back over history of fifty years was all that they could do in the work of the church, he came there that day and felt indeed the joy of knowing that their new church in British Columbia was one with the old church at home, and they were altogether as one with the great church which before Norman or Saxon Church stood on that site came into being when first they kept the great festival of Pentecost in its fulness. What did the recasting of those bells and the addition to their number teach them? Surely that their lives, whatever they might be, needed constant recasting in order to be kept in tune. They knew all so well all that marred the true harmony of life: their bad tempers, their evil passions, their slanderous, unkind, uncharitable thoughts, their lack of true humility. And he trusted that that most beautiful church, with all its past history, with that perfect and complete ring of bells, might lead them on to strive after that which was higher and better. Was there not room for them all to do something as it were to the octave of their life—not to be content with that to which they had attained.

The service concluded with the hymn "Now thank we all our God," during which a collection was taken on behalf of the bell fund, and it amounted to £13 11s. 5d.

After the ceremony the subscribers to the bell fund were entertained to tea by the Rev. and Mrs. Fletcher in the vicarage grounds, whilst the ringers partook of a meat tea, by invitation of the churchwardens, at the Church House. Courses of Grandsire Triples and Caters and Stedman Caters were rung by the Revs. C. A. Phillips, F. Ll. Edwards, and Messrs. L. Taylor. Alan Macdonald, F. W. Townsend, Cyril Johnston, R. Pickering, Martin Stewart, H. Knight, W. Ingham, A. Osman and F. Case.

Until 1686, it is interesting to note, there were only five bells, a sixth was added in that year, and in 1856 the peal was increased to eight; but prior to Wednesday the Diocese of Salisbury was the only one in England which did not possess a peal of ten bells, and it is felt peculiarly appropriate that the historic Minster should win for itself and the county the distinction of having the first ten-bell tower in the diocese. Mr. Chislett, in June of last year, offered to defray the cost of the two additional bells and fittings, at an outlay of £127, on condition that sufficient money was forthcoming to defray the expense of the thorough overhaul and the rehanging of the old peal, and their was such a cordial response to the appeal for funds—parishioners and friends intererested readily contributing sums, large and small—that the work was at once taken in hand, under the direction of an advisory committee, who had the advantage of the advice of such expert ringers as Mr. W. W. Gifford, of Salisbury, Mr. Martin Stewart, of Ferndown, and the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards, of Kington Magna. No less a sum than £586 had been subscribed prior to Wednesday, which left but a small amount to be raised. This total included Mr. Chislett's gift, and also £60 contributed by General Sir John Fryer, K.C.B. (an old Wimburnian), who, through Mr. Chislett, has defrayed the cost of recasting the great tenor bell, commonly called St. Cuthberga's bell, in memory of his father and mother. The two small bells, in addition to the peal, in one of the windows of the north wall of the western tower, upon which the military figure or "jack" strikes the quarter-hours in connection with the clock, having found to be cracked have also been recast, in correct musical harmony with the peal, at the expense of the churchwardens. The figure itself, which apparently was made in 1613—an entry in the church accounts for that year reading "Item to one of Blandford for carving the Jacke, 10s."—has also been repainted, in the uniform of a Grenadier Guard of a century ago. It is said that about thirty years since, when he was last painted, the jack was replaced in the tower as a verger wearing a verger's gown, but feeling in the town ran so high, and it was considered to be an insult to the governors' verger, or rather to the governors themselves, that the churchwardens were compelled to make an alteration at once, and to give the jack back his former military appearance. For some little time prior to the initiation of the scheme it was recognised that the bells needed attention, as they were considerably out of tune, and some deficient in weight and tone; indeed, upon their removal it was seen that their condition was much worse than anticipated, and they could not be properly rehung without being all recast. The firm of bellfounders who were entrusted with the work—Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon—themselves offered to defray the cost of the recasting of the four lighter bells, if it was decided to recast the four heavier bells, which was accordingly done, thus enabling the peal to be tuned according to the Canon Simpson principle. All the bells have been equipped with new fittings of the most modern type, whilst the old timber frame has been cleared out and a new frame, constructed of steel and iron upon the most up-to-date principles, substituted, as being more rigid and less likely to cause damage to the tower, and a double floor for deadening the sound in the belfry has been put in, whilst the window openings have been bricked half-way up in order to prevent the sound of the bells beating down on the houses in the immediate neighbourhood.

The general opinion is that the tone and "go" of the bells leaves nothing to be desired.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 27th, at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 26th, at 8 p m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at Harrow Weald on Saturday, June 24th, by kind permission of the Vicar. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea can be obtained close to the church. Members and friends cordially invited. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
228, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this district will be held to-day, Sat., June 24th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, Swanscombe. Tower open from 3.30 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Saffron Walden Society.—Established 1623.—The 288th anniversary will be held on Tuesday, June 27th.. Short service and sermon at 1 o'clock. Dinner at 1.30.

ROBERT STRONG, *Hon. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Kidderminster, on Saturday, July 1st. By the kind invitation of the Vicar, the meeting and tea will be held in the vicarage gardens at 4.35 p.m., prompt. Service in St. Mary's church at 5.30 p.m. Bells available for ringing from 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know on or before Wednesday, July 5th. Bicycles can be stored free at 90, Bromsgrove Street.

E. J. DOWLER, *Branch Sec.*
54, *Tiverton Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham*

The Lancashire Association —Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, on Saturday, July 1st. Bells ready at 3 30, Meeting at 6.30. T. ROLLERSON, *Branch Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Keele on Saturday, July 1st. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 6. Service at 7. Will those intending to be present please notify Mr. A. B. Goodwin, The Lodge, Keele, not later than June 28th. Excursion tickets are issued from all Pottery Stations by the N.S.R. Company.

REV. C. E. DONNE, } *Hon. Secs.*
J. JOHNSON, }
143, *Flint Terrace, Tunstall.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annoal meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Further particulars later.
Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual festival will be held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th. Special service in the parish church at 11.30; preacher—the Ven E. D. Shaw. Archdeacon of Bucks, Business meeting in the Guildhall at 12.20. Dinner in a marquee at The Swan hotel at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s each will be forwarded to those members *only* who send the money with the order to me on or before Wednesday, July 5th, and one shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner. But members failing to send for their tickets, must pay 2s. at the door, and have no refund.

ALBERT E. REEVES, *Festival Sec.*
5, *Fatherson Road, Reading.*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.—Tbe postponed annual meeting of this Assoclation will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS. *General Secretary.*

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—F. Wilford has removed to 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

TWO PEALS OF DUFFIELD.

BY CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

5040 ROYAL.

123456	I	B	O
34215	S	–	
52413		–	
35412			–
24513		–	–
32514			–
53214		–	

Repeat these six courses with a bob instead of the single produces—

413526	I	B	O
53142	–	–	
21345		–	–
32145		–	
13245		–	
52341		–	–
15342			–
23541		–	–
12543			–
51243		–	
25143		–	

Twice repeat these ten courses produces

124356

then repeat the whole.

5040 MAXIMUS.

123456	I	B	O
34215	S	–	
52413		–	–
45213		–	
32514		–	–
53214		–	

Twice repeat these five courses, with bobs in lieu of the singles produces—

25143

Afterwards call the ten course set (as in Royal) twice produces—

124356

then repeat the whole.

TREBLE BOB MAJOR OR BRISTOL SURPRISE.

BY H. DAINS.

5024.

23456	M	B	W	H
62534	2		1	2
65234			1	2
26543		x		2
54263			1	1
62453	1	x		2
26354	2			2
23564	1	x	2	2
32465	2			2
*64235	1	x		2
62345			1	2
63425	1	P	2	2
35426	1			2
24536			2	2
25346			1	2
23456			1	2

Alternate calling to this course augment changes to 5056.

BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR.

BY H. DAINS.

5056.

23456	M	B	W	H
52436			1	
25634	2			2
26354	1	x	2	2
23564	1	x	2	2
23645	2		2	1
26435	1	x	2	2
24365	1	x	2	2

Repeated.

5088.

By the same Author.

23456	M	B	W	H
54326	1	x		2
25463	2		2	2
25634		x		1
26354			1	2
23564	1	x	2	2

Twice repeated.

CONGRATULATIONS. — A correspondent writes:—Mr. H. J. Scammell, of Rodden Lake, Frome, for some time a member of of the parish church society, and who now, though not an active member, is, when business permits, always ready to help the Frome "strings" are short-handed, and one of the first aid enthusiastics of three decades ago in Frome on May 20th, gave his third daughter Emily in holy wedlock. Subsequently his eldest son, Frank, also entered the happy matrimonial estate. The best wishes follow the newly-wedded folk, viz., Mr. and Mrs. F. Bartlett, of Frome, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Scammell, of Wells. Mr. Harry Scammell, jun., acted as best man on each occasion.

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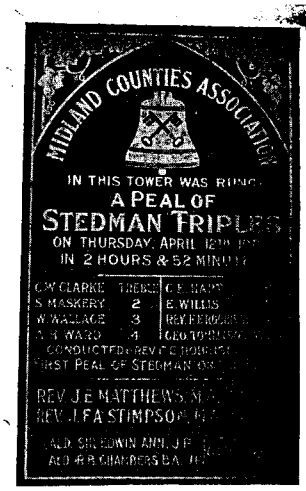

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At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5088 **CHANGES.** Tenor 20 cwt.

John H. B. Hesse ..	..*Treble.*	Walter G. Matthews ..	5.
Edwin Pike	2.	Henry S. Ellis	6.
Arthur Hardy..	3.	Thomas Langdon	7.
Alfred Grimes	4.	James E. Davis	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. Holden, and Conducted by James E. Davis.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. S. Ellis, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

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Being fourteen 120s each of April Day, Plain Bob, and Grandsire.

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

JOHN LEWIS* .. .. ..*Treble.*	*ARTHUR W. VINCENT .. 3.
JAMES PEARCE* .. .. .. 2.	*ALBERT LOCKWOOD .. .. 4.
WM. BRIDGES .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by A. LOCKWOOD.

*First peal. Rung in honour of the King's birthday.

LOWICK, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

JOHN GUESS .. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE LINES .. .. .. 4.
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FRED WILFORD .. .. .. 3.	CHARLES CLARKE .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES CLARKE.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lbs.

THOMAS A. TURNER .. ..*Treble.*	E. HOBART SMITH .. .. 5.
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Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

First peal in the method on the bells.

HARWICH, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JAMES ALLERTON* .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE THOMPSON .. .. 5.
FRED A. HOLDEN .. .. 2.	CHARLES P. RAMPLIN .. 6.
CHARLES ELLIS .. .. .. 3.	*FREDK. CHAPLIN .. .. 7.
GEORGE TAYLOR* .. .. 4.	*BENJAMIN ELLMER .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by FRED HOLDEN.

*First peal. Arranged as a farewell peal to Mr. Samuel Taylor, R.N., and was attempted on the previous Saturday, but came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 45 mins. The band wish to thank him for the great help he has been in the belfry during his stay in Harwich, and wish him every success.

ERITH, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE POVEY* .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM HEWETT .. .. 5.
WILLIAM FLETCHER* .. 2.	GEORGE H. DAYNES.. .. 6.
REGINALD BROUGH*.. .. 3.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. .. 7.
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. .. 4.	THOS. GROOMBRIEGE, SEN. *Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

*First peal in the method.

WOOBURN, BUCKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, June 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

RALPH COLES* .. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS .. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL .. 2.	*WILLIAM J. PAICE .. .. 6.
FRED HAYES* .. .. .. 3.	ROBERT H. YOUNG .. .. 7.
HARRY R. PASMORE .. .. 4.	RICHARD BUCKLAND .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

*First peal of Treble Bob.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

GEORGE E. CHAPPELL ..*Treble.*	CHARLES J. FRAY .. .. 5.
LIONEL H. PAGE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE .. 6.
HENRY W. WILKES .. .. 3.	EDWIN J. HARDING .. .. 7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 4.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung to commemorate the opening of the new part of St. Michael's church, chapel-of-ease to St. Nicolas, which was consecrated by the Right Rev. E. C. Talbot, D.D., Bishop of Winchester, on this date; also as a birthday peal to Mrs. and Miss Chappell, wife and daughter of the ringer of the treble.

TODMORDEN.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, CROSS STONES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS.

JAMES TAYLOR .. .. ..*Treble.*	ORMEROD EASTWOOD.. .. 5.
LAURENCE TAYLOR .. .. 2.	WALTER TAYLOR .. .. 6.
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J. B. TAYLOR .. .. .. 4.	JOHN WM. ORMEROD ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

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On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

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DAVID J. NICHOLS .. .. 4.	CHARLES W. BIRD .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Arthur E. Payne, one of the local ringers, and Miss Mildred May Bradshaw.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

WILLIAM ALDIS .. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM G. MAYERS .. 5.
FREDK. WHITHAM .. .. 2.	GEORGE MAYERS .. .. 6.
RICHARD BALDRY .. .. 3.	WILLIAM STEELE .. .. 7.
ERNEST LINCOLN .. .. 4.	GEORGE POYNTZ.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S IRREGULAR FIVE-PART.

JOSEPH A. COOKE	*Treble.*	JAMES HY. RIDING	5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN.	2.	WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT ..	6.
HARRY F. HOLDING	3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.	7.
ARTHUR ALLMAN	4.	*JOHN RIGBY..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of one of the choristers of the above church, ; also as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 2nd bell, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

WYMONDHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

JAMES MOTTS	*Treble.*	LEWIS W. WIFFEN	5.
FREDK. HOWCHIN	2.	FREDK. SEAGER..	6.
FREDK. MANSER	3.	GEORGE SNELLING	7.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN.. ..	4.	FREDK. R. BORRETT ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by J. MOTTS.

FOXEARTH, ESSEX.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS).

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

W. R. JOHN POULSON ..	*Treble.*	CHARLES WOODCOCK ..	5.
JOHN SPARROW	2.	STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ..	6.
FREDK. DEWELL	3.	WILLIAM DENT	7.
WALTER RADLEY	4.	ARTHUR SYMONDS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

First peal by the 2nd and 3rd ringers. First peal in the method on the bells.

HURST, BERKS.—THE OXFOKD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 17, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. 16 lbs.

JAMES NORTH	*Treble.*	WILLIAM J. PAICE	5.
FRANK LUSH	2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN..	6.
JOHN H. WHITE	3.	JOSEPH WHITE	7.
SAMUEL PAICE	4.	*JOHN PRINCE	*Tenor.*

Composed by the REV. E. BANKES JAMES, and Conducted by WILLIAM J. PAICE.

*First peal on eight bells. Further reference elsewhere.

PETERBOROUGH.

PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt.

HENRY A. TRAYNAR* ..	*Treble.*	*JOSEPH DUNTHORNE	5.
ARTHUR JOHNSON	2.	JOHN J. JUTSON..	5.
EDWIN TILLEY*..	3.	GEORGE JUTSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE JUTSON.

*First peal. First peal as conductor, aged 17 years. Rung in honour of the Coronation of King George and Queen Mary.

Handbell Peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, June 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF A. H. PULLING,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

MAURICE SMITHER ..	1-2.	JAMES HUNT	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING ..	3-4.	SEPTIMUS RADFORD ..	7-8.

Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—Hubert J. Ellis.

Coronation Peals.

FARNHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 21 cwt.

ALBERT E. SMITH	*Treble.*	JAMES F. LAKER	5.
ALFRED BAIGENT	2.	EDWARD CLAPSHAW	6.
CHARLES EDWARDS	3.	THOMAS UPSHALL	7.
GEORGE UPSHALL	4.	HARRY KIMBEE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES EDWARDS.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

W. H. GEORGE'S ONE-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

HARRY PAGE	*Treble.*	THOMAS HAMLIN	5.
GEORGE CROSS	2.	TOM PAGE	6.
JAMES CROSS	3.	WILLIAM RICHARDS	7.
WILLIAM PAGE	4.	HENRY CHABBE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London, York, Wearmouth, Newcastle, Chester, Norwich, and Cambridge. Tenor 13 cwt.

JAMES AYERS*	*Treble.*	*JOHN WALKER	4.
WILLIAM A. CARR†	2.	JOSEPH W. PARKER	5.
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ..	3.	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. L. PATTERSON.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor.

WISBECH.—On Sunday evening, June 18th, at the parish church, 720 Bob Minor, with 7-8 covering. H. Piggins, T. Haines, H. Banham, G. Piggins, R. Narborough, C. Goakes, F. Hotson, H. Cheesewright. Conducted by C. Goakes. First 720 by the ringer of the treble, and first 720 on tower bells by the ringer of the 5th. Rung with the bells half muffled as a token of respect to the people's warden, Mr. W. G. Hayward, who died on the 14th instant.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The thirty-second annual meeting of this Association was held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday. The day's proceedings commenced with Divine Service at the parish church, Canon Lake (Rector), officiating. The Rev. Canon Papillon, a former Master, read the lesson. An excellent and practical address was given by the Rev. W. A. Errington, Vicar of Hunsdon, who spoke of his experiences as a change-ringer. Their Association stood for order and conduct of everything connected with church bells and ringing; for the attainment of full recognition of the office and Art as a definite branch of church work, and for the cultivation of the Art of change-ringing.

The business meeting wns held in the vesty hall, Canon Lake presiding.

The Master (Mr. C. Howard) in his report said the work during the past year shewed steady progress and improvement in every direction; 737 members on the books shewed an increase of 22 for the year. The balance sheet shewed £13 18s. 4d. in hand on the general account, and £84 18s. 9d. on the reserve account. Four new members were elected. Sixty-eight peals had been rung, and the higher methods more extensively practised.

The Rev. Canon Papillon, who was very warmly received, moved the adoption of the report, and complimented the Association on its progress and usefulness.

Mr. C. H. Howard and Rev. H. T. W. Eyre were re-elected Master and Hon. Secretary respectively, Messrs. G. A. Black and T. Faulkner were re-elected auditors, and Messrs. C. H. Howard, W. J. Nevard, N. J. Pitstow and W. W. Judd were elected representatives to the Central Council.

The Hon. Secretary announced the result of the voting of members in regard to the proposed change of place for the annual meeting each year, 295 voting in favour of the change and and 151 against. The general committee was asked to select the place of meeting for next year, and Kelvedon was decided upon.

Sixty-seven members afterwards sat down to dinner in the Victoria Boys' School. The Master, in thanking the various incumbents for the use of their bells, referred to their annual meeting being in future held in each district in rotation, and thanked the Rev. Canon Lake for the hearty welcome he had always given the Association, and honouring them with his presence and presiding. The members afterwards adjourned to the various towers in the district, and rung touches in the standard methods.

Correspondence.

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

SIR,—Mr. Snowdon, the authority on "Grandsire," has kindly written to me pointing out that when using C. G. S. it is not sufficient to get merely the lead-ends true, but that falseness may occur internally at the "handstrokes." The productions which I sent to you as "peals," and which you printed in your issues of the 6th ulto. and of the 3rd inst. are not "peals" at all, and I hereby apologise for having been the cause of disfiguring your pages with them. W. H. THOMPSON.

CAMBRIDGE IN LEICESTERSHIRE.

SIR,—Mr. James is quite right. I had quite overlooked the fact that he had crossed the border and "sniped" a peal at Bottesford—just within the boundary. W. WILLSON.

THE ACCIDENT AT FOLKESTONE.

SIR,—Such unfortunate accidents as that at Folkestone recur over and over again. May I suggest to ringers in general that they could easily be prevented by making the back stroke the normal position for setting a bell, and always use it instead of the almost universal handstroke set? SEYMOUR PILE.

Miscellaneous.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

DAGENHAM.—On Sunday, June 18th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, for morning service, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. For evening service 720 College Single, 240 Kent, and 240 Oxford Treble Bob. After evening service 720 Cambridge Surprise. The following took part: E. Butler, A. Chaplin, D. Chaplin, A. Playle, G. Piryle, E. Hawkins, R. Miles, F. Freestone.

BIRMINGHAM.—At Bishop Ryder's church, for evening service on Sunday, June 18th, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 49 mins. S. Coley, A. Scrivens, E. Large, G. Taylor, W. Ellis, J. Perry conductor, J. Collett, W. Webb.

OAKHAM.—On Saturday, June 10th, at the parish church, 1036 Grandsire Triples. H. Burbeck, S. B. Higgs, G. H. Towell, P. E. Higgs, F. C. Towell, W. E. Higgs, W. Willson conductor, R. W. Baker.

SUTTON COLDFIELD. — On Thursday, June 15th, at Holy Trinity church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 54 mins. T. Matthews, A. Allsop, T. B. Claydon conductor, C. Waithman, W. Allsop, G. Roberts, B. Leedham, J. Reynolds. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Canon Rigby, late Priest of the Sutton Coldfield Roman Catholic Church.

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT HURST.—This was the first peal on the bells since their augmentation from six to eight by the addition of two trebles, cast by Mears and Stainbank, and the whole being rehung in a new iron frame with entirely new fittings by Webb and Bennett, the "go" being excellent. The peal was rung after the dedication service.

HARWELL (Berks).—Recently, 720 Grandsire Minor. H. R. Cooper, A. R. Bosley, T. Hughes, W. Hitchman, V. R. Hitchman, R. G. Rice conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the late Mr. Hutchings, Vicar's warden. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, on the occasion of a wedding. C. Hitchman, W. Hitchman conductor, R. G. Rice, T. Hughes, V. R. Hitchman, A. G. C. Rice. Before a recent evening service, 540 Grandsire Minor. H. C. Mulford, G. C. Rice, R. G. Rice conductor, W. Hitchman, V. R. Hitchman, R. F. Deal.

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5024.

23456	1	4	5	6
65324	–	–		
23564	–			–
35264				–
52364				–
52364				–
63254	–			–
32654				–
63425			–	
34625				–
46325				–
23645	–			–
36245				–
62345				–
62345				–
43265	–			–
32465				–
43526			–	
35246	s			–
51346				–
23546				–
45326	–			–
53426				–
24356	–			–
43256				–
32456				–

Repeat once.

BOB MAJOR.

By the same Author.

5024.

23456	W	B	H
52364	–	1	–
35264			–
26354	–		–
32654			–
63254			–
56234	–		
23564	–		–
62345	–	1	–
36245			–
24365	–		–
32465			–
43265			–
64235	–		
23645	–		–
42356	–	1	–
35426	–		–)
43526			–}
54326			–)
32546	–		–
5324k			–
25346			–
34256	–		–
32456			s

Repeat once, omitting calls braced in one part. Has all combinations of 4th, 5th, and 6th in 5-6.

5362 BOB MAJOR.

By H. Price.

23456	B	M	H
42563	–	–	–
54263			–
25463			–
34562		–	–
53462			–
24365		–	–
32465			–
43265			–
23564		–	
45362		–	–
32564		–	s
53264			–

Repeat omit before produces:—

42356	w	–	–
35426	–		–
43526			–
52436	–		–
45236			–
24536			–
53246	–		–
25346			–
32546			–
54326	–		–
32456	s		–
43256			–

Repeat last twelve courses, omit w and m in the first course for bob h.

HANDSWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Sunday, May 28th, at the parish church, on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Nelly Verry, eldest daughter of Mr. T. Verry, steeplekeeper, to Mr. Joseph Clark, 360 Grandsire Triples. E. Wood, W. G. Ellis, E. Starkey, B. Starkey, W. Anker, S. Danby, C. Starkey, R. Speakman. Mr. Thomas Verry is the eldest son of the late William Verry, who was tower-keeper for over fifty years. Mr. Thomas Verry himself has rang at the same church for quite forty years. On Monday, May 29th, 504 Grandsire Triples, in honour of the 100th birthday of Mrs. Hemms, of Handsworth. E. Wood, J. Corrigan, G. Taylor, C. Starkey, W. Anker, R. Faux, W. G. Elliss, S. Danby.

NOTICE OF LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

On Saturday, June 24th, at St. Michael's church, Mottram-in-Longdendale, eight members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society will attempt to ring Mr. E. Timbrell's 17,120 Treble Bob Major, commencing at 7 a.m.

Is it "Big Ben?"—The following paragraph appeared in a recent issue of The Salisbury Times and South Wilts. Gazette.—"Two cracked bells, bearing dates 1612 and 1614 respectively, were taken from the tower of Bulford church and re-cast into one large bell by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough. The bell has been satisfactorily hung in a new cage by Messrs. T. Doble and Son, Canon Street, Taunton. The villagers heard it rung on Whit-Sunday, and everybody was delighted with its splendid tone."

HURST, BERKS.

Saturday, June 17th, will long be remembered by the people of Hurst as a red-letter day in the history of their village. On that day was celebrated one of the most important events that can happen in a parish, viz., the dedication of their bells after being rehung and augmented from six to eight. The special service was arranged to take place at 3.30 p.m., and by that time a good congregation had assembled in the church, including several ringers from the neighbouring parishes, and Mr. F. Webb, from Kidlington, who had been entrusted with the work, and carried it out so efficiently. The service commenced with the processional hymn—"In Sinai's dreary waste, the trumpet's silvery call." Evensong to the third collect was said by the Rev. R. W. Acworth, Vicar of Twyford, and the special lessons Numbers x. and Hebrews xii. v. 13, were read by the Rev. E. Broome, Vicar of the parish. During the singing of hymn 350 A & M, the choir and clergy proceeded to the belfry, when the bells were reverently and solemnly dedicated to the service of Almighty God by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Guild. After this, a few rounds were rung, and the procession returned to the chancel singing the hymn—"Set between the earth and heaven, now our bells are raised on high." Then followed a most practical sermon by the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn from the words—"The edifying of the body of Christ." After the sermon the hymn "Angel voices ever singing" was sung, during which a collection was made for the bell fund. The impressive service concluded with the recessional hymn—"O Saviour precious Saviour, whom yet unseen we love."

At 5 p.m. the ringers sat down to tea, which had been kindly provided in the parish room by the Vicar, and at 5.30 they assembled in the belfry to attempt the first peal on the bells. The method was Grandsire Triples, and to the satisfaction of everyone, the bells came round in 3 hrs. 8 mins. from the start, being a fitting conclusion to such a memorable day. Before their departure the ringers were once more entertained by the Vicar, this time to supper, at the Vicarage.

Mr. S. Paice at the close expressed on behalf of himself and brother-ringers, his gratitude to the Rev. E. Broome for his kindness to them during the day, at the same time congratulating him and the people of Hurst on having such an excellent ring of bells.

The Vicar in reply said he had to thank them for coming over, and doing all they had done to make it such a successful day. It is worth mentioning that one of the trebles is a gift of the Vicar, and the whole work has been carried out as a permanent memorial of the Coronation of His Majesty the King.

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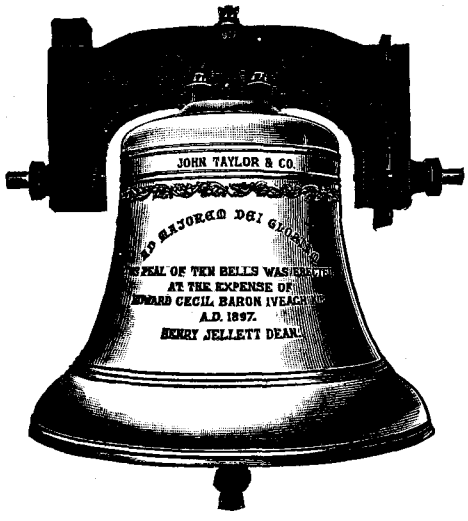

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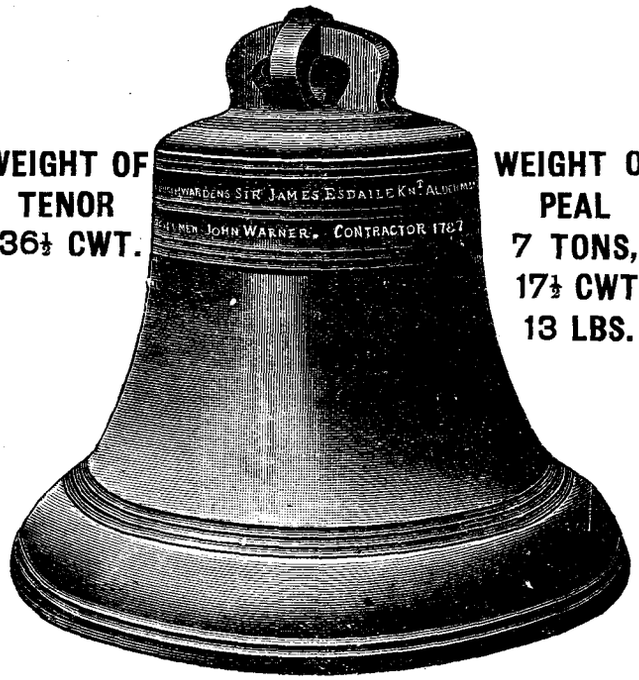

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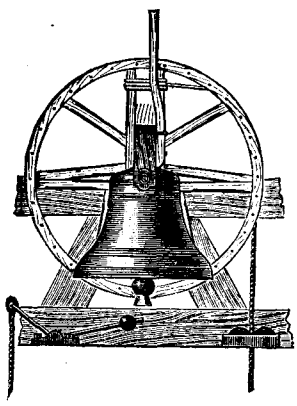

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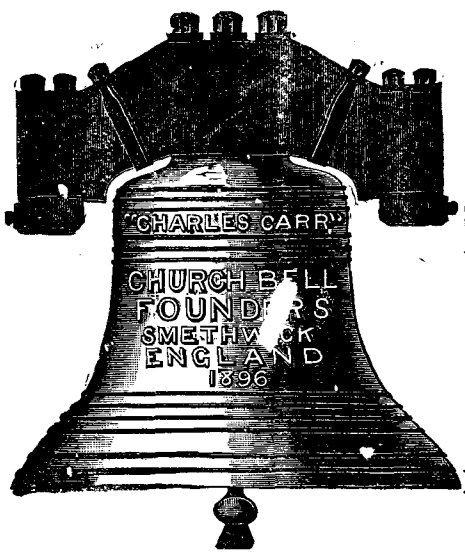

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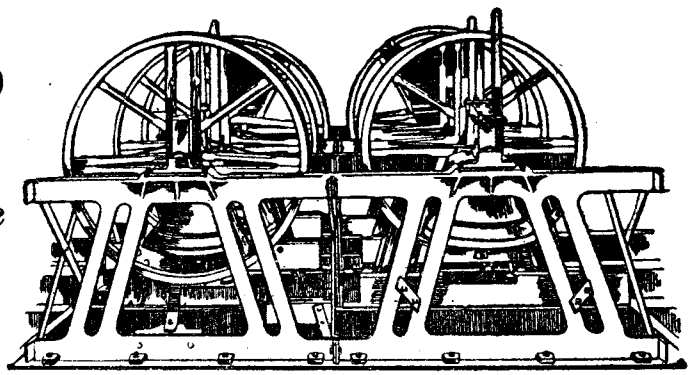

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ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH, LIVERPOOL.

On Sunday, June 16th, at St. Nicholas parish church, the Rev. Canon H. E. Bilbrough dedicated the new tenor bell which has been recast by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of London, who have also rehung the whole peal with entirely new fittings of the most modern description. Before and after the service in the evening, the bells were rung by the Ashton-under-Lyne society, to the great delight of the congregation, of whom only a few could recollect the ringing of the twelve bells, which had been stopped at the end of 1894 in consequence of their dangerous condition, and since which the bells had been chimed only.

The ringing which was the first touch on the twelve bells for nearly seventeen years, consisted of 462 Grandsire Cinques by J. Mellor, G. Garnett, B. Thorpe, T. Hammond, J. Wood, B. Gill, W. Wolstencroft, J. Martin, W. Davies conductor, S. Thomas, H. Chapman, R. Newton. Also 452 in the same method by J. Mellor, G. Garnett, J. Shepherd, T. Hammond, G. Newton, B. Gill, W. Wolstencroft, R. Newton, W. Davies conductor, S. Thomas, B. Thorpe, H. Chapman.

After the service the bells were rung in rounds, Queens and Whittingtons, several of the local men taking part. Liverpool may well be proud of the bells of the old parish church, which have now been so vastly improved by the re-casting of the tenor, whose weight is 39 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs., which is a splendid example of the bell founders art.

The inscriptions on the bells are as follows:—

Treble.—"William Dobson, Founder, Downham, Norfolk, 1812."

2nd.—"The Lord to praise, my voice I'll raise."

3rd.—"Give no offence to the Church."

4th.—"William Dobson, Founder; Downham, Norfolk, 1825."

5th.—"Cast by William Dobson, of Downham, in Norfolk, A.D., 1813."

6th.—"Our voices shall, with joyful sound; make hills and valleys echo round."

7th.—"Prosperity to this Town, William Dobson, Fecit 1813."

8th.—"My Song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord."

9th.—"I will give thanks unto the Lord, William Dobson, Founder, 1813."

10th.—"Blessed is he that tempereth mercy with justice. Saml Staniforth Esqr. Mayor. Thos. Hinde and Thos. Case, Esqrs. Bailiffs, 1813."

11th.—"Geo. Nelson and John Carter Ch. Wdns. JNo Swainson and Chas. Clements, Sidesmen; Anthony Black and JNo Aldersay, Overseers 1813."

Tenor.—"The Revd. Saml. Renshaw and Robt. H. Roughsedge, Rectors. Richd. Roper, and John Walthew, Churchwardens. George Nelson and John Carter, Sidesmen. May all I summon to the silent tomb, be crown'd with glory in the world to come. Cast on Christmas Eve in the year 1812. Recast in the first year of the reign of King George V., 1911, by John Warner and Sons, London. Rev. H. E. Bilbrough, Rector."

STAPLEFORD, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

A very appropriate occasion was chosen for the re-opening of the bells on Wednesday, June 21st. the eve of the Coronation. The peal which originally consisted of five bells, has now been augmented to six, by the addition of a new treble, and the 4th and 5th of the old peal recast, the whole of the work being entrusted to Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, who have rehung the peal in a steel frame with new fittings at the cost of £200. The dedication service was well attended and heartily rendered by both the choir and the congregation. The usual office of evensong having been sung, the dedication of the new bell was proceeded with. The Ven. Archdeacon of Ely (Dr. Cunningham), accompanied by the Vicar (Rev. F. W. Hawes), and churchwardens, made their way to the belfry, when the new bell was dedicated by the Archdeacon, and handed over to the Vicar. A special hymn was then sung, and rounds were rung by the local band.

An eloquent sermon was afterwards preached by the Archdeacon, who took for his text Numbers x., 1, 2. In opening, the Archdeacon referred to the Coronation of their Majesties, which would take place on the morrow, when bells would play a very important part in the day's rejoicings throughout the country. He then compared the use of trumpets in the days of Moses with the bells of to-day, how similar they were with our methods of church worship. In concluding he exhorted all ringers to make themselves worthy of their office, and endeavour to be puncutal and thorough in their methods and work.

After the sermon the well-known hymn "Now thank we all our God" was sung, the offertory being for the bells. The benediction having been pronounced by the Archdeacon, a few more rounds were rung by the local ringers, who were afterwards entertained by the Vicar in the schoolroom.

Several members of the Ely Diocesan Association were present from Cambridge, Fulbourne, and Ickleton, and a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung in 23 mins, by E. Webb, T. Dennis, J. Taylor, W. Scotcher, J. Stalley, B. D. Buttress conductor. Touches in varfous methods were afterwards rung, everyone agreeing that the bells were excellent in tone and go. Mr. P. Webb, Local District Secretary, was in charge of the arrangements, and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

WOLVERHAMPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

On Coronation Day the bells of St. Peter's were set going after a silence of three years. Although much change-ringing on them is out of the question, 420 Stedman Trlples was rung by W. Lawley, G. Mills, J. Purser, H. Farlow, T. O'Connor, W. Pardoe, R. Pickering, H. Knight W. Hall, B. Clark. An order has been given to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston to re-cast them, and substitute an iron frame —for twelve—for the present one of oak, which has done duty for more than two centuries. The new work is to be completed by the early part of December next.

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HOLBETON (Devon).—On Thursday, June 22nd, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 42 mins. C. Vanstone (first quarter-peal, aged 15), A. Reeby, W. Williams, B. Miller, Rev. E. S. Powell conductor, H. Stapleton.

The following touches have been rung in honour of the Coronation :—

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Thursday, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. S. Coley, G. A. Taylor, J. B. Collett, W. F. Webb, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, A. T. Scrivens, T. Pearce.

THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

WORKSOP.—On Thurday, June 22nd, at the Priory Church, 770 and 1260 Grandsire Triples, and the bells were fired in volleys at intervals during the day, and short touches were rung. The following took part: C. Peck, H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson, H. Haigh conductor, W. Roberts, F. Wilson, F. Hind, E. Clark, A. N. Other. The touch of 770 and the quarter-peal were composed by G. H. Haigh (son of the conductor), of Russell, Manitoba, Canada, and were rung on this occasion at the request of the composer.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

FENTON.—On June 22nd, at the parish church, 2520 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr 29 mins T Salt, W Hill, A Nicklin, J Beech, R Deaville, A L Smith, E A Sherratt conductor, W Edwards.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—Ou Thursday, June 22nd, at 7 o'clock, 720 Cambridge Surpise Minor, in 25 mins. J R D Fenwick, J Burles, G R Ambrose, F M Mitchell R Constant, F Hayes conductor. 720 Kent Treble Bob, by the same band, conducted by R Constant, first as conductor in the method. At 10 o'clock 720 Plain Bob. J Avis, J R D Fenwick, J Burles, G R Ambrose, F Hayes, F M Mitchell conductor. And 360 Plain Bob. J Avis, G R Ambrose, G A Jones F Hayes, J Burles conductor, F M Mitchell.

COBHAM.—On Thursday, June 22nd, 720 Grandsire Doubles, each 6-score called differently. G Mungeam, A Wood first in the method, C Waterman conductor, J Burles, J Wood, A Shearman. On Wednesday, June 23rd, for practice, 720 Grandsire Minor. J Burles, G Ambrose, G Mungeam, A Shearman, J Wood C Waterman conductor.

THE CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION.

CROSTHWAITE (Keswick).—On Thursday, June 22nd, at St. Kentigern's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins W Postlethwaite, T Hartley, J J Bell, T Graham, T Hogarth, T. Wilson, T. Postlethwaite, W. H. Campbell. 700 Grandsire Triples. R Dennison, W Postlethwaite, J J Bell, T Graham, T Wilson, W H Campbell, F Postlethwaite, W Telford. And 720 Kent Treble Bob. T Hartley, T Hogarth, T Graham, J J Bell, T Wilson, F Postlethwaite. All conducted by F Postlethwaite.

ASHOVER (Derbyshire).—On Thursday, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. A Tomlinson, W Hopkinson, H Hopkinson, G Beardow, J Hopkinson, W Buxton conductor, G Garner.

COLCHESTER.—On Wednesday and Thursday, June 21st and 22nd, a total of between 8000 and 9000 changes were successfully brought round of Oxford Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Grandsire Triples, and two quarter-peals of Bob Major and a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. The following members of the local company took part; A Burch, G Burch, W Burch, W Button, F L Bumpstead, G W Dixon, H Evers, S Hull, H T Pye, *W Chalk, *A G Rivers, *R W Stannard, *W J Schofield. *Conductors.

GOSFORTH (Northumberland).—On Thursday, June 22nd, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, T. J. Bird, J Richardson, J T Potter, R W Falconer, C L Routledge conductor, Rev H S T Richardson, J Foreman, W W Sinclair. S Matthews, G Crawford and E Mundahl also took part in the day's ringing.

HERNHILL.—On Thursday, June 22nd, from 4 17 till 5.45 a.m. a half-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 28 mins. J Hadlow, A Bones, C Hadlow, C Hadlow, E E Foreman, H Gilbert, E Trendell conductor, F Hadlow.

STOCKPORT.—On Thursday, June 22nd, at St. George's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters (1265 changes). J Booth, T Jackson, J E Gresty, G Astbury, W Jackson, J Mottershead, H Jackson conductor, G D Warburton, J W Bayley, G Marshall. Longest completed length in the method by the ringer of the 3rd.

WALTHAMSTOW.—On Thursday, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. A Bullock, F J Rumens, E D Lillywhite, G Cooper, W J Cooper, G B Lucas, sen., H Rumens, conductor, S E Townsend. Also 1008 in the same method.

WISBECH.—On Thursday, June 22nd, at the parish church the following 720s were rung with 7-8 covering: H Benham, S Goakes, A Goakes, G Piggins, R Narborough, C Goakes conductor, F Hotson, H Cheesewright. Second 720: H Piggins, A Goakes, H Hill conductor, G Piggins, R Narborough, S Goakes, H Banham, G Duffield. Third 720: H Piggins, H Goakes, A Goakes, H Banham, S Goakes conductor, C Goakes, R Narborough, G Duffield.

A RINGING TOUR IN EAST DEVON.

Only those who have tried can fully appreciate the difficult task of getting eight change-ringers together in this difficult part of England. No less than twenty-six invitations were issued, whilst the telegraphic department of the post-office had an exceptional busy time in Stockland where, by the invitation of the Rev. E. V. Cox, most of the band took up their quarters. On Saturday afternoon, June 17th, Messrs. B. Prewett (London), T. Laver, A. Monkley (Exeter), Rev. C. Carew Cox (Stratford-on-Avon), J. Maddock (Taunton), J. E. Baker (Ottery St. Mary), W. D. James (Four Oaks, Warwickshire), and the Rev. E. V. Cox (Walsall), met at Lyme Regis, just ever the border in Dorset, where Stedman Triples came to grief after 1¼ hours' ringing. The Vicar (Rev. W. Jacob), met us on our arrival, and very kindly entertained us afterwards. On Sunday, for morning service, the four last-named, with Messrs. A. Pike (Ottery), and J. Nankiwell (sexton, tenor), rang several 6-scores of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. In the ofternoon we were again joined by the Rev. C. C. Cox, and cycled to Yarcombe, where the Vicar (Rev. H. A. Tudor), and the local ringers welcomed us. Here we rang Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and Bob Singles on the five bells. A very hilly ride brought us to Upottery, where again a welcome awaited us from the Vicar (Rev. J. Jane), Mr. Broomfield (churchwarden), and the local band. On this very fine going ring of six we were able to score the first 720 of Bob Minor ever rung on them, conducted by the Rev. C. C. Cox. The churchwarden said that he had lived in the village for thirty years, but had never heard the tenor turned in before that afternoon. The return journey was then made to Stockland for tea, which had the finishing touch given to it by the addition of strawberries and Devonshire cream. It was decided to attempt a 720 of Bob Minor for the evening service, and several of

the local ringers and others were present in the belfry during the ringing. The attempt proved successful after 26 minutes excellent striking. The bells bear the dates: 1780, 1611, 1603, 1603, 1716, 1780 (recast), and have waited till 1911 for the first 720 to be rung on them. An attempt for a peal of Minor had been originally the programme for Monday morning, under the auspices of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, as for the present the majority of the Devon Guild officials refuse to give recognition to such peals, but this had to be abandoned owing to a man scratching for the whole week-end at the eleventh hour. A three-mile walk therefore was made by four of us to Membury where, with the help of a local ringer on the tenor, we rang some Bob Singles. When we stood, the local man remarked with beaming countenance, "I shall be able to tell them I've rung a scientific peal now." The curate-in-charge (Rev. F. E. Langdon), showed us much courtesy, explaining the ancient history of the church and village. He told us that the two mediæval bells were cast by Norton, of Exeter, at the beginning of the 15th century. The very fine-toned bells at Axminster were visited in the afternoon, where we were joined by Mr. D. G. Taylor (Ilminster), and a tenor-man from a neighbouring change-ringing band. A peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted but, most unfortunately, the tenor-man *who had been provided for us*, found the task quite beyond his powers, although the bell went splendidly as did they all, having recently been overhauled and repaired by Messrs. Stokes and Son. While realising that East Devon has its peculiar difficulties afforded by the very bad roads (other than turnpike roads), and limited railway communication, visiting ringers carry away with them the impression that much more might be done in the promotion of change-ringing in this part of the county than is the case at present, seeing that six and eight-bell towers are so numerous, and that much interest was evinced in our tour. The week-end proved to be a most enjoyable one, and it is hoped to organise something similar next year, although the preliminary arrangements will be made upon different and less expensive lines.

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NOTICE OF LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

Five members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild will attempt a peal of Stedman Caters, 14,031 changes, in hand, on July 8th, in St. Nicolas belfry, Guildford. Starting time—4 p.m.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

The Third Session of the Seventh Council (Twenty-first Annual Meeting), was held on Whitsun Tuesday, in the "Old Guild Hall" of the Old Town Hall, Leicester, when 51 out of 96 representative members, and 9 out of 13 Honorary Members, making a total of 60 members, were present.

Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., President, took the chair at 11 o'clock.

THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL.

The minutes of the last annual meeting having been read, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Hon. Secretary, reported that in accordance with the resolution passed last year, he forwarded a copy of the vote of condolence to Mrs. Robinson, and read to the meeting the chief portion of her letter of reply.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said he should like to call attention to the position of the proposed memorial fund. To carry out the scheme suggested, viz., the erection of a carved oak screen, it was estimated that the cost would be about £300, toward which about £185 had been received. He thought that out of this amount his own Association had contributed about half; if so, the whole of the other Associations and Guilds had contributed only the other half. The Committee would be glad to know what was to be done. He was afraid the matter had not be taken up in some Associations as had been expected, otherwise the whole of the amount would have been in hand long ago. He thought that unless the amount required was received within the next two or three months, the Committee should have power to re-consider the form of the proposed memorial. He should be pleased to get some idea of the views of the meeting.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee asked if the amounts that had been sent in could be stated; he did not know what his own Association had done in the matter.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn thought it would be invidious to read out what each Association had contributed. He would however mention that from one Association a sum of £15 was received, while from another the amount was 12s. Might he take that unless the Committee received the sum required within the next two months, they had power to adopt some other form of memorial? If so, he hoped that those who had contributed would not object to their money being thus spent.

The President pointed out that whatever steps were taken, the Vicar of Drayton, Mrs. Robinson, and her relations would have to be consulted; it was not for the Council to authorise any change from the original scheme without the sanction of those most concerned.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn moved "that in the event of the required amount of £300 not being in the hands of the Robinson Memorial Committee by the end of August, the Council sees no objection to the Committee re-considering what form the memorial should take."

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge seconded. He said it was a great disappointment that many Associations had not taken the matter up. There was one with a large number of members, from which two members had sent 5s., while in another instance some 79 members had contributed about £15.

Mr. W. Snowden asked if it was thought that the Committee had done his best. He believed the Yorkshire Association had received about sufficient appeal forms to send one to each tower, but he thought there should have been sufficient to send one to each member. Possibly within the next two months the required sum would be forthcoming.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn said he thought the Committee had done its best. If it was thought desirable to make any further appeal, the Committee would do so.

The resolution was adopted.

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE.—THE LATE MR. R. S. STORY.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge said since the Council met last year, it had lost a distinguished member, one who did really an immense amount of work for the Council, and also in his own particular district. He referred to the late Mr. R. S. Story, whose death he was sure they all lamented. He desired to move—"That the Central of Church Bell Ringers, having in grateful recollection the many and great services rendered to the Exercise by the late Mr. R. S. Story, do hereby instruct the Hon. Secretary to send a letter expressing sincere sympathy with Mrs. Story and family in their bereavement."

The Rev. H. A. Cockey, in seconding, said there was no member of the Council who did not regard Mr. Story's death as a great loss.

The President said he could but add his great sorrow, for by Mr. Story's death he had lost a valued personal friend.

The resolution was adopted in silence, the members rising.

FINANCE.

The Hon. Secretary submitted the following details of the finances of the Council. Balance from last year £52 18s. 1d.; Affiliation Fees £12 0s. 0d.; Sales of Publications £2 6s. 1d.; Total—£67 4s. 2d. The expenditure was: last year's meeting £2 9s. 6d.; Insurance and Committee Expenses 7s.; Postages and Printing 12s.; Balance £63 15s. 8d.; Estimated value of Publications and the number of copies of each in stock were as follows - Preservation of Bells sold, 23, in stock 283; Report on Catalogue of Peals and Calls, sold 9, 8 in stock; Glossary of

terms, sold 9, 1906 in stock; Model Rules for an Association, 4, 71 in stock; Model Rules for a Company, sold 46, 415 in stock; Collection of Peals (section 1), sold 13, 673 in stock; (section 2), sold 9, 789 in stock; (section 3), sold 11, 923 in stock; Legitimate Methods, sold 35, 821 in stock; Rules and Decisions of Council, sold 4, 334 in stock; Bells and Belfries, sold 5, 18 in stock.

The Hon. Secretary explained that the publishers had advised that the stock should be insured, and this had been done. Mr. Davies further explained that the estimated value was what the Council would receive if the whole of the stock was sold after deducting the publishers' and booksellers' commission.

The President, in submitting a resolution, moved by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, and seconded by Mr. F. B. Tompkins, that the accounts as presented be adopted, remarked that the Exercise did not support the publications of the Council as they had a right to expect. It would appear that it was conductors who generally patronised the Council by purchasing its publications, and he was afraid only a few even of those did so. He would ask those present to do all they could in their various Associations to promote the sale of the Council's publications, for the Council would be able to do a great deal more if the present stock could be cleared.

The accounts were passed.

HON. MEMBERS.

The President said the two retiring hon. members were the Rev. E. W. Carpenter and Mr. Tom Lockwood. It was much to be regretted that Mr. Lockwood would not be able to do any more work for the Council. Mr. Carpenter had been a valued member and a very regular attendant, and therefore was a most fit and proper person to be re-elected as an hon. member. The object of having hon. members was that the assistance of those ringers who were not elected as representatives, but were able to do important work for the Council, should be obtained. The Standing Committee were not aware that was any need of further help at the present time. It was however a matter upon which the Council could form their own opinion.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter having been re-elected on the proposition of the Rev. C. E. Matthews, moved by Mr. H. White, Mr. H. W. Wilde was added as an hon. member, on the proposition of Mr. E. H. Lewis, seconded by Mr. W. E. White.

The Hon. Secretary then stated that expressions of regret for absence had been received from the Revs. H. E. Tilney Bassett, and Canon Papillon, and from Messrs. C. E. Borrett, R. Cartwright, H. Dains, R. A. Daniell, J. Parker, and J. R. Sharman.

The following two new members then came forward and were introduced to and shook hands with the President, viz., the Rev. A. T. Beeston, of the Chester Diocesan Guild, and Mr. J. W. Parker, an Honorary Member.

PEAL COLLECTION.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson said progress had been made with this work, and it was hoped that shortly the Committee would be able to issue an instalment. There were two or three difficult questions which had to be decided, and it was necessary to have a meeting of the Committee to decide these points. He thought he might mention that generally it was found that there was one in 30, it might be 40 peals sent in that proved to be false. Sometimes this would occur when footnotes appeared stating that in order to shorten or lengthen the peal, a varied calling could be used, and in some of such instances the peal proved to be false. He hoped shortly the Committee would be able to arrange to have a section of the work issued.

On the proposition of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, the name of Mr. H. W. Wilde was added to the Peal Collection Committee

CHURCH PRESS.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey said Mr. R. Daniell was the member of this Committee who had the work in hand. In Mr. Daniell's absence through indisposition, he was not in a position to make a report.

The Rev. M. Kelly said an effort had been made to induce the Press in general to take more notice of the Art, and evidently with some amount of success. Upon this he considered the Council and the Exercise at large might congratulate themselves. Even the *Times* of late had honoured them in this way, which could not be otherwise than satisfactory.

The President said Mr. Daniell had wired that he was unable to be present, otherwise had Mr. Daniell been there, he (the chairman), had no doubt that the Council would have heard that progress was being made, for Mr. Daniell was very keen on the work.

LEGITIMATE METHODS.

The Rev. H. Law James repeated the report made last year at Manchester, viz., that there were 700 Major methods, and he hoped soon to be able to place the whole in the hands of the Hon. Secretary. He wished that those who attempted to get new methods would get a copy of the Rules and Decisions of the Council, which might prevent any more rubbish appearing in "THE BELL NEWS." The whole thing had been played out, and it was no use whatever to attempt anything further. The whole of the 700 would be gone through within the next few months, and in due course those methods that were considered of use would be presented. He was glad to learn from the detailed account presented by the Hon. Secretary of the sales of publications that the sale of the Collection of Minor Methods was gradually going on, and he trusted that it would increase. He could assure them that every ringer who purchased a copy would find he had got something worth having.

Mr. J. A. Trollope said he hoped all who had any Major methods, good or bad would send them on to Mr. James so that they could be gone into before the book was issued. There might be some without names, as there were in the Minor methods. This need not stop any one from sending, as the methods could be classified, and, if necessary, a title given afterwards.

Mr. E. H. Lewis asked if the Minor methods that did not appear in the Collection would appear in the new edition or in the Major methods. He believed there were two omitted, and he would like to know if they were to appear, and, if so, how.

The Rev. H. Law James replied that there were two methods omitted from the Minor Collection. These, it was intended, should appear in a future edition. He was noting such corrections in his own book.

Mr. E. H. Lewis said he did not think that the Minor Section contained all the information it might have done. He thought it would have been very useful to have shown how to make the bobs. His own experience led him to come to this conclusion, for he had in one case to explain the point, which, if it had appeared in the book, would not have been necessary, and a ringer would not have been so much at sea.

Mr. J. W. Parker said he thought there was information of this kind which could be given, and so make the book more useful all round.

The President said he was sure this was a matter which the Committee would bear in mind in the future. He should like to emphasise what Mr. James had said as to the rubbish appearing in "THE BELL NEWS." Many of those who attempted to construct methods went to work haphazard. Let them as members of the Exercise discourage this sort of thing as much as they could, and prevent the Exercise from becoming a laughing-stock. If they took the double Treble Bob methods of the Superlative class, there were, of these, 108, no more and no less. Some of these would not be serviceable, as they would not run to a seven-lead course. But it was impossible to obtain anything further of the Superlative class. It was just the same as the 6 changes on 3 bells; there were no more to be had, and it was useless to try. It might be that in Major methods by breaking the rule of alternate quadruple and triple changes, methods could be produced that would prove to be even worse than London (laughter), but these attempts should not be made without a definite foundation to build upon. In any other science, mathematics, astronomy, engineering, or what not, any man venturing to publish ridiculous nonsense, would be treated with the contempt he deserved. Members of the Exercise should stand upon their dignity, and not permit these idiotic productions to appear in print.

(To be continued.)

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 4th and 18th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on the 6th and 20th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 11th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th. Members are specially requested to attend on the 11th, when business of great importance will be brought forward.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 26th, at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Kidderminster, to-day, Sat., July 1st. By the kind invitation of the Vicar, the meeting and tea will be held in the vicarage gardens at 4.35 p.m., prompt. Service in St. Mary's church at 5.30 p.m. Bells available for ringing at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome. Will all those intending to be present kindly let me know on or before Wednesday, July 5th. Bicycles can be stored free at 90, Bromsgrove Street.

E. J. DOWLER, *Branch Sec.*
54, *Tiverton Road, Bournbrook, Birmingham*

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Christ Church, Bacup, to-day, Sat., July 1st. Bells ready at 3.30, Meeting at 6.30. T. ROLLERSON, *Branch Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Keele to-day, Sat., July 1st. Bells ready at 3. Tea at 6. Service at 7.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*
143, *Flint Terrace, Tunstall.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th. Dinner at Wickenden's restaurant, High Street, at 1 p.m. sharp. Meeting to follow. Service in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. The Cathedral bells are available from 11.30 a.m., to 12.30 p.m., and St. Cuthbert's, Dinder, and Street, all day, and Glastonbury during the afternoon.

Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Bedfordshire Association. — The summer festival will be held at Leighton Buzzard on Saturday, July 8th. Tea at 5. Service at 6. Linslade bells also available.

REV. A. RUST, *Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blyth on Saturday, July 8th. Members intending to take tea at 5 p.m., please inform Mr. J. Hinde, Sheffield House, Blyth, Rotherham, by July 5th. B. DARLEY, *Hon Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 8th. She bells of St. Mary's and St. Michael's available during the afternoon and evening, and at the Cathedral from 5 to 7. Tea will be provided at 4 o'clock at Wigham's Stores, Tamworth Street, 1s. per head. Send word not later than Tuesday, July 4th. Reports will be ready. See excursion bills. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood on Saturday, July 8th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild. —The annual meeting will take place at Winchester on Monday, July 10th. 2 p.m. — General Meeting at the Guildhall. 4 p.m.—Service in Cathedral; Preacher—Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; 5 p.m. —Tea at Guildhall.

REV. W. E. COLCHESTER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual festival will be held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th. Special service in the parish church at 11.30; preacher—the Ven. E. D. Shaw. Archdeacon of Bucks, Business meeting in the Guildhall at 12.20. Dinner in a marquee at The Swan hotel at 1.30. Dinner tickets at 2s. each will be forwarded to those members *only* who send the money with the order to me on or before Wednesday, July 5th, and one shilling will be refunded to each member present at the dinner. But members failing to send for their tickets, must pay 2s. at the door, and have no refund.

ALBERT E. REEVES, *Festival Sec.*
5, *Fatherson Road, Reading.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 15th, Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea 1s. each at 5 o'clock, both at The Blue Bell inn. Those intending to take tea *must notify* Mr. G. B. Earle, Blanch Croft, Melbourne, not later than first post on Thursday, July 13th.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open at 3.30. Service in church at 5. Tea at The George and Dragon inn at 5.45, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend are requested to notify the District Secretary not later than Wednesday, July 12th. By kind permission of the Rector and Mrs. Mackinnon, the rectory grounds will be open to members.

W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
26, *Dukes Road, Tunbridge Wells.*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.—The postponed annual meeting of this Asoclation will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS. *General Secretary.*

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—W. Truss has removed to 51, Albert Square, Forest Lane, Stratford.

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT ST. ALBANS.—G. N. Price's 400 Peals.—On tower bells: London Surprise Royal 1, conducted 1; London Surprise Major 45, conducted 6; Bristol Surprise Major 1, conducted 1; Cambridge Surprise Major 14, conducted 3; New Cambridge Surprise Major 1, conducted 1: Superlative Surprise Major 46, conducted 15; Stedman Cinques, 4; Caters 17, conducted 2; Triples 115, conducted 34; (one non-conducted); Kent Maximus 1; Royal 4: Major 1, conducted 1; Oxford Major 2; Double Norwich Royal 1; Caters 1; Major 28, conducted 15: Bob Royal 1; Major 7. conducted 3; Triples 1; Canterbury Major 1; Grandsire Caters 2; Triples 23, conducted 9; Seven Minor metnods 6, conducted 5. Total 323; conducted 94. On handbells; Superlative Major 3, conducted 3; Double Norwich Major 2, conducted 2; Stedman Cinques 3; Caters 9, conducted 7 (including 6591); Triples 38, conducted 21 (two non-conducted); Kent Major 1; Bob Royal 1, conducted 1; Major 5, conducted 2; Grandsire Caters 2; Triples 13, conducted 7. Total—77; conducted 43. Total—400; conducted 137. Rung in nineteen counties, and in 147 towers, fifteen of which were the first peal in any method on the bells. From this record four false peals of Stedman Caters have been deleted.

THE PEAL AT SOUTHOVER. — W. Palmer, senr's 150 Peals —Stedman Caters 28; Triples 25; Grandsire Caters 19; Triples 23; Treble Bob Royal 11; Major 17; Bob Royal 5; Major 5; Double Norwich Royal 1; Major 12; Superlative Major 2; Cambridge 1; London 1. Total—150.

THE PEAL AT SEDGLEY. — C. White's 50 Peals.—Five Minor methods 2; Seven ditto 1; Ten ditto 1; Grandsire Triples 4; Caters 1; Bob Major 4; Kent Major 2; Royal 1; Oxford Major 1; Double Oxford Major (record), 1 (10176); Forward Major 1; Stedman Triples 14; Caters 1; Double Norwich Major 3; Superlative Major 2; Cambridge 1; New Cambridge 1; Bristol (on treble), 1; London 1. Total—50.

THE PEAL AT SITTINGBOURNE. — W. Spice, senr.'s 100 Peals. — Bob Minor 1; in four Minor methods 3; in seven ditto 23; Grandsire Triples 30; Stedman Triples 15; Bob Major 9; Oxford Major 1; Kent Major 12; Double Norwich Major 5; Stedman Caters 1. Total—100; conducted 15.

THE PEAL AT FEERING.—D. Elliott's 100 Peals.—On six bells 3, conducted 1; Grandsire Triples 1; Bob Major 13, conducted 11; Kent Major 15, conducted 11; Oxford Major 18, conducted 16; Double Norwich Major 32, conducted 18; Superlative 12, conducted 10; Cambridge 5, conducted 5; London (on treble) 1. Total—100; conducted 72.

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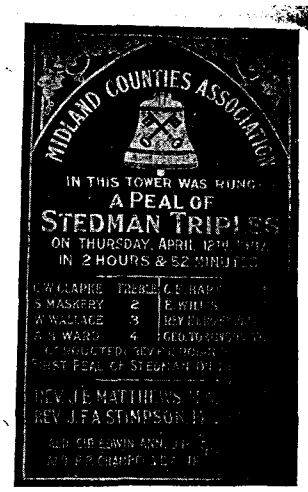

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JULY 1, 1911.

EVER since the day when the Art of Ringing was [welcomely "invaded" by our sisters of the gentler sex, one thought has been before us: would it be possible for lady ringers to attempt a peal wholly by themselves? One by one their number has grown, and, as was pointed out in the Analysis recently, eleven ladies took part last year in peals rung throughout Great Britain. Surely, then, now is the opportune moment! So thought other minds, and steps were taken to put the idea into tangible form. To-day, Saturday, July 1st, 1911, will see an attempt for the first time in ringing history, by eight ladies starting for a peal without any brother-strings!

It was felt that such an undertaking ought to be attempted at one of the London churches, and the indefatigable Miss Parker, who has been the organising secretary to the venture, has obtained the necessary permission for the band at Christ Church, Cubitt Town, where we trust the first ladies' peal on record will be brought to a successful conclusion. In our ranks there is no jealousy of the fair sex—they are, as the old adage has it, "welcome as the flowers in May," and we, accustomed as we are to peal-ringing, will experience a thrill of pleasure should the gallant band reach the welcome "This is all."

It is a great venture in many ways. Eight ringers brought together from long distances, to strange bells, unaccustomed to each other's style of ringing, and it may be that success will not come at "the first time of asking," but if it does—and we fervently hope it will—then these dauntless daughters of the steeple will have carved for themselves a niche in our Temple of Fame from which they will not be ousted as long as our Art endures. "Successs to the ladies."

The Provinces.

FEERING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6000 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

DAVID ELLIOTT	*Treble.*	JOHN SADLER	5.
FRANK CLAYDON	2	ERNEST NEWMAN	6.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH	7.
PERCY LANGSTON	4.	JAMES NEWMAN	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

This was the conductor's 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

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On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE OLD ABBEY BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES; In the Kent Variation. Tenor 31 cwt. in C sharp.

SIDNEY J. JESSOP*	*Treble.*	ALBERT WALKER	6.
SAMUEL GROVE	2.	ALF. PADDON SMITH	7.
THOMAS RUSSAM	3.	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	8.
WILLIAM SHORT	4.	JOHN NEAL	9.
JAMES L. WELLS	5.	JAMES E. GROVES	*Tenor.*

Composed by S. MARSH, and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

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On Friday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18⅔ cwt. in E.

PHILLIP W. WILKINS	*Treble.*	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	5.
FRANCIS K. BIGGS	2.	JOHN GRANSBURY	6.
FREDK. G. BIGGS	3.	JAMES W. WILKINS	7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	4.	RALPH H. BIGGS	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

This composition has the 6th her extent wrong and twenty times right. First peal of Major on the bells. The Vicar, the Rev. Bruce Rhind, kindly entertained the ringers to tea after the peal.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, June 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

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

HUBERT J. BLACKWELL	*Treble.*	WILLIAM HEWETT	5.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD	2.	FRANK BENNETT	6.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	3.	ISAAC EMBERY	7.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	4.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. THORPE, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

Handbell Peals.

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THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

F. DEWELL†	1-2.	†F. LEVITT	5-6.
J. LEVITT†	3-4.	A. E. MOORE	7-8.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by A. E. MOORE.

†First peal. Umpires—Messrs. H. A. Turner and J. Sparrow.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, June 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5127 CHANGES.

CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN.	1-2.	MAURICE SMITHER	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING	3-4.	JAMES HUNT	7-8.

SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. 9-10.

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, June 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

J. SPARROW†	1-2.	A. E. MOORE	5-6.
H. A. TURNER	3-4.	*E. LEVITT	7-8.

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by A. E. MOORE.

*First peal. †First peal double-handed. Umpire—F. Levitt.

Coronation Peals.

The following Peals have been rung in honour of the Coronation :—

THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

JARROLD HAYWARD	*Treble.*	ARTHUR E. BRADLEY	6.
WILLIAM E. GARRARD	2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS	7.
HENRY G. MILES	3.	ALBERT N. SELBY	8.
WILLIAM A. GARRARD	4.	JAMES R. MACKMAN	9.
GEORGE B. EDSER	5.	FREDERICK J. REDKNAP	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WM. E. GARRARD.

Rung on the eve of the 17th birthday of the ringer of the 4th.

EATON, GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 1440 Plain Bob, and 3600 Grandsire.

WILLIAM HUDSON*	*Treble.*	GEORGE PERRELL	3.
REUBEN BURTON	2.	HENRY SINGLETON	4.

WILLIAM WALTRAM .. *Tenor.*

Conducted by HENRY SINGLETON.

*First peal.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE HOLY TRINITY SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

BEN CHORLEY	*Treble.*	MAURICE SMITHER	5.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN.	2.	*RALPH WOOD	6.
HENRY HUTTON	3.	CHARLES HAZELDEN	7.
HENRY L. GARFATH	4.	ALFRED H. PULLING	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

*First peal in the method.

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MERTHYR TYDVIL, GLAMORGANSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

WILLIAM MORGAN .. ..*Treble.*	FREDK. B. STEDMAN .. 5.
WILLIAM D. ALLAN.. .. 2.	EDWARD THOMAS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM ROBERTS .. .. 3.	ALBAN E. SLATTER .. .. 7.
FRANK CHAVE .. .. .. 4.	JAMES SMITH .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Condncted by ALBAN E. SLATTER.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY ..*Treble.*	CHARLES F. BAILEY.. .. 5.
JAMES M. BAILEY .. .. 2.	NORMAN R. BAILEY .. .. 6.
CHARLES SAMSON .. .. 3.	EDGAR H. BAILEY .. .. 7.
JAMES G. RUMSEY .. .. 4.	ERNEST S. BAILEY .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

BIRMINGHAM.
ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.
Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

THOMAS RUSSAM .. ..*Treble.*	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. .. 7.
ALF PADDON SMITH .. .. 2.	PERCY O. LAFLIN .. .. 8.
JOHN NEAL .. .. 3.	ERNEST MANCELL .. .. 9.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN .. 4.	JAMES L. WELLS .. .. 10.
THOMAS REYNOLDS .. .. 5.	JAMES E. GROVES .. .. 11.
ALBERT WALKER .. .. 6.	SIDNEY J. JEESOP .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This is Mr. Smith's 50th peal on twelve bells. All the above are members of the Sunday band, and this is the first peal rung by the complete band.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(BOLTON BRANCH.)
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

HUGH WATTS .. .. ..*Treble.*	HARRY ALLRED .. .. .. 5.
JAMES ALLRED .. .. .. 2.	ROBERT ALLRED .. .. 6.
HERBERT ALLRED .. .. 3.	MOSES HEATHCOAT .. .. 7.
JOHN T. ALLRED .. .. 4.	HARRY WORTHINGTON ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT ALLRED.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—BOLTON BRANCH.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours andTwo Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SOULS,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
TAYLOR'S. Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qrs. 23 lbs.

F. MARKLAND .. .. ..*Treble.*	W. PENNINGTON .. .. 5.
J. MARKLAND .. .. .. 2.	J. E. MARKLAND .. .. 6.
W. HODGSON .. .. .. 3.	A. MINSHULL .. .. .. 7.
A. HOLDEN .. .. 4.	*A. HILL .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. E. MARKLAND.

*First peal. A. Hill was proposed a member before starting.

EASTON MAUDIT, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN LABUTT .. .. ..*Treble.*	CHARLES FAIRY .. .. .. 4.
THOMAS HICKMAN* .. .. 2.	EDWIN JONES .. .. .. 5.
HARRY FOWLER .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by H. FOWLER.

*First peal. First peal on the bells.

WEST KIRBY, CHESHIRE.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12¼ cwt.

S. WHARTON .. .. ..*Treble.*	J. L. HAMMOND.. .. .. 5.
C. W. POWELL .. .. .. 2.	A. SMITH .. .. 6.
J. HALE .. .. 3.	J. POWNALL .. .. .. 7.
J. RUTTER .. .. 4.	E. HAMPSON .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. RUTTER.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST, JOHN THE BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 17¾ cwt.

CHARLES PALMER .. ..*Treble.*	ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 5.
JOHN T. RICKMAN .. .. 2.	ALBERT J. TURNER .. .. 6.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM PALMER* .. .. 4.	JAMES A. HART.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

*150th peal; a list of which appears elsewhere,

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(North Bucks. Branch.)
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

ARTHUR CRANE .. .. ..*Treble.*	HARRY SEAR .. .. .. 5.
FRANCIS HEDGES .. .. 2.	EPHRAIM MARKS .. .. 6.
JOSEPH MARKS .. .. .. 3.	WALTER SEAR .. .. .. 7.
JOHN MEAD* .. .. .. 4.	VALENTINE SEAR .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

*First peal. First peal by the local band. This peal was commenced at 5.30 a.m. and came round at 8.40.

BARTHOMLEY, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(CREWE BRANCH.)
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BERTHOLINE,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REEVES'S VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt. in E.

ARTHUR ALLMAN .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN BRASSINGTON .. .. 5.
RICHARD SHARRATT .. .. 2.	*JOHN BRADSHAW.. .. .. 6.
JOHN MATTHEWS .. .. 3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN. 7.
JAMES HENRY RIDING .. 4.	HARRY F. HOLDING .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal away from the tenor.

LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(THE ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.)
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.
Tenor 21¾ cwt.

GEORGE CLEAL	*Treble.*	J. LEONARD ALLEN	6.
ARTHUR PETTITT*	2.	SAMUEL COTTON	7.
LOUIS E. ALLEN	3.	CHARLES H. FOWLER ..	8.
FREDK. H. DEXTER	4.	ALFRED MARTIN	9.
JOHN O. LANCASHIRE ..	5.	THOMAS TAYLOR ..	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by FREDK. HY. DEXTER.
*First peal of Stedman, and first of Caters.

CIRENCESTER, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, WATERMOOR,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's Twelve-Part. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILFRED G. COOK	*Treble.*	FREDERICK PROTHEROUGH	5.
WILLIAM C. MINCHIN ..	2.	CHARLES W. MARTIN ..	6.
FRANCIS J. LEWIS	3.	JOHN J. JEFFRIES	7.
HARRY LEWIS	4.	WILLIAM J. FINCH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRANCIS J. LEWIS.
This peal was also rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. W. G. Cook to Miss May Mills, which took place on June 21st.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Chester, Carlisle, London, Wells, Durham, York and Cambridge. Tenor 17¼ cwt. in E.

WILLIAM SAVAGE	*Treble.*	REGINALD BLAKE	4.
JOSEPH GOACHER	2.	WILLIAM DAY	5.
HENRY BLACKMAN	3.	FREDK. BENNETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. BENNETT.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIYE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt.

FRED W. HILL..	*Treble.*	FRANK F. HILL..	5.
HAROLD G. JENNEY† ..	2.	G. ARTHUR HASLAM ..	6.
HERBERT DAY	3.	*ALEX. HUTCHISON	7.
JOSEPH BOURNE	4.	HENRY GEORGE..	*Tenor.*

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by F. W. Hill,
First peal as conductor. *First peal in the method. †First peal with a bob bell.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.
THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.
Tenor 22 cwt.

THOMAS L. SIMMONS ..	*Treble.*	CHARLES N. LEMAN	6.
HUBERT EDEN	2.	ROBERT A. KIRBY	7.
GEORGE N. PRICE	3.	FREDERICK WHITE	8.
GEORGE E. HOWCHIN ..	4.	EDWARD WHITBREAD ..	9.
HENRY S. REEVES	5.	FRANCIS A. SMITH	*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.
This was the conductor's 400th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,
AT CHARLES CHURCH,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.
Tenor 23½ cwt. in D.

JOSEPH WOODLEY	*Treble.*	WILLIAM RUNDLE	6.
WALTER H. MARSH	2.	*ERNEST W. MARSH	7.
REGINALD A. H. DOBSON	3.	HAROLD BENNETT	8.
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT ..	4.	GEO. HARRY MYERS.. ..	9.
WILLIAM FORD	5.	FRANCIS PURSE	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.
*Fiftieth peal.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

G. WITHERS*	*Treble.*	VICTOR WHITE	5.
ELIJAH WBITE	2.	GEORGE N. COCHIN	6.
EDWARD BACHE*	3.	WILLIAM H. WEBB	7.
HARRY LEA..	4.	ALFRED HACKETT	*Tenor.*

Composed by W. GARRARD, and Conducted by W. H. WEBB.
*First peal.

RAMSGATE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, June 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PITSTOW'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 18 cwt.

PERCY J. PAINE..	*Treble.*	CHARLES W. BRETT ..	5.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE	2.	JOHN WILLIS	6.
FREDK. G. BRETT	3.	EDWARD TRENDELL.. ..	7.
EDWIN G. BUESDEN	4.	EDWARD E. FOREMAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN.
First peal on the bells after rehanging by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. Rung in honour of the birthday of Edward, Prince of Wales.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, June 23, 1911, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

E. J. BOTTLE	*Treble.*	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	5.
WILLIAM SPICE, JUN.† ..	2.	WILLIAM J. WALKER.. ..	6.
ALBERT J. DAY	3.	WILLIAM SPICE, SEN. ..	7.
GEORGE H. SPICE	4.	*HORACE WHITEHEAD	*Treble.*

Conducted by W. SPICE, SEN.
*First peal. †First peal on eight bells with a bob bell.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Friday, June 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
CARTER'S No. 47. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 10 lbs.

WILLIAM SHORT	*Treble.*	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	5.
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ..	2.	JAMES DOWLER	6.
JAMES E. GROVES	3.	SAMUEL GROVE	7.
WILLIAM PALMER	4.	SIDNEY J. JESSOP	*Tenor.*

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION

On Thursday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

DICK ILIFFE	*Treble.*	JAMES BOLTON	5.
JOHN WATERFIELD	2.	†W. NEAL ADKINSON	6.
JOHN T. TAYLOR	3.	FRED STANIFORTH	7.
ERNEST MORRIS	4.	*EDMUND LEECH ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED STANIFORTH.

†First peal on eight bells. *First peal. E. Morris hails from Leicester, the remainder belong to the local band.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

HERBERT CURE	*Treble.*	EDGAR VALLANCE	4.
WALTER HORTON	2.	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ..	5.
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ..	3.	E. HARRY STONELEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

HARRY PRICE*	*Treble.*	†JOHN BASS	5.
GEORGE HUGHES*	2.	†WILLIAM FISHER	6.
HERBERT KNIGHT* ..	3.	*CHARLES F. WHITE	7.
GEORGE PIGOTT*	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method. †First in the method away from the treble. First in the method on the bells and by the above Society. C. F. White's 50th peal, a list elsewhere.

BEESTON, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

NEVILLE WIDDOWSON	*Treble.*	*ARTHUR LOWE	5.
ALBERT COPPOCK	2.	J. CHARLES DICKEN	6.
WILLIAM CLIFFORD, SEN.	3.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	7.
BART MITCHELL	4.	PERCIVAL PRICE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell peal to the Rev. T. G. Shelmerdine, curate of the above parish.

WITNEY, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURTSANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. 1 qr.

ALBERT BROOKS	*Treble.*	EDMUND TOMLINSON ..	5.
FRANK BARRETT	2.	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN.	6
HARRY HOLIFIELD	3.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN	7.
JOHN MONK	4.	GEORGE BROOKS ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

MARKET DRAYTON, SALOP.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S IRREGULAR FIVE-PART. Tenor 17¼ cwt.

ARTHUR MOSELEY*	*Treble.*	*JOSEPH CLARKE	5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN.	2.	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ..	6.
HENRY FURBER HOLDING	3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.	7.
JAMES HENRY RIDING ..	4.	GEORGE HALL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

*First peal.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(WHITWICK BRANCH.)

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. in F.

ALFRED CLARK	*Treble.*	JOSEPH CADLE	5.
WALTER FERN	2.	JOHN RAWSON	6.
JOHN MOORE	3.	THOMAS BELCHER	7.
GEORGE WALKER	4.	FRED BOAM	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. FERN.

T. Belcher was elected a member previous to starting.

Miscellaneous.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

BIRMINGHAM.—On Sunday evening, June 18th, for Divine Service at Bishop Ryder's church, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 48 mins. S. Coley, A. T. Scrivens, E. Large, G. A. Taylor, W. G. Ellis, J. T. Perry conductor, J. B. Collett, W. F. Webb.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWPORT (Mon).—On Sunday evening, June 25th, at All Saints church, 1008 Stedman Triples. C. Bowen, C. Greedy, J. Bullen, F. Morgan, S. Jones, J. Pippin, A. E. Morgan conductor, S. Baiss.

APPLETON (Berks).—On Sunday, June 25th, for evening service at the church of St. Laurence, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by G. Holifield, sen., in 42 mins. G. Holifield, jun., T. Payne, C. Hounslow, W. Finch, W. W. Worthington, G. Holifield, sen., R. White, A. H. White. Caters could not be rung owing to a broken rope. Mr. Hounslow, whose age is 79 years, rang the 3rd splendidly. His striking is still a good example for younger ringers.

COLCHESTER.—On Sunday, June 18th, at St. Peter's church, three touches of Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rang with the bells half-muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Rev. J. S. Owen, curate of this church, and formerly a missionary at Yoruba, West Africa. The following took part: A. Burch, G. Burch, W. Burch, W. Button, F. L. Bumpstead, G. W. Dixon, W. Chalk, H. Evers, R. W. Stannard, A. G. Rivers, W. J. Schofield, H. T. Pye. The usual whole pull and stand was also rung.

GOOLE (Yorks).—On Sunday, June 25th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 47 mins. J. Clarke, D. Carmichael, C. W. King, M. Tate, T. Smith, F. Tate, H. Ludkin conductor, G. Davis. First quarter-peal of Stedman by an entirely local band.

HARBORNE (Staffs).—At the parish church on Thursday, June 22nd, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins. R. W. Cartwright, J. Such, H. Pratt, H. Grosvenor, T. Gibbs, G. Hitchman conductor, A. Beacham, W. H. Grosvenor.

'SKINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

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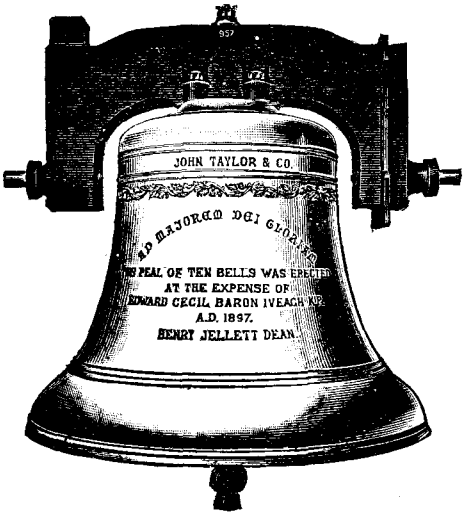

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56234	- -
35264	-
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43265	-B
64235	-
23645	- -
42635	-
63425	- -
26435	-
32465	-
46325	- -
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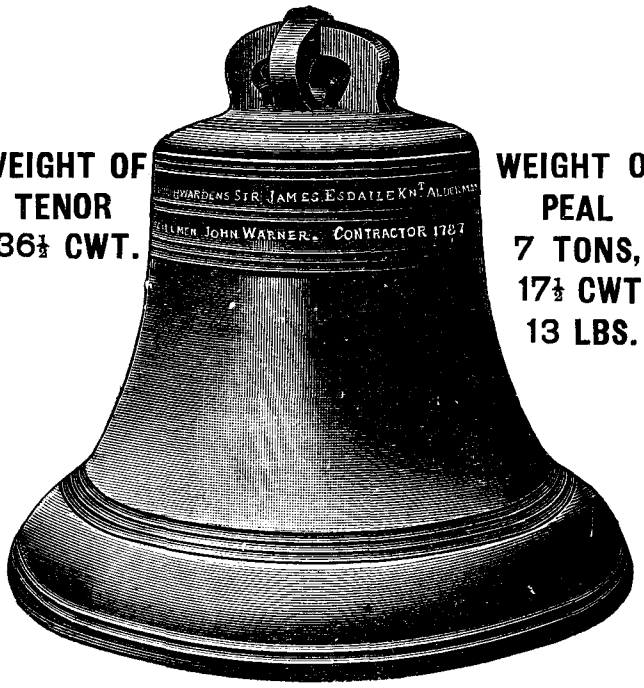

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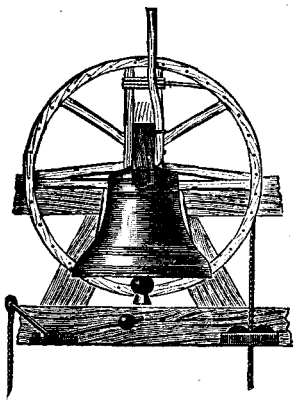

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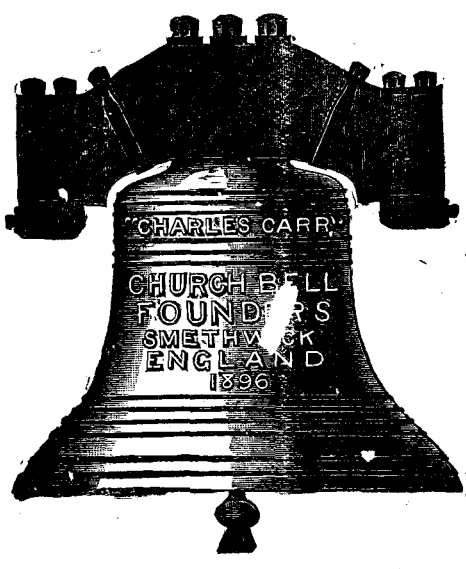

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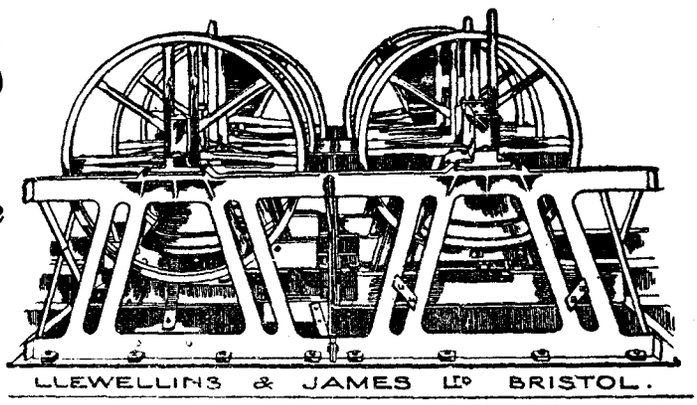

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QUEENBOROUGH, KENT.

Amongst the many proposals in the mind of the Rev. J. Castle, M.A., for the improvement of his ancient parish church, so dear to his heart, one of the principal has been the restoration of the tower and belfry, with the rehanging of the bells, which, owing to the dilapidated condition of the fabric, had not been rung for about fifty years. In connection with this scheme a happy idea came to Mr. H. Small, whose activities on behalf of the church are well-known, and he suggested that in their goodness the Freemasons of Sheppey might like to present a bell to be named "the Masonic bell." This idea was taken up warmly amongst the brethren of the three lodges in the Island. The bell was duly cast by the old established firm of Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of Whitechapel, which, it is interesting to know, cast the original bells in 1642, and having been hung, was dedicated by the Bishop of Dover on a recent Saturday afternoon at a special service in the church. The occasion created great interest in the borough, and the church was not capable of holding all who desired to take part in the service.

Hymn 273 was sung as the Town Sergeant, carrying the mace, led in procession up the aisle. Following him were the Mayor (Councillor C. R. Stevens) with the insignia of office, and Aldermen and Councillors, and after the choir, the Bishop of Dover, the Rural Dean (Rev. H. E. T. Cruso) and the Vicar, Rev. J. Castle, with Revs. R. Heaton, C. A. Manley, W. Branston, and E. G. Elliott. The proper psalms and lessons were given, with the first portion of the evening service, and during the singing of hymn No. 303 the Bishop took up a position beneath the tower, the choir and clergy being in the aisle. At the conclusion of the hymn, the Bishop dedicated the bell in the following sentences:—"We dedicate this bell, the gift of the Freemasons of Sheppey, to the honour and glory of God, and in memory of King Edward VII." The dedicatory prayers were then pronounced by his lordship.

In his address to the congregation, the Bishop said that in the 122nd Psalm they would find expression of that desire which everyone present had with regard to the ancient borough of Queenborough, and he also wished it prosperity. He gleaned from the very excellent little book on the history of the church that the tower was more ancient than the rest of the church, and he was glad to say that now the repairs had been carried out they would be able to ring a peal, which had not been done for fifty years. One of the bells had been given by one Mayor of the borough, and had now been renovated at the expense of the present Mayor, and a new tenor bell had been given by the Freemasons of Sheppey. The generosity of the Freemasons was well known, and at Canterbury they had also had many proofs of this great characteristic of the craft. Freemasonry was an ancient institution, but time had not checked but rather stimulated the zeal and generosity of the members. Loyalty to God and his Divine Will as given in the Holy Bible had marked the growth of this world-wide brotherhood. He was glad to be able to congratulate the parish on being able to again ring their bells, and it would no doubt lead to a holy rivalry amongst the ringers of their neighbourhing churches. It was a great pleasure to him to visit the parish for the purpose of dedicating the new bell, which had now taken the place of the ceremony of anointing with oil and blessing. It was not until the fifth century that church bells were hung in towers, the first being in Italy. It was in the seventh century before bells were hung in towers in England, and from that time an important part had been played by the church bells in the towns and villages of the country. They sent out joyous notes and sometimes mournful notes, moving the souls of the hearers—now rejoicing, now sympathising, now softly, now loud. The bells were put to many uses besides that of summoning the faithful to the House of God, reminding them of God's will that they met together for prayer and Holy Communion, warning the careless, inviting the sinful to turn from their evil ways, and comforting the sick and aged, and those unable to attend by reminding them of the happy hours they had spent in devotion in the church. They were also used in the time of joy, when they were joined together in holy matrimony. He believed the original bells of their church were given as a thankoffering for peace after a time of successful war. They were used on many occasions of national thanksgiving. They were King's bells. Queenborough had been very highly favoured in its connection with royalty. It gained its very name from its associations with a Queen, but he was sure there were never more loyal inhabitants than those of the present day. The bells pealed the joys of matrimony, and they also told the message of glorious hope of resurrection on our passing from this life, pointing out our belief that all was not over, but that we should live again in Paradise. He wished to say a few words to the ringers. In a very real sense they were ministers of the church; and he exhorted them ever to carry out those rules which had been drawn out for their observance. They should lead Christian lives and be a good example in every way. As the tower lifted itself to the sky, so should they point by their example heavenwards. He trusted they appreciated the honour of being appointed to carry out the office. That the people of Queenborough valued their church he hoped and believed, and he was sure the work of praying and preaching was not without fruit. But they wanted permanent results; and he hoped that the impressions of such occasions as that day and the mission he was recently privileged to attend would have lasting effect. So long as the tower stood might the bells ring out messages unto a united, God-fearing, happy parish.

Hymns 305 and 165 were then sung, and the service terminated with the Benediction.

UNVEILING OF PEAL TABLET AT TIPTON.

The "Pepper Box" was quite alive with ringers and friends on Saturday, June 17th, the occasion being the dedication of a stone tablet recording a peal of Stedman Triples—Mr. William Rock Small's 300th. Ringers from Birmingham, Bloxwich, Bradley, Coseley, Dudley, Handsworth, Kings Norton, Netherton, Old Hill, Shifnal, Smeth-

wick, Tipton, Walsall, Wednesbury, West Bromwich, Willenhall, Wolverhampton, Wood Green and Wordsley began to arrive soon after 3'oclock.

A short service was held in church, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. T. de Vine, M.A., R.D., who also gave an address. An adjournment was afterwards made to the belfry, where subsequent to a prayer being offered by the Vicar, Mr. Small asked the Vicar and churchwardens to accept the tablet (a gift from himself). Miss C. A. de Vine was called upon to lift the veil, which exposed to view, in plain lettering, the following:—

"Tipton parish church. The Society of Change-Ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the St. Thomas's Guild, Dudley. On Saturday, February 19th, 1910, eight members of the above rang upon the bells in this tower a peal of Stedman Triples, 5040 changes, Thurstans's One-part, in two hours and fifty-seven minutes. Alfred Rowley, Treble; William H. Godden, 2; John Smith, 3; Thomas Horton, 4; William Rock Small, 5; Thomas H. Reeves, 6; Herbert Knight, 7: William Painter, tenor. Conducted by Herbert Knight. Wilson Thos. de Vine, M.A., R.D., Vicar. James C. Dunn, Ebenezer Harris, churchwardens. This was Mr. W. R. Small's 300th peal rung upon church bells in various counties, on 8, 10, and 12 bells; it was half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late F. E. Robinson, M.A., Vicar of Drayton, Berks., Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, who rang in various counties 1250 peals. Also to the late Lady Louisa Jane Cecil Legge, sister to Bishop of Lichfield, and Aunt to the present Earl of Dartmouth. Stedman Cinques 14, Caters 15, Triples 68, Grandsire Cinques 5, Royal 2, Caters 35, Major 6, Triples 75, Kent Treble Bob Maximus 1, Royal 10, Major 13, Plain Bob Royal 5, Caters 1, Major 32, Triples 1, Darlaston Bob Triples 4, Canterbury Pleasure Major 1, Double Norwich Court Bob Major 5, Double Oxford Bob Major 1, Forward Royal 2, Major 4. Total 300 peals. Tenor 12 cwt. 25 lbs. John Smith, Tower Keeper."

The Vicar had a few kind words to say about Mr. R. Small, and mentioned in passing, that Mr. Small's 50th, 100th, 150th, 200th, 250th, and 300th peal had been Stedman Triples, and rung in that tower.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett, M.A., proposed a vote of thanks to Miss de Vine for the part she performed, and made complimentary reference to Mr. Small.

Mr. A. E. Parsons (churchwarden of Holy Trinity church, Old Hill, also spoke kindly of the donor of the tablet.

An excellent meat tea was provided in the schoolroom, Miss de Vine, Mrs. Groves, and Mrs. Jones presiding at the tables, assisted by the Misses Smith, etc. Ringing was indulged in till a late hour, and among other methods rung were Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major, and Erin Triples. The bells have recently been rehung in the old frame by Messrs. James Barwell, Limited, of Birmingham, and the church has been re-decorated at a considerable cost.

THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD, BRISTOL.

On Saturday, June 17th, the members of the above Guild visited the counties of Berks. and Bucks. for their annual outing, the programme for the day being as follows: Meet at Temple Meads, G.W.R., to catch the 7.45 a.m. train for Reading, change there for Twyford and Henley-on-Thames, arriving at the latter place by 11 a.m. After a light lunch the tower was visited, and having an enjoyable ring, the noted place was left behind en route for Shiplake by way of the river bank—a very pleasant walk with beautiful surroundings. At the Great Western railway at Shiplake some thoughtful friend had kindly arranged that two conveyances should be in waiting to convey the party to The Plough hotel, where the meal of the day was partaken of—this was served by host Porter, himself a ringer—and every man did full justice to all the good things provided. In the outings of the past the Guild have generally had a few members who could hold their own when the inner man required attention, but the writer thinks that even these noted men excelled themselves on this oecasion, for they expressed themselves in various ways, as being done up, tired and sleepy, and "fit to bust," but with it all the programme had to be adhered to, and a visit to the tower of Shiplake church was made, where there is a handy ring of eight, and some Stedman Triples and some Major was rung, and by this time a move had to be made towards Sonning, via the river bank. Sonning was reached at 5 p.m., and it was puite apparent to any ordinary observer that the effects of the Shiplake dinner had not passed off, for it was in Sonning churchyard the incumbent of the parish found some reclining near the tombstones, and he sympathetically asked if anything were the matter with them. This happened whilst the more energetic of the party were engaged ringing some Stedman and some Major on the beautiful bells. As there was a service at 6 p.m., the tower was left for the tea-table under the spreading chestnut trees of The Bull hotel, and here again, those who were done up, etc., were well to the fore, for the table rapidly began to have empty plates and dishes. This ordeal over, a move was made to the river bridge, where a conveyance was waiting to convey the whole party to Caversham. It was here many old faces were met, and new acquaintances made, and also the best going bells of the day, but by this time the visitors were not in the best of condition for ringing, and the touches attempted were not altogether successful. Mention must be made of an attempt for a touch oi London, which produced some of the best ringing of the day; in this attempt some of the visitors assisted the locals. A move was then made to the headquarters of the local men to spend the remaing short space of time before making for Reading, to catch the 10.38 for Bristol. It is putting it in a very mild form by saying the outing was a complete success, and the best thanks of the Guild are due to the Vicars of Henley-on-Thames, Shiplake, Sonning, and Caversham. A very large measure of the success of the day is due to the splendid arrangements made by Mr. O. Porter, of Shiplake, and to him a special vote of thanks is accorded. The St. Nicholas Guild are very grateful to him, and they offer their best thanks to all ringing friends, too numerous to mention, for their affability on making the acquaintance of the members of the Guild.

ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Whit-Monday, seventeen members of this Guild with friends, availed themselves of the excursion arranged by the society of Ottregians, the secretary of which is Mr. Godfrey, a former member of the Guild, to pay a visit to Devonshire, leaving Waterloo soon after midnight.

Ottery St. Mary was reached at 4.10 a.m., when the party was astonished to find that fully one-half of the inhabitants of the town were at the station to greet the two train-loads of visitors, giving a welcome which certainly lost none of its heartiness by the strenuous exertions of the local brass band, despite the warmth of the weather. The party were met by Mr. Baker, of the local band, and after breakfast, the bells—a nice ring of eight—were rung for the service at 6 a.m. It is understood that this was the first occasion on which a service

had been held in connection with this Ottery fete day, and it is to be hoped that it may not be the last, considering the large attendance, with the heartiness of the singing, and the appropriateness of the Vicar's eloquent address; all of which greatly impressed the Kensington ringers. The rev. gentleman after welcoming the congregation, took his address from 2 Kings xii., 27: "If this people go up to do sacrifice at the House of the Lord at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people return unto their Lord," pointing out that as Jeroboam led the northern tribes of Israel astray by setting up golden calves at Dan and Bethel, thus diverting them from their duties at Jerusalem, so the big world of London with its pleasures and evils, and strenuous business life, tended to demoralise and draw countrymen in London away from the association of all that they had learnt in the day's of childhood and innocence. He stated also that such a day as this gave the opportunity to come back and renew the old memories and thoughts of the power of God for good that had been instilled in their minds in their childhood days.

Two or three further touches were rung before the party proceeded to Exeter by train, which was reached about 8.30 a.m. St. Sidwell's was first visited, and the peal of ten were set going to Stedman Caters. After luncheon at Dellar's restaurant, the visitors were greatly favoured by being permitted to ring on the grand bells of the Cathedral. After an inspection of the bells and hangings, which were greatly admired, touches of Stedman Caters on the ten, and Triples on the minor eight were brought round.

The party then proceeded to Heavitree, and touches Stedman and Kent were rung on this lovely ring of eight. Tracks were afterwards made for the station for Ottery, but unfortunately the train was late, and the Kensington men were denied the pleasure of marching to the station behind the Ottery brass band, as on their way to the restaurant from the station the main body of excursionists were met, headed by the band, to the strains of "Home, sweet Home.

After a hurried tea the party left Ottery at 6.15 p.m. for London, arriving soon after midnight, thus ending a day the pleasures of which, thanks to the arrangements kindly made by the Rev. Maitland Kelly, and Messrs. Godfrey and Baker, will long live in the memories of Kensington ringers, who also take this opportunity of thanking the various authorities for the use of their bells.

MOORSIDE, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

The re-opening of the bells of St. Thomas's church, Moorside (tenor 18 cwt.), took place on Saturday, July 1st, and ringers from Oldham, Shaw, East Crompton, and Gledwick, also Mr. A. A. Hughes (Messrs. Mears and Stainbank), were present. The bells have been quarter-turned and rehung with entirely new fittings, iron headstocks, and iron framework on steel girders. The "go" of the bells was pronounced to be everything that could be wished for. Two peals of Kent Treble Bob Major have already been rung, and on Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 46 mins. J. Ogden, 1; G. H. Beever, 2; A. A. Hughes (conductor), 3; F. Chapman, 4; C. Platt, 5; H. Hampson, 6; L. Hampson, 7; H. Barlow, 8.

To our Readers.—We regret the late publication of this journal (the fault of the printers), during the past few weeks, but we have now arranged for it to appear promptly on Friday mornings.

THE LADIES' GUILD.

Attempt for the First Peal.

Last Saturday, July 1st, saw the ladies of our Art make their maiden effort for a peal entirely by themselves. The venue was Christ Church, Cubitt Town, and during the morning Mr. James and Miss Parker were busy receiving and meeting the visitors as they arrived in the Metropolis. Soon after 4 p.m. the band having been photographed, a start was made, but owing to some obstruction, the 7th bell had to be overhauled. Later, when the "girlies" got away with a good start, the striking was excellent; in fact, had eight men—strangers to the bells and to each other—been ringing, listeners would have said it was first-rate Grandsire Triples. Outside, the local men had gathered with some of the fathers, Mr. J. Waghorn, sen., Mr. A. Hughes (Mears and Stainbank), Mr. J. Parker, Mr. W. Willson, Mr. Gillingham, and others were perfectly satisfied with the way the bells were travelling, and were mutually congratulating each other to hear for the first time a band of eight ladies ringing changes. Alas! for the best laid schemes of men. At a part end the bells ran round, a bob having been missed. Every sympathy was felt for the lady, for, having found the 7th bell required more handling than she anticipated, it was thought to be the wiser plan to exchange for another bell, and thus the omission was caused. Too late to make another attempt, tea was kindly provided by the Vicar, and afterwards touches of Double Norwich and Stedman Triples were rung with six ladies taking part. The following were the positions for the peal: Miss E. N. Belcher (Oxford), Treble; Miss Mary W. Nightingale (Oxford), 2; Miss Lilian A. Willson (Leicester), 3; Miss Alice White (Basingstoke), 4; Miss Nellie Gillingham (Portishead), 5; Miss Mary Jukes (Somersetshire), 6; Miss Edith Parker (Edmonton), 7; Miss Clara Beazley (Walthamstow), Tenor. Miss Nellie Gillingham was the conductress, and another attempt will be made in the near future, when there is every prospect of a successful issue.

Ewhurst (Surrey).—On Friday, June 23rd, for practice, a quarter-peal (1260 changes) of Bob Minor, in 40 mins. Mrs. R. Whittington, A. Francis, W. Tidy, J. Luff, R. Whittington, W. Denyer conductor. First quarter-peal by the ringers of 2 and 4, first of Bob Minor by the ringer of treble, W. Denyers. first as conductor.

Hornsey (Middlesex).—At the parish church, on Thursday, June 22nd, 720 Plain Bob Minor. H. Smith, C. Ross, W. Dixon A. Howell, A. Jacob conductor, F. Fensom. On Sunday, June 25th, 720 Bob Minor. H. Smith, A. Jacob, F. Fensom, A. Howell, W. Dixon, C. Ross composer and conductor. On Sunday, July 2nd, 720 Bob Minor. J. Plumb, A. Jacob, F. Fensom, A. Howell, T. Langdon conductor, C. Ross. In the evening 720 Kent Treble Bob. A. Jacob, F. Fensom, C. Ross, A. Howell, W. Dixon, T. Langdon conductor.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

Peal Values.

Dr. Carpenter said the Committee bad gone most carefully into the matter referred to them last year, and had issued their report, which had appeared in "The Bell News." The Committee had made out a new formula, and it was upon this that the schedule was founded. There might be some misunderstanding in regard to Schedule B, for it worked ont that for six 720s of Surprise and one with "broken leads" the number would be 31 against 30 for 7 720s of Surprise. On the whole he thought it would work well, and would therefore move the adoption of the report.

The Hon. Sec., who seconded, said the formula had been drawn up in consequence of the discussion last year, which tended to show that there was not sufficient difference between the

value of a peal of Triples and a peal of Maximus. He was sorry it was a little complicated, the more so that he, as a member of the Committee, desired it to be and wished it had been more simple.

The President having suggested that an illustration of the formula should be given on the black board, the Hon. Sec. proceeded to work out the following: taking class 4, and going to the column for Cinques, the 14 in the value column was multiplied by 11, and the product again multiplied by 11, and this product divided by 64, which brought up 26 as shewn in the Schedule printed in these columns on May 27th.

A member of the Council having asked why a formula was necessary,

The Hon. Sec. replied that unless some plan was laid down there would be confusion all round; there would otherwise be a certain amount of haphazard work and no general satisfaction unless something of the kind was adopted.

Mr. J. A. Trollope said, system or no system, so long as points for peals were continued there would not be general satisfaction. What was easy for one man to ring might not be to another; and so with a method by a band; and the same in conducting, you could only have a system of approximate points. A ringer of Stedman upon the lower number might be well up in the method and ring it fairly well, but when he got to Stedman Cinques he must also know rope-sight. Just the same with Cambridge Surprise Major, the method might be well known, but it was rope-sight that was required when you came to Cambridge Maximus.

The Rev. H. Law James repeated the arguments which he has at previous Council meetings advanced as to ringing upon the higher numbers of bells being far easier to ring than upon the lower numbers, and proceeded to show that Caters was but one dodging pair beyond Triples, and likewise Cinques, but one beyond Caters, which made the higher numbers so much easier. As an illustration in proof of his contention, the rev. gentleman proceeded to give details of how attempts at peals on the higher numbers had been more successful than upon the lower. He had known four attempts at seven 720s of Surprise Minor, but it had not come off yet, while Royal, although some of the band had to go 40 miles, had been rung at the first attempt.

Mr. G. P. Burton said the Rev. H. Law James had been speaking not from the ordinary ringer but from the expert as Mr. James was himself. In twelve-bell ringing the ordinary ringer had to devote his sole attention to the work, besides which twelve-bell bands stood at a great disadvantage. He considered a twelve-bell band richly deserved the points as shewn in Schedule A. Those who contended otherwise should just think how few twelve-bell rings there were, and how few ringers capable of ringing them, while there were not only a large number of eight-bell towers, but of eight-bell companies as well. There was also the question of weight of metal, and the time required to ring a peal upon twelve as compared with a peal on eight; besides, there was the greater difficulty of keeping a twelve-bell company together, in fact the difficulty in a twelve-bell tower was far greater altogether as compared with either an eight or a ten-bell tower. He would urge the Council to keep to the higher number of points for twelve-bell peals, and as a matter of fairness he trusted this view would be adopted.

Dr. Carpenter said he thought there was a little confusion in Schedule B, which was for Minor methods.

Mr. A. T. King said it would be better for six-bell bands to ring all 720s in Treble Bob instead as some did to ring six 720s in Treble Bob and one in a plain method.

The Rev. H. Law James asked if the 720 of plain happened to be more difficult to ring what would be the result?

Mr. A. T. King said this could not be.

The Rev. H. Law James said it was a fact that in seven 720s of plain methods there might be one more difficult to ring than a 720 in some Surprise methods.

Mr. A. T. King said what he was contending for was that seven 720s should be either all plain methods, Treble Bob methods or Surprise methods. If a band starting for seven 720s having rung six 720s of Treble Bob instead of ringing as some bands did a plain method, let them repeat one of the Treble Bob methods rather than ring a plain 720 to make up the number.

Dr. Carpenter asked what would be the number of points for three 720s of Oxford and four of Kent Treble Minor.

The Hon, Sec. replied 16.

Mr. A. T. King: And yet it would only be two methods.

Dr. Carpenter said a band that rang seven 720s of Treble Bob would get, according to the Schedule, 16 points, but need only ring two methods, whereas a band that rang two methods scored six points. He considered forty-two 120s must be rather difficult, yet only 3 points were to be given. He had not attempted such a feat, but thought it must be more difficult without a covering bell.

The Rev. H. Law James said a great many members of the Council were eight-bell ringers and did not understand the matter. Minor was more difficult to ring than Major. He had known many starts made for a peal of Minor, but it had not come round, whereas he knew of an attempt made for a peal of Cambridge Major by a band in which there was only one who had rung a peal previously, and the attempt was successful, yet some of the members would have him believe that Major was more difficult than Minor. His own experience was not so.

Mr. A. T. King asked if Mr. Law James was in the peal of Cambridge which proved successful.

The Rev. H. Law James replied in the affirmative.

Mr. J. Griffin, in moving the amendment of which notice had been given in our columns, said that the amendment was in no sense a depreciation of the valuable work of the Peal Values Committee. The Hon. Secretary of the Council was good enough to send the chairman of the Analysis Committee (Mr. King) an advance copy, which was treated, up to the publication of their report, as private; and it was owing entirely to the courtesy of Mr. Davies the amendment was published in connection with the original report. The Analysis Committe were not asked for any opinion, but two of the Committee thought it was likely to meet with great opposition on the part of the Council. As regards the number of points for the higher number of bells the Analysis Committee were anxious for the matter to be settled rather than referred back, and so decided if possible to offer an alternative formula for the decision of the Council. Of course a great deal depended upon the classification of peals rung. He took it that points for peals in the first instance were introduced to encourage individual bands to practice the higher methods. They all knew it was comparatively easy for a band to be selected who would ring peals in the higher methods every week, but in his opinion this did not tend to the all round educational business for the men who are coming on, and that too high values for any class of peal was a mistake, and a direct incentive to neglect the interest of beginners. The object of the Peal Values Committee following the discussion at last year's and previous Council meetings had been to increase the proportion of points allowed to peals on the higher numbers of bells, compared with those allowed to the lower numbers. The former system, such as it was, used generally to allow the points in direct proportion to the numbers. Thus, Bob Major being value 8, Bob Maximus was given 12, Grandsire Cinques 11, and so on. Under this plan, there were many injustices to peals on the higher numbers; as, for instance, Bob Maximus was given no more points than Treble Bob Major, and only half as many as Stedman Triples. The values were in fact allotted from the formula $\frac{V\ N}{10}$, that is, multiplying standard value by the ratio between the number of bells engaged and 10—Schednle A, as presented by the Peal Values Committee, was constructed from the formula $\frac{V\ N_2}{64}$, that is, squaring the ratio of the number of bells. This, while doing away with the inadequate values of peals on high numbers, went, he submitted, rather beyond their requirements. The merit of a peal of Maximus was hardly double that of a peal of Major in the same method, and he did not see that Double Norwich Major was worth more than Stedman Triples. In order to work on a regular basis, it was necessary to take the Major value (V) and multiply it by some power of the fraction $\frac{N}{8}$.

The simple fraction itself (Mr. Attree's system) gave too little value to the higher numbers. The fraction squared (that adopted by the Committee) gives them, he thought, too much. The obvious alternative was the intermediate power, that of $1\frac{1}{2}$. The formula $\frac{V\ N^{3/2}}{8}$ gives the amendment. The difference be-

tween the different number of bells was greater than that made formerly, but less than that in the report. It was difficult to see what difference the simplicity, or otherwise, of the formula makes. The resulting table shows the points in a regular ascending scale, and the whole thing need only be worked out once, and the only necessity for a formula at all is that the table should be systematic.

Mr. A. T. King, in seconding, said it was considered that the table for points should be graduated, and he thought this was done in the proposed amendment, the effect of which would be, if adopted, to slightly reduce the total value upon the higher number of bells, and give a few more for peals upon the smaller number, and a slight advantage to Stedman. He had submitted the schedule to one whom he considered an expert in ringing upon the higher number of bells—Mr. W. Pye—with the result that Mr. Pye said he considered if Stedman Triples had 24, Stedman Caters should have 30, and Stedman Cinques 40. The question of the ringing was a different thing to calling and conducting, especially when the bells upon the higher number got a little mixed up. as compared with similar cases on the smaller number. This was when the ability of conductors was taxed. The Council had adopted a system of points, and it was necessary that some settlement should be come to; it was a question that had come up year after year, and he hoped that the Council would come to a decision at the meeting, and settle the matter straight off. He believed there was a great deal of interest taken throughont the country in the Analysis, and he believed if the Council adopted the amendment, the whole question would be placed on a right footing.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson asked if it was proposed to divide the two schedules, and deal with schedule A only, which referred to peals on seven bells and upwards, and go back afterwards to the peals on six bells. This would settle the question of the points for the higher numbers.

The President said the amendment was to schedule A only.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson said it would therefore be best to discuss and vote only upon the first.

Mr. J. A. Trollope suggested that the whole question be referred back to the Committee, so that the Council could have the matter brought up next year and finally adopted or not; or it might be best if the formula was adopted provisionally, this would give the Council the opportunity of seeing how it worked.

The President said the Council could not deliberately thrust down the throat of a Committee a proposal of this kind without referring the matter back to them. The Committee had given much time and thought to the question, and it would be most unfair to take it entirely out of their hands. He would suggest if the amendment was approved by the Council, that it should be referred to the Peal Values Committee for their consideration. It was just possible that if the Committee were not granted an opportunity of considering the amendment, they might do what some other Committees had done under such circumstances, viz., resign; and this, he was sure, no member of the Council desired.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett said he had no doubt if the suggestion to refer the matter back was adopted, that when the Committee came to consider the amendment, they would see that it was only fair, especially to the higher numbers, and after all this was what everyone desired.

Mr. G. P. Burton said he neither approved of the schedule or the amendment. He thought less of the amendment than he did of the schedule. There could be no rule without exceptions. There were big anomalies in them. This would be seen by a comparison of Bob Maximus with Treble Bob Royal, Double Norwich Royal with Stedman Caters, or Double Norwich Maximus with Stedman Cinques.

The President said he feared it would be impossible to classify everything in a formula which would give satisfaction all round.

Mr. G. P. Burton said some modification was necessary, and could be easily made by removal from one class to another where necessary.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson thought this might create further difficulties, as when a method was removed from one class the points might be too near that of another method.

The President expressed a hope that the Council would only adopt the amendment as a recommendation to the Committee of what changes should be made.

The amendment was carried by 25 to 12, and it was agreed that it should be referred to the Peal Values Committee.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett said it appeared to him that there was some mathematical error in Schedule B. For six 720s of Surprise it gave 26, and 5 more for one with "broken leads." This made a total of 31, and was one more than the number for 7 Surprise peals. He thought the Schedule should be amended by adding 2 to the row of figures in the last column. He would suggest that this Schedule should also be referred back to the Peal Values Committee.

The Rev. H. Law James said he did not agree with Mr. Pritchett. To ring a peal of Surprise Minor with one of "broken leads" the points should be only 29. The whole thing was objectionable. There were 150 Minor methods, and if points were to be continued he thought the present system should be continued for the next twelve months, and the Committee should bring up a report next year for the consideration of the Council, with regard to Minor performances.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter said one difficulty the Analysis Committee had was to make out which were peals with broken leads. They had to go through the list of peals and get them out. He did not think the Analysis Committee should have unnecessary work thrown upon it.

Mr. A. T. King said the work of the Committee could be made much lighter if bands would ring the whole of the 720 either in plain methods, Treble Bob or Surprise methods. There were so many who rang it might be six 720s of Treble Bob and one plain or one Surprise, or it might be six 720s of Surprise and one of Treble Bob, which all increased the work of the Committee, If the band would but ring the last 720 in one of the previous methods it would save a lot of work by the Committee. He thought the proposal was an attempt to settle the matter, and hoped it would prove such. With respect to the 3 points for 42 120s, he had sympathy with such bands, provided there were only five bells, but where there were six bells he thought bands ought not to be encouraged in ringing Doubles, but pressed to go on and ring Minor.

Mr. G. Bolland said peals with "broken leads" had not had the consideration which they deserved. So far as regarded the rest of the Schedule he thought it would work well. He did not approve of six 720s in a plain method and one in Treble Bob or otherwise. He thought on the whole the Schedule might have a trial and might give satisfaction.

The Hon. Secretary said possibly the difficulty which had been spoken about in schedule B would be removed if the whole of the figures were struck out, and only 1, 2, 3, 4 placed in the first column, and another figure added for any peal in each method; this would bring 1 for Plain, 2 for Treble Bob, 3 for broken leads, and 4 for Surprise.

The Rev. H. Law James said this would be a great improvement.

The Hon. Secretary said if necessary the row could be 2, 3, 4 and 5, and each method treated on its own merits. If the schedule commenced with 1, 2, 3, 4 the highest number of points would be 28. He would propose that this should be done.

Mr. W. A. Cave seconded.

The President pointed out that the Hon. Secretary was a member of the Committee, and he considered it desirable that if the proposal was adopted, that like schedule A it should be referred back to the Peal Values Committee to report upon.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee said he hoped that long lengths would receive due consideration.

The Hon. Secretary said each 720 would receive its proportion of points whatever might be the number.

The President said there was no doubt that the Committee would carefully consider the points raised.

It was finally agreed on the proposal of the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, that schedule B should be referred to the Committee to consider the suggestions of Mr. J. S. Pritchett and the Hon. Secretary.

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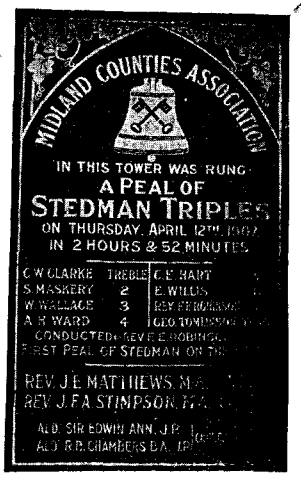

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At Christ Church, Southgate,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

Alfred Dodson* ..	..*Treble.*	John Armstrong	5.
Herbert Armstrong* ..	2.	John E. Miller	6.
Alfred R. Glasscock ..	3.	William Pickworth ..	7.
George Bester..	4.	Norman A. Tomlinson ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. Charge, and Conducted by J. Armstrong.

*First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 2nd and 5th, the former on his 21st birthday.

The Provinces.

LYDNEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, June 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

Ernest E. Davis	..*Treble.*	Thomas Baldwyn	5.
John Austin	2.	John W. Davis	6.
Albert Golding	3.	George Condick, sen. ..	7.
Noah Rees..	4.	Frede. Sandford ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by John Austin.

Rung with the bells muffled as a last token of respect to Mr. —. Fisher, who for many years was one of the ringers. Previous to the peal the ringers acted as bearers, and rang a course of Grandsire Triples over the grave.

WIMBORNE, DORSETSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERGA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 29 cwt. 2 qrs. 20 lbs.

GEORGE R. PYE	..*Treble.*	JAMES GEORGE	6.
REV. E. V. COX	2.	*ALAN R. MACDONALD	7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	3.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	8.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	ERNEST PYE	9.
WILLIAM PYE	5.	ALFRED OSMAN	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES GEORGE, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal of Caters. First peal of Caters on tower bells in the diocese of Salisbury, and first peal on the bells since their recent restoration.

MILBORNE PORT, SOMERSETSHIRE.
THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, June 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 28 cwt. 2 qrs. 25 lbs.

GEORGE R. PYE	..*Treble.*	JOHN THOMAS	5.
REV. E. V. COX	2.	JAMES GEORGE	6.
REV. C. CAREW COX*	3.	WILLIAM PYE	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method. First peal of Major on the bells. This is the conductor's 700th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, June 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE EMMANUEL.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt. 2 qrs. 12 lbs.

W. HOBBS†	..*Treble.*	J. WOODLEY	5.
E. W. MARSH	2.	G. H. MYERS	6.
H. BENNETT	3.	F. DUNAWAY	7.
W. RUNDLE	4.	*E. LINDESAY	..*Tenor.*

Condnoted by G. H. MYERS.

†First peal away from the tenor.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty nine Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE WILSON	..*Treble.*	ERNEST S. BAILEY	5.
FREDK. J. SMITH	2.	CHARLES F. BAILEY	6.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	3.	JAMES M. BAILEY	7.
FREDK. R. BORRETT	4.	*JAMES G, RUMSEY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells. First peal of Cambridge rung in Norwich. *100th peal.

RUSHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Friday, June 30, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury, Grandsire and Plain Bob. and two each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 7½ cwt.

EDGAR SMITH*	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHORT	4.
GEORGE HUGHES	2.	†JOHN C. ADAMS	5.
JAMES E. GROVES	3.	*WILLIAM D. JAMES	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

*First peal of Minor. †First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

WILLIAM PALMER	..*Treble.*	CHARLES PALMER	5.
JOHN T. RICKMAN	2.	FRED HAYES	6.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	3.	OLIVER SIPPETTS	7.
GEORGE GATLAND	4.	KEITH HART	..*Tenor.*

Composed by EDWIN BARNETT, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

HILPERTON, TROWBRIDGE, WILTS.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 7¼ cwt.

F. C. RICH*	..*Treble.*	J. FRANCIS	4.
G. H. HARDING	2.	S. J. HECTOR	5.
A. K. HARRISON†	3.	*L. SMITH	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. H. HARDING.

*First peal. †Elected a member of the above Association previous to starting.

GREAT ADDINGTON, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Two Honrs and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob.

BERNIE SADDINGTON	..*Treble.*	GEORGE LINES	4.
ARTHUR PETTITT†	2.	ALFRED H. MARTIN	5.
FRED WILFORD	3.	CHARLES W. CLARKE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the treble on attaining his 21st birthday, the band wishing him many happy returns

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 10¾ cwt.

JOSEPH BAILEY	..*Treble.*	EDWARD C. GOBEY	5.
ALBERT COPPOCK	2.	J. CHARLES DICKEN	6.
ALBERT H. WARD	3.	†NEVILLE WIDDOWSON	7.
ERNEST H. CLARKE*	4.	BART MITCHELL	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

*First peal. †First peal away from the treble. First peal in the method as conductor.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt.

WILLIAM SMITH	..*Treble.*	JOSIAH MORRIS	6.
JOHN OLDHAM	2.	RICHARD H. BARTRAM	7.
CHARLES H. FOWLER	3.	EDWARD READER	8.
FREDK. H. DEXTER	4.	ALFRED MARTIN	9.
ERNEST MORRIS*	5.	THOMAS TAYLOR	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. H. DEXTER, and Conducted by E. READER.

*First peal of Stedman. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.

THORVERTON, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALFRED MONKLEY ..	..*Treble.*	*FREDK. J. MILFORD ..	.. 5.
DR. C. DE Z. MARSHALL*	2.	ADOLPHUS H. SNOW..	.. 6.
FRANK J. DAVEY ..	.. 3.	REV. E. V. COX ..	.. 6.
HENRY CORRY* ..	.. .. 4.	*ROBERT B. FORD ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

*First peal, and members of the local band.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDK. W. STOKES ..	..*Treble.*	PERCIVAL J. STOKES	.. 4.
REGINALD SCOTT* ..	.. 2.	ARCHIE C. STOKES ..	.. 5.
ARTHUR PALMER ..	.. 3.	ARTHUR MACKEARS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. W. STOKES.

*First peal.

DUNSTER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 21 cwt.

CHARLES STRAWBRIDGE	..*Treble.*	THOMAS A. ELLIOTT..	.. 5.
CHARLES W. THRUSH ..	2.	REV. E. V. COX ..	.. 6.
ROBERT HOLE	.. 3.	JAMES J. HOLE	.. 7.
ALBERT J. CHILCOTT ..	4.	JAMES JONES	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

MINEHEAD, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 3, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 21 cwt.

CHARLES STRAWBRIDGE*	..*Treble.*	JAMES JONES	.. 5.
SAMUEL MASON	.. 2.	SIDNEY MASON	.. 6.
JAMES REED	.. 3.	GEORGE ATKINS.. ..	.. 7.
REV. E. V. COX	4.	JOHN R. PASSMORE ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

*First peal.

Coronation Peals.

The following Peals have been rung in honour of the Coronation :—

BRISTOL.—THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF ERIN CATERS, 5023 CHANGES.

Tenor 36 cwt.

ALBERT STOWELL ..	..*Treble.*	SAMUEL PHILLIPS ..	.. 6.
HENRY HOWELL ..	.. 2.	JAMES RICHMOND ..	.. 7.
FRED G. MAY	.. 3.	GILBERT WILTSHIRE	.. 8.
FREDK. W. WADE ..	.. 4.	ISAAC LONG	.. 9.
NORRIS WAY	.. 5.	URIAH BRAVEN	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by F. G. MAY.

BRISTOL.—THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH (CITY),

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM BEVAN ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES PERRY ..	.. 6.
FRED G. MAY	.. 2.	GILBERT WILTSHIRE..	.. 7.
SAMUEL PHILLIPS ..	.. 3.	HENRY HOWELL.. ..	.. 8.
FREDK. W. WADE ..	.. 4.	ISAAC LONG..	.. 9
CHARLES R. LILLEY..	.. 5.	URIAH BRAVEN	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by F. G. MAY.

GREAT HAMPTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(THE ALL SAINTS AND ST. LAURENCE GUILD, EVESHAM.)

On Saturday, June 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Oxford Bob, and five of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 9½ cwt.

HENRY J. PHIPPS* ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES HEMMING ..	.. 4.
HERBERT JORDAN ..	.. 2.	RAYMOND YOUNG ..	.. 5.
THOMAS EDWIN	.. 3.	FREDK. JORDAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. JORDAN.

*First peal of Minor. First peal as conductor.

GEDNEY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, June 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM H. HILLIAM	..*Treble.*	HARRY V. FLETCHER	.. 3.
REV. C. J. STURTON	.. 2.	ARTHUR J. FARR	.. .. 4.
JOHN B. HALLIFAX ..	.. ..*Tenor.*		

Conducted by J. B. HALLIFAX.

First peal on the bells, which have recently been tuned and rehung by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough.

NORTON FITZWARREN, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s. Tenor 16 cwt.

GEORGE R. MANNING	..*Treble.*	*HARRY J. CREED	.. .. 4.
ALBERT J. SHATTOCK	.. 2.	FRANK WAYGOOD	.. .. 5.
EDWIN ELSON* ..	.. .. 3.	ISAAC CREED ..	.. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ISAAC CREED.

*First peal of Bob Minor.

LIVERPOOL.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, June 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, GRASSENDALE.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine and Violet Treble Bob, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.

JOHN KEATS* ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE R. NEWTON	.. 4.
THOMAS JENNION ..	.. 2.	JOHN TURNER ..	.. .. 5.
ROBERT HURST ..	.. .. 3.	JOHN ALLEN ..	.. ..*Tenor.*

*First peal. First peal as conductor.

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BRETFORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, June 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

JOHN PERKINS .. .. ..*Treble.*		*THOMAS HANDS,. .. .. 4.	
ALEC JELFS* .. .. .. 2.		ARTHUR KYTE .. .. .. 5.	
FRANK COOK .. .. .. 3.		*MAURICE PEEKINS .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by FRANK COOK.

*First peal.

WEMBDON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

W. EVANS .. ..*Treble.*		B. T. JEANES .. .. .. 4.	
T. DOBLE .. .. 2.		A E. COLES .. .. .. 5.	
E. C. SWEET .. .. .. 3.		W. S. DOBLE .. .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by A. E. COLES.

First peal on the bells. which have recently been augmented and rehung by T. Doble and Son, of Taunton.

Handbell Peals.

PUDSEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Monday, June 5, 1911, in Seven Hours and Seven Minutes,

IN RICHARDSHAW LANE COUNCIL SCHOOL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 13,440 CHANGES.

WM. FREDK. THORPE .. 1-2.		ERNEST MANN .. .. 5-6.	
FREDK. WM. JONES .. 3-4.		ERNEST HOYLE .. .. 7-8.	

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE. and Conducted by ERNEST MANN.

This is the longest length by the above Association, and the longest length ever rung on handbells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 7777 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT .. .. .. 1-2.		CHARLES WILLSHIRE, SEN. 5-6.	
ALFRED H. PULLING .. 3-4.		MAURICE SMITHER .. 7-8.	
SEPTIMUS RADFORD .. .. .. 9-10.			

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—H. Clark. This peal was J. Hunt's 250th, and the conductor's 200th peal.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, June 30, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT 7, THE BROADWAY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

J. EDWARD CHAPMAN .. 1-2		DAVID J. NICHOLS.. .. 5-6.	
E. MAURICE ATKINS* .. 3-4.		FREDK. W. SAWFOOT .. 7-8.	

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

*First peal of Grandsire in hand. Umpire—Albert N. Innes.

BLACKPOOL.

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Date Touches.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CHATTERIS (Cambs).—On June 27th, at the parish church, a date touch of 1911 changes, consisting of Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, in 1 hr. 5 mins. F. Rowlinson, A. Mattock, J. Rowlinson, D. Crashlay, J. Granger, A. J. Abrams conductor. Rung in honour of the Coronation.

Miscellaneous.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FARNWORTH (near Widnes, Lancashire).—On Thursday, June 22nd, at the parish church, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 23 mins. In the afternoon 720, 480 and 360 Grandsire Minor, in 53 mins. J. Wilde, jun., A. Dennett, J. Wilde, sen., J. Witter, W. P. Johnson, R. Johnson conductor. On May 26th, after a Confirmation Service, 720 Grandsire Minor by the same band, conducted by R. Johnson.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BASINGSTOKE.—On Coronation Day, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. W. Leavey, Alice White, H. White conductor, C. F. Hansford, J. Ward, A. Burgess, J. E. Ballard, H. Knight.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

GALLEYWOOD (Essex).—On Sunday, July 2nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. A Tarbun, jun., H. F. Cooper, H. Richell, A. Whight, H. R. Dawson, H. W. Kirton conductor, G. Green, W. J. Rice. Rang for evening service, also as a welcome back to the district to Mr. Kirton.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DEPTFORD.—On Saturday, May 27th, at St. Nicholas' church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. G. R. Simmonds, E. E. Richards, W. Rawlings, A. Ford, T. H. Hawkins, G. E. Rawlings, G. H. Daynes, A. Papworth. Composed by T. H. Hawkins, and conducted by G. H. Daynes.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NORWICH.—On Tuesday evening, June 27th, 704 Grandsire Cinques, at the church of St. Peter Mancroft. C. E. Borrett conductor, W. G. Mayers, G. Cross, H. J. Borrett, R. H. Hayward (Marlesford), J. E. Burton, J. Freeman, F. H. Phillips, G. P. Burton, B. Thompson, G. Mayers, D. T. Potter. Tenor 43 cwt. And 485 Grandsire Caters and 360 Bob Royal. On the Gabriel eight (tenor 19 cwt.) 384 Bob Major. On the Harbord (D Minor) eight (tenor 28 cwt.), 168 Stedman Triples.

BENNINGTON (Herts).—On Thursdry, June 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. J. Kitchener, W. Smith, F. White. A. Talbot conductor, A. Kitchener, J. Warner, S. Page H. Bolton. And a 504, conducted by S. Page.

BURTON LATIMER (Northants).—On Sunday morning, July 2nd, 720 Plain Bob. G. Lines, J. Pettit, A. Henman, J Hendry, A. Pettit, C. W. Clarke conductor. For evening service 720 Oxford Treble Bob. J. Hendry, J. Pettit, H. Meadows, G. Lines, A. Pettit, C. W. Clarke conductor.

CRANLEIGH (Surrey).—On Saturday, July 1st, in honour of Dominion Day, and in honour of the marriage of Mr. T. Tidy to Miss Alice Fuller, both of Cranleigh, which took place on that day in Toronto, Canada, an attempt was made for a peal of Grandsire Triples (Groves's Variation of Parker's 12-part), but came to grief in the tenth part after ringing 4200 changes in 2½ hrs. Mrs. R. Whittington, H. Charman, R. Whittington, W. Denyer, C. Charman, A. Charman, W. Charman conductor, H. Ledger.

DEPTFORD.—On Friday, June 30th, at St. John's church, on the occasion of the Annual Thanksgiving Service, at which the Bishop of Woolwich was the preacher, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins., composed by J. George. W. Daynes, F. W. Richardson conductor, G. R. Simmonds, A. G. Bennington, H. W. Clarke, W. J. Jeffries, J. Law, C. Macklin.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 18th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on the 20th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 11th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th. Members are specially requested to attend on the 11th, when business of great importance will be brought forward.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 26th, at 8 p.m. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St James's Society.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, July 22nd, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Businses meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at All Hallows, Tottenham, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. The bells of St. Ann's, South Tottenham, will be at the disposal of ringers from 6 to 8 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. By the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. E. St. John Macdonald), tea will be provided on the rectory lawn at 6 o'clock

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Wells today, Sat., July 8th. Dinner at Wickenden's restaurant, High Street, at 1 p.m. sharp. Meeting to follow. Service in the Cathedral at 3 p.m. The Cathedral bells are available from 11.30 a.m., to 12.30 p.m., and St. Cuthbert's, Dinder, and Street, all day, and Glastonbury during the afternoon.

Taunton E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec*

The Bedfordshire Association. — The summer festival will be held at Leighton Buzzard to-day, Sat., July 8th. Tea at 5. Service at 6. Linslade bells also available.

REV. A. RUST, *Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Associstion.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Blyth on Saturday, July 8th.

B. DARLEY, *Hon Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Lichfield to-day, Sat., July 8th. The bells of St. Mary's and St. Michael's available during the afternoon and evening, and at the Cathedral from 5 to 7. Tea will be provided at 4 o'clock at Wigham's Stores, Tamworth Street, 1s. per head. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Halewood to-day, Sat., July 8th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild. — The annual meeting will take place at Winchester on Monday, July 10th. 2 p.m. — General Meeting at the Guildhall. 4 p.m.—Service in Cathedral; Preacher—Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; 5 p.m. —Tea at Guildhall.

REV. W. E. COLCHESTER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.—The annual festival will be held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th. Special service in the parish church at 11.30; preacher—the Ven. E. D. Shaw. Archdeacon of Bucks, Business meeting in the Guildhall at 12.20. Dinner in a marquee at The Swan hotel at 1 30.

ALBERT E. REEVES, *Festival Sec.*
5, *Fatherson Road, Reading.*

The Sussex County Association.—Eastern Division.—Next quarterly meeting will be held at Iden (6 bells), on Saturday, July 15th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m.

GEO. H. HOWSE, *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association –The next quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne on Saturday, July 15th, Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea 1s. each at 5 o'olock, both at The Blue Bell inn. Those intending to take tea must notify Mr. G. B. Earle, Blanch Croft, Melbourne, not later than first post on Thursday, July 13th.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Speldhurst on Saturday, July 15th. Tower open at 3.30. Service in church at 5. Tea at The George and Dragon inn at 5.45, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend are requested to notify the District Secretary not later than Wednesday, July 12th. By kind permission of the Rector and Mrs. Mackinnon, the rectory grounds will be open to members.

W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
26, Dukes Road, Tunbridge Weils.

The Lancashire Association – Rochdale Branch. — The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, on Saturday, July 15th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 6. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association. — South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Burnham-on-Crouch on Saturday, July 15th. Opening of bells recently rehung with an additional treble. The Vicar is kindly providing tea free to those sending in names to me not later than the 12th inst.

HENRY F. COOPER, *Dis. Sec.*
County Offices, Chelmsford.

The Kent County Association.–Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 4 p.m. Short service and address by the Rev. H. D. Madge, Vicar, at 5.30 p.m. Tea at The George inn, 9d. per head to those who send me their names by Wednesday, July 19th, 1s. to others. Business meeting to follow. Eynsford bells will be available from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., and after the meeting. Half rail fares up to 2s. allowed at the meeting.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
34, *Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.*

The Kent County Association.–Maidstone District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Linton on Saturday, July 22nd. Belfry open at 3.20 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Business meeting after service.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association —Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Upton-on-Severn on Saturday, July 22nd. Service at 4 p.m. Meeting at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 will be provided to all members sending in their names not later than first post on Wednesday, July 19th. Bells—Upton, 8, Hanley Castle, 6.

HERBERT T. KNOWLES, *Hon. Sec.*
35, *Redland Road, Malvern.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland parish church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 5 30. A good attendance is requested.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.–The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District of the above Association was held on Saturday, June 24th, at the parish church of SS. Peter and Paul, Swanscombe. There was a good attendance; members from Upchurch, Newington, Gillingham, Chatham, Rochester (Cathedral and St. Margaret's), Gravesend, Milton-next-Gravesend, Dartford, Crayford, Lewisham, and the local ringers, about 30 in all. The bells, which are a good ring by Mears and Stainbank, tenor 18 cwt. in F, were raised at 4 o'clock. The methods rang during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise, Forward Major and Duffield Major. Through the kindness of the local ringers the visitors were entertained to tea in small parties, for which they tender them their hearty thanks. The usual business was held in the belfry at 7 o'clock, when three honorary members, and two practicing members were elected. Rochester was selected for the annual meeting of the district, to be held in September. Ringing was again indulged in until 9.30, when closed what proved to be a very pleasant and successful meeting.

Mr. C. Sedgley, of 16, Suffolk Road, Ipswich, writes: "I read with interest in a recent number of "THE BELL NEWS," some notes by the Rev. H. Law James on his theory of ten and twelve-bell ringing. Now let me give an example of how this theory works, when put into practice. On Easter Monday, 1909, Mr. James and a company of Lincolnshire men started for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal at St. Margaret's church, King's Lynn. They rang about an hour, when a rope broke. Two or three other ringers and myself were outside all the time, and of all the rows I,ve ever heard coming from a church tower, this was about the worst. I don't believe there was a clear blow in the whole of the first course. It settled down a bit later, but at no time was it up to the peal-ringing standard. I remember one of the ringers who was outside at the time saying, or words to this effect: "If this peal is finished and sent up to "BELL NEWS," I shall write and protest against it." Now doesn't this prove that a band can't be jumped from six to ten or twelve, and ring peals straight away? They can't do it, it requires practice, and if a man requires practice to do a thing, that thing is more difficult than what he has been doing. Before I close may I point out to the Peal Values Committee that it is a mistake to give more points for Duffield than for Double Norwich Maximus; these two methods could be very well reversed."

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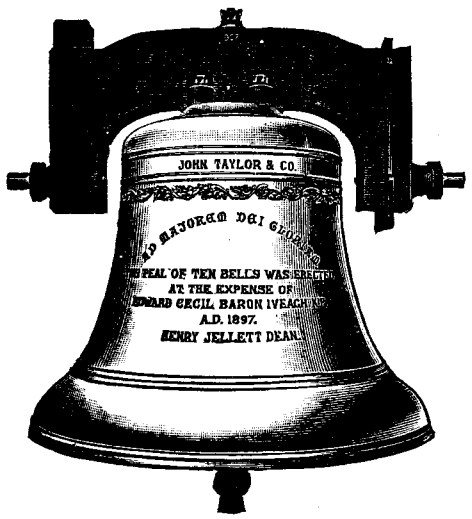

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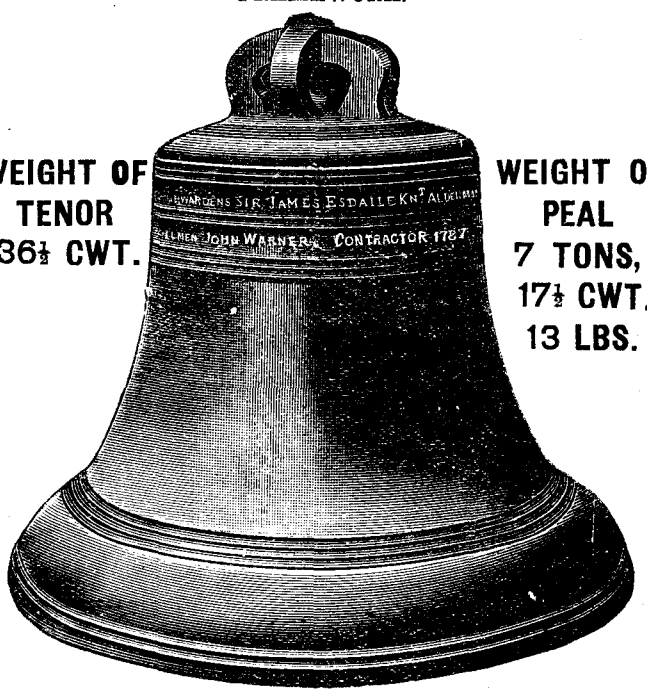

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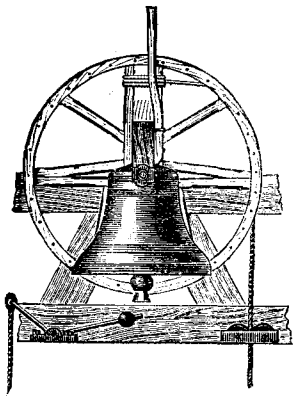

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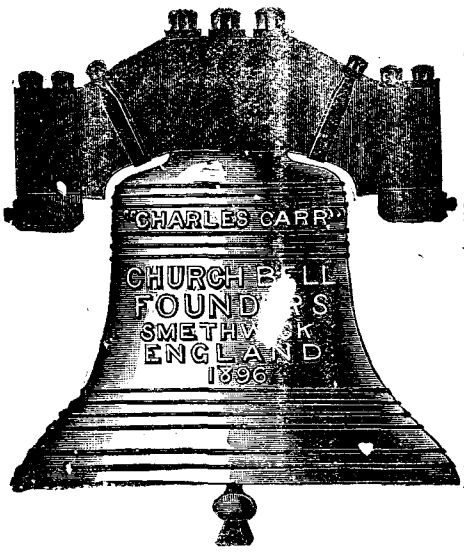

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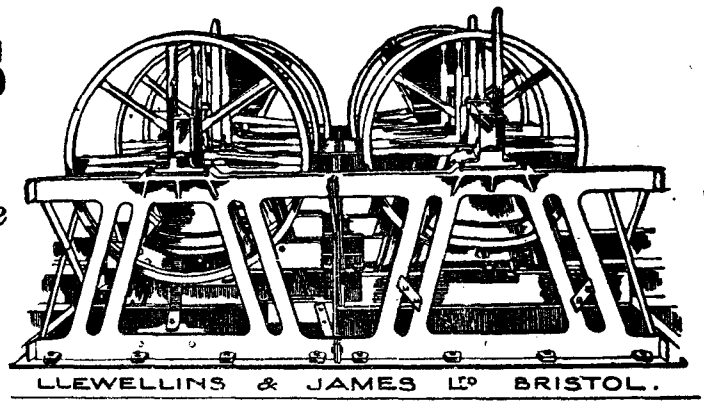

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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

This Society held its Annual Festival at the Cathedral City on Monday, July 10th, sixty-eight members being present. Such a small attendance was probably due, partly to the day of the week and partly to the late Coronation Festivities. The central committee met at 11 a.m. in the St. Maurice's Hall, the Master of the Guild presiding in the absence of the President. Several apologies for absence were read from members of the Cathedral Chapter. It was decided, after considerable discussion, to allow members attending the annual meetings in the various districts tea at 1/- per head, instead of defraying their rail-fares. This will be in force during the next twelve months, and if found to be too expensive, it may not be repeated another year. Mr. Whittington proposed an alteration to rule iv. respecting performing members' subscriptions. There were many who failed to pay these, and there was a danger that some peals scored by the Guild, were rung by those who had not qualified as members in the financial aspect of membership. It was decided to alter the rule, by placing a note to the effect that such members would have their names printed in italics on the lists of the various bands.

The annual business meeting was held at the Guildhall at 2.0. J. P. Stilwell, esq., President, took the chair, supported by the Master (the Rev. C. E. Matthews), and the Hon. Sec. and Treasurer (Rev. W. E. Colchester). The last year's minutes were adopted, and all the officers were re-elected. The alteration of rule vi. to omit the representatives of the hon. members on committee was confirmed. June 29th was selected for the next annual meeting at Winchester. The Master gave a short report of the Central Council meeting at Leicester, and proposed that the congratulations of the Guild be offered to Mr. A. H. Pulling, for his recent successes in peal-ringing.

The annual service then followed at 4 p.m. in the Cathedral, and consisted of evensong and sermon, with one of the Guild's special hymns. The preacher was the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, who took II. Corinthians 6-3 for his subject. He said the Apostle was primarily referring to the ministry of the clergy, but there were ministries to which the lay people were called, and the ministry of church bellringing was one of them. Could St. Paul be amongst them that day, he would rejoice to see so many activities in operation in the Church, and he would exhort ringers to make full proof of their ministry. They were assembled to praise and thank God for the mercies of the past year. They were now recognised as church officers, and they should all be thankful to the men who had founded these Guilds years ago. The office was a ministry which belonged to the whole Body of Christ—the Church. He would give them two rules for their office and ministry. First, the direction of personal life. They should learn to make their lives correspond to their ministry. Secondly, efficiency. All their practices should have this aim in view—the best ringing and striking on Sundays and Festivals. Every peal scored should tend towards the Sunday ringing. It must not be left to one man in a band to find probationers, but every senior member should encourage young men to join. The Art involved self-sacrifice, and there could never be real sacrifice without love, so that a good ringer was a real lover of the Art, and would never by his slackness and negligence allow the ministry to be blamed. The scientific side of the Art helped to keep them for God, and must never be degraded into mere secularism.

The annual tea followed in the Guildhall at 5.30, with the President in the chair, supported by the Guild officers and Archdeacon Fearon. A vote of thanks to the preacher was moved by the Master, who referred to the great loss the Exercise had sustained in the death of the late Master of the Oxford Guild, and how privileged they had been that day to hear such helpful and straight words from his successor—Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn. He trusted that Mr. Jenkyn would be spared for many years to lead and guide the Oxford Guild.

Mr. Jenkyn suitably replied, and stated that Mr. Robinson always cherished an affection for the Winchester Guild, as an old Wykehamist.

The Hon. Secretary proposed, and Rev. F. G. Hume seconded, a vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter, to which Dr. Fearon admirably responded, pointing out that one of his duties was to visit and inspect belfries and bells, and he always made a point of urging recasting and rehanging whenever he had the opportunity (applause). On behalf of the Chapter he extended to the Guild a most hearty welcome, and hoped their presence in the Mother Church of the diocese would be an annual event.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

The Annual Meeting was held this year at Plymouth. Members assembled for service at Charles Church at 11.45 in large numbers, a thoughtful and practical address being given by the Vicar, the Rev. J. B. Baker. At 12.45 about 140 sat down to dinner in the Balfour Hall, close to St. Andrew's church. The Rev. M. Kelly presided at the meeting which followed immediately after the dinner, others present including Revs. F. Molineux, Hon. Sec., J. P. Baker, E. G. Cocks, C. E. Burkitt, E. S. Powell, E. V. Cox (Walsall), and representatives from twenty bands.

The President, on behalf of the members, accorded a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Charles for the words of counsel and exhortation, which he so ably expressed in the church, to the organist for kindly presiding at the organ, and to the clergy of the three towns for placing the bells at the disposal of the members.

The Hon. Secretary moved the adoption of the report of the Committee, which expressed satisfaction at the efficiency of bands in union, while two new bands had become affiliated during the past twelve months. Increased interest had been shown in the practice of Major and Minor methods. The Committee had decided to make a distinction between peals of 5040 changes of Grandsire or Stedman Triples and forty-two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles and seven 720s of Minor, the six-bell methods to be entered in the peal book under the heading of "Per-

formances." The summary of peals consisted of 1 Stedman Caters, 3 Stedman Triples, 4 Grandsire Caters, and 10 Grandsire Triples, making a total of 18 peals. Besides these one 5040 of Minor and two 5040s of Grandsire Doubles had been rung. The Rev. E. S. Powell moved as an amendment to the adoption of the report that the definition of the Committee in reference to extents of 5040 changes in six-bell methods be referred back for further consideration. The majority voted in favour of the amendment. The treasurer's statement of accounts showed a balance of £46. The Rev. M. Kelly was elected President, the Rev. F. Molineux Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, the Rev. H. L. Pigot, Mr. E. Shepherd, and Mr. W. H. Marsh, assistant secs. For the next year's annual meeting Holsworthy in the west of Devon was selected.

The fine rings of ten at St. Andrew's and Charles, and the rings of eight at the Dockyard, St. George's and Emmanuel were in constant demand during the day, while a large number of the members took the opportunity of viewing Devonport Dockyard, where work was in full swing.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

A very successful quarterly meeting of the Northern Branch was held at Kidderminster on Saturday, July 1st. Ringers and friends were present from Stourbridge, Brierley Hill, Clent, Oldswinford, Netherton, Old Hill, Wolverley, Halesowen, Birmingham, Hartlebury, Kidderminster and Selly Oak. Tea was kindly provided by the Vicar (Rev. P. Sladen), and was partaken of on the lawn in front of the vicarage under ideal conditions by about 40 members. After a very enjoyable repast the business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. The minutes of the previous meeting having been adopted, it was decided to attempt the quarterly peal at Kidderminster. It was also decided that the next quarterly meeting should be held at Chaddesley Corbett on Saturday, September 30th. Mr. T. J. Salter gave a very interesting account of the Central Council Meeting. Owing to evensong being held at 5.30 on every Saturday at St. Mary's, it has been difficult to attempt peal-ringing on Saturdays.

After discussion the Vicar very readily gave his consent for one or two peals to be attempted during a quarter.

Mr. A. Parsons moved a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his kindness in providing such an excellent tea, was carried unanimously.

The Vicar replied, saying how pleased he was to have the meeting there, and hoped he would have the pleasure of entertaining them again.

After a walk around the gardens, which were much admired, especially the rose portion, the meeting was brought to a close. A visit was then made to the tower, where the bells were set going to London, Superlative, Stedman, Bob Major, Double Norwich and Grandsire, which brought a very successful and enjoyable gathering to a close.

A VISIT TO MEOPHAM AND COBHAM.

On Saturday, July 1st, the Milton band of the Kent County Association, arranged a drive to the above villages, and a party of eighteen ringers and their ladies started from Gravesend at 3 o'clock. Arriving at the church at Meopham, the ringers were met by Mr. Owen, the leader of the ringers, who conducted them to the belfry. The remainder of the party journeyed on to the green to amuse themselves, while the ringers "pulled the strings." The bells were set going with Cambridge Surprise, but the ringers were a long while getting into the stride. Ringing well for a 720 of the method, the conductor omitted the last bob but one, and "stand" was called. After threatening the conductor with a bump on the gravestones, another start was made, and this time the effort was successful, and the following had the please of ringing the first 720 of Cambridge on the bells in 25 mins. J. Avis, J. Burles, G. Ambrose, F. Mitchell, R. Constant, F. Hayes conductor. Touches of Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Grandsire Minor were also rung, and lowering the bells in peal concluded a very pleasant afternoon's ring. The bells at this church, which have recently been rehung and a new treble added, now make a fine peal of six, the tone and go being excellent, while the new deadening floor is a great improvement.

Arriving at The Cricketer's hotel, an excellent tea was awaiting. Bobs were forgotten, and the spread disappeared far quicker than the Cambridge. After a walk round the brake was again boarded, and a sharp run to Cobham was enjoyed. There the village was found in great excitement over an aeroplane which landed close by, and a rush was made to the tower to obtain a view of it trying to ascend. Some time elapsed before the bells could be got going; everyone wanted to see the aeroplane. Messrs. Waterman, Burles, Ambrose, Constant (2), and Mitchell had two or three tries for another 720 of Cambridge, but after an hour's ringing, the effort was given up, time arriving to lower the bells. A visit was paid to The Ship to spend half-an-hour with the brother-strings, the gardening member of the Cobham band kindly providing the roses all round. Time arrived all too quickly to depart for home, and Gravesend was safely reached at 10.30. The Milton band take this opportunity to thank the Rev. —. Owen, of Meopham, and the Rev. Berger, of Cobham, for so kindly placing the bells at their disposal.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday evening, July 6th, the Vicar of Leintwardine (Rev. J. W. Colvin), on behalf of the Guild of St. Mary Magdalene, and parishioners of Leintwardine, presented Mr. Charles Large-Sadler with a silver epergne in recognition of his untiring and successful efforts in introducing change-ringing in Leintwardine.

The Vicar spoke of Mr. Sadler's zeal in bringing up the ringers to their present high standard of efficiency, and also of the general church tone of the company.

Mr. Sadler suitably responded.

The epergne which was designed and made to the order of the local guild, is fitted with three cut glass receptacles for flowers; the candle-holders are in the form of church bells "at set," while in the centre is a magnificent silver model to scale of a church bell complete, with fittings (which enables it to be rung or chimed), inscribed—"Presented to C. L. Sadler by the bell-ringers of St. Mary Magdalene and parishioners of Leintwardine, in recognition of his services in the formation and training of the above company—Easter 1911."

During the evening tovches in various Minor methods under the conductorship of Mr. John Evans, were rung on the tower bells.

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ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, LEICESTER.

Jackdaws are remarkably original in many ways, and a pair of these birds showed this characteristic in their choice of a nesting site—the narrow spiral stairway of stonework leading from the belfry to the bell-chamber of the above church, The nest itself, a huge mass of sticks, etc., was upon the 40th step from the belfry, and the 88th from the bottom of the steps. It required a giant stride to step over it, since for some distance below the actual nest there was a great litter of sticks. Many of the sticks were a yard long, and as thick as the little finger, and how the birds got them into the tower through the narrow loop holes is a puzzle.

A WONDERFUL CHURCH ROOF.

There are a good many wagon-head roofs in the west of England, and and there are a few flat ceilings with carved panels, but there is no instance where the wagon-head and carved panel are combined with such a wealth and variety of design as at Shepton Mallet Somerset. The number of carved panels is 350, and all the designs are different. The bosses and rosettes are also varied, and their number is even greater than that of the panels. Besides these there are eighteen angels as supporters on each side, thirty-six in all, and a number of other interesting details. In fact this ceiling is by far the finest of its kind in existence. The ceiling has never been coloured or varnished; it is made of oak, and is now quite white with age. The panels, which are a foot square, were made at a very early period, possibly before the Norman Conquest.

SOUTHWELL.—On April 26th, at the Cathedral, 210 Oxford Bob Triples. H. R. Beresford, T. Foster, G. E. Padgett, A. J. Chamberlain, G. O. Beckett, H. Clulow conductor, C. H. Chamberlain, A. Wilson. First touch of Oxford by local band. On May 21st, 504 Grandsire Triples. J. P. Beeson, G. E. Padgett, H. R. Beresford, A. H. Wilson, G. O. Beckett, T. Foster, H. F. Clulow conductor, E. Foster. On May 28th, 700 Grandsire Triples. E. Foster, A. J. Chamberlain, G. E. Padgett, T. Foster, H. T. Clulow, G. O. Beckett, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, A. H. Wilson. On Coronation Day, 1344 Grandsire Triples. G. Padgett, C. H. Chamberlain, H. R. Beresford, T. Foster, A. J. Chamberlain, H. F. Clulow conductor, E. Foster, A. H. Wilson. On June 23rd, 658 Grandsire Triples. E. Foster, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, H. R. Beresford, G. E. Padgett, G. O. Beckwith, H. F. Clulow, A. J. Chamberlain. On July 2nd, 447 Grandsire Triples. T Foster, A J Chamberlain, G E Padgett, E Foster G Beckett, H Clulow conductor, C H Chamberlain, A H Wilson. Also 224 Grandsire Triples by the same band, conducted by C H Chamberlain.

WOBURN.—In celebration of the Coronation of King George, the Woburn company rang in the early morning 1008 Bob Major, in 41 mins. D. Janes, D. Harris, M. Matthews, F. Gilby, S. Avis, Cyril Herbert conductor, W. Turney, E. Herbert.

WOODCHURCH (Cheshire).—On Sunday, July 2nd, at the parish church, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob. A. A. Bennett, C. Bennett, J. Johnson, W. Lee, W. Duckers, W. Bennett conductor.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise. R. Tall, J. Burles, F. Hayes, J. Constant, R. Constant, F. Mitchell conductor. First in the method by J. Constant, and first in the method as conductor by F. Mitchell.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

B. PREWETT'S 700 PEALS.

ON TOWER BELLS.	RUNG.	CONDUCTED
Cambridge Surprise Maximus	1	
Treble Bob Maximus	3	1
Stedman Cinques	36	
New Cambridge Surprise Royal	3	
Cambride Surprise Royal	2	
Treble Bob Royal	11	1
Stedman Caters	105	9
Grandsire Caters	1	
Bristol Surprise Major	25	1
London Surprise Major	56	
New Cambridge Surprise Major	11	5
Cambridge Surprise Major	5	2
Superlative Surprise Major	142	31
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	25	6
Treble Bob Major	21	16
Bob Major	4	2
Stedman Triples	208	64
Grandsire Triples	9	1
ON HANDBELLS.		
Stedman Cinques	7	
Stedman Caters	16	
Stedman Triples	9	3
	700	142

Rung in 189 towers in 31 counties.

A. H. PULLING'S 200 PEALS.

	RUNG.	CONDUCTED.
Bob Minor	3	3
Seven Minor methods	2	2
Seven Treble Bob methods	1	1
Seven Surprise methods	1	1
Bob Major	22	17
Bob Royal	3	2
Treble Bob Major	3	2
Treble Bob Royal	3	2
Grandsire Triples	22	16
Grandsire Caters	1	
Stedman Triples	45	23
Stedman Caters	8	3
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	21	13*
Superlative Surprise Major	13	9
Cambridge Surprise Major	1	1
New Cambridge Surprise Major	1	
Norfolk Surprise Major	1	1
Bristol Surprise Major	4	4
London Surprise Major	5	5
	160	105

*Includes 7392.

ON HANDBELLS.		
Bob Major	1	1
Grandsire Triples	9	8
Grandsire Caters	5	5
Stedman Triples	13	13
Stedman Caters	11	11†
Stedman Cinques	1	1
	40	39

†Includes 7023 and 7777. Rung on tower bells, 160, conducted 105; on handbells, 40, conducted 39; total 200, conducted 144.

LLANDAFF.—On Coronation Day, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Coombes, J. Harris, J. Pitcher, J. Aldridge, T. Cox, J. Clutterbuck, S. Dawe conductor, S. R. Barker. After the service an attempt was made for Parker's 12-part by the same band, W. Coombs conducting, but it unfortunately came to grief in the eleventh part after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

PEAL ANALYSIS.

Mr. A. T. King said the Analysis for the past year had appeared in "THE BELL NEWS," and he had the pleasure in moving that the same be adopted. He would like to take the opportunity of impressing upon those who sent peals for publication, to be a little more careful with their MS., especially when peals were sent to both ringing papers. If they did this, and were careful that the same names and the same particulars were sent to both, it would be much appreciated by the Committee. If the Analysis was to be of value it should be perfectly correct, and the Committee found difficulty in coming to a conclusion where the particulars furnished were not the same. He had one apology to make, and that was with respect to a lady (laughter). He had received a letter calling attention to Miss Jukes having rung in a peal. He was sorry her name had been omitted from the list. It appeared the lady took part in a peal in which another lady also rang. The first name appeared, and apparently no one thought of looking for the name of another lady in the same band, and so Miss Jukes's name was left out. They had endeavoured to find out who was to blame, and thought it was about equally divided (laughter). From the Analysis it would have been seen that the Committee had gone a little further, he hoped with some amount of success.

Mr. J. Griffin moved the adoption.

The President said he was sure the whole of the Council would desire to express to the Committee their gratitude for the enormous work that had been done. He had no hesitation in saying that the Analysis had now become one of the most interesting things of the day and he trusted the whole Exercise would appreciate the work of the Committee, and assist it as far as possible by carrying out the request of Mr. King, to be careful with their MS.

MINOR.

The following item appeared on the the agenda for discussion: "That nothing shall be recognised as a peal of Minor, unless it consists of at least seven true and complete 720s; but that the 5040 may be extended by the addition of one touch of less than 720 changes with or without extra 720s.

The Rev. H. Law James said years ago the Council adopted a definition as to what constituted a peal upon six bells; the definition however was afterwards withdrawn. It had been the practice of some bands to ring 14 methods of 360 each, calling it a peal; whereas some of the changes, taking two 360s together, and making a 720, might be repeated, and other changes omitted His contention was that each 720, although rung in two methods, shonld be a true and complete 720 of itself, the bells not coming round except at the end of a 720, going direct from one method to the other at half-way, and only striking rounds once at the end of the 720. It might be thought that such an arrangement was impossible, but he could assure the Council that it was possible. He submitted that the resolution was perfectly in order, and he was only asking the Council to advance a step by adopting the same. He moved its adoption.

The resolution having been seconded by Mr. R. Richardson,

The Rev. Maitland Kelly said he did not think that the Council ought to decide that six-bell ringing was a peal at all. He believed that the Council had already decided that in six-bell ringing seven 720s were a performance. They wanted in their Associations to be guided by the Council, and he thought the Council should be careful how it moved in such a matter, as the adoption of the resolution would not be in accordance with the decision the Council had already passed.

The Rev. H. Law James repeated that the original definition was withdrawn.

The President read extracts from the 1892 and 1897 reports of Council meetings, which showed that originally it was decided that a 5040 upon six must be rung without an interval, and no two 720s in the same method be called alike. This however, five years afterwards, in consequence of objections, was withdrawn without opposition.

The President said it appeared to him that this was a wise decision of the Council, and ought not to be upset without the most careful consideration. No one could but applaud Mr. Law James' idea, but in view of the insuperable objection to the definition as originally drawn, was it at all likely that this far more stringent definition would be accepted?

The Rev. H. Law James said there was no reason why bands should not continue to ring as they did now, except that when only 360s were rung the two combmed must make up a 720, which must be true. In case a band did not know how to do it, if they applied to him he would show them the way.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly said if they looked at the analysis it would be seen that these six-bell peals rung in accordance with rule hitherto laid down had been recognised as peals. To adopt the proposal would be against the previous decision. Why not let it remain as it was?

Mr. J. W. Parker said he had listened to Mr. Law James with some pleasure, and no doubt all would agree with the rev. gentleman, inasmuch as it was a matter which chiefly concerned six-bell companies. If the resolution was adopted it would be unjust to bands which had been practising for peals on six in fourteen methods. The resolution would hit some of these very hard, few as they might be. He would suggest that the whole question should stand over and be brought up again next year. He would move that the commencement of the paragraph read: "The Council recommends that a peal of Minor should consist, etc."

The Hon. Secretary asked Mr. Law James if a row say 641523 could come more than once in such a 720 made up of more than one method.

The Rev. H. Law James replied in the negative. It would, he said, come seven times in the peal, because there must be seven 720s to complete the 5040, but no row must come more than once in each 720, which of itself must be true.

Mr. H. White asked how many times rounds would come up.

The Rev. H. Law James replied at the end only of each 720, and then only struck once.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett moved that the question come up that day twelve months.

The Rev. H. Law James said if the Council adopted the resolution he was prepared to agree that its operation should come into force on January 1st next.

Mr. E. H. Lewis seconded the proposal of Mr. Parker.

Mr. J. W. Taylor asked if some rows in the 360s in fourteen methods might not occasionally be altogether omitted.

The Rev. H. Law James: Yes.

The Rev. H. S. T. Richardson said in ringing fourteen 360s there would be some rows not rung at all, while some would be repeated more than seven times.

Mr. W. Snowdon said while he appreciated the point raised by Mr. Law James, and thought it would be a most excellent thing if six-bell ringers could be educated to such a fine point, yet he thought it would be a dangerous thing to thrust such a resolution down the throats of six-bell companies of the present day. As far back as 100 years ago it would appear there was a practice of splicing, but no repetition was permitted. He did not think the resolution would be fair to six-bell bands without notice.

Mr. Parker's suggested amendment was adopted, then the amended motion wss passed, and finally a suggestion was made that the matter should be brought up again next year.

(To be continued.)

WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE.

The old parisa church of St. Bartholomew, Wilmslow, is built of stone, and has a square tower ornamented with pinnacles. It dates back to the twelfth century, and is specially noted for its excellent peal of six bells. There is a local tradition that "Wilmslow bells one rang themselves," which statement is justified by the fact that at the time the name of each ringer was Bell; hence six bells did ring six bells.

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THE SEVEN 720s OF MINOR IN FOURTEEN METHODS.

Rung at Edenham, by the Lincoln Diocesan Guild, on February 15th, 1911, being the first time that seven 720s have been rung in fourteen methods.

1.—Norfolk and Primrose.

23456	N
64523	
35264	
64235	– P
64352	–
45623	
52436	
23564	
23645	– N
56423	
34256	

Twice repeated.

2.—London and Cunecastre.

23456	C
35264	
56342	
64523	
64235	– L
26543	
52364	
35426	
64352	–
23645	– C
34256	

Twice repeated.

3.—Beverley and Durham.

23456	B
56342	
64235	– D
64352	–
45623	
52436	
23564	
23645	– B
45362	
62534	
34256	

Twice repeated.

4.—Ipswich and Cambridge.

23456	I
64235	– C
35426	
26543	
64352	–
52436	
23645	– I
62534	
56423	
45362	
34256	

Twice repeated.

5.—Oxford and Sandal.

23456	S
56342	
42635	
35264	
64235	– O
26435	–
42563	
54326	
35642	
63542	– S
42356	

Twice repeated.

6.—Single and Double Oxford.

23456	S Ox.
56342	
64235	
35426	
26543	
64352	–
52436	
23645	–
45362	
62534	
34256	

Twice repeated and S H, then Double Oxford, same calling.

7.—Double Bob and Bob Minor.

Like No. 6.

The first eight methods are Surprise methods, No. 36, 38, 14, 17, 35, 33, 37 and 39 in Legitimate Methods, part 1.

Oxford and Sandal are Treble Bob methods, Nos. 1 and 2 in Legitimate Methods.

The initial against a bob shows the change of method, but in the four plain methods the method changes only at the single. The method changes 38 times in the peal. H. L. J.

5040 BOB MAJOR.

By G. Cross, *Norwich*.

2345678	I	4	7
5243867	–	–	
4352	–		–
5432			–
3254	–		–
5324			–
2534			–
3425	–		–
2345			–
2435			S
3524	–		–
2354			–
5423	–		–
2543			–
4325	–		–
4235867			S

Repeat twice.

3425786 second part-end.
2345678 third part-end.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By Joseph B. Fenton, *Rugby*.

5024.

23456	I	4	5	6
42635			–	
36245	–			–
64235	–			
32465	–			–
62534	–	–		–
25634				–
36524	–			–
65324				–
53624				–
26354	–			–
63254				–
52364	–			–
23564				–
54236		S	–	
42536				–
25436				–
34526	–			–
45326				–
23546	–			–
35246				–
52346				–
43256	–			–
32456				–

Repeated.

Rung at the church of St. Mary, Lutterworth, on Saturday, July 8th, conducted by the author.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By G. Crors, *Norwich*.

8064.

23456	I	4	6
54326	–		–
43526			–
35426			–
24536	–		–
25436			S
35624	–	–	–
52634	–		
36254	–		–
62354			–
23654			–
56324	–		–
63524			–

Repeat five times. Omit bob at 4 in 2nd, 4th, and 6th parts. 4th, 5th, and 6th the extent in 6th.

T. H. J.—It is so.

W. M. R.—We must not say.

R. M. T.—By all means do so.

Change of Address. — **Titus Barlow has removed to 375, Wigan Road, Deane, Bolton.**

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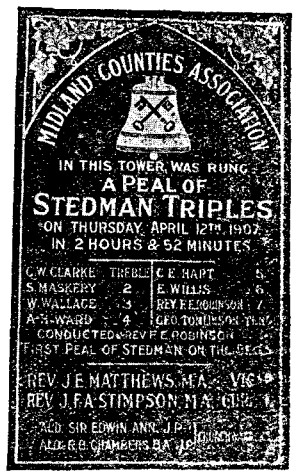

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At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt. in E.

Edwin Barnett, jun.	*Treble.*	Albert E. Brightman	6.
George E. Wilson	2.	Frank Bennett	7.
Henry T. Wilson	3.	John D. Matthews	8.
William Dudley*	4.	William Shimmans	9.
Frank Hairs	5.	Arthur N. Hardy	*Tenor.*

Composed by James E. Davis, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

*First peal of Stedman Caters.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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At the Church of St Michael,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES.

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William Osiler	*Treble.*	John Self	5.
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A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

FREDK. BORRETT ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM STEELE	5.
ALBERT G. WARNES.. ..	2.	BERTIE J. HOWCHIN ..	6.
FREDK. J. HOWCHIN	3.	EDWIN WHITING	7.
GEORGE H. CROSS	4.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE	..*Tenor.*

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LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, July 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt. in E.

SAMUEL REEVES ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM D. JAMES	5.
JAMES H. SHEPHERD ..	2.	THOMAS BLOORE	6.
FREDK. COPE	3.	JAMES E. GROVES	7.
WILLIAM SHORT..	4.	JAMES H. GALLIMORE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

First peal of Stedman on the bells,

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Friday, July 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double aad Single Conrt, 720 of Double and Single Bob, 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

R. HUGH RICHARDSON	..*Treble.*	C. WILLIAM SMITH	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON ..	5.
REV. C. J. STURTON ..	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. W. Hollingworth, a member of the above band, and Miss Victoria Richardson, sisters to the ringers of the treble, 5th, and tenor.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN T. BOTTRILL ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM SMITH	5.
JOHN OLDHAM	2.	ERNEST ABBOTT..	6.
ALBERT B. MASON	3.	EDWARD READER	7.
DANIEL RICHARDS	4.	WILLIAM THORLEY ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. READER.

First peal of Stedman by the ringers of the treble, 5th and tenor.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

W. J. SMITH	..*Treble.*	*J. HOUGH	5.
H. HURDMAN*	2.	F. SHEPHERD	6.
W. HAIR†	3.	L. BULLOCK	7.
W. W. WORTHINGTON ..	4.	*D. COTTON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by L. BULLOCK.

*First peal in the method. †First peal. First peal on the bells since their augmentation to eight.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

CHARLES ROCHESTER†	..*Treble.*	GEORGE R. PYE	5.
HARRY J. RANZETTA* ..	2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS.. ..	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	ERNEST PYE	7.
GEORGE H. JAYE*	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

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

LUTTERWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

J. B. FENTON	..*Treble.*	C. H. FOWLER	5.
W. MALINS..	2.	A. J. HESSIAN	6.
H. O. WHITE	3.	J. W. CHANDLER	7.
J. A. FENTON, JUN.	4.	JAMES GEORGE	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by J. B. FENTON.

First peal of Double Norwich on the bells. C. H. Fowler was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting.

LAWTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CREWE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

EDWARD HARPER ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES HENRY RIDING ..	5.
RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN.	2.	WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT ..	6.
WILLIAM RIGBY..	3.	IRWIN MASSEY	7.
DONALD BOOTH	4.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES MORGAN, and Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

WOOTTON BASSETT, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 18 cwt. 3 qrs.

JOHN M. BRINKWORTH	..*Treble.*	LOUIS A. WILSON	5.
ALFRED LAWRENCE	2.	HENRY W. L. WELLS ..	6.
ROBERT W. HYNES	3.	CHARLES J. GARDINER ..	7.
OSWALD J. HUNT*	4.	RICHMOND ROBERTS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT W. HYNES.

*First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. and Mrs. A. Lawrence, the band wishing them many happy returns of the day.

HAWKSHEAD, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FURNESS AND LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differentfy. Tenor 11 cwt.

ERIC L. BENNETT* ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM E. SHARP	4.
FURNESS WOODEND	2.	*CHARLES WEBB..	5.
THOMAS F. HEWERTSON ..	3.	WILLIAM ROBINSON ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM ROBINSON.

*First peal. First peal on the bells which have recently been rehung by John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, the "go" being excellent.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HALEY'S VARIATION. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

REGINALD BROUGH*	*Treble.*	RICHARD MORGAN	5.
FREDK. FRENCH	2.	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN.	6.
GEORGE POVEY	3.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	7.
JOHN WHEADON	4.	*WILLIAM FLOYD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

*First peal of Stedman.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDK C. PERRIN	*Treble.*	FRED C. MAYNARD	5.
JOHN A. DART	2.	*REUBEN SANDERS	6.
CHARLES T. COLES	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	ALBERT W. COLES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*100th peal.

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

HENRY W. KIETON	*Treble.*	HENRY F. COOPER	5.
GEORGE F. MARGETSON	2.	HENRY HEAD	6.
ARTHUR EDWARDS	3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN	7.
LEWIS GREEN	4.	ARTHUR HEAD	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM LIGCOLN.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Court, and two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 18 cwt.

ALFRED CLARK	*Treble.*	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS	4.
ALBERT J. GREEN	2.	†CHARLES W. SMITH	5.
EDWIN YATES	3.	CECIL A. VALENTINE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

†First peal in four methods with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to A. Clark, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, July 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S No. 30. Tenor 12½ cwt.

SAMUEL REEVES	*Treble.*	JAMES REYNOLDS	5.
THOMAS J. SALTER	2.	HARRY PRICE	6.
WILLIAM SHORT	3.	CHARLES L. SADLER	7.
JAMES E. GROVES	4.	WILLIAM D. JAMES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Coronation Peals.

The following Peals have been rung in honour of the Coronation :—

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS,

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	*Treble.*	CHARLES J. FRAY	5.
LIONEL H. PAGE	2.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	6.
HENRY W. WILKES	3.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	7.
JAMES GEORGE	4.	OWEN GILES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

This peal came round at 7.32 a.m.

HEVINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. BOTOLPH AND MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being twenty-one 6-scores each of Grandsire and Plain.

Tenor 14 cwt.

W. SAVAGE	*Treble.*	SIDNEY ALLEN	3.
GEORGE FARROW	2.	WALTER ALLEN	4.
WALTER C. MEDLER			*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. C. MEDLER.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.)

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

THOMAS WRIGHT	*Treble.*	ALBERT WRIGHT	6.
ALFRED WAITE	2.	ARTHUR WAITE	7.
HUBERT SCRIVENS	3.	JOSEPH WAITE	8.
FRANK COLE	4.	WILLIAM HASTINGS	9.
WILLIAM HALE	5.	HUBERT HANKS	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

The Painswick Youths made a unsuccessful attempt for the peal on June 23rd, and met one man short for another attempt on the 27th. July 8th was the date arranged for the next attempt for the peal, which was successfully rung.

EDENBRIDGE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOODS'S VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Treble.*	CYRIL F. JOHNSTON	5.
THOMAS H. COLBURN	2.	ISAAC EMERY	6.
WALTER S. WISE	3.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	7.
FRANK BENNETT	4.	WILLIAM HEWETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

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On Thursday, July 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Parker's Six-Part.

J. B. Fenton*	1-2.	A. J. Hessian	5-6.
H. O. White	3-4.	W. Malins	7-8.

Conducted by W. Malins.

*First peal upon handbells. Umpire—J. A. Fenton, jun.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

In the Belfry of the Norman Tower.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's.

F. Dewell†	1-2.	A. E. Moore	5-6.
H. A. Turner†	3-4.	†J. Sparrow	7-8.

Conducted by A. E. Moore.

†First peal in the method double-handed.

Peal Correction.—In the report of the peal of Grandsire Triples rung at Lawton on Saturday, June 17th, the name of the tenor-ringer should have been Thomas Rigby, not John as stated.

Miscellaneous.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

Walthamstow.—On Saturday, July 8th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1260 changes, in 53 mins. A. Chapman, W. B. Manning conductor, G. Grimwade, *W. J. Cooper, H. Rumens, J. C. Adams, R. Maynard, sen., F. J. Rumens, G. B. Lucas, sen., *O. Twist. *First quarter-peal of Caters. The above was rung after meeting too late to start for a peal.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

Milton-next-Gravesend.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service, 720 Cambridge Surprise. R. Tall, J. Burles, F. Hayes, J. Constant, R. Constant, F. Mitchell conductor. First in the method by J. Constant, and first in the method as conductor by F. Mitchell.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Llandaff.—On Coronation Day, at the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. W. Coombes, J. Harris, J. Pitcher, J. Aldridge, T. Cox, J. Clutterbuck, S. Dawe conductor, S. R. Barker. After the service an attempt was made for Parker's 12-part by the same band, W. Coombs conducting, but it unfortunately came to grief in the eleventh part after ringing 2 hrs. 35 mins.

London.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for morning service at St. Clement Danes, 560 and 336 Double Norwich Court Bob Major. C. T. Coles, H. J. Ranzetta, W. W. Worthington, W. Pye conductor, A. W. Coles, R. Sanders, H. Flanders, E. Pye.

Stoke-on-Trent.—On Tuesday, July 4th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. J. Woodward, G. Woods, A. Shufflebotham E. Landon, D. Preston, S. Churton conductor, C. Page, H. Austin. Rung after a rope had broke in attempt for a peal.

Walthamstow.—On Sunday, July 9th, after evening service at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters, 1259 changes, in 50 mins. W. Coakham, W. D. Smith, J. H Wilkins R. Maynard, sen., F. J. Rumens, J. C. Adams, F. C. Maynard, H. Rumens, A. G. Freeman conductor, W. H. Freeman.

Westminster.—On Sunday, July 2nd, for evening service at St. Margaret's church, 540 Stedman Caters. A. W. Grimes, J. A. Trollope, H. Langdon, W. Pye conductor, W. W. Worthington, A. W. Coles, R. Sanders, H. Torble, H. Flanders, A. N. Hardy. Also four courses in the same method, in which F. Hairs, E. F. Pike, W. Hewett, F. Perrin, and J. E. Davis took part. These touches, and the one rung at St. Clement Danes, were arranged for W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES' ASSOCIATION.

Southwell.—On April 26th, at the Cathedral, 210 Oxford Bob Triples. H. R. Beresford, T. Foster, G. E. Padgett, A. J. Chamberlain, G. O. Beckett, H. Clulow conductor, C. H. Chamberlain, A. Wilson. First touch of Oxford by local band. On May 21st, 504 Grandsire Triples. J. P. Beeson, G. E. Padgett, H. R. Beresford, A. H. Wilson, G. O. Beckett, T. Foster, H. F. Clulow conductor, E. Foster. On May 28th, 700 Grandsire Triples. E. Foster, A. J. Chamberlain, G. E. Padgett, T. Foster, H. T. Clulow, G. O. Beckett, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, A. H. Wilson. On Coronation Day, 1344 Grandsire Triples. G. Padgett, C. H. Chamberlain, H. R. Beresford, T. Foster, A. J. Chamberlain, H. F. Clulow conductor, E. Foster, A. H. Wilson. On June 23rd, 658 Grandsire Triples. E. Foster, C. H. Chamberlain conductor, H. R. Beresford, G. E. Padgett, G. O. Beckwith, H. F. Clulow, A. J. Chamberlain. On July 2nd, 447 Grandsire Triples. T Foster, A J Chamberlain, G E Padgett, E Foster G Beckett, H Clulow conductor, C H Chamberlain, A H Wilson. Also 224 Grandsire Triples by the same band, conducted by C H Chamberlain.

Woburn.—In celebration of the Coronation of King George, the Woburn company rang in the early morning 1008 Bob Major, in 41 mins. D. Janes, D. Harris, M. Matthews, F. Gilby, S. Avis, Cyril Herbert conductor, W. Turney, E. Herbert.

Woodchurch (Cheshire).—On Sunday, July 2nd, at the parish church, for evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob. A. A. Bennett, C. Bennett, J. Johnson, W. Lee, W. Duckers, W. Bennett conductor.

Wisbech.—On Sunday, July 9th, at the parish church of St. Peter, for morning service, 672 Bob Major, with 9-10 covering, was rung. H. Piggins, S. Goakes, A. Goakes, C. Gookes, T. Haines, G. Piggins, R. Narborough, A. Neal, F. Hotson, H. Cheesewright. Conducted by Charles Goakes. For evening service, 420 Bob Triples. H. Piggins, H. Banham, T. Haines, S. Goakes, R. Narborough, A. Neal, C. Goakes conductor, F. Hotson.

Correspondence.

Reply to Mr. Sedgley.

Sir,—Mr. Sedgley seems to have forgotten that one swallow does not make a summer, and one example proves nothing. My conclusions are based upon the results of twenty years, and the failure at Lynn does not stand alone, but is only one of the minority.

H. Law James.

The Extension of Stedman.

Sir,—I note the Rev. H. Law James' letter in a recent issue, and should like to ask what course of study, and how would he recommend one to proceed in order to qualify for discussing an opinion on this question. Personally I've taken the trouble to read Stedman's elaborate introduction to his principle. In this he clearly describes between the sixes: "In one of them the work of the bells cut compass, in the other it doth not." And while he is very particular to point out that the same bells must be in the same position when the single is made, he never uses or mentions the word "Bob" from beginning to end. The whole of it is written in English, and so plain that a school boy can read and understand it. It will therefore be instructive and interesting to those of us who are anxious to know, how the understanding of the difference between a B and P will explain the theory as advocated by Mr. James, beyond the author's own words.

H. Dains.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on July 18th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on the 20th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, July 22nd, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at All Hallows, Tottenham, on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at 5.30 in the Parish Hall. The bells of St. Ann's, South Tottenham, will be at the disposal of ringers from 6 to 8 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. By the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. E. St. John Macdonald), tea will be provided on the rectory lawn at 6 o'clock

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston.

The Sussex County Association.—Eastern Division.—Next quarterly meeting will be held at Iden (6 bells), to-day, Sat., July 15th. Ringing from 3 to 8 p.m.

GEO. H. HOWSE, *Hon. Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Melbourne to-day, Sat., July 15th, Tower open at 2.30. Committee meeting at 4.15. Tea 1s. each at 5 o'clock, both at The Blue Bell inn.

W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Speldhurst to-day, Sat., July 15th. Tower open at 3.30. Service in church at 5. Tea at The George and Dragon inn at 5.45, followed by business meeting. By kind permission of the Rector and Mrs. Mackinnon, the rectory grounds will be open to members. W. LATTER, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
26, *Dukes Road, Tunbridge Wells.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, to-day, Sat., July 15th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Business meeting at 6. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Burnham-on-Crouch to-day, Sat., July 15th. Opening of bells recently rehung with an additional treble. HENRY F. COOPER, *Dis. Sec.*
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The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerleon on Saturday, July 22nd, at 4 o'clock.

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The Kent County Association.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 4 p.m. Short service and address by the Rev. H. D. Madge, Vicar, at 5.30 p.m. Tea at The George inn, 9d. per head to those who send me their names by Wednesday, July 19th, 1s. to others. Business meeting to follow. Eynsford bells will be available from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., and after the meeting. Half rail fares up to 2s. allowed at the meeting.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
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The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Linton on Saturday, July 22nd. Belfry open at 3.20 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Business meeting after service.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association.—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Upton-on-Severn on Saturday, July 22nd. Service at 4 p.m. Meeting at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 will be provided to all members sending in their names not later than first post on Wednesday, July 19th. Bells—Upton, 8, Hanley Castle, 6.

HERBERT T. KNOWLES, *Hon. Sec.*
35, *Redland Road, Malvern.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland parish church on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicolas Liverpool, on Saturday, July 22nd Bells ready at 5.30. Meeting at 7 The committee will also attend A good meeting is requested. All ringers welcomed.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

The Ely Dioceaan Association.—The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

QUEENBOROUGH (Kent).—On Saturday, June 17th, at the parish church, after the dedication, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. R. Staines, W. Wilkins conductor, E. Allen, T. Philo, T. Jull, A. Day. First 720 in the method on the bells. Also 120s of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles. H. and W. Moore and G. Wood taking part. The bells were afterwards lowered in peal. A 720 of Bob Minor wae rung on Sunday for Divine Service by H. Moore, W. Moore, W. Wilkins, T. Philo, R. Staines, A. Day conductor.

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On Thursday, June 28th, the bells of the above parish church, which have been re-cast and re-hung as a memorial of the Coronation of the King and Queen, were dedicated by the Vicar, the Rev. F. R. Gunnery. A quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung prior to the dedication service by W. Smith, H. Sear conductor, T. Best, C. Johnston, Rev. C. O. Jenkyn, T. Tompkins, W. Webb, W. Elliss. The ringers of the treble, 6th, 7th, and tenor are members of the local band. The dedication service was held at 7.15, and a very large congregation was present, a very appropriate sermon being preached by the Rev. C. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Guild. After the service touches of Stedman, Grandsire, and Kent Treble Bob were rung by a large number of ringers from neighbouring towers, the bells being kept going until late in the evening. The work of re-casting and re-hanging the peal, tenor 20 cwt., was entrusted to the well-known Croydon firm—Messrs. Gillett and Johnston—and the "go" and tone of the bells is a credit. The bells are tuned in the Simpson five tone principle, and Newport Pagnell has now one of the best eight-bell peals in the county, It is pleasing to note that the trebles can be heard much better than previously.

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A peal-board, recording a peal of Treble Bob Minor rung by the Cumberland Youths, was unveiled on July 6th, by the Vicar (Rev. T. H. Russell), in the presence of the churchwardens and many ringers and friends.

Mr. F. Smith, in asking the Vicar to perform the ceremony, explained the object in thus recording the peal, and paid a glowing tribute to Mr. N. Alderman, who had been associated with ringing at this church for nearly 46 years, and during the whole of that time he had done everything to further the advancement of change-ringing.

The Vicar congratulated the ringers upon their success, and in adding such a fine ornament to the ringing-room, mentioning with affectionate remembrance the lamented death of their old ringing friend, James Nixon, whose name he was pleased to see had been placed upon the board to perpetuate his memory.

The churchwardens then went up amongst the bells to watch their permutations, while the same band that rang the peal tapped off 360 of Woodbine. The board is in Gothic style, with gilt letters upon a black ground, and is the work of one of the ringers (Mr. F. Smith), and bears the following inscription, surmounted by a bell.

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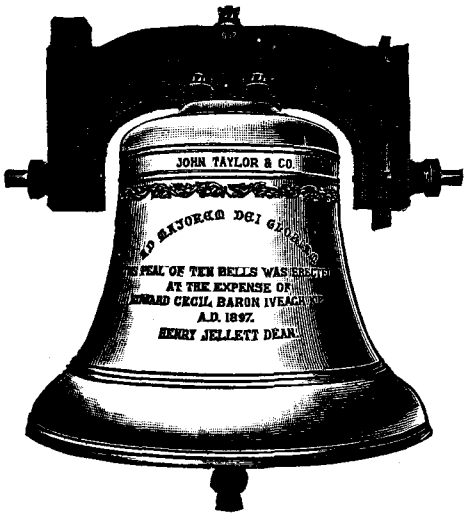

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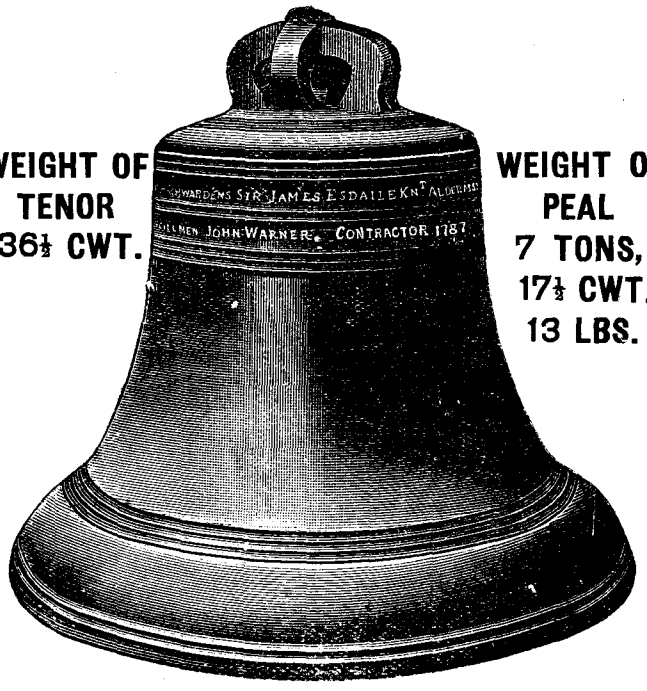

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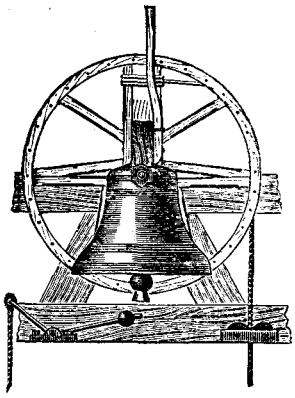

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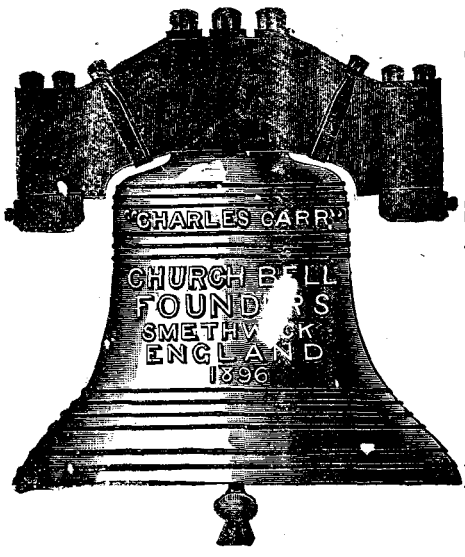

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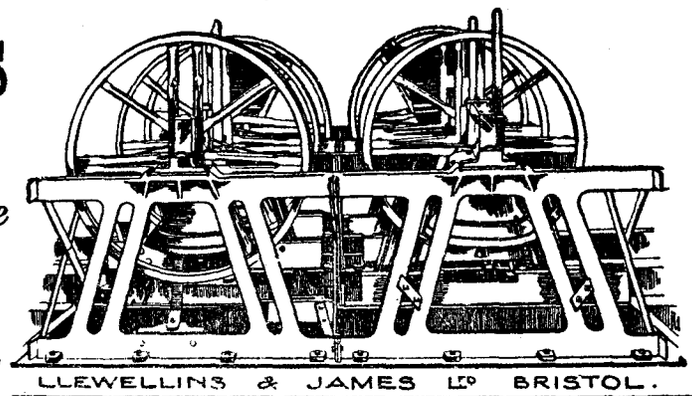

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the above Association was held at Wells on Saturday, July 8th, when there were present many well-known ringers from all parts of the county. The various towers represented were West Lydford, Street, Bridgwater, Langport, Wraxall, Congresbury, Clapton-in-Gordano, Frome, Ditcheat, Bath, High Littleton, Glastonbury, Nailsea, Taunton, Dinder, and Wells. The members arrived about 1 o'clock, and some proceeded to St. Cuthbert's tower, where Stedman Triples was rung. Touches of Grandsire Caters was rung on the Cathedral bells at 11 o'clock, and other ringers journeyed to Dinder and Shepton Mallet, where touches were rung on the church bells.

At 1 o'clock an excellent luncheon was provided at Wickenden's restaurant. The Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells presided. Just before luncheon the Lord Bishop remarked that the heat reminded him of that he had experienced in Australia, where they sat down to meals with their coats off, and he invited the company to do the same, an invitation that was readily accepted.

After lunch the toast of "The King" was accorded musical honours. His Lordship subsequently congratulated the Association on the great increase in its members, who now numbered 1,300. They were not all of one sex, because they had the honour of having in that diocese the first lady in England to conduct a peal. He was quite sure that the influence ladies brought to bear on their Association would in many ways be useful to them. He did not believe there was a single church in the diocese at which he had not heard the bells. Their ringing stood at a high level, but what he was still more pleased to say was that the characters of their ringers, as a whole, stood equally high. Those characters had been much influenced by the principles laid down in the rules of the Association. After alluding to the duty of teaching and training the younger ringers, his Lordship said the church bell-ringers must never forget they had to live as churchmen should; they must uot forget that their Art was carried on in the most sacred buildings, and that their lives should correspond with the office they had to fulfil. In their diocese they had splendid bells, and there was certainly no bell-towers like those in Somerset. If the bells were worthy of their towers, and the ringers worthy of the bells, and both worthy of the Church, then they had got a particular high standard to live for. If the bellringing Association was to progress satisfactorily in that diocese, it must be through the members being animated by a principle that was well inculcated by the Master of the Association. He felt that in the Rev. C. Parker they had made a choice of one who thoroughly understood his business and the technicalities of his Art, and he hoped he would long remain as Master of the Association.

Dr. Kennion had to leave at this point, and the Rev. Prebendary Beresford took the chair.

Mr. Doble proposed the toast of "The Church," and spoke of the valuable influence of the Association of ringers, which had resulted in many of the church bells in the county being renovated, and said it behoved them as ringers and members of the C.E.M.S. to stand shoulder to shoulder to fight as one body against the dangers that beset their Church.

The Rev. Prebendary Beresford, in responding, said the clergy looked on she ringers of that and other Associations as integral parts of the great body to which they belonged, and their services came into operation and were valuable on different occasions. It was a great privilege to be bound together in that Association, and he expressed the hope that the C.E.M.S. would become a great power for good in England. He trusted that in their ringers and members of the C.E.M.S. thay had those they could thoroughly rely on to help the Church in its joys, its difficulties, and perhaps in its conflicts.

The Rev. C. H. Stewart proposed the toast of "All other Associations," and said that in Chester the Cathedral bells were rung all the better for the men having joined the Chester Guild. The Bath ringers were the target of the Association, and they had been fighting a battle which they intended to win. Bath had been rising against the bell ringing, but they intended that the bells should ring, except when there was a case of sickness in the neighbourhood of the churches. So long as people lay in their beds, and grumbled to their physician, and not to the ringers, they did not take the complaints into account, but simply did their duty. He hoped all bell-ringing Associations would flourish, because by banding together in an Association they came to realise the brotherhood of the Church.

The business meeting followed, and the Master in his report for 1911, which included a welcome to the Bishop as President, and expressed appreciation of his Lordship's sympathy and good wishes. The report then proceeded: "They trusted that for many long years it might be the privilege of ringers to celebrate with the bells year by year the joyful events of King George's reign. The had had of late some changes in their vice-presidents. The Association greatly regretted the resignation of Dean Jex-Blake from the Deanery, though they still had him among their vice-presidents. He was a good friend to them, but they were sure they they would find equal kindness and courtesy at the hands of his successor, whom they hoped would be willing to accept the office of a vice-president. They were in his debt that day for his welcome, and that of the Chapter to the Cathedral, and for the brief loan of the finest peal of bells in the diocese. Prebendary Bothamley, late Archdeacon of Bath, still remained a vice-president. Archdeacon Fish had also written to say that he would be pleased to have his name added to the list. They had lost another very sympathetic friend of ringers in the late Archdeacon Askwith, and ringers, no less than many other Church workers, had reason to deplore his death. They trusted that the Bishop of Taunton would also become one of their vice-presidents. Their new vice-presidents could not have a better preceptor in the affairs of the Associatien than Archdeacon Brymer, who for so many years had been so staunch an ally. At one of the quarterly meetings a handsome clock, subscribed for by the ringers of the Association, was

presented to Miss Gillingham, the first lady to conduct a peal in the diocese. Another lady in the same band—Miss Jukes—daughter of the Rector of Portishead, had also accomplished a similar feat this year, and they tendered to her their heartiest congratnlations. The affairs of the Association were exceedingly prosperous, and they had increased their membership during the last year by about 100 ringing and 20 honorary members. Their total membership was now about 1300. The finances are also in a satisfactory state, and they had slightly increased their balance. All this prosperity was in no small degree to the energy and ability of their Secretary, who devoted himself with such painstaking care to the affairs of the Association. The peals this year reached a higher total than they had ever done before in the history of the Association, being forty in number. He hoped they would not consider it invidious of him to select Bath for congratulation, but the Bath ringers had had special difficulties to contend with at the hands of the municipal authorities, so that six peals completed are a triumph.

Mr. Burgess read the treasurer's statement, which shewed that the year began with a balance in hand of £62 17s. 6½d., and closed with a credit balance of £74 4s. 11d.

On the motion of Mr. Prescott, seconded by Mr. Coles, it was agreed to grant an honorarium of £10 to the Secretary.

Mr. Burgess briefly returned thanks.

The vice-presidents were re-elected, with the addition of the suffragan Bishop of Taunton and the Dean of Wells

The Rev. A. J. Hook proposed the re-election of the Rev. C. C. Parker, as Master, and this was carried with acclamation.

The Secretary and Treasurer were unanimously re-elected on the motion of Mr. Doble.

The (the Rev. A. J. Hook) was re-elected, and the Master and Messrs. Mattick, Cole and Burgess were appointed as representatives on the Central Council. About forty new members were elected.

Mr. Francis moved, Mr. Wyatt seconded, and it was agreed that the next quarterly meeting should be held at Congresbury.

Votes of thanks were accorded to the following on the proposition oi the Master: The Dean and Chapter of Wells, the Revs. Preb. Beresford, Preb. Walker, Preb. Barnwell, Rev. Gordon Cumming, and Mrs. A. F. Somerville.

The members afterwards attended Divine Service in the choir of the Cathedral. The Lord Bishop from his throne gave an address, taking as his text Psalm xliii, 4. In the course of his remarks he said he was in South Australia when the first peal of bells was dedicated to the service of God, and he was not likely to forget the tears that he saw on the faces of many people who since they had left England had never heard a peal of church bells. It brought back to them so many memories. They must have thought, as the Psalmist did wheu he poured out his heart whilst in exile, and recalled how in the old land he had gone with the multitude and brought them unto the House of God. They in ringing the bells of their churches had done much to help people to go to the House of God. It was for them to avail themselves of the privilege of joining in the worship of God to which they had helped in summoning others. The chief object of the Aesociation was to inculcate a greater reverence foa God's House and worship.

Touches of Stedman Caters was afterwards runn at the Cathedral, and various touches were rung on the bells of St. Cuthbert's church, Glastonbury, Street, Dinder, and Shepton Mallet. A number of ringers took advantage of the kind invitatfon of Mrs. A. F. Somerville to tea at Dinder House.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual festival of this Guild was held at High Wycombe on Wednesday, July 12th, when there were representatives from High Wycombe, Hughenden, Lane End, Marlow, Reading, Southleigh, Hurst,, Wooburn, Twyford, Chalfont St. Peter, Stone, Hagbourne, Farnham Royal, Abingdon, Freeland, Wokingham, Slough, Finchhampstead, Lyminge, Kidlington, Chipping Norton, Newport Pagnell, Middleton Stoney, Shiplake, Linslade, Birmingham, Witney, London, and Bicester. The weather was perfect, the rays of the sun being tempered by a refreshing breeze. The day's proeeedings commenced with a service in the parish church, a stirring address being preached by the Ven, Archdeacon of Buckingham (Rev. E. D. Shaw). The singing was led by Mr. G. Andrews, A.R.C.O., at the organ. A collection was taken on behalf of the Robinson Memorial Fund.

At 12.50 the annual business meeting was held in the Guildhall. The Master of the Guild (Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn), occupied the chair. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, and correspondence disposed of, the election of officers took place. The Rev. C. Jenkyn, who was described as an absolute worker, was re-elected Master. Rule iv. wes altered as follows: "A Master, who shall be a change-ringer, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Honorary Members," etc. In consequence of this alteration, the Rev. R. Hart-Davis was chosen Treasurer, and Mr. A. E. Reeves Hon. Secretary. Mr. R. Buckland, of Beaconsfield, was chosen to fill a vacancy on the Committee in place of Mr. Bisley (deceased). The Revs. C. Jenkyn, G. F. Coleridge, and Messrs. Pole Routh, and J. Evans were elected to the Central Council.

A lengthy discussion ensued relative to the festival of 1912, it being suggested that it should be held on August Bank Holiday. In the end Oxford was chosen as the place of meeting, to be held on the second or third Saturday in July.

The Committee recommended the following grants:—Hurst, £5; Woodeaton, £3. The meeting approved of the recommendations. The Rev. B. East, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Witney and Woodstock branch, made application for a grant for Southleigh, and a sum of £2 was voted.

There was a diversity of opinion as to the advisability of omitting the word churchwarden in rules 2 and 8, the last clause of the latter to read: "Or, in his absence to the person whom he shall appoint as his deputy." The suggested alteration was however carried by a large majority.

The Rev. Hart-Davis gave the report of the Robinson Memorial Committee, which showed that £187 3s. 8d. had been collected. The expenditure came to £5 10s. 7d. He said that the tender for the memorial was £209, and it was estimated that £300 would be required to complete the scheme, Hope was expressed that the required sum would be speedily forthcoming.

The Rev. J. Kirby proposed that the meeting be authorised to proceed with a suitable memorial at the end of the year. Mr. R. Coles seconded the motion, which was carried. (*To be continued.*)

RANDOM NOTES.

Some few weeks ago, it may be remembered, a facetious friend of mine, no doubt in moments of playfulness and harmless mischief, dubbed me in the columns of this journal, a poet and philosopher. It is seldom that Nature produces such a prodigy, and for me to be one, was the more strange. With all due respects to my kind flatterer, I shall not believe myself either a Homer or Aristotle, but in the language of Cowper, say:—

"They best can judge a poet's worth,
Who oft themselves have known,
The pangs of a poetic birth,
By labours of their own."

If the proper definition of a philosopher is "lover of wisdom," who can say but my name may be found in the lists? But under what heading or classification should I appear? The analytical, experimental, sensational, idealistic, critical or moral? The first, no doubt, as I know that I do not know what others know—in other words I am very ignorant and know it. My friend undoubtedly meant well, though I must confess his flattery gave me more humiliation than conceit. I am only too sensible of my lack of education, but take courage in knowing that often, if not always, wisdom is to be found in the plainest circumstances, though for that reason unheeded by the world.

I am sorry that the "girlies" lost their peal at Cupid, I beg pardon (I mean Cubitt Town). Try again, fair nymphs, and prove that the daughters of Eve have valour to add to their charms. I notice "Miss" to all their names, and so conclude they are young and unmarried. We men must certainly excuse these angels trespassing in our game preserves. They are like fairies, gracing each pretty scene, and do little damage. It is the perogative of their sex to demand anything of us, even though they should ask Herod for John the Baptist's head.

The other day I was ringing in company that included a very young and sweet maiden, with the bashfulness of fifteen years, who is likely in the near future to become one of the first female change-ringers of the Essex Association. Her father was there to guard her youth. Yet I heard in a whisper this young lady had a lover. At this I was not surprised, in fact I should not have been astonished if she had more than one, for who can withstand the attractions of innocence, modesty, and charm at that age?

"Beauty, like ice, our footing does betray;
Who can tread sure on the smooth slippery way?
Pleased with the passage, glide we swiftly on,
And see the dangers which we cannot shun."

However my belief is that the best "ring" for a young lady is to be found on her left hand, placed there by a good partner. If is her justification of existence. Her clapper may needs be sometimes turned, for like the bells they often require handling according to circumstances. But while girls are in their teens they are to be excused in their imitations of the men, for that is their most sincere flattery. For my part I shall never admire any of them outside the sphere to which Nature has assigned the softness of their sex, though they had the strength of a Goliath or hurled his club to the farthermost ends of earth. Yet we must admit their universal power of influence. "Do you know the greatest of conquerors?" once asked an Athenian King of his counsellor. "No, your Majesty, if he yourself be not," returned his guest graciously. "I will tell you," gravely said the King; "it is my wife." "Your wife!" exclaimed the other in surprise; "Surely your Majesty do but jest." "Not so," said the King. "Do not Greece rule the world, and I govern Greece; and as my wife governs me, so she rules the world." I trust the ringing world will never be governed by women. It is not likely they will compete with us in physical endurance or salaries, for as the adage runs, "Ringers and Singers are no home-bringers." If the ladies took anything home it might be in the shape of a mere man, who would soon divert her attention from the bells, at least for some considerable time.

We have heard little of the clerics lately. When shall we have another peal? I often think there was too little attention paid to their peal of Stedman Caters. When gentlemen and scholars participate in change-ringing, it assures us that we belong to a science and Art far above the ordinary sports of common life. In fact I would not belong to anything common. I like to aspire to something above the crockery-ware of human delights, and change-ringing combines the advantages of study and exercise, ranking amongst the purest of pleasures. Our parson has just chosen a number of men to be taught the pleasing science. Why did he select all working men? He has sons who often peep into the belfry who I feel sure have a desire for ringing. Is it that too much physical labour makes them chary of joining us? Not good enough! Why? Echo answers why?

That was a capital peal of Double Norwich we accomplished at Brentwood the other Saturday. It was also a cyclists' peal. Eight bicycles all in one shed under the eye of one ostler, who did very well that day. Some of us met with punctures on the journey and delayed the peal, but we scored all the same. I was pleased to find Mr. H. Kirton amongst us, for it is to him that I owe my second birth into the ringing world. He is a good ringer, and those towns and villages round Chelmsford will be glad of his assistance, now that he has found a constant situation at Boreham. Mr. Lewis Green, too, had come all the way from South Africa for this peal, and with a tenor-man like Arthur Head, and a conductor like W. Lincoln, it should have made even Joseph Chamberlain happy on his 75th birthday, July 8th.

I hear on good authority we are to have a compositors' peal. There seems no end to novelty in peal-ringing, and it is wonderful to observe the unanimity that exists between birds of a feather. They will flock together even at church steeples. I remember once meeting a man in Scotland, who it turned out was born in the same town in England, the same month, the same day of the week, and the same hour. The only distinction between us was that he was the best-looking of the two, which did not say much for him. We instantly established what looked like a firm and lasting friendship, which remained unbroken until he asked me (or I asked him—I forget) the favour of a loan, which being granted, we never more clapped eyes upon each other, so much does borrowing (as Shakespeare says) "dull the edge of husbandry" and friendship. How we loved each other until that unhappy event! Even that of David and Jonathan could not outvie our constancy But "constancy dwells in things above." By and bye (after the compositors' peal) there may be a "printers' devil" peal. Then a "scribbler's peal," for which I imagine nobody will find themselves more eligible than

G. F. M.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

REPRESENTATION.

The following item stood next on the agenda: "That for the purpose of representation on the Central Council, only such mumbers of any territorial Association as are resident within the area covered by the Association, shall be considered in fixing the number of representatives which such Association is entitled to elect.

Mr. W. S. Story said this was a democratic resolution, for it meant one man one vote. If adopted it would have a bearing upon the representation of a meeting like that present that day. There were ringers who were not only members of two or more Associations, but some were members of as many as twelve or fourteen different Associations. Was it right that these should have a voice in the election of representatives upon the Council for each of the Associations of which they were members, as it helped in some cases to increase the representation. Last year there appeared some difficulty because some of the societies which were not territorial, such as the College Youths; but these the resolution did not propose to deal with. Possibly it might reduce the representation of some of the large Associations, but he was sure no Association would have cause to complain; of some it would not reduce the representation, and he did not believe there would be a word of complaint against it from any one, as everybody would see the justice of the proposal, and fall in with it.

Mr. W. A. Cave seconded. He said the resolution was just to all concerned, as it would simply mean that every ringer was represented by one member of the Council instead of, as was the case now in some instances, by a number of representatives. Some Associations had a number of hon .members, and also some a number of life members, who did not reside within the boundaries of the Association. These would be excluded from taking part in the election of representatives upon the Council, except where they resided.

Mr. A. T. King said he could not see bnt that the resolution if adopted, would create greater difficulties than it was intended to remove. A large number of people who got their living in London, went into the country to sleep; in fact there were many ringers in London who resided out of London, and he believed there were 380 and over in the Association which he represented, that lived out of London, to which were they if this resolution was adopted, to belong. There might not be much to gain, or much to lose, but he thought it best to let matters remain as they were.

Mr. J. A. Trollope said he hoped the Council would not pass the resolution. There were certain historical societies which had no territorial area. Here trouble would arise, as it would also with some of the adjoining counties, such as Essex and Kent.

The Rev. Maitland Kelly said there was one difficulty which bad not been referred to. There were life members of some Associations who did not reside in the area of that particular Association, having left the district. Some of these had not become members of the Association for the district in which they resided, and so would not be represented upon the Council.

The Rev. C. E. Matthews said the present system had worked satisfactory, and no unpleasantness had been caused, and he saw no reason for any change.

The Rev. H. S. Richardson asked what would be the result if the proposal was adopted with respect to the Yorkshire Association and the Cleveland and North Yorks. Association.

Mr. W. Snowdon said it would be the Yorkshire Association only.

The President said he did not approve of the wording of the resolntion, and he considered it rather a delicate matter to pass it as it stood. If the Council approved the resolution, he thought it would be wise to send it to the various Associations for their judgment before its final adoption.

The resolution was put to the meeting, and declared lost.

OFFICIAL REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Mr. J. A. Trollope said he had been requested to move the next resolution which was to have been moved by Mr. Parker, and failing that gentleman by Mr. Frank Bennett, but both gentlemen bad been compelled to go, and he had undertaken the duty. The resulution No. 8 wss in no way directed against "The Bell News," neither did he hold any brief for the other paper He had his own private opinions with respect to both journals, but that was not for him to give there. All that he desired to do was to hold the scale even between both journals. With respect to "The Bell News," it had existed for thirty years, and it was well-known that there had been a great deal of belfry reform throughout the country through its existence. It was of advantage to the Council to have a journal open to receive its reports, but he thought it would be of greater advantage to the Council to have both journals open to receive and to publish its reports, and so far as the Council was concerned to treat both journals upon an equal footing.

Mr. A. T. King said the resolution was one which concerned the Analysis Committee, and for it he was not prepared at present to speak. It was for the benefit of every ringer that the Council was formed, and it was for the good of every ringer to get the decisions of the Council published. Every ringer had a right to the resolutions. If the Council said it would only publish its decisions in one journal it practically said every ringer that wanted a copy of the resolutions must take that particular journal. As a Council they ought to afford every opportunity available to let every ringer know the result of their deliberations. He thought the resolution should be drafted: That the Council's official reports be published in the ringing journals.

Mr. G. P. Burton suggested that the Council might recognise both journals, and so have two official gazettes.

The President said it should be remembered that hitherto "The Bell News" had been the only means the Council had of making known its work. At the same time he did not know that it could be termed official.

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter moved that the whole of the words in the resolution after "communications" be struck out. He said the publication of peals in one journal but not in the other added to the work of the Committee, as did also the publication of peals under one name in one journal and in the other under another.

In one instance a peal was said to have been rung muffled, but no mention was made of muffling in the other journal. If the whole of ihe resolution was adopted he hoped the Council would not expect the Analysis Committee to carry out the work it would entail. He thought it would be far better if the conductor of a peal sent to both journals, as this would prevent some of the unexplained mistakes which now occurred.

This was seconded by Mr. R. J. Dawe, and carried.

A further amendment having been proposed by the Rev. J. M. Clarkson, and seconded by Mr. G. Bolland to the effect that the Council send official reports and communications to both papers,

The President said that in this case it would be impossible for him to continue to supervise the official reports of the Council meetings as be had for the past twenty years. He had not the time to correct two reports.

Mr. J. S. Pritchett having moved the previous question, and the same having been seconded by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, was put to the meeting and carried.

A vote of thanks to the President, moved by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, closed the proceedings.

Correspondence.

POINTS FOR TWELVE-BELL PEALS.

Sir,—In the report of the Central Council meeting at Leicester, which appears in your issue of the 8th, justice is hardly done to my argument as regards the points proposed for 12-bell peals. To me personally this is of small consequence, but since not a word was said in support of the case for 12-bell ringers by any other member present, I feel the point I raised should be made clear to your readers, especially so as the case for 6-bell ringers received such full attention, and is adequately reported. It should not be overlooked that so far as peal values are concerned, a big majority of the Council stand for the 6-bell or 8-bell interest, and there is a risk that the claims of 12-bell ringers should be quite ignored.

My point was that competition in the world of ringing has, as

in other departments of life, forced on us a higher standard all round. This bears especially hardly on 12-bell ringers, for in order to keep abreast of the times, they have to learn and to practice the fashionable 8-bell methods. As a result with time and attention divided between 8-bell and 12-bell work, they are most heavily handicapped, and the difficulty of their scoring peals at all is greatly increased. On the other hand, 8-bell ringers can concentrate all their attention on their 8-bell methods only. We see the result weekly in the peal records; peals in the Surprise Major methods are turned out in profusion by every advanced 8-bell company—and they are many: but how few peals of Maximus or Cinques do even the most practised 12-bell hands achieve.

Sufficient notice has never been taken of this point in considering peal values. I still feel that the amended schedule of points as referred to the Committee, does an injustice to 12-bell ringers. GEORGE P. BURTON.

MINOR METHODS.

SIR,—Permit me to point out that in speaking at the Central Council meeting at Leicester on the proposed splicing of Minor methods into extents, I made no decided statement as to the truth of the historical "Crown Bobs" which were recalled to my mind by the Rev. Law James's proposal to splice together certain methods into true extents. Indeed I tried to express myself as doubtful, because one would have thought that so neat a scheme—if true—would have survived in the minds of some of our undoubtedly clever six-bell brethren. Having looked up the subject I can now point out exactly what a "Crown Bob" was. Certain of your readers will possess copies of "J. D. and C. M.'s Campanalogia" in one or other of its first three editions, A.D. 1701 to 1733, and if they will turn to page 97 (or thereabouts) they will find them composed of a series of consecutive leads of Oxford Treble Bob, College Pleasure, and College Treble Bob. A lead of each was used, and to bring Oxford into line with its two companions its bob-lead is used. Thus at every splice fourth's place is made with the treble at its full lead, and the combinations, i.e. the series of consecutive leads, run round at the half extent, viz. 360 rows. I quite thought the 720 was fully spliced, and doubtless the reason why the later editions, including "Monk's," did not continue to give these "Crown Bobs"—as I now first notice—arose from their inability to produce the 720 rows. Mr. James therefore appears to be on entirely new ground, and deserves the congratulations and thanks of the Exercise for his ingenuity in splicing. As he has also accomplished a peal thus spliced he deserves further congratulations, himself and his band But what a pity it is that he does not know when to withold the term "Surprise," as one cannot believe that he wishes to prove the inconvenience of "blind leading the blind" in the question of what constitutes a Surprise method. WM. SNOWDON.

THE EXTENSION OF STEDMAN.

SIR,—Mr. Dains asks what course of study I should recommend in order to qualify for discussing an opinion on this question? My answer is, that I have found pure mathematics, chemistry, physics, botany and zoology extremely useful; they teach us how to study things in a scientific manner, and that is exactly what is wanted. Mr. Dains' researches in the old books are very interesting, and from an historical point of view very valuable, but from a scientific point of view they are absolutely useless.

Fabian Stedman invented a Principle, and proceeded to describe it according to his lights, but his description is also absolutely unscientific, as it was bound to be, for although the practice or art of ringing was then in existence, the Science was then unborn. The first real attempt at scientific classification was made by Shipway about a hundred years ago. It is full of mistakes, but still it was a real step in the right direction, and we have but to carry it on. How? First of all acquire a scientific mind, and then study every principle or method you can set your hand upon, and the analysis of hundreds of methods yields four results.

P. Plain. The whole of the working bells continuing in the same course order.

B. Bob. The course order of three working bells altered.

S. Single. The course order of two working bells altered.

X. (Unnamed). The course order of four working bells altered.

So far I have not found anything else; the first three P B and S are in practical use; the fourth can be found in Duffield by making three 3rd and 6th places in a six instead of two, and it links four courses together.

Now the so called plain course of Stedman Doubles is not plain; it consists of P and B, and is therefore a touch, although Stedman did not know it. H. LAW JAMES.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD MEETING.

SIR,—Would you kindly correct a small error in your report of the meeting of the Devonshire Guild? I certainly did not make the ridiculous mistake of speaking of the *extent* of 5040 changes in six-bell methods. The amendment I moved, and which was carried almost unanimously, referred back the report to the Committee so far as concerned peals of Minor and Doubles, with the request that they should study the "Rules and Regulations" of the Central Council. E. S. POWELL.

BISHOP RYDER'S, BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, July 15th, the ringers, accompanied by the Vicar and their wives and friends, journeyed to Evesham for their annual outing. They were met at the tower by Mr. Middleton, who did yeoman service in assisting to make everything enjoyable. While the bells were going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob Major and Grandsire Caters, the rest of the party were sailing down the river. An excellent tea was provided at The Granville hotel, to which every attention was paid.

The Vicar hoped the party would enjoy themselves, as he was obliged to leave at the close of tea in order to take a service at Birmingham.

Mr. Carrod thanked the Vicar for again entertaining them to tea, and also for the interest he always took in the ringers, and at the same time thanked the Vicar of Evesham for the use of the bells, and Mr. Middleton for his kindness, and would ask him to convey their thanks to the rev. gentleman.

Mr. W. Webb seconded, and the Vicar having briefly replied, the party adjourned, some to the belfry, others to the riverside. After the tower ringing the handbells were brought into requisition, and altogether a most enjoyable time was spent, the party arriving in Birmingham at 11.50, well satisfied and eager for the next.

ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY, BURY ST. EDMUNDS.

Saturday, July 15th, was the occasion of the above society's outing, when Hitcham, Hadleigh, and Lavenham, were at their disposal. Upon arrival at Hitcham breakfast was partaken of. They then made their way to the tower, where there is a fine peal of six, tenor about 18 cwt., rather in need of the bellhanger. Here 720 of Kent and 216 Bob Minor were brought round. Then off to Hadleigh, where touches of Superlative and Double Norwich Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung. On this day the quarterly meeting of the Ely Association was being held. Here a capital meat tea was provided for all visiting ringers. Then bidding their friends farewell, a start was made for Lavenham, where Double Norwich and Stedman Triples was rung. Having a light supper and refreshment, they made direct for home thus bringing a successful day to a close.

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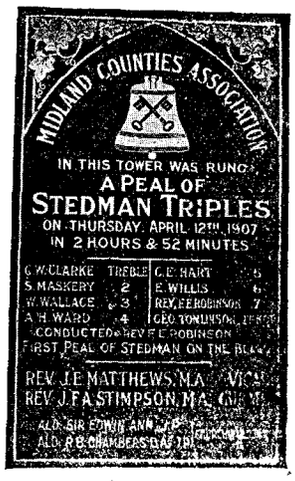

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SATURDAY, JULY 22, 1911.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at Lichfield on Saturday, July 8th. The bells at the Cathedral and St. Mary's and St. Michael's churches were made good use of. Fewer put in attendance at tea than were expected, which is to be regretted. The Rev. Preb. Bolton kindly presided at the meeting which followed. Apologies for non-attendance had been received from the Revs. O. W. Steele, W. Solly and E. V. Cox, also from Mr. W. R. Small. Several new names were added to the list of members. The autumn meeting is fixed for September 16th, at Penkridge. It is proposed to have another day's outing by brake on August 19th, starting from Stourbridge, and including Kingswinford, Wordsley, Wollaston, Kinver, Cookley, Enville, Old Swinford, and Hagley. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A most successful District Meeting was held on Saturday, July 15th, at Burham-on-Crouch, the occasion being the opening of a new ring of six bells at the parish church. Situated in a remote part of the county, it was necessary to journey by brake from Maldon, a distance of twelve miles. Among those present were Mr. C. H. Howard, Master of the Association, Rev. H. T. W. Eyre, Hon. Secretary, Rev. H. Jordan, senior curate of Bocking, and Mr. A. Edwards, district master, and ringers from Maldon, All Saints and St. Mary's, Harwich, Bentley, Nayland and Goldhanger.

The bells are a nice handy ring, tenor 10 cwt. in A flat.

They have been recast and a new treble added, and hung in a new iron frame constructed in a manner which makes it possible to hang two trebles to complete the octave, on the same level at some future date. The tone and go of the bells is splendid testimony to the excellence of the work of the noted firm of Warner and Sons.

Tea was provided by the Vicar, the Rev. H. W. Watson, who at the meeting following was elected an honorary member of the Association, together with his warden, Dr. Downman. Mr. W. Radclyffe, of South Tottenham, was also elected a life ringing member.

The Vicar and his wardenn are taking the greatest interest in the bells. The services of Mr. J. Wallock, of Cricksea, have been secured to teach a young band the mysteries of the Art, and there is a fair prospect of this delightful yachting village becoming a centre for change-ringing in the district.

The Hon. Secretary thanked the Vicar for his hospitality, and a few words of advice and encouragement were given to the local band by the Master.

Touches of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Treble and Plain Bob were rung during the day, and altogether a most enjoyable time was spent.

LLANBRADACH GLAMORGANSHIRE.

The Dedication of the new ring of eight bells will take place on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 o'clock, by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The ringing will be carried out by eight members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

HAROLD BURTON ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES GEORGE	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE..	2.	REUBEN SANDERS	6.
WILLIAM J. KEMP*	3.	HARRY FLANDERS	7.
ALBERT W. COLES	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

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

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

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On Sunday, July 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

PHILBERT W. WILKINS ..*Treble.*		WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ..	4.
FREDK. G. BIGGS	2.	ROBERT YOUNG	5.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	3.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE F. WILLIAMS.

The Vicar (Rev. F. Winterton), kindly entertained the ringers to tea after the peal.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS J. WATTS	..*Treble.*	JOHN LUCKEY	5.
GEORGE JORDAN..	2.	HARBY F. DAWKINS	6.
THOMAS JORDAN..	3.	WILLIAM T. PRICE	7.
ARTHUR B. WIFFEN	4.	WILLIAM WATTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.-THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

WALTER HOBBS..	..*Treble.*	HENRY J. TUCKER	5.
GEORGE DENT	2.	JOHN SMITH	6.
HARRY SMALE	3.	JOHN CORDELL	7.
HARRY BOTTRILL	4.	HENRY F. COOPER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by G. DENT.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9¼ cwt.

GEORGE A. BLAXLEY	..*Treble.*	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN ..	4.
DAVID G. NICHOLS	2.	WALTER T. CHAPMAN ..	5.
WILLIAM C. LEWIS	3.	E. MAURICE ATKINS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. MAURICE ATKINS.

Rung to celebrate the conductor's 21st birthday which occurred on the following day, the band wishing him many happy returns before starting for the peal.

PINNER, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

ALAN R. MACDONALD	..*Treble.*	JOHN J. PRATT	5.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	MAURICE F. K. HIBBERT..	6.
FRANCIS J. RUMENS	3.	GEORGE SHIPP	7.
CHARLES N. LEMAN* ..	4.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

*First peal of Treble Bob.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

WILLIAM PALMER	..*Treble.*	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	5.
WILLIAM SHORT..	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
THOMAS J. SALTER	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
FRANK WITHERS..	4.	*CHARLES H. WOODBURY	..*Tenor.*

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On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt. in F.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.	CHARLES T. P. BRICE .. 6.
ROBERT H. HAYWARD .. 3.	WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD .. 7.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT .. 4.	FREDK. R. BORRETT ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.
WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Frsday, July 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

WILLIAM SHORT.. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE HITCHMAN .. .. 5.
J. W. TILLEY .. .. .. 2.	SAMUEL GROVE .. .. .. 6.
HAROLD PRATT*.. .. .. 3.	ALBERT BEECHAM .. .. 7.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS .. .. 4.	†ALLAN J. CARTWRIGHT ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

*First peal of Stedman, †First peal. This is W. Short's 100th peal of Stedman Triples.

RUSHALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.
SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 7½ cwt.

JOHN WALKER* .. .. ..*Treble.*	*GEORGE PEATE .. .. .. 4.
REV. E. V. COX .. .. 2.	‡EDGAR SMITH .. .. .. 5.
EDWARD J. STAFFORD† .. 3.	WILLIAM D. JAMES .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. E. V. COX.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor. ‡First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

JOSEPH MACKS .. .. ..*Treble.*	CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 5.
HARRY SEAR .. .. .. 2.	*FREDK. C. TOMPKINS .. 6.
CECIL A. VALENTINE .. 3.	WILLIAM WEBB.. .. .. 7.
HENRY W. GAYTON .. .. 4.	*WILLIAM F. SMITH .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY SEAR.

*First peal on eight bells. First peal on the bells since being re-cast and hung in a new steel frame, by Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, the band being perfectly satisfied wsth the splendid tone of the bells, the "go" of them being perfect.

TURVEY, BEDS.—THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHUCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

MISS EVELYN STEEL ..*Treble.*	HERBERT SHARP .. .. 5.
JOHN W. BARKER .. .. 2.	HERBERT HARLOW .. .. 6.
WILLIAM T. LIGHTFOOT .. 3.	HARRY TYSOE .. .. .. 7.
FRANK WEBB .. .. .. 4.	HENRY STAPLETON .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by JOHN W. BARKER.

First peal by the ringer of the treble. Miss Steel is the first lady to ring a peal in the county.

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THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Violet, New London Pleasure, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

FREDK. W. BOOTH .. ..*Treble.*	ERNEST G. MYNARD .. 4.
WILLIAM SHARP.. .. .. 2.	FREDK. J. MYNARD .. .. 5.
JOHN LOVELL .. .. .. 3.	EDWIN S. MYNARD .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. J. MYNARD.

First peal of Treble Bob on the belle; also the quickest.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

FREDK. S. PASKINS .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD .. 5.
LIONEL H. PAGE .. .. 2.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE .. 6.
HENRY W. WILKES .. .. 3.	EDWIN J. HARDING .. .. 7.
WILLIAM T. TUCKER .. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

HERNHILL, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

CLARENCE SMITH* .. ..*Treble.*	*SIDNEY FOX .. .. .. 5.
ALFRED BONES*.. .. .. 2.	EDWARD TRENDELL .. .. 6.
EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. 3.	HORACE GILBERT .. .. 7.
CLARENCE HADLOW .. .. 4.	*ALBERT STACE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. TRENDELL.

*First peal.

HARDINGSTONE. NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores.

FREDK. ROWLEDGE .. ..*Treble.*	FRED HOPPER .. .. .. 3.
CHARLES HAINES .. .. 2.	THOMAS LAW .. .. .. 4.
FRANK ROLLINGS .. .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by FRANK ROLLINGS.

First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells since being rehung by Bowell, of Ipswich, the "go" being excellent.

Miscellaneous.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—On June 18th, 448 Cambridge Surprise Major. E. Tingey, H. Tysoe, H. Harlow, W. Lightfoot, H. Sharp, C. Chasty, J. H. Freeborn, J. W. Barker. On June 22nd, 880 Kent Treble Bob Royal. B. Finding, J. W. Barker, E. Tingey, H. Sharp, W. Lightfoot, H. Harlow, C. Chasty, F. Webb, J. H. Freeborn, H. Tysoe. 336 Bob Major. D. Thompson, J. Church, S. Cullip, E. Tingey, W. Lightfoot, H. Harlow, H. Tssoe, J. W. Barker. 387 Grandsire Triples. Miss E. Steele, H. Tysoe, J. Church, W. Lightfoot, E. Tingey, H. Harlow, J. W. Barker, D. Thompson. 288 Kent Treble Bob Major. E. Tingey, J. Church, W. Lightfoot, H. Harlow, H. Tysoe, H. Sharp, C. W. Clarke, J.

W. Barker. On July 13th, 476 Grandsire Triples. Miss E. Steel, H. Harlow, B. Finding, P. Inskip, J. W. Barker, H. Sharp, F. Webb, S. Hall. 224 Superlative Surprise Major. B. Finding, H. Tysoe, F. Webb, H. Harlow, C. W. Clarke, C. Chasty, H. Sharp, J. W. Barker.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MARSHFIELD (Monmouthshire).—On Monday, July 17th, for practice at the parish church, 168 Grandsire Triples. A. Evans, J. W. Jones, H. Pitman, H. Edwards, T. Williams, W. Edwards, L. Brown, W. Waters. First 168 by all except the ringer of the 2nd.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BOXLEY (Kent).—On Thursday, June 22nd, at 5.30 a.m., a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. L. Bowley, W. Gosling conductor, G. Pound, W. Hope, W. Kilpatrick, F. Wright.

LONDON.—On Sunday evening, July 16th, for evening service at St. Mary's church, 1152 Kent Treble Bob in 42 mins. W. J. Kemp, E. Woolley, G. R. Fardon, P. Hislop, H. Gowlett, F. J. Hardy, J. Bullock, A. Barker conductor. Longest length, and first touch as conductor in the method by the ringer of the tenor.

The following touches were rung by the Leytonstone Society on the occasion of their annual outing, Saturday, July 8th, 1911.

EARLS BARTON.—At All Saints church, 720 Lincoln Surprise. W. Doran, W. Theobald, H. Torble, G. Dawson, W. Miller conductor, J. Moule. And 120 Grandsire Deubles.

COGENHOE.—At St. Peter's church 720 Ipswich Surprise. F. Wilford, G. Dawson, G. A Black, T Faulkner, W Miller conductor, J Moule And a touch of Plain Bob

DUSTON.—At St. Luke's church 720 Norwich Surprise. F. Wilford, G. A. Black, G. Dawson, J. Moule, W Miller conductor, H Torble And a short touch of Plain Bob

BRINGTON—At St Luke's church 720 York Surprise W Theobald, G A Black, W Doran, T Faulkner J Moule conductor, H Torble And a touch of Grandsire

HARLESTONE—At St Andrew's church 720 London Surprise T Faulkner, G A Black conductor, G Dawson, W Miller J Moule conductor, H Torble And a touch of Grandsire

DALLINGTON—At St Mary Magdalene three courses of Cambridge Surprise H Torble, W Thebald, G A Black, W Miller conductor, G Dawson T Faulkner And 120 Grandsire

NORTHAMPTON—On Sunday, July 9th, at St Giles's church, two courses of Sthdman Caters W Doran conductor, J Houghton. F Wilford, W Miller H Torble, W Thdobald, G A Black, J Moule, T Foulkner, G Dawson And a touch of Trdble Bob Royal W Doran, J Houghton, F Wilford, W Miller F Hopper, W Theobald, G A Black, J Moule, T Faulkner conductor, H Torble At St Sepulchre's church, 448 Superlative Surprise W Theobald, F Wilford, G A Black, W Miller conductor, J Moule, Miller conductor, J Moule, J Houghton, T Faulkner, H Torble And a touch of Grandsire Triples At St Edmund's church three courses of Double Norwich W Theobald, W Doran, W Miller, F Hopper, G A Black, F Wilford, J Moule, T Faulkner conductor And a short touch of Stedman and Grandsire Triples with some of the local men standing in At All Saints church 516 Double Norwich W Theobald, W Doran, W Miller, G A Black, F Wilford, J Moule, T Faalkner conductor, H Torble And two courses of Grandsire Triples A Fiddis, G Dawson, G A Black, W Theobald, J Moule, T Faulkner conductor, H Torble, W Doran And a touch of Stedman Triples.

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By H. DAINS.

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5040 BOB MAJOR.—By G. CROSS.

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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. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 25th.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association late the St James's Society.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held to-day, Sat., July 22nd, at St Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at All Hallows, Tottenham, to-day, Sat., July 22nd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at 5.30 in the Parish Hall. The bells of St. Ann's, South Tottenham, will be at the disposal of ringers from 6 to 8 p.m. Members and friends cordially invited.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green to-day, Sat., July 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. By the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. E. St. John Macdonald), tea will be provided on the rectory lawn at 6 o'clock

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston.

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerleon to-day, Sat., July 22nd, at 4 o'clock.

REV. CONNOP L. PRICE, J. W. JONES. } *Hon. Secs.*

The Kent County Association.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Shoreham on Saturday, July 22nd. Bells at 4 p.m. Short service and address by the Rev. H. D. Madge, Vicar, at 5.30 p.m. Tea at The George inn. Business meeting to follow. Eynsford bells will be available from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., and after the meeting. Half rail fares up to 2s. allowed at the meeting.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
34, *Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.*

The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Linton to-day, Sat., July 22nd. Belfry open at 3.20 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m. Business meeting after service.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association—Western Branch.—A quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Upton-on-Severn on Saturday, July 22nd. Service at 4 p.m. Meeting at 4.30 p.m. Bells—Upton, 8, Hanley Castle, 6.

HERBERT T. KNOWLES, *Hon. Sec.*
35, *Redland Road, Malvern.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Leyland parish church to-day, Sat., July 22nd. Bells ready at 3. Business meeting at 5.30. A good attendance is requested.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch. — A meeting will be held at St. Nicolas Liverpool, to-day, Sat., July 22nd. Bells ready at 5.30. Meeting at 7. The committee will also attend. A good meeting is requested. All ringers welcomed.

WALTER HUGHES, *Branch Sec.*

The Surrey Association.—Quarterly meeting at Reigate on Saturday, July 29th. Bells (10) at 2.30. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, at a charge of 6d. to members. The Vicar will preside. For special reasons it is particularly desired that members turn up in good numbers. Representatives of towers, and unattached members intending to be present, kindly write not later than Wednesday, July 26th, to CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*
Bell Foundry, Croydon.

The Warwickshire Guild. — The annual meeting will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Warwick, on Saturday, July 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Unveiling at 4.20 p.m. (prompt), by the Lord Bishop of Worcester, the peal-board of the first clerical peal of Stedman Caters. Evensong at St. Mary's church at 4.45 p.m.—Preacher — the Lord Bisqop of Worcester, followed by tea and the annual meeting. Tea will be arranged for those who sent in their names to the Hon. Secretary not later than Wednesday, July 26th.

ARTHUR L. COLEMAN, *Hon. Sec.*
High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley (by request), on Saturday, August 4th. A walk through the drives of Worsley Hall has been arranged. Bells ready at 2.30. Meeting at 7. W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—It is proposed to arrange a whole day's outing for Saturday, August 19th, starting by conveyance from Stourbridge, and to visit Oldswinford (8), Hagley (8), Clent (8), Kinver (6), Enville (8), Kingswinford (6), Wordsley (6), and Wollaston (6). Will those ringers who wish to join, send their names to me at once, so that the necessasy arrangements may be made. REV. E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
6, Upper Forster Street, Walsall.

The Ely Dioceaan Association.—The postponed annual meeting of this Asoclation will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea. — The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PEYER, *Sec,*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

Mr. E. Reader, of Loughborough, writes:—"*Re* peal of Stedman Caters at Loughborough on July 1st. On re-considering, I think it best to withdraw it. Although a well-struck peal, a nasty scramble occurred in the last four 6's, the bells not coming round sufficiently clear to warrant it being actually called rounds."

BOB ROYAL.

By H. PRICE, *Kegworth, Derby.*

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THE HEAVITREE SOCIETY.

The members of this society had their annual outing on Saturday, June 8th. Leaving Exeter by the first train for Crediton, where a break was in waiting, no time was lost in getting on the road to Winkleigh, this stage being done well under the schedule time. Here the genial Vicar (Rev. H. Bremridge), met the party, and led the way to his spacious well-kept lawn, where 'neath the delightful shade of a fine spreading cedar, was laid a substantial luncheon—all the more welcome, because unexpected. The inner man having been well satisfied, a move was made to the tower, not without slight misgivings, for had not the Vicar warned us "there were critics about." Our rise was not faultless, but it passed muster, and then two touches of Grandsire in decent striking positively weaned over the critics, and they deigned to speak to us. Further soft persuasions induced a few of them, including the Vicar and the village blacksmith, actually to stand in with us, and ring a short touch of call-changes. Truly a model Vicar from a ringers' point of view, and loved by everybody. Would there were more like him. After some more of his cider, and three shots from the local artists' camera, at which Peter, the Vicar's terrier, never even blinked, we tore ourselves away from our newly-found friends, and started for Sampford Courtenay. But this was a land of promise we were never destined to reach. We could see the tower down in the valley, first before and then behind us: yet the way down to it was a mystery. After a few hour's spent in wandering round hilly country lanes, during which we expended more horse breath, and good temper than the game was worth, we gave it up, and regained the main road, where, as a local rustic put it, the friendly "telegram" wires led up to North Tawton. Here, at The Gostwyck hotel, we found our dinner waiting, so we fell to at once, and soon forgot our former disappointment. Augmented now by reserves from home, we rang some Stedman and Bob Major here, for the bells go beautifully, although for tone we said "give us Winkleigh." Then a stroll round the town brought along starting time, and with horses rested we rattled homewards through Bow, once noted for its champion wrestlers, and Copplestone, with its prominent Runic cross. Near Barnstaple Cross a halt was called for refreshments, which were distributed in pic-nic fashion in a field by the roadside, some diversion being caused by the appearance of a ferocious looking bull, which however proved harmless.

An attempt to arrange for some ringing at Crediton to make for the loss of Sampford Courtenay was voted off, so they wound up with a band concert and skittle match. They have had enjoyable outings before, but Winkleigh will always be remembered as one of the best.

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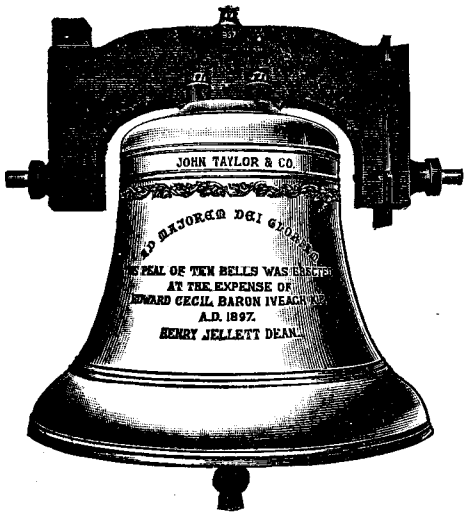

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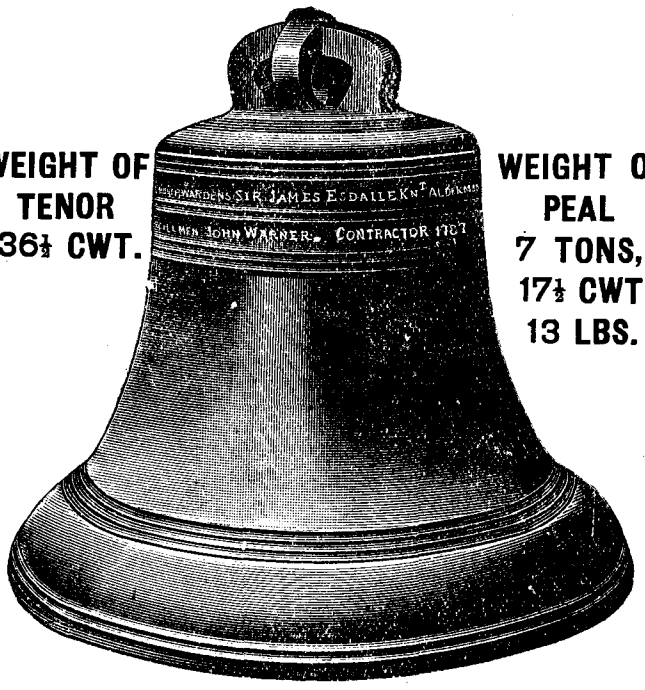

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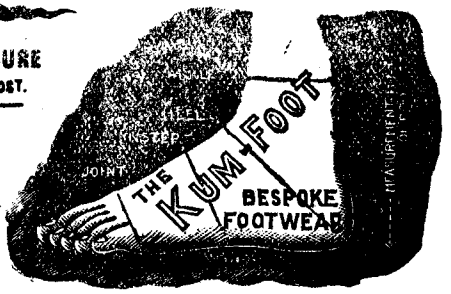

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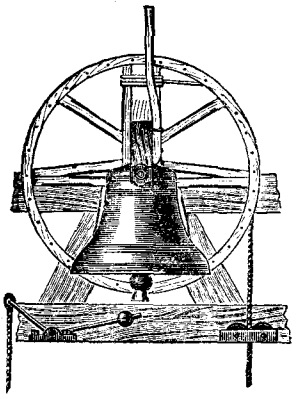

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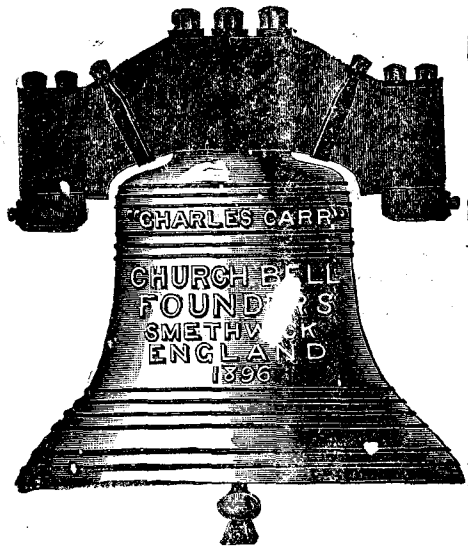

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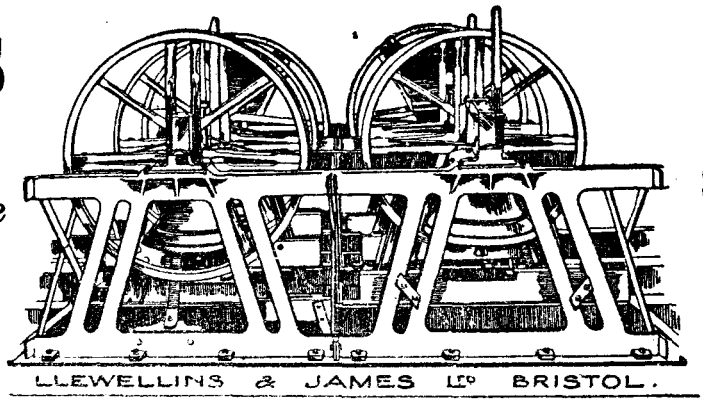

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

For the fifteenth year in succession the summer meeting of the Tonbridge Disrrict was held at Speldhurst on Saturday, July 15th, and that the meeting is as popular as ever was shown by the fact that over sixty members attended. Besides the towers in the district being represented, there were also present Messrs. W. T. Cockerill and E. E. Hughes (Mears and Stainbank), and other ringers from London, Messrs. Groombridge (2), Davis, Blackwell, Emery, Wheadon, and others from the Lewisham District, and about eighteen members from Rochester and Chatham. The members were welcomed on arrival by Miss Leny and Mrs. Mackinnon, and as they put it, they could not all ring at once, they invited the members to the rectory, where quoits, rounders, golf, etc., were indulged in, the Rector joining heartily in games of quoits.

At five o'clock the members attended a special service in church, kindly arranged by the Rector. The choir boys very kindly volunteered their services, and therefore the musical part of the service was well rendered. The Rector gave an eloquent, impressive, and appropriate address, which was closely followed by those present. Service over, an adjournment was made to The George and Dragon inn, where an excelleut meat tea was kindly provided by Miss Leny, and served up in host Hutson's well-known style, At the conclusion of the tea Mr. Hughes proposed, and Mr. Cockerill scconded, that hearty votes of thanks be accorded to Miss Leny and Mrs. Mackinnon for thus kindly entertaining them again, and recalled the many pleasant gatherings that had been arranged by these ladies, and hoped that they might all meet again in the future.

This was supported by Mr. W. Latter, District Secretary, and carried unanimously, and Miss Leny in replying said that it gave her and her sister the greatest pleasure to meet them all year by year, and hoped they might have more of these pleasant gatherings.

A move was then made, some of the visitors visiting the tower where touches in various members were rung, and the members of the district went to the rectory grounds for the business meeting. Mr. G. Edwards (Chiddingstone), was voted to the chair, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Five new members were elected, and it was decided to attempt the next quarterly peal at Edenbridge on Saturday, August 12th. Method—Treble Bob Major; conductor—the District Secretary. There being no other business the District Secretary proposed that votes of thanks be accorded to the Rector for the use of the bells, and for arranging the service, and for his excellent address; and to the choir boys for their kind assistance.

This was seconded by Mr. E. May (Shipbourne), and carried, Miss Leny kindly undertaking to convey this to the various parties. This concluded the meeting, and after more ringing a pleasant hour was spent at The George and Dragon inn in conversation, and in listening to some courses of Treble Twelve tapped off on the piano by Mr. T. Groombridge, jun., and the time when the Act of Parliament compelled them to part company came all too quickly. The members of the Lewisham District stayed the night, and visited Penshurst, Chiddingstone, and Edenbridge towers on Sunday, ringing for the various services at each of these churches.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(*Continued from page* 218.)

The Revs. C. W. O. Jenkyn, G. F. Coleridge, and R. H. Hart-Davis were chosen as a Sub-Committee, with power to add to their number, to arrange a form of service for use at Guild meetings, and at dedication and opening ceremonies.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge submitted an interesting report of the Central Council meeting at Leicester, and he was thanked for his account.

The Master reported, under the head of "Confirmation of new Members," that 65 change-ringers and 31 probationers had been added.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the proceedings.

The members then adjourned to The Swan hotel, Paul's Row, where annual luncheon took place. The Rev. C. P. S. Clarke was to have presided, but in his absence the chair was taken by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge. A capital repast was provided by Mr. and Mrs. T. Phillips, who were congratulated and thanked by the delegates.

After the removal of the cloth, the chairman submitted the health of "The King," and remarked that he hoped before long, they would get his Majesty's permission to ring in the Curfew Tower at Windsor.

The chairman afterwards proposed "The Preacher," the Rev. E. B. Shaw. He said they always knew the Archdeacon as a hard-working, never-tiring man. They rejoiced to see him in the apron and gaiters, and they rejoiced still more to see him in the pulpit that day, delivering manly words. The organist and the church officials were also thanked.

The chairman here observed that as Mr. Andrews had to leave the gathering, they had no one to respond for the Archdeacon, who had another engagement. He might say that that was the first festival they had had without a choir at the church service. He must therefore congratulate the men on the hearty manner in which they sang the hymns used at church that morning.

The Rev. E. Broome proposed "The Oxford Diocesan Guild," and referred to the usefulness of the organization, and expressed the hope that its influence might be considerably extended.

The Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, in response, said that at the present time there were about 1800 members in the Oxford Diocesan Guild. He considered that one of the main reasons for the progress of the Guild was the unity and good fellowship that prevailed. Going about as he did, he was delighted to see the good work that was being

accomplished. In the Oxford diocese they had 149 towers, and during the past year he had given advice concerning several towers, and had rung in 58, Since he had been in the Guild he had appeared in 67 towers.

Mr. Paice proposed the healths of the Treasurer (Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis), and the newly-appointed Secretary (Mr. A. E. Reeves), and eulogised the splendid work they had accomplished on behalf of the Guild.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis, in response, said that, financially, they were in a good position. He thought the time had really come when they should get a little fresh blood, and now that they had Mr. Reeves, who was an indefatigable worker, he hoped that some new vigour would be introduced.

Mr. Reeves, who also responded, said that had it not been for the nine years' tuition which he had received from Mr. Hart-Davis, he did not think it would have been possible for him to aspire to the honourable position of Secretary of the Oxford Diocesan Guild.

The Rev. R. H. Hart-Davis gave "The Chairman," who in reply said that he had been a member of the Guild for thirty years.

The luncheon proceedings having ended, delegates visited the following towers and rang touches or peals in various methods: — Beaconsfield (8), Hughenden (8), Marlow (8), Wooburn Green (8), West Wycombe (6), and High Wycombe (12).

From every standpoint the Festival was a great success, thanks in a great measure to the splendid arrangements made by Mr. Reeves.

The amount of the tender for the memorial to our late Master is £269, and not £209 as stated. The Rev. J. B. Kirby's motion authorises the Committee, not the Meeting, to proceed with a suitable memorial at the end of the year.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SOCIETY, LEYTONSTONE.

On Saturday, July 8th, ten conspicuous looking men were seen on Euston platform; these were the ringers of the above Society, with Mr. T. Faulkner, of Barking, assembled there to catch the 7.10 a.m. train en route for Northampton, which was this year chosen for the annual two day's outing. After an eventful journey, during which we had to change twice, we arrived at Northampton about 9.15, where we were met by that well-known ringer Mr. Wilford, who had made all arrangements, and who acted as our guide during our pleasant visit. After the usual greetings we were soon conducted to our headquarters—The Plough hotel, Bridge Street, where breakfast was in readiness, and needless to say was soon disposed of after our tedious train journey. This over, we were soon seated in a good pair horse brake, and a journey through seven miles of beautiful country brought us to Earls Barton, the first place on our list for ringing. Here, in a grand old Saxon tower, which has been a landmark for several miles round for centuries, hangs a ring of six bells, tenor about 14 cwt. Soon these were raised, and "go, Lincoln," was called, but before going far our strong man broke his rope, this being the only disappointment. Thanks to the local tower keeper very little time was wasted, for another rope was ready and attached in a few minutes. Very soon Lincoln was brought round, then a touch of Grandsire for the novices of our band, and having refreshed ourselves a move was next made for Castle Ashby. A drive through the lovely park on a glorious summers day was much appreciated by all. Arriving at the church of St. Mary Magdalene (which stands near the mansion of the Marquis of Northampton) we found the tower contained a heavy ring of five bells with the tenor 23 cwt. These went fairly well, but owing to the extraordinary long draught of rope it made it difficult to ring them with comfort. However 120 of each of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles was rung in fairly good style. While some were ringing the others were viewing the various items of iterest, amongst which was the family vaults of the Marquis of Northampton, over which hangs a magnificent guardian angel of pure white marble. A hasty farewell to Mr. H. Fowler and we were soon on the road to Cogenhoe, where at the church of St. Peter we found a light ring of six by Taylor. A 720 of Ipswich Surprise was soon completed, and a touch of Plain Bob, and it was time to return to headquarters to dinner. Having replenished the inner man our horses were again ready. This time we drove in the opposite direction. The first place of call was St. Luke's, Duston. The bells, a light ring of six, tenor about 8 cwt., were ready for us and were soon ringing to the tune of Norwich Surprise, a capital 720 resulting. A touch of Grandsire and the bells were lowered in peal, a somewhat novel experience for London ringers. Next we made our way to Brington, where at the parish church of St. Luke hang a very melodious ring of six bells, tenor 18 cwt., all cast by Rudhall, of Gloucester. A 720 of that musical method, York Surprise, was rung, the ringing concluding with a 120 of Grandsire Doubles. Next tea was served amidst rural surroundings, for under a spreading apple (not chestnut) tree the ladies intimately connected with the church had tea ready in a lovely orchard, which was much enjoyed by us. Time was all too swiftly flying, and we had other places to visit, so bidding adieu to our lovely surroundings, we were soon driving through Althorpe Park and past the mansion of Earl Spencer. Arriving in due course at the church of St. Andrew, Harlestone, we found a good ring of six, tenor 23 cwt., in not too good ringing order. However the bells were raised and go London Surprise was called, and a good 720 was rung, a short touch of Grandsire, and then tracks were made for our last place on the list for Saturday, viz., St. Mary's church, Dallington. Arriving rather late Mr. Wilford sought the advice of the Vicar, the Rev. L. C. Streatfield before starting, who not only granted us permission, but said he had been waiting to hear us ring.

The bells, a handy ring of six. were soon going to Cambridge Surprise, time not allowing for more than three courses and a touch of Plain Bob. The bells were then lowered in peal, and this concluded a successful day's ringing. Having dismissed our brake, we elected to walk through the fields in the moonlight to the nearest tramway terminus, which soon brought us to our hotel. Supper being ready and over, we had a glass and a pipe intermixed with a good song or two by some of our musical members, which soon brought about bed-time.

Sunday saw most of us early astir and enjoying a walk by the river Nene before meeting at 8.30 for breakfast. Our guide had kindly arranged for us to visit four churches in Northampton for the day, and we were welcomed by a great many ringers during our brief stay. Ten o'clock saw us outside the church of St. Giles, where meeting Mr. Wilford and other ringers, we were conducted to the well-appointed tower, in which hangs a good peal of ten bells, tenor 23 cwt. Soon they were swinging to the tune of Stedman Caters, conducted by W. Doran,

A short touch of Treble Ten brought along time for ser-service, at which some of ns stayed, and others preferred a quiet stroll round.

Dinner over, we made tracks for the church of St. Sepulchre, which is one of the very few round churches in England, where hangs a good peal of eight bells in good going order, but for the clock which stands in the middle of the room. Here Superlative Surprise was rung, in whish Mr. J. Houghton took part, he having cycled over from Irthlingborough to meet us. A short touch of Grandsire concluded the ringing there. Next we were having a ride through the town by electric car to the church of St. Edmund, where the local ringers had everything in readiness for us. Very soon the bells were going to Double Norwich, which was a pleasure to ring in a well-appointed ringing-room. A touch of Stedman and Grandsire Tripies, another short tram ride, and we were once more at headquarters enjoying the afternoon tea. And now comes our last touch of the tour. Meeting at All Saints church at 5.20 p.m., we were welcomed by several local ringers, who soon conducted us to the tower. Here these grand and melodious bells, tenor 23 cwt., were soon going to Double Norwich, a good 516 being well struck, conducted by Mr. Faulkner. A short touch of Stedman and Grandsire brought the ringing part of our outing to a close.

Before leaving to catch the 8.5 train home from Northampton, we spent a social hour at The Plough hotel with several of the local ringers. Mr. Black in a few well-chosen words thanked Mr. Wilford and all the local men who had helped to make our outing of 1911 such a great success. Mr. Wilford replied, saying that it gave him great pleasure to assist brother-ringers as often as it lay in his power to do so.

The best thanks of the St. John's company are due to all the various clergy who readily granted permission to ring their bells; to Mr. Wilford who made all the necessary arrangements, and saw us through our two day's stay; and the local ringers who gave us such a hearty welcome.

Our last good-bye was said as we were all in the train, ready to start on our journey home, with pleasant recollections that will live long in our minds of the successful visit we had to Northampton and district.

The ringing done at the various places in connection with this outing, appeared in our last issue.

LLANBRADACH GLAMORGANSHIRE.

The Dedication of the new ring of eight bells will take place on Saturday, July 29th, at 5 o'clock, by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The ringing will be carried out by eight members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

EARLS BARTON.—At All Saints church, 720 Lincoln Surprise W. Doran, W. Theobald, H. Torble, G. Dawson, W. Miller conductor, J. Moule. And 120 Grandsire Doubles.

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THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of this Association was held on Saturday, July 22nd, at the ancient town of Caerleon, of Roman and King Arthur fame, when there were present representatives from nearly the whole of the Monmouthshire towers affiliated to the Association, and also were to be seen representatives from Glamorganshire. The bells having been sanctioned for use by the Vicar were raised soon after three o'clock, every thing being in readiness and prepared by the steeplekeeper, Mr. Evan Davies, to whose efforts it might be mentioned the present ring of eight bells were brought about. Thirty years ago, when Mr. Davies came to Caerleon, the then existing old five bells were in a most dilapidated state, but he got to work immediately, and soon were hung a new ring of six, to be followed later with two trebles, thus completing the octave.

Touches in various methods having been rung the tower was vacated for the schoolroom, where the meeting commenced about half past four, In the unavoidable absence of the Vicar, the first Master of the Association—Mr. Davies—was invited to the chair, who, after welcoming the members to Caerleon, and explaining the cause of the Vicer's absence, called upon the Hon. Secretary to read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were duly accepted as correct and signed. The Hon. Secretary—Mr. J. W. Jones, next read his report of the meeting of the Central Council at Leicester, for which a vote of thanks was accorded him. Following this Instructor's reports were then taken, good progress being reported at Caerphilly and Llanbradach, and in the absence of the Instructor to the Radyr tower mention was made that good work was being done there. It is also interesting to know that through the persistent efforts of the Association the authorities at Radyr have had the ropes lowered to the proper ringing chamber, instead of ringing on the floor immediately under the bells, the tower now being an ideal place for peal ringing.

Whilst the meeting was in progress a contingent on cycles arrived from Chepstow, including the Rev. F. G. Fairhurst. New members were next made, including the whole of the newly-formed band at Llanbradach. The next quarterly meeting takes plece at Aberdare. Subscriptions having been paid in and a vote of thanks passed to the chairman for presiding, the meeting terminated.

An invitation to all to tea, which had been provided in the adjoining room, was then given, at the conclusion of which a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar and special mention was made of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Davies, to whom all present were greatly indebted for their kindness in providing such an excellent tea.

The bells were afterwards brought into use, and several members visited King Arthur's round table Field, and saw the excavations which brought to light the old walls of the amphitheatre. The weather was delightfully fine, and the meeting was a very pleasant and enjoyable one. A service, conducted by the Vicar of the parish, took place at 6.30, and was well attended.

STEDMAN (Doubles & Triples)

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THE EASTWELL (NOTTS.) SOCIETY.

Wednesday, July 19th, will long be remembered by the Eastwood Society as the red-letter day of the annual outings which they have had, and that is not a few. Twelve hours in Derbyshire per motor car. Punctuality is everything, and so it was in this case. To the minute we were off, making our way to Heanor, on through Smalley to Duffield, where we had arranged for a pull. We started for Grandsire, and then Mr. Dawson, steeple-keeper, took a rope and the whole ten were rung. The belfry is very nicely kept, great pride being taken in it. Having had a feast of ringing we made for the car and started off for Belper, along the beautiful Chevin Valley. Arriving at Belper we spent an enjoyable hour or so in the Gardens, which fully repaid us, the rambler roses being especially good. Starting from Belper the road runs alongside the railway and river, crossing and re-crossing each other, truly a pretty scene. Over the Derwent bridge at Whatsandwell we go and along high sloping hill sides covered with trees and bracken, of which a portion was on fire. Into Cromford we go, passing Willersley House, where Florence Nightingate lived for a short time. We arrived at Matlock Bath at 12.20. A short stroll round, and then for dinner, which everyone was ready for. Dinner over we were off again, still hugging the line and river we made for Darley Dale, where arrangements had been made to have a short touch on the ring of eight. Having rung we strolled round the churchyard, and saw the yew tree supposed to be over 2000 years old, also two empty stone coffins, without lids, The interior of the church is very pretty, and from the ringing chamber you have a full view. Having had a refresher at The Church inn we made for Haddon Hall, passing on our way through Rowsley, where The Peacock hotel can be seen. Arriving at Haddow several of the members and their wives went into the Hall and saw all that was of interest. They made their escape through the same door as did Dorothy Vernon on that memorable night so well known. Time was getting on, and as our time table gave Bakewell arrive 3.55 p.m., we said good-bye to Haddon, and after a very fast five minutes' rnn reached Bakewell exactly to time. Here we arranged for a touch on the bells, which were of a most mellow musical sound, and the writer questions whether there is another ring of bells that are equal to them. The tenor weighs 17½ cwt., and the "go" is splendid, and great credit is due to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank. The next item was tea, arranged for 5 o'clock, but it was ten minutes later when the Captain said "go," and the ham and eggs did go at a warm pace. Tea over, a few small purchases having been made we started on our return journey. Crossing over the bridge which spans the river Wye we were soon on our way to Baslow (so much patronised by Sheffield people) climbing up the long winding hill, over the railway bridge, where the scenery was typical, the sun setting on the hillside, where you could find here and there an isolated house snugly tucked away; then down the long slope to Baslow, with its narrow bridge and many inlets and outlets. Still our pilot knew his way through, he only made one mistake the whole day, and that was rectified within twenty yards, the wrong road being taken just outside Bakewell on the return journey. On through Baslow we speed and then get on the four mile climb, traversing the moors of Derbyshire, which with the sun setting looked magnificent. The rugged hills covered with heather looked beautiful. Reaching the top of the hill we had a fall of 500-600 feet into Chesterfield, which laid in the hollow so four miles or so away. It was while descending this hill that the excitement was caused. Going at quite thirty miles an hour on a very winding road, the passengers were very pleased we struck into Brampton, and on the level into Chesterfield, where we stayed for a short time looking at the crooked spire (Chesterfield ringers please note we do not mean The Crooked Spire inn). Starting on our last stage of the journey we passed by Wingerworth Hall, where we, who were on the front seat, ran into a swarm of gnats and flies. On through that straggling village of Clay Cross, with its miserable houses and shops, right angles, corners' etc., to Stretton, where there is a splendid view of Ogston Hall lying in the valley, and surrounded by nicely wooded hills, which makes Derbyshire famous for its scenery. On into Alfreton, and then eight miles of uninteresting country, and very little time, can we do it? Now we are moving fine; is the driver trying to get us in on time? has our brother-ringer miscalculated the distance? One stop at Sowercotes to see a friend, five minutes, and precious minutes have flown, but not a murmur. "Are you ready," called the pilot? right away, next stop at Eastwood. On through Cadnor Park, eight miles, 3½ mites to go, shall we do it? Up Mansfield Road, by Messrs. Barber, Walker and Cos. place, 8.25 p.m., we are safe, and eventually pulled up at The Sun inn three minutes before time. We had twelve hours for the run, and we had seen the country in its best. One ringing member who had all along advocated for the horse drawn vehicle, is now, I am glad to say, a confirmed motorist, speed merchant, in fact every member expressed satisfaction with the outing. The time-table drawn up was a credit to the one responsible; no rushing, plenty of time allowed at each stopping place, but never were we behind time. We wish through the medium of this paper to express our thanks to the clergy of Bakewell, Darley Dale, and Duffield for their willing permission of the use of the bells; and also to the respected correspondent of each tower. In conclusion I may say that should any ringing tower intend to have an outing similar to the one just described, I should be very willing and pleased to give them all particulars, and would, if desired, map a route out, which I think would give satisfaction. M.

Correspondence.

THE EXTENSION OF STEDMAN.

SIR,—One might suppose from Mr James's letter that if only you approach the Stedman controversy in a scientific spirit you are bound to agree with his theory. But it is not so. I had a long and exhaustive discussion with him on the matter which was carried out on purely scietific lines; my object was not so much to prove that he was wrong as to see how far he was right; and I was forced to the conclusion that he had altogether failed to proved his case. He was compelled by a series of arguments to admit that Stedman Triples *is* a Principle, *i.e.* that what we call a plain course of Stedman Triples is really a plain course. He now goes back on that admission, and tells us that "the so called plain course of Stedman Doubles is not plain, it consists of P and B, and is therefore a touch." If this statement was wrong a few months ago how can it be right now? Mr. James has a good bit to say about coursing order. I have very fully discussed coursing order with him, and in my opinion his ideas on the subject are altogether unscientific and wrong, and the arguments he bases on them are consequently false. J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE.

P.S.—The peal of Bob Major in your last issue is not original.

STEDMAN, AND—SCIENCE.

SIR,—Mr. H. L. James is far too modest. In his syllabus of

instruction for Mr. H. Dains and others to qualify for an opinion on the above, he gives "Botany, Biology, Zoology, Mathematics (?)" Why not add—Sound, Light, Heat, Dynamics, Astronomy, Chemistry, Political Economy and the Higher Criticism of the Bible? Perhaps at the end of these studies the student (if he is alive) may be able to express his views on Stedman Triples. Some time ago, Mr. James wrote in one of his letters that it did not matter what I and others thought, "we were like those cranks who considered the earth was flat." At the time I failed to see the connection between the subjects; on the contrary the person who is so obessed with his one idea is usually considered to be the crank. Therefore it is quite consistent of Mr. James to address us as though we were a race of Hottentots, or at the best, agricultural labourers. The Exercise ought to be grateful to him for his condescention. In his opinion it is impossible for anyone to decide an abstract question of right and wrong unless he hails from Oxford or Cambridge, and as for common sense, that is a monopoly of the expert (!) Apparently there is a "corner" in science, and Mr. James holds all the stock! Nevertheless it is possible for some of your readers to be fully qualified in all the above subjects, and still be of the opinion that:—

1. Mr. James knows no more about Stedman than the man in the street knows about it.

2. That his apellation of Stedman as "Norwich Variation" is purely apocryphal, and a perversion of good English.

3 That his quick six shunt is only *one* of *many* scientific extensions possible.

What Mr. James knows about Stedman historically we all know. Whether F. Stedman understood the nature of his Principle we don't know, neither does Mr. James; but this we do know: that in the "plain changes" of Stedman he only alters a pair of bells each change, thus the courses run in and out alternately, and thus he got the extent to 120 without a *bob*. Query: Did not he understand it? Hitherto Mr. James has dubbed all Stedman peals as "Norwich Variation" (either himself or those whom he has persuaded to accept his views.) Among the ignorant people of the earth, and especially of this country; a variation is something altered or adapted from an original creation, the *original* being the first of its kind. Mr. James exposes our ignorance. His idea of Stedman *as it ought to be, although never yet rung* is to him "original" (?) while Stedman as it *is*, he calls variation. Thus he reverses the meaning of the English language. This compendium of scientific information sees week by week peals labelled "Oxford Variation," which is wrong according to common knowledge, but he never protests that "Oxford" being the first must be the original, and Kent only the variation; therefore his perversity is apparent—but stay; a fortnight ago, Mr. James cautiously spoke of Stedman Triples as "Norwich *Extension*." Verb Sap. Had he adopted this expression from the outset, there would have been no controversy, for this has been a question of terminology. In conclusion, seeing that in Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques only a pair of simple dodging bells are added, although the principle consists of two parts—scientific and simple—and on five bells the scientific portion (the slow) is in the majority of 3 to 2, ought not any extension from five bells upwards to include an extension of the slow work, i.e. the scientific portion, according to the law of majority rule? How can it be called a scientific extension which leaves the scientific part unextended from the day it was created? I do not say it is desirable. It would require a difierent "slow work" for each number of bells, but it can be done. I mention this to show that we can have a surfeit of science in ringing, and the possibilities of an extended slow are so vast that the quick six bob of the scientific savant sinks into comparative insignificance beside it. But it would not be entitled to be called "Stedman" any more than his.

WILLIAM WILLSON.

CENTRAL COUNCIL AND ITS OFFICIAL REPORTS.

SIR,—I made no such suggestion as that attributed to me in the concluding summary of the Leicester meeting printed in your last issue. On the contrary I asked whether the Council could have "two official gazettes," the natural inference being that I did *not* think it could. May I take this opportunity to say a word or two further on this question of the ringing press? During the whole of the discussion, both at Leicester and in the correspondence which has followed, all who have taken par have lost sight of at least one important point. It seems to have been forgotten that there are other qualifications for a good ringing paper besides mere formal journalism; however up-to-date this may be, and however smartly conducted, it is not the sum total of what is to be desired. For years we have been protesting that we ringers claim an honoured place among other church workers, and there must be some reflection of our churchmanship in our publications. If, as our President remarked at Leicester, we can make ourselves ridiculous by allowing any sort of rubbish in the way of figures and composition to be put forth, how much more is it true that others will judge the measure of our churchmanship by our journals. Our old paper has at least consistently kept this aspect of ringing in view of its readers. From the ideas recently expressed one would gather that any matter is good enough, provided only statistics are turned out promptly. But statistics by themselves are apt to grow wearying. I am sure there are many ringers who have already felt some anxiety on this score, and I am convinced that many more would soon cease to be satisfied were our weekly papers to sink to the style and level of a cheap sporting or betting periodical.

GEORGE P. BURTON.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HANDSWORTH.

The annual outing of this society took place on Saturday, July 15th, the place selected being Penkridge. The party, twenty-two in number, started from New Street station at 2.20 p.m., and arrived at their destination at 3.5 p.m. After visiting The White Hart hotel, and quenching our thirst, we journeyed to the parish church, where there is a beautiful ring of eight, and a quarter-peal was attempted, but unfortunately came to grief. The bells were afterwards lowered in good style. The party then adjourned to The White Hart hotel, where ham and eggs were awaiting them, ample justice being done to the good things provided. Tea being over, the the party enjoyed a quiet stroll through the village and beautiful fields that surround the church. We then returned to our headquarters, and settling down, appointed Mr. Faux the chairman for the evening, when a musical programme was gone through. The chairman thanked the host for the way he had looked after the party, which brougth a verypleasant evening to a close, all being well satisfied. We then journeyed homewards, having had a very enjoyable outing.

WRITTLE (Essex).—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins. R. Wood, L. Green, F. G. Radley, G. R. Crush, G. F. Margetson, H. H. Head, W. Lincoln, F. Edwards. The previous evening an attempt was made for a peal of Double Norwich, as a birthday compliment to T. Lincoln, but had to be abandoned owing to the heat melting away the grease from the bearings.

LONDON.—On Sunday evening, July 16th, for evening service at St. Mary's church, 1152 Kent Treble Bob in 42 mins. W. J. Kemp, E. Woolley, G. R. Fardon, P. Hislop, H. Gowlett, F. J. Hardy, J. Bullock, A. Barker conductor. Longest length, and first touch as conductor in the method by the ringer of the tenor.

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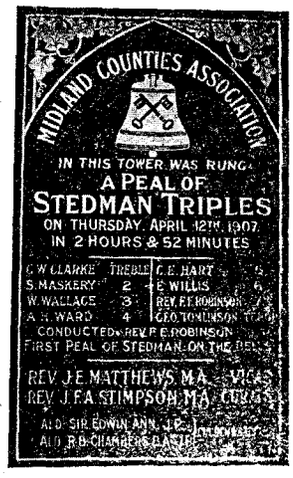

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SATURDAY, JULY 22, 1911.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A very pleasant gathering of the members of the Winchester district took place on Saturday last. By the kindness of the Bishop of Southampton they were invited to his residence—South Hill, Bassett, near Southampton, where they were very cordially received by the Bishop. Tea was served in a delightfully shady garden, after which the Bishop spoke some kindly words of welcome, and also expressed his high appreciation of the work done by ringers, and he hoped he would have a similar opportunity of meeting them.

A vote of thanks to the Bishop was proposed by the district secretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins), and seconded by the general secretary (Rev. E. W. Colchester).

The district secretary announced that the next quarterly meeting would be held in September, and that he had received an invitation from Mr. Henry White, of Bishopstoke, who was present that afternoon, for the members to have tea with him on that occasion. The Rector of North Stoneham, Rev. E. Kenworthy Browne, also hoped the committee would arrange a meeting at his parish during the summer of next year, when he would be pleased to entertain the members of the Guild in his garden.

After a most enjoyable stroll in the garden and shady walks of the spacious grounds, the members journeyed to Southampton, where the bells of St. Michael's had been placed at their disposal. The bells of North Stoneham, as well as those of St. Michael's had been rung during the afternoon, and some good touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Treble Bob were brought round. Nearly sixty members from various towers in the district accepted the Bishop's kind hospi-

tality, but it was a great disappointment to them that their Chairman (Rev. Canon Braithwaite), and Master (Rev. C. E. Matthews), were unable to be present.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The summer meeting was held at Melbourne, Derbyshire, on Saturday, July 15th, and was attended by a good number of ringers from all directions, among the places represented being Ashby, Burton, Cotgrave, Coventry, Derby, Duffield, Eastwood, Etwall, Grantham, Ilkeston, Kegworth, Long Eaton, Loughborough, Netherseale, New hall, Sawley, Stoke Golding and Wirksworth.

The tea and meeting were held at The Blue Bell hotel, about forty members sitting down. Mr. J. W. Taylor, vice-president, was in the chair, and was supported by the hon. treasurer, hon. secretary and others. Those present also included Mrs. Taylor and Messrs. W. Briggs, J.P., and A. Snape (churchwardens.)

In reviewing the peal record for the quarter, the chairman announced that they amounted to 52, making a total of 80 for the half year. This fine number was the result partly of the Coronation festivities, and partly of the visit of the Central Council members to Leicester. A further outcome of the latter was the admission of seven life members, who had been elected at Whitsuntide. The election of fourteen resident members was also confirmed. The minutes of the annual meeting having been inadvertently left behind by the Secretary, they could not be read, and this was postponed till the next meeting.

Mr. W. E. White proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Wardens for the use of the bells, and welcomed the latter gentlemen to the meeting. It was most important for the work of ringing Associations that the ringers should co-operate with the church authorities.

Mr. Briggs replied, hoping the Association would pay another visit to Melbourne in the future.

The visitors were conducted over the Hall gardens after tea, and later returned to the tower, where, on the pretty ring of eight, touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Duffield were rung. So ended a most successful and pleasant meeting.

CHRIST CHURCH, WEST BROMWICH.

On Saturday, July 22nd, the ringers from the above church, accompanied by the Vicar and churchwardens, visited Bridgnorth, a pretty old-fashioned town on the river Severn, for their annual outing. Arriving at about 4 o'clock the first item on the programme was a climb from Low Town to the Castle Grounds in High Town. Here a splendid view could be obtained of the surrounding country. The old-fashioned church of St. Mary Magdalene was visited, and in a few minutes the object of our visit, St. Leonard's church, with its fine ring of eight, was reached. The bells were raised in peal, and for about an hour were kept going with touches in various methods. At 6 o'clock an adjournment was made to Messrs. Jones's restaurant, where an ample tea was partaken of, at which the Vicar presided.

After tea a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for their generosity and presence was proposed by Mr. S. Reeves and carried unanimously.

The rest of the evening was spent in company with the local ringers, who contributed in a large measure to the success of the outing. The ringers tender their hearty thanks to the Vicar of St. Leonard's for the use of the bells, and to the local ringers, particularly the Messrs. Overton, for having everything in readiness and their company after ringing.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN, E,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

BERTRAM PREWETT ..	..*Treble.*	*HAROLD W. CLARK	5.
RBUBEN SANDERS	2.	ALBERT W. COLES	6.
ARTHUR J. NEALE	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT ..	7.
ALAN R. MACDONALD ..	4.	†JAMES D. MILLER ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT E. STAVERT.

*First peal of Stedman, †First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to Alan R. Macdonald, who sailed for Canada on the 27th inst.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS, CHISWICK,

A PEAL OP BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN W. KELLEY	..*Treble.*	*JOHN S. GOLDSMITH ..	5.
ERNEST PYE	2.	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT ..	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal in the method.

The Provinces.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

FRED J. CROSS	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM W. GOODBURN..	5.
WILLIAM A. HEMPNEL† ..	2.	FRANK H. PHILLIPS ..	6.
ALBERT HARVEY*	3.	WILLIAM G. MAYERS ..	7.
GEORGE H. CROSS	4.	GEORGE MAYERS ..	..*Tenor.*

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*First peal. †First peal in the method.

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AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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BERNARD CLAYDON ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM ALLSOPP	5.
ARTHUR ALLSOPP*	2.	THOMAS BLOORE	6.
CHARLES WAITHMAN.. ..	3.	BERTRAM LEEDHAM	7.
GEO. ROBERTS	4.	JAS. REYNOLDS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS BLOORE.

*First peal. Rung in honour of the coming of age of Miss Barnard, daughter of Canon Barnard, the esteemed Rector of the parish. The band, who are all service ringers, wish her many happy returns.

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SUDBURY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, July 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob. Oxford Bob. and Grandsire, and two each of Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

HENRY GEORGE	*Treble.*	JOSEPH T. DYKE	4.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD	2.	JOHN HOUGH	5.
JAMES PAGETT	3.	DAVID COTTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN HOUGH.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

CURDRIDGE, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, July 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 26 cwt. in D.

EDWIN WELLSTEAD	*Treble.*	JOSIAH HARRISS	5.
GEORGE E. CHAPPELL	2.	ALFRED MEARS	6.
WILLIAM J. RYVES	3.	ANDREW MEARS	7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	4.	CALEB JOHNSTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung in honour of the wedding of Dr. Kinnear, of Wickham, and Miss Mary Laura Duncan, of Thornleigh, Curdridge. First peal by the ringers of the treble and tenor.

HALESWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART, Tenor 19 cwt. in E.

JAMES MOTTS	*Treble.*	*JOHN O'NEILL	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	THOMAS KING	6.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT*	3.	*WILLIAM L. DUFFIELD	7.
FREDK. R. BORRETT	4.	*HERBERT PRATT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

*First peal in the method.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	*Treble.*	ERNEST GOWER	5.
ALBERT D. STONE	2.	HENRY STALHAM	6.
JAMES W. LIVERMORE, JUN.	3.	WILLIAM C. HART	7.
CHARLES PALMER	4.	KEITH HART	*Tenor.*

Composed by FREDK. A HOLDEN, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

Arranged for James Livermore, jun.

BAKEWELL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 17¼ cwt.

EDWARD ELLIOTT†	*Treble.*	*THOMAS WHITE	5.
ALFRED WALLACE†	2.	WALTER WALLACE	6.
HENRY GREGORY	3.	JOHN W. DERBYSHIRE	7.
HUGH GREGORY	4.	WILLIAM TAYLOR	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

†First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells. First peal of Major as conductor.

UGBOROUGH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

REGINALD DOBSON	*Treble.*	HAROLD BENNETT	5.
ERNEST W. MARSH	2.	JOSEPH WOODLEY	6.
WALTER H. MARSH	3.	WILLIAM FORD	7.
WILLIAM J. RUNDLE	4.	FREDK. PURSE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

First peal on the bells.

KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

NORMAN R. BAILEY	*Treble.*	JAMES G. RUMSEY	5.
FREDK. W. BAILEY	2.	JAMES M. BAILEY	6.
LEONARD P. BAILEY	3.	GEORGE HARDY	7.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	4.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

*First peal in any method away from the treble,

WARMINGHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

WILLIAM T. HOLDING	*Treble.*	GEORGE H. CRAWLEY	4.
JAMES HENRY RIDING	2.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, JUN.	5.
WILLIAM CARTWRIGHT*	3.	RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RICHARD T. HOLDING, SEN.

The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rector (Rev. T. M. M. Griffiths, M.A.,), for the kind use of his bells, especially as their own bells at Crewe are silent pending the complete restoration with new frame and fittings, recasting of some of the bells, and the addition of two new trebles to make a ring of ten, for which funds are urgently needed.

Miscellaneous.

THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD.

KENSINGTON.—On Sunday, July 16th, at St. Mary Abbots, for evening service, 1251 Stedman Caters. J. Hayward, W. E. Garrard, C. H. Dobbie, W. A. Garrard, W. J. Daubney, E. G. Stibbons, C. Charge conductor, H. G. Miles, J. R. Mackman, C. H. Phipps.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LONDON.—On Sunday, July 2nd, at the church of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. T. H. Taffender conductor, A. Macdonald, J. Phillips, H. T. Gowlett, F. J. Hardy, A. Barker, H. W. Hibbert, C. H. Hughes. Rung as a farewell to A. Macdonald, who is shortly leaving for Vancouver. J. Phillips hails from Bournemouth.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

GEDDINGTON.—On Sunday, July 23rd, for evening service, 720 Grandsire Doubles, each 6-score called differently, in 25 mins. G. Black conductor, C. Cooper, C. Swan, E. Reid, R. Black. Longest length by the ringers of 2 and 4. On July 25th, for practice, 480 St. Dunstan's Doubles. G. Black conductor, C. Swan, W. Moore, R. Black, C. Moore.

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By John W. Barker, *Bedford.*

Major.

12345678
21354687
12536478
21563487
12654378
21645387
12463578
21436587

24163857

Royal.

1234567890
2135468709
1253647890
2156348709
1265437890
2164538709
1246357890
2143658709

2416385079
1368
3186
3816
8361
8631
6813
4261830597

4628103957
2180
1203
1028
0182
0812
8021
6482019375

6840291735
4209
2490
2940
9204
9024
0942
8604927153

8069472513

BOB (IN)

8604927153

8069472135

SINGLE (IN)

8604927153

8069472153

Maximus.

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2135468709TE
1253647890ET
2156348709TE
126543789 ET
2164538709TE
1246357890ET
2143658709TE

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TWO NEW MINOR METHODS.

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CORONATION SURPRISE.	ST. GILES SURPRISE.
213546	213465
125364	124356
215346	214536
251436	241563
524163	425136
521436	421563
254163	245136
524613	425316
542631	452361
456213	543216
452631	542361
542361	452631
543216	456213
452361	342631
425316	524613
245136	254163
421563	521436
425136	524163
241563	251436
214653	215463
124635	125643
216453	216534
126543	126543
162534	162534
BOB.	BOB.
126543	126543
192453	162453

First rung at Killamarsh on May 28th, 1911.

630 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By George H. Haigh, *Canada.*

234567

672453 2
346572 1
543267 5
365472 3
653472 4

Twice repeated.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Marshfield (Monmouthshire).—On Monday, July 17th, for practice at the parish church, 168 Grandsire Triples. A. Evans, J. W. Jones, H. Pitman, H. Edwards, T. Williams, W. Edwards, L. Brown, W. Waters. First 168 by all except the ringer of the 2nd.

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T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
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St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—All ringing at the above church suspended until September 1st.
JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Surrey Association.—Quarterly meeting at Reigate to-day, Sat., July 29th. Bells (10) at 2.30. Short service at 5. Tea at 5.45, at a charge of 6d. to members. The Vicar will preside. For special reasons it is particularly desired that members turn up in good numbers. CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*
Bell Foundry, Croydon.

The Warwickshire Guild.—The annual meeting will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Warwick, to-day, Sat., July 29th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Unveiling at 4.20 p.m. (prompt), by the Lord Bishop of Worcester, the peal-board of the first clerical peal of Stedman Caters. Evensong at St. Mary's church at 4.45 p.m.—Preacher—the Lord Bisqop of Worcester, followed by tea and the annual meeting. ARTHUR L. COLEMAN, *Hon. Sec.*
High Croft, North Walsham, Norfolk.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley (by request), on Saturday, August 4th. A walk through the drives of Worsley Hall has been arranged. Bells ready at 2.30. Meeting at 7. W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Ely Diocesan Association.—The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.
R. L. TWELLS. *General Secretary.*

Peterborough and District Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 7th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m., with address by the Very Rev. the Dean. The Cathedral (5), St. John's (8), and St. Mars's (6), available during the day. Meat tea, 9d. each, at the Fitzwilliam Cafe at 4.30, to those who let the Secretary know early.
J. JUTSON, *Sec. pro tem.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Portsea on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Bells of the parish church available from 2.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at the Parish Institute at 6. Meetiug after. Members who will require tea kindly inform me by August 2nd. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*
Fareham.

Worcestershire and Districts Association—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Little Comberton on Saturday, August 12th. Service, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. W. D. Lowndes, at 5 30 p.m. By the kind invitation of the Vicar tea and a business meeting will take at the rectory after service. Will all those intending to be present at tea, please notify me not later than August 7th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m.
J. HEMMING, *Hon. Br. Scc.*
10, *Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—It is proposed to arrange a whole day's outing for Saturday, August 19th, starting by conveyance from Stourbridge, and to visit Oldswinford (8), Hagley (8), Clent (8), Kinver (6), Enville (8), Kingswinford (6), Wordsley (6), and Wollaston (6). Will those ringers who wish to join, send their names to me at once, so that the necessary arrangements may be made. REV. E. V. COX. *Hon. Sec.*
6, *Upper Forster Street, Walsall.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley.—The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.
HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.—The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PEYER, *Sec,*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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By ERNEST MORRIS.

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52643	s	s	-	-	s	s	-
32564	-	s	-	-	s	s	-
36425	s	s	-	-	-	-	-
42365	s	-	-	-	-	s	-
32465	-	-	-	-	-	s	-
56324	s	s	-	-	-	s	-
36524	-	-	-	-	-	s	-
52364	s	-	-	-	-	s	-
32546	-	-	-	-	s	s	-
52346	-	-	-	-	-	s	-
34526	s	-	-	-	-	s	-
64325	-	s	-	-	-	s	-
34625	-	-	-	-	-	s	-
62345	s	-	-	-	-	s	-
32654	-	-	-	-	s	s	-
62354	-	-	-	-	-	s	-
35624	s	-	-	-	-	s	-
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Dwellers in elevated regions are credited with a predisposition towards longevity, and when such hardy specimens of humanity are also endowed with a penchant for such a pursuit as bell-ringing at odd times, they may expect to set up a record worth compiling. Such, at any rate, seems to have been the experience of Mr. Thomas Turner, a notable Leek worthy, who was interred at Leek cemetery on a recent Saturday afternoon, after a service in St. Edward's church, which had some very interesting features. Mr. Turner, was woodranger at the beautiful Westwood estate for the whole of his working career, under the direction of the late owner, John Robinson, esq., and when he died in 1902, Mr. Turner retired on a pension which was sufficieni to maintain him in comfort for the rest of his declining years. He was a true Moorlander, and though he had many associations at Leek, he decided to remove to Coventry to spend the rest of his days with a married son there. But he could not rest there, even under the shadow of such a noble tower as that which the famous shrine of St. Michael possesses in the old-time city, and so his remains were brought home to find a last resting-place within sound of the bells he loved so well to chime, and a motor hearse conveyed them from Coventry to Leek for the service in which he had so often taken an active part on behalf of others. The service was conducted hy the Rev. E. Spink, the Vicar of St. Edward's, assisted by the Rev. W. E. Charlton, and was attended by many who had known him well during his long career of eighty-two years spent among them. There were also present the ringers of St. Edward's, including the veteran, Mr. F. Sherratt, aud Mr. A. E. Ridgway, the conductor, and before the funeral they rang a short touch in the tower. The service in church was of a simple character, and Mr. Spink accompanied the singing of the hymn, "Let saints on earth in concert sing." The coffin was conveyed to the cemetery by the motor hearse previously used, but there was nothing of an unseemly nature about the arrangements, and the cortege was watched with a good deal of interest. The party of ringers followed, carrying a set of handbells, with which they rang a touch of Grandsire at the graveside, and the effect was very pleasing, this being no doubt the first time handbells have been used in the cemetery. Mr. Turner's ringing record was a particularly extensive one, and beginning with the Coronation of Victoria the Good, it may be safely said that he assisted at the celebration of every important event in her great reign. Records in the tower of St. Edward show that he was present at the ringing of a peal cn June 21st, 1887, on the occasion of the first Jubilee, and he also celebrated the Diamond Jubilee in 1897. *(To be continued.)*

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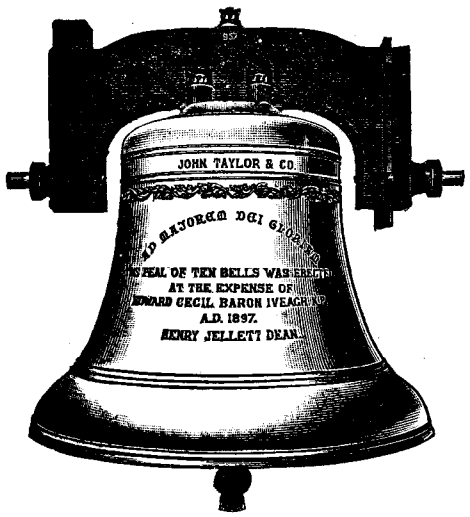

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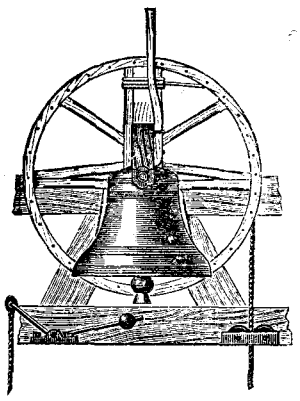

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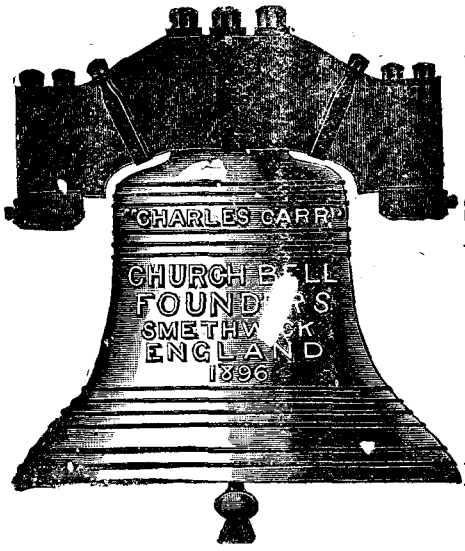

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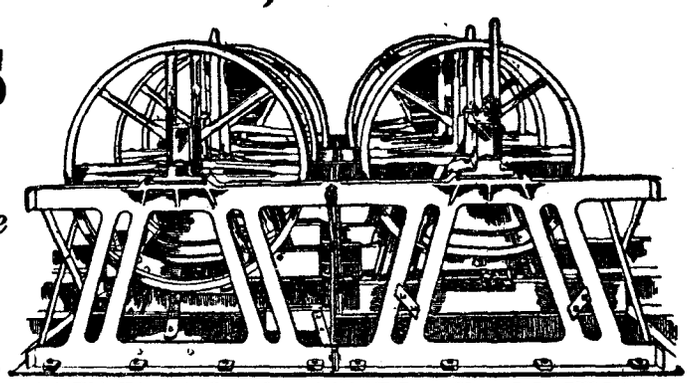

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LLANBRADACH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

The dedication of the new ring of eight bells took place on Saturday, July 29th, by the Bishop of Llandaff, assisted by the Vicar of the parish, the Rev. E. Edwards, and the curate, the Rev. James Bevan. The service commenced at 5 o'clock by the singing of hymn 242, followed by the chanting of Psalms 84 and 150. A special lesson was next read, and after the creed and prayers were said hymn 292 was sung, and then followed the dedication of the bells, at the close of which they were rung in rounds for one minute. Hymn 298 was next sung, and afterwards the Bishop delivered an eloquent address to the congregation, and congratulated the Vicar and his co-workers on their efforts in obtaining such a fine ring of bells. Immediately the service was over the bells struck out in rounds followed by firing, and afterwards touches in various methods were rung.

Tea followed in the adjoining parish room, kindly provided by the Vicar. This over a sweet-toned ring of handbells was brought into use, and afterwards the tower was again visited and the bells set going, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples being successfully brought round in 46 mins. by—A. Hunt, W. B. Biss, F. Chamberlain, A. Slatter, J. Butler, J. Cross, J. W. Jones conductor, J. Smith. All are members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

The bells are by John Taylor and Co., who are to be congratulated for the excellent work put into this ring, the tone and go being perfect. They are fitted with iron headstocks, Heywood lubricators, and Hastings stay and slider. The new iron framework stands on stout steel girders. There is also fixed the Ellacombe improved chiming apparatus.

At the conclusion of the ringing refreshments were kindly provided, which brought to a close a most enjoyable day.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham district was held at Shoreham on Saturday, July 22nd. The bells were raised at 4 p.m. and kept going in various methods. Divine Service was held at 5.30, and a short but very interesting address was given by the Rev. H. D. Madge, Vicar. He gave the Association a very hearty welcome to the ancient old church of Shoreham. He told them that one of the bells was dated 1635, which was about the time the tower was built, but the part of the church they were sitting in was a great deal older, and the well preserved old rood screen was one of the finest in that part of the country.

After service the members adjourned to The George inn for tea. Owing to the intense heat it was decided to hold the business meeting in the churchyard, beneath the shade of the yew tree. Owing to another engagement the Vicar could not be present, and Mr. E. Barnett, sen., was elected chairman. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. Messrs. G. Ball and J. Cottis, of Dartford, W. Sheppard, of Hersham, and F. G. Woodiss, of Surbiton, were duly elected members, and the elections of W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley, and W. S. Wise, of Croydon, were ratified. The district representative then gave his report of the committee meeting, which was accepted and a vote of thanks accorded him for the same. Lewisham and Crayford were proposed as the place of the annual district meeting, Lewisham being carried by a good majority for the fourth Saturday in October.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and his address; to the organist for his services; and to the Viear of Eynsford for the use of his bells there. The tower was again visited and various touches rung till 9 p.m.

In the church tower of the little town of Crosslaswitz, in the north of Germany, hangs a bell, and on it is engraved its history, surmounted by a bas-relief representing a six-eared grain of corn, and the date October 15th, 1729. This is the story of the bell: At the beginning of the last century the only church bell at Crosslaswitz was so small that its tones were not sufficient to penetrate to the ends of the village. A second bell was badly needed, but the village was poor, and where was the money to come from? Everyone offered to give what they could, but their united offerings did not amount to nearly enough for the purpose. One Sunday when the schoolmaster, Gottfried Hayn, was going to church, he noticed growing out of the churchyard wall a flourishing green stalk of corn, the seed of which must have been dropped by a passing bird. The idea suddenly struck him that perhaps this one stalk of corn could be made the means of producing the second bell they wanted so much. He waited till the corn was ripe, and then he plucked the six ears on it and sowed them in his own garden. The next year he gathered the little crop thus produced, and sowed it again, and the next year again, till at last he had not enough room in his own garden for the crop, and so he divided it among a certain number of farmers, who went on sowing the ears until, in the eighth year, the crop was so large that when it was put together and sold, they found that they had enough money to buy a beautiful bell, with its story and its birthday engraved upon it, and a cast of the corn-stalk to which it owed its existence.

STEDMAN (Doubles & Triples)

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THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

The fourth annual meeting of the above Guild was held in the historical town of Warwick on Saturday, July 29th, and advantage was taken of the occasion for the unveiling of the peal-board recording the first clerical peal of Stedman Caters, which was rung at St. Mary's church, Warwick, on Tuesday, October 11th, 1910. After the Rev. C. D. P. Davies (the conductor of the peal), had given the history of the previous clerical peals, the Lord Bishop of Worcester performed the unveiling ceremony, which was followed by a touch of Stedman Caters, in which three of the clergy who rang in the peal took part, viz., the Revs. C. D. P. Davies, C. Carew Cox, and E. V. Cox, the Rev. C. Carew Cox conducting the touch.

Evensong was held in St. Mary's church, the choir and organist being in attendance, a kindness which was much appreciated by all the members of the Guild. The Rev. E. G. Hatton-Fraenkl, Assistant-Priest, intoned the prayers, and the Rev. Alan Williams, Vicar of St. Mary's, read the lessons. The hymns appropriately chosen for the occasion were "Ye servants of the Lord," and "Songs of praise the angels sang." The Lord Bishop of Worcester preached from the text—"O come let us sing unto the Lord," and in an interesting and instructive address, traced the origin of bells from the Roman period to the present time, and went on to review the uses of bells, explaining how in times of national rejoicings bells played an important part, and in times of national bereavement bells are tolled. The Bishop went on to say how in times gone by the belfry was a place where things went on which were not seemly, and paid a high tribute to the good work which was being done by the Guilds of the country.

The President of the Guild (Rev. Alan Williams, Vicar of St. Mary's), very kindly entertained the members of the Guild and vititors to a meat tea at The Woolpack hotel, and amongst those present were, The Lord Bishop of Worcester, the Rev. Alan Williams, the member of Parliament for Warwick and Leamington, Mr. E. M. Pollock, K.C. and Mrs. Pollock, Rev. E. G. and Mrs. Hatton-Fraenkl, Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Rev. H. C. Back, Rev. E. V. Cox, the churchwardens of St. Mary's, Warwick, and also the following officers of the Guild: Rev. C. C. Cox, Messrs. Adams, Dickins, George, and Roberts, and the Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman), and about fifty-five other members and friends. After full justice had been done to the good things provided, and grace said, the Rev. Alan Williams proposed a hearty welcome to the Lord Bishop of Worcester and Mrs. Pollock for their presence that afternoon at the annual meeting of the Guild, to which the Lord Bishop and the hon. member for the division suitably replied. A hearty vote of thanks was moved by the Hon. Secretary to the Rev. Alan Williams for his kind hospitality to the Guild.

The business meeting was held in St. Mary's Hall, presided over by the Rev. Alan Williams. Letters expressing regret for non-attendance were received from the Archdeacons of Coventry and Warwick, Canon Blyth, the Revs. H. A. Cockey, F. J. O. Helmore, G. F. Coleridge, C. W. O. Jenkyn, J. F. Hastings, H. Law James, H. S. T. Richardson, and Messrs. G. E. Over, and T. Randle.

After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and confirmed, tho Hon. Secretary read his report, which shewed a steady progress and expansion of the Guild, compared with the previous report. The membership had been increased by 26 new members during the past year, and also the number of peals rung in the higher methods, showed a satisfactory increase for a small Guild. The Hon. Treasurer submitted his statement of accounts, which showed a balance in hand of £12 os. 8d. against £12 8s. 8d. in the preceding year, which was considered very satisfactory.

The following officers were elected: President—Rev. Alan Williams; Ringing Master—Mr. James George; Hon. Secretary—Rev. C. Carew Cox; Hon. Treasurer—Mr. W. G. Dickins: Hon. Auditor—Mr. John Ambrose. The following members were elected to serve on the Committee: Messrs. E. H. Adams, T. W. Chapman, T. Dickins, A. J. Hessian, A. James, G, A. Martineau, and A. Roberts. Mr. Harry Argyle was elected as representative on the Central Council. In appreciation of the St. Mary's services to the Guild's annual meetings, the sum of £1 1s. was voted to their funds. The following new rule was adopted: "That any ringing member who has paid three shillings in annual subscriptions and becomes non-resident in the county of Warwickshire, shall remain a member of the Guild without farther subscription, but shall not be allowed to vote or hold office, and shall not receive the annual report except on payment of sixpence."

The August meeting was fixed to be held at Aston on Saturday, August 27th, and the September monthly meeting at Henley-in-Arden on Saturday, September 23rd. The quarterly meeting was also fixed to be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 28th.

The chairman moved a vote of thanks to Mr. A. L. Coleman for his past services and good work he had done as Hon. Secretary of the Guild from its commencement, expressing the regrets of the members of Mr. Coleman not being able to offer himself for re-election, on account of having left the county to reside in Norfolk.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. Smallwood on his resignation of the Mastership of the Guild, for his past services. Votes of thanks were passed to the Bishop for his address, to the Vicars of St. Mary and St. Nicholas, Warwick, and All Saints, Emscote, for the use of their bells: to the organist and choir of St. Mary's for their attendance at the service, and to the retiring officers of the Guild, concluded the proceedings. Nine new members were elected, and there was an excellent attendance of members and friends of over 70, during the afternoon and evening.

SOME GREAT BELLS,

The people of Russia, and of Moscow in particular, wish to present Notre Dame, at Paris, with a new bell, as a mark of affection and sympathy towards the French nation. Cardinal Richard, a few years ago, received a telegram asking if one of the historic towers of the cathedral could receive a bell weighing upwards of 80 tons. The diocesan architect made a study of the conditions, and reported that there would be no room to swing it even if an opening were made for its passage into the tower. Moreover the hoisting of such a mass of metal would cause perturbation in the ancient edifice that might have serious consequences: so the bell was not cast There is a Russian bell, nevertheless, in the belfry of Notre Dame already. It came from Sebastopol, under circumstances which would hardly make it a fitting emblem of international amity. It rests besides the great tenor bell of Notre Dame, and has never been hung. That tenor weighs about 10 tons, and was cast in 1683. The greatest bell of France was that of Rouen, which weighed more than 36 tons. It was melted during the Revolution. Rouen still has a bell weighing 18 tons, half a ton more than our Great Paul; and Sens,

Angers, and Rheims boast of bells rivalling in weight our Peter at York, and surpassing both Great Tom of Oxford and Great Tom of Lincoln. The weight of historical bells hower is as uncertain as a lady's age is said to be. That of the great bell at Moscow, which never has been used as a bell, by the way, is variously estimated. It is not probably far oft 198 tons. But there is a bell at Moscow in actual use of 128 tons, and another of sixty tons. To approach these one must go to Pekin, where there is a bell whose weight is said to be 53½ tons. In western Europe the Kaiserglecke of Cologne Cathedral, cast from 22 French cannon, and weighing 26 tons 13 cwt., is indisputably the largest. Bells go back into the midst of old, but the era of big bells is no older than the fourteenth century. Earlier specimees are all small, like the four-sided bell of St. Patrick, preserved at Belfast, and were in fact, handbells, which summoned the Romans to their bath.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

It has been truly said that we never thoroughly value or appreciate anything until we have lost it. Who of us ever values good health as we ought until we have suffered the pains of a long illness, and seldom until we hear the solemn steeple music floating over the graves of our dear ones in the green consecrated acre of the old churchyard? Do we ever realise fully their goodness, and how dear they were to us when living? Even of common things, until they are taken from us, we little imagine what an important part they have played in our lives, and how much they have ministered to our daily wants and pleasures.

I, like thousands more of my fellow-citizens, never knew how dear the sweet sounding old bells, that for so many generations hung in the grand and lofty tower of the Archangel and Michael in our city were, until for the purposes of the restoration of truly magnificent and ancient fane, they were taken from their old home, in the red sandstone a few years ago. We never realised until their silvery voices were hushed, what a glorious institutution our forefathers had left us. But, still we hope some time once more to hear their tuneful notes ring out again in full peal, and the dulcet music of their chimes pour out their melody, to think we can say with the poet Moore:

> And so 'twill be when I am gone
> These tuneful notes will still ring on;
> While other bards shall walk these dells,
> And sing your praise sweet ev'ning bells.

In all towns and even villages, but especially in old cities like my native Coventry, the associations and memories that cluster round the church tower and its ring of bells, are of the most solemn character. As we revisit and look up to the grey time-worn old steeple, which our forefathers built, and which from generation to generation they have gazed upon, how our thoughts are stirred as we look back with the mind's eye to our first Confirmation, or our marriage, when their voices rang out a merry peal of welcome; or when with slow and sorrowful boom they rang out a solemn dirge on the death of some one very near and dear to us, or of the countless times they have called us to the House of Prayer.

Yes; the bells are truly monitors of time and circumstance, of our joys and our sorrows, with many voices they welcome our entrance into the world, and with muffled notes they tell us out. As with slow and measured steps poor old mortality is taken with all the pomp and vanity of sorrowing friends "to that bourne from whence no traveller returns."

> Year by year the steeple music
> O'er the tended graves shall pour;
> There the dust of saints is garnered
> Till the Master comes once more.

There can be no doubt church bells have done much to make people sad and sorrowful, happy and joyful. And it is very singular the different effects the ringing of church bells has upon people of different temperaments, even rang in what may be called a normal manner for mere practice, making some quite unhappy, while they raise the spirits of some to the seventh heaven of delight. But I will venture to say, it is only when bells are badly cracked or from unskilful casting, are discordant in tone, and send forth from some low tower, their monotonous, unmusical, and irregular chant, that they make any one really miserable, and to those living in their immediate vicinity, become an intolerable nuisance. There can be no doubt these calls to prayer, praise, and thanksgiving in the present day, bad and unskilful rung bells are a great annoyance to many of a nervous temperament, and those engaged in quiet occupations requiring much brain work.

Tower-keepers and ringers generally must remember that this is a musical age, and too much attention cannot be paid to keep and maintain the bells in good going order, and if any structural repairs are required, let them be done by those who understand the business, and not by some of nature's journeymen; then by plenty of practice and thoughtful study of the Art, successful peals and correct music may be heard to issue through the louvres of the church tower, and the music of the bells, like all other true and correct music, shall, as Shakespeare says, "be medicine to the mind."

Bells have for many ages been the delight of almost all nations and races of men, civilised and semi-civilised people have all been impressed with the heavy boom of some monster in metal. As the Englishman of the present day is with either the noble tenor in the national Cathedral of St. Paul's, or with Big Ben at Westminster, both of which bells send their mellow notes forth over the house-tops into the two cities, net forgetting Big Tom of Lincoln in the sacred tower of St. Hugh, whose 5 tons 8 cwt. of metal is still heard to sound over hill and fen.

This beautiful bell of old Roman Lincoln was cast in 1834, from what had been for many centuries called the "Lady Bell," which formerly hung in the Cathedral of that city.

In conclusion let me say with the best of feelings towards bellringers, for like myself they are servants of the Church, and fellow-workers in the great religious society to which we have the privilege to belong, to do all they can to keep the bell and ringing-chamber pure and undefiled, and themselves strictly sober. Many a good peal has been spoilt in days past by the can of beer going round too often. I don't say have none, let every man be a law to himself, and take as much as will do him good; so that loving your Art with a clear head and a steady arm, you will be able to

> Ring out the false, ring in the true,
> Ring out the shapes of foul disease;
> Ring out the narrowing lust of gold,
> Ring out the thousand wars of old,
> Ring in the thousand years of peace.

W.

CONCERNING BELLS.

There are more mysteries in a peal of bells than were touched upon by the Bishop of Chalons in his sermon. There are Plain Bob Triples, Bob Majors, Bob Majors reversed, Double Bob Majors, and Grandsire Bob Caters, and there is a Bob Maximus. Who Bob was, and whether he were Bob Major, or Major Bob, that is whether Major were his name or his rank, and if his rank, to what service he belonged, are questions which inexorable Oblivion will not answer, however earnestly adjured. And there is no Witch of Endor who will call up Bob from the grave to answer them himself. But there are facts in the history of bellringing which oblivion has not yet made her own, and one of them is that the greatest performance ever completed by one person in the world was that of Mr. Samuel Thurston at the New Theatre Public House in the City of Norwich, on Saturday evening, July 1st, 1809, when he struck all these intricate short peals, the first four upon a set of eight musical handbells, the last on a peal of ten.

But a performance on handbells when compared to bellringing is even less than a review in comparison with a battle. Strength of arm as well as skill is required for managing a bellrope. Samuel Thurston's peal of Plain Bob Triples was "nobly brought round" in two minutes and three quarters, and his Grandsire Bob Caters were as nobly finished in five minutes and fourteen seconds. The reader shall now see what real bellringing is.

The year 1796 was remarkable for the performance of great exploits in this manly and English Art, for to England the Art is said to be peculiar, the cheerful carrillons of the continent being played by keys. In that year, and in the month of August, the Westmoreland Youths rang a complete peal of 5040 Grandsire Triples in St. Mary's church, Kendal, being the whole number of changes on seven bells. The peal was divided into ten parts, or courses of 504 each; the bobs were called by the 6th, a lead single was made in the middle of the peal, and another at the conclusion, which brought the bells home. Distinct leads and exact divisions were observed throughout the whole, and the performance was completed in three hours and twenty minutes. A like performance took place in the same month at Kidderminster in three hours and fourteen minutes. Stephen Hill composed and called the peal, it was conducted through with one single, which was brought to the 4984th change, viz., 1,267,453. This was allowed by those who were conversant in the Art to excel any peal ever yet rung in this kingdom by that method.

Paulo majora canamus. The Society of Cambridge Youths that same year rang, in the church of St. Mary the Great, a true and complete peal of Bob Maximus in five hours and five minutes. This consisted of 6600 changes, and for regularity of striking and harmony throughout the peal was allowed by competent judges to be a very masterly performance. In point of time the striking was so much a nicety that in each thousand changes the time did not vary one sixteenth of a minute, and the compass of the last thousand was exactly equal to the first.

Eight Birmingham Youths (some of them were under twenty years of age) attempted a greater exploit; they ventured upon a complete peal of 15,120 Bob Major. They failed. For after they had rang upwards of eight hours and-a-half, they found themselves so much fatigued that they desired the caller would take the first opportunity to bring the bells home. This he soon did by omitting a bob, and so brought them round, thus making a peal of 14,224 changes in eight hours and forty-five minutes; the longest which was ever rung in that part of the country, or perhaps anywhere else.

In that same year died Mr. Patrick, the celebrated composer of church bell music, and senior of the Society of Cumberland Youths—an Hibernian sort of distinction for one in middle or later life. He is the same person whose name was well known in the scientific world as a maker of barometers; and he it was who composed the whole peal of Stedman's Triples, 5040 changes (which his obituarist says had till then been deemed impracticable, and for the discovery of which he received a premium of £50 offered for that purpose by the Norwich amateurs of the Art), "his productions of real double and Treble Bob Royal being a standing monument of his unparalled and superlative merits." This Mr. Patrick was interred on the afternoon of Sunday, June 26th, in the churchyard of St. Leonard, Shoreditch; the corpse was followed to the grave by all the ringing societies in London and its environs, each sounding handbells with muffled clappers, the church bells at the same time ringing a dead peal.

James Ogden was interred with honours of the same kind at Ashton-under-Lyne, in the year of this present writing, 1827. His remains were borne to the grave by the ringers of St. Michael in that town, with whom he had rung the tenor bell for more than fifty years, and with whom he performed "the unpredecedented feat" of ringing five thousand on that bell (which weighed 28 cwt.) in his sixty-seventh year. After the funeral his old companions rang a dead peal for him of 828 changes, that being the number of the months of his life. Such in England are the funeral honours of bellringers.

It would take ninety-one years to ring the changes upon twelve bells, at the rate of two strokes to a second; the changes upon fourteen could not be rung through at the same rate in less than 16,575 years; and upon four and twenty they would require more than 117,000 billions of years.

S.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT GUILD.

PETERBOROUGH.—On July 27th, at St. Mary's church, two 1208 of Oxford Bob and 471 of Plain Bob. J. Dunthorne, E. Tilley, H. A. Traynar, A. Johnson, J. Jutson, G. Jutson conductor.

BROMSGROVE (Worcestershire).—On Sunday evening, July 23rd, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 49 mins R. Lines, G. Lines conductor, J. Eades, G. Hayward, G. Ward, J. Mason, O. James, T. Corbett. Rang to oblige G. Lines, who was on a visit from Sheffield.

ISLEWORTH (Middlesex).—On Sunday, July 30th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Webb, F. G. Goddard, E. Dewey, T. Beadle, P. H. Smith, G. Spencer, W. New conductor, H. Beadle. This was arranged for Mr. P. H. Smith, of Ecclestou, Chester, and was his first quarter-peal; also for Mr. Dewey, of Reigate, Surrey. For evening service a 504 Grandsire Triples. E. Webb, G. Spencer, W. New, W. Lidbetter, T. Beadle, E. Dewey conductor, F. G. Goddard, A. Sheard.

KIBWORTH (Leicestershire).—On Saturday, July 29th, the following touches were rung: 416 Double Norwich. F. Staniforth, L. E. Allen, E. Morris, A. Pettitt, F. H. Dexter, S. Cotton, J. Morris, C. H. Fowler conductor. 720 Stedman Triples. E. Morris, L. E. Allen, S. Cotton, A. Pettitt, C. H. Fowler, F. Dexter conductor, J. Morris, T. B. Smith. 160 Bob Major and 182 Grandsire Triples, conducted by E. Morris. It was intended to ring a peal, but on account of the weather being so hot the above was rung instead, as a 22nd birthday compliment to Ernest Morris.

LEEK, STAFFORDSHIRE.—Concluded.

On August 9th, 1908, Mr. Turner joined in touches of Bob Major and Triples at intervals during the day from 6.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. in honour of the Coronation of the late King Edward, and this unique record he crowned by coming over from Coventry to Leek in May of last year to join for a short time (in view of his advanced years) in the mourning peal rung at St. Edward's for the memorial service to the late King. Change-ringing is an art which naturally lends itself to the compilation of records, but it may safely be claimed that few professors of the Art still practising it can lay claim to such an interesting diary as that which the late Mr. Turner possessed, and in his case we may well say—

"Life's work well done,
Then comes rest."

A further short touch was rung in the tower when the mourners returned from the Cemetery, and on Sunday the bells remained muffled, and touches of Stedman and Double Norwich were rung before the morning and evening services, conducted by Mr. Ridgway.

It might be mentioned that one of Mr. Turner's special hobbies was the collection of five-shilling pieces. He has served at Leek under six different Vicars. His companion —Mr. Sherratt, is one of the oldest ringers in the county. He assisted in the peal rung at the opening of the two treble bells which supplemented the original ring of six, and were hung in the tower in 1863. Since that date Mr. Sherratt has assisted at the celebration of every important event in the Royal Family, from the marriage of our late King Edward and the Princess Alexandra in 1863 onwards, including Queen Victoria's two jubilees in 1887 and 1897, and the memorial service to King Edward last year. Last year he was presented with a golden bell as a watch pendant.

Obituary.

JOHN W. DALE.

We greatly regret to announce the death of the above-named ringer, which took place on Wednesday, July 26th, at his residence, 4, Hyde Park Terrace, Walcoll Street, Hull, at the age of 52. The deceased was a shipwright, and had for many years worked for the firm of Messrs. Thos. Wilson and Co., and was at work on the Monday previous to his death. He had been a ringer at Holy Trinity church, Hull, for about twenty-five years, and had taken part in thirty-three peals. Always present, it would be hard to find a ringer more regular and more punctual to his duties. The funeral took place at the Western Cemetery on the following Saturday afternoon in the presence of many relatives and sympathising friends. The coffin was borne to the grave by some of his old workmates. After the committal sentences had been read at the graveside, a deep impression was made on all who had come to pay their last tribute of respect, by Messrs. T. Stockdale, G. Hare, C. Jackson, and J. W. Stickney standing near the grave and ringing a course of Grandsire Triples on the handbells. In the evening, at Holy Trinity church, a touch of Grandsire Triples, fifty-two leads, representing deceased's age. And on Sunday morning, for Divine Service, 504 with the bells muffled. M. Hedges, T. Stockdale, G. Dowling, T. Whitfield, E. Cutsforth. J. W. Stickney, C. Jackson conductor, F. Mersison, J. Highfield, D. W. Brown and T. Harrison. The deceased was a life member of the Yorkshire Association, joining in 1888, also of the North Lincolnshire Association.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By W. H. THOMPSON.

Regular peals of this kind, at which I was aiming in the false productions which I sent to you in May, cannot be arranged by means of C. G. S., because there must in each part be a repetition of one handstroke; all chance of any such repetition can however be avoided by the use of Single described on page 220 of Snowdon's "Grandsire" (1905). To illustrate this, I append three examples, which without doubt are true and complete, as well as regular peals.

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752634	1	672453	2	672453	2
347265	2	256743	3S	256734	3
763452	3	372456	1	472356	1
637452	4	643527	1S	564237	2
246537	1	546732	5	265743	5
462537	4	325674	2	372465	1
754362	1	573246	3	653247	2
467523	3	625473	1	476325	2
354267	1	576234	3	374562	5
723645	1S	425376	1	253674	1
567423	1	324657	5	372546	3
345267	1	623745	5	653472	1
673524	2	236745	4	536472	4
456273	1	572436	1	725643	2
324765	1S	365247	2	367425	1
463257	3	723465	1	463572	5
574326	2	657342	2	254763	1
425763	3	426735	2	752346	5
374652	1S	574326	1	637452	1
263574	1	265437	2	756342	3S
452763	1	532674	3	237456	1
374625	1S	745236	2S	642537	1
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257364	2	536472	1S	423576	2
432675	1S	435267	5	654732	1S
564732	1	674523	2	276354	1
275364	1	356274	1	762354	4
432657	1S	673542	2	257643	3
634725	5	256473	1	362457	1
576234	1	732645	2	573246	2
635742	3	637524	5	625473	1
276435	1	726345	3	576234	3
632754	3	537426	1	275463	5
546273	2	265743	2	752463	4
325764	1S	762354	5	457326	5
473625	1	437562	1	264735	2
564273	1	624753	2	762534	5S
325746	1S	536427	2S	457362	1
253746	4	275634	2S	234657	1
		462375	1	762543	1S
		754236	2	627543	4
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		463572	5	273645	2
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		375642	3	426357	2
		263475	1	734526	1
		462537	5	537642	5
		754362	1	375642	4
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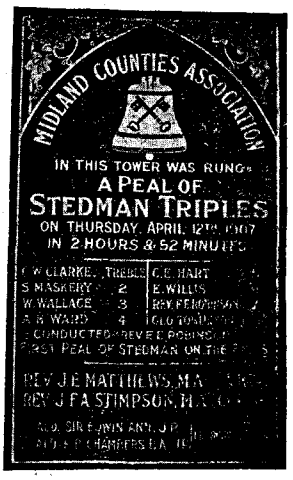

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 1911.

Several peals have come to hand this week that could easily have reached us a month ago. We do not know who is responsible for this, but we should be glad if conductors would in future be more prompt in sending.

The Provinces.

RUMNEY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.
THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, June 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Being forty-two 6-scores. Tenor 9½ cwt.

F. Marshall	*Treble.*	H. Giles	4.
D. Morgan	2.	A. H. Cossam	5.
W. J. Standway	3.	H. Pacey	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. Marshall.

Rung in honour of the Coronation of King George and Queen Mary. First peal by the local band.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, June 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being four 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob.

James Wardley	*Treble.*	Alfred Ling	4
James Starling	2.	Henry Puttock	5.
Alderman Ling	3.	William Sawyer	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. Sawyer.

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

On Saturday, July 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty nine Minutes,

AT THE (R.C.) CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROSARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 17½ cwt.

A. C. LIMPUS* .. .. ..*Treble.*		*W. R. WARNER.. .. .. 5.	
G. W. FOSTER .. .. .. 2.		†M. BENNETT .. .. .. 6.	
F. M. BRESSEY† .. .. 3.		†R. J. CARRIER .. .. .. 7.	
G. PEARCE .. .. 4.		F. JONES .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by G. W. FOSTER.

This peal was rung on Dominion Day, and is the first peal rung in the Dominion of Canada, and is the second peal rung on the American continent. *First peal. †First peal of Triples. The ringers of the above peal hail from the following districts: Treble—Twickenham; 2nd—Borden, Kent; 3rd—Wanstead, Essex; 4th—Bristol; 5th—Sonth Weald, Eseex; 6th—Burbage; 7th—Bedford; Tenor—Wolverhampton.

MONEWDEN, SUFEOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 9, 1911, in Two Honrs and Thirty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

CHARLES E. FISHER.. ..*Treble.*		JAMES STARLING .. .. 4.	
GEORGE ABLITT.. .. .. 2.		HENRY PUTTOCK .. .. 5.	
DAVID LEGGETT .. .. 3.		WILLIAM SAWYER .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by WILLIAM SAWYER.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE,

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB AND SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of College Exercise, two of Cambridge Surprise, one each each of Woodbine and Oxford, and two of Kent Treble Bob.

WILLIAM E. WILES.. ..*Treble.*		WALTER J. HORTON .. 4.	
EDGAR VALLANCE .. .. 2.		THOMAS H. VALLANCE .. 5.	
GEOFFREY J. STONELEY .. 3.		E. HARRY STONELEY ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

Rang in honour of St. Margaret's Day. First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all, and on the bells.

DRIGHLINGTON.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 16 cwt.

JAMES COTTERELL .. ..*Treble.*		FRANCIS BARKER .. .. 5.	
EDWARD CROWTHER .. .. 2.		FIRTH HOPWOOD .. .. 6.	
JOHN PALFRAMAN .. .. 3.		JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 7.	
EDWIN WHEATER .. .. 4.		GEORGE W. STEEL .. ..*Tenor.*	

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by G W. STEEL.

BURGH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

ALFRED CLEMENTS .. ..*Treble.*		JAMES STARLING .. .. 4.	
DAVID LEGGETT .. .. 2.		GEORGE ABLITT .. .. 5.	
C. E. FISHER .. .. .. 3.		WILLIAM SAWYER .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by W. SAWYER.

HASKETON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, July 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES CRAPNELL .. ..*Treble.*		HARRY BURCH .. .. .. 4.	
WALTER BARBER* .. .. 2.		HARRY CUTTING .. .. 5.	
WILLIAM KING .. .. .. 3.		CHARLES KING .. .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by C. KING.

*First peal.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, July 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven 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 Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

JOHN W. UNWIN* .. ..*Treble.*		WILLIAM SPICE, JUN. .. 4.	
GEORGE H. SPICE .. .. 2.		WILLIAM SPICE, SEN. .. 5.	
THOMAS JULL .. .. .. 3.		ALBERT J. DAY .. .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY

*First peal.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S SIX-PART.

WILLIAM FITCHFORD ..*Treble.*		CHARLES MORLEY .. .. 5.	
JAMES WHITFIELD* .. .. 2.		ARTHUR L. SMITH .. .. 6.	
JOHN MORLEY .. .. .. 3.		‡ERNEST A. SHERRATT .. 7.	
CHARLES BISHOP .. .. 4.		†ALECK POUNTAIN .. ..*Tenor.*	

Conducted by ERNEST A. SHERRATT.

†First peal. *First peal with a bob bell. ‡First peal as conductor. Rung as a farewell peal to J. Whitfield, who is leaving for Canada, the band wishing him every success in his new enterprise.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, July 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. ..*Treble.*		WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 5.	
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.		STANLEY W. HULL .. .. 6.	
JAMES BETTS .. .. .. 3.		ERNEST F. POPPY .. .. 7.	
CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE .. 4.		WILLIAM J. NEVARD ..*Tenor.*	

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, July 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

JIM BEACH .. ..*Treble.*		FREDK. J. LAMBERT.. .. 4.	
ANDREW MARSHALL .. .. 2.		ERNEST C. LAMBERT .. 5.	
FRANCIS S. WILSON.. .. 3.		EDWIN LAMBERT .. ..*Tenor*	

Conducted by EDWIN LAMBERT.

Quickest peal on the bells, and was arranged for F. S. Wilson who is staying in the neighbourhood for a few days. It was also his first peal of Minor, and he was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting.

EAST TYTHERLEY, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OP STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	5.
HENRY W. WILKES	2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	6.
LIONEL H. PAGE	3.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4.	OWEN GILES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OP TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST OLIVER	*Treble.*	WILLIAM CLIFFORD, SEN.	5.
R. ALLAN HICKTON*	2.	J. CHARLES DICKEN	6.
ALBERT COPPOCK	3.	PERCIVAL PRICE	7.
JOSEPH BAILEY	4.	NEVILLE WIDDOWSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

*First peal.

BRENTWOOD. ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, July 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

GEORGE R. PYE	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
WILLIAM MILLER	2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS	6.
GEORGE H. JAYE	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	7.
ERNEST PYE	4.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

ST. SIDWELL'S SOCIETY, EXETER.

The annual outing of the members of the above Society took place on a recent Saturday, when a trip was made to Cheltenham and Gloucester. The party met at St. David's Station at 3.45 a.m., and found three compartments reserved in the 4.0 a.m. excursion. It was agreed that the climatic conditions were in favour of a good day, but some were dubious whether the programme would be carried through, in view of the heat previously experienced. Cheltenham was reached at 8 o'clock. Mr. W. T. Pates (the genial ringing master of St. Mary's) met and gave them a hearty welcome, and favoured the party with his company the whole of the day. After breakfast there was a sprinkle of rain, and it was cold enough for an extra garment. When a start was made to Prestbury on top of the tram it was discovered one of the party was missing, and it transpired that he had taken refuge inside of the car, in consequence of the change of atmosphere. At Prestbury, a quaint little village, the sweet ring of eight bells were set going in touches of Stedman and Grandsire. Now the weather had changed, and could be seen it would be fine for the remainder of the day. After having a look over the church and a chat with Mr. Davis, tracks were made for a journey on tram to Charlton Kings, and here the bells were rung in Stedman Triples. It was a very pretty ride to Charlton Kings, but as a train had to be caught for Gloucester not much time could be spent here, and on arrival back at Cheltenham the party just had time to have a look round the inrerior of St. Mary's church, and on a pillar it soon came under the visitors' observation a splendid brass tablet, recording the record peal rung on the bells by the Association, to commemorate the Jubilee of the late Queen Victoria. The peal took over nine hours to ring, and was conducted by Mr. W. T. Pates.

On arrival at Gloucester Messrs. Davis and Austin were at the station to welcome them, and dinner not being quite ready they conducted the party through the Cathedral. After the mid-day meal St. Michael's church was visited, and as the time for ringing was limited only two or three short touches of Stedman Caters were rung. The bells are very musical, but require careful handling. The The next item on the programme was to ring at the "Crypt." Owing to illness this had to be abandoned, so the remainder of the time in Gloucester was devoted to visiting places of interest.

Mr. G. H. Phillott, previous to their leaving Cheltenham for Gloucester, extended an invitation to the party to return early in the evening, and have a convivial meeting in Cheltenham. The party left Gloucester at 8.0 p.m. and on arrival at Cheltenham met at an hotel and spent the time allotted in harmony and recitations. Mr. Musty, one of the Cheltenham veterans, looked in and gave one of his songs. Messrs. Phillott and Pates very kindly piloted the party, at a late hour, to Malvern Road station, and the "ever faithful city" was reached at 4.0 a.m. on Sunday morning.

The members of the above Society wish to thank the clergy for the use of the bells, and appreciate the kindness of Messrs. W. T. Pates and G. H. Phillott (Cheltenham), John Austin and E. Davis (Gloucester), D. Davis (Prestbury), and W. Dyer (Charlton Kings), for making a very enjoyable day.

Correspondence.

THE EXTENSION OF STEDMAN.

SIR,—I have to thank the Rev. James for the answer he is pleased to give to my question under this head. In reply thereto, permit me to tell him it is very much easier to pronounce my researches absolutely worthless than it is to prove the truth of such a statement, excepting of course that they are useless for the theory he is advocating. In his answer Mr. James makes rather light use, and is scarcely complimentary in his reference to that highly honoured member of the Exercise, Fabian Stedman, in pointing out that his Doubles is a touch containing bobs, and he did not know it. The touch, as he styles it, contains the full extent of even course changes. Stedman knew this, and invented a single to get the extent of his Doubles both odd and even course changes. What more is wanted? The term touch is new, it was known as a peal in those days, and what is now known as a peal did not in those days exist. Further, there are no bobs in Stedman Doubles until a rule is invented to find them. Now I challenge Mr. James to contradict these facts by the use of every ordinary words, except that on those of his science. I metion this, as by this science or theory he mixes up course order with bob changes, method with principle, that many of us cannot perhaps properly understand him. In his letter he tells us the first real attempt at scientific classification was made by Shipway. This is an oversight I should think, but it is not correct, as by turning to the "Clavis," 1788, we find on page 103 and several others, Bob Bob Major, Bob Major Reverse, which is scientific classification by his own showing, as although Shipway does not quote from the "Clavis" he copies therefrom without reference or apologies, and continued his work upon similar lines. What Shipway really did was to divide the Court methods and build or invent versions, and so complete the trio, single, double, and reverse, etc. But you see he was

not first, he followed others. Now by my reading of "Tintinalogia" for Grandsire method, and the first publication of it, the "Campanalogia" containing Stedman Doubles, wherein it is first published, I note Stedman's achievements gain him a twin triumph when he brings out his new methods, and then for Mr. James to tell us that the science was unborn in his day! This is almost ridiculous. Why Stedman not only classified, but he made or invented the class for classification, as not only Grandsire and his Doubles are standing to his credit, as there is his Court, given in "Standard Methods," Double Court, another example of his work. The last I will mention is his Imperial Bob. In this we have the earliest example of Major, with Treble Bob hunt; it contains Surprise places and a free proof scale. These are all published in his Campanalogia in the year 1667. This latter method is the finest example of a Major Surprise method ever composed, that is it can be given in single, reverse or double form, just as first mentioned by the Clavis of Bob Major. Norfolk Surprise is another form of it, as here there are no places made next the Treble, either behind or before, but the internal work is otherwise exactly the same. Thus this method is the finest example of a scientific master that has ever been produced in the Art. In saying this I court criticism. The example is well worth looking up, as no other author has such a brilliant record. We are told P Plain. The whole of the working bells continuing in the same course order. (That is as in the plain course order of each or every method or principle, as each one has a course order of its own, differing considerably, as for instance take Double Norwich and London Surprise as examples.) Now this P proposition is given in a vague and incomplete form, and perhaps what I've added does not suit Mr. James's view. But that is mine. B. Bob. The course order of three working bells altered (excepting those whose position is retarded by the exactions of method, as in New Cumberland Surprise, Bristol Surprise and others.)

HENRY DAINS.

P.S.—I almost think we are corresponding under an erroneous title, as I think the Extension of Stedman would be a more appropriate title. H. D.

NEW METHODS.

SIR,—It is of no use for anyone to attempt to produce new Major principles or new Minor methods. The Major principle given in this week's "BELL NEWS" as Harpur is really Barnsbury, and it is included in the Collection of Major methods presented to the Council meeting at Leicester. The two Minor methods went into my waste paper basket along with several hundred others in 1906, when the Collection of Minor methods, which was published by the Council in 1907 was being made. Minor is worked out, everything worth having is in the Collection, and all the rest have been written out and thrown away. Major Principles are worked out, and all plain Major methods. Pure Treble Bob Major methods and most of the mixed Treble Bob Major methods are in manuscript ready for the consideration of the Committee. If composers want to produce something really new, they had better turn their attention to Royal and Maximus. H. LAW JAMES.

"HARPUR," BY J. W. BARKER.

SIR,—In your issue of July 29th the above is given as new. It is practically the same method as Duffield, by Sir A. P. Heywood, and was produced before this gentlemen's book was published in 1888; so it is close upon a quarter of a century old.

R. CARTWRIGHT.

STEDMAN.

SIR,—Mr. Dains asked me a plain question, and I gave him a plain answer, and it seems as if Mr. Willson has taken offence at my answer, which was not intended to give offence to anyone but simply to ask ringers to put on one side preconceived ideas and study things as they are. Mr. Willson then proceeds to say that this has been a question of "terminology." Now this is exactly what it is not, and never has been to me, and if I have written anything that has given this impression then it has been my fault, and I am sorry for it. I used the term Norwich variation in the very same way that we speak of Oxford and Kent variations, knowing quite well that the terminology was not exact, and if Mr. Willson prefers the term Norwich extension I have no objection whatever to altering. There is one other point in his letter. He says "that in the plain changes of Stedman he only alters a pair of bells each change." Now Stedman began 12345
21354
two pairs being changed, and so on throughout. Now, Sir, this is not a question of terminology but of facts, so please examine the following columns of figures:—

A	B	C	D	E	F
12345	12345	12345	12345	12345	12345
21435	21435	21435	21435	21435	21435
24153	12453	24153	12453	24153	12453
42513	21543	42513	14235	42135	14235
45231	12534	24531	41253	41253	41253
54321	21354	42351	42135	14235	42135
53412	12345	43215	24153	12453	24153
35142		34125	42513	21543	42513
31524		43152	24531	etc.	45231
13254		etc.	25413		54213
			etc.		52431
					25413
					24513
					42153
					etc.

Now A is a plain course of Original Doubles, and D is obtained from A by inserting four rows which are printed in large figures between 21435 and 24153; therefore D must be a plain course unless those four rows contain bobs; but they do not, because although 4 makes 3rds place she then goes down to lead, whereas she would return to the back if she had made a bob, but D is five slow sixes of Stedman, and this is therefore a plain course.

B is a touch of Reverse Original Doubles, having three bobs, and E is obtained from B by inserting four rows printed in large figures between 21435 and 12453. Now in E the three bobs which were in B have all disappeared, and we have in their place six bobs of original Doubles, and E is a three-part touch of Original Doubles, but E is three quick sixes, therefore a quick six contains two bobs.

C is a touch of Reverse Original Doubles, in which bobs and plains come alternately, and F is obtained from C in the same way as D is obtained from A and E from B, but C is a touch, therefore F is a touch containing ten bobs in pairs, and each pair produces the same effect as one bob, but F is the so called plain course of Stedman Doubles; therefore this is not a course but a touch containing ten bobs, and the real plain course is five slow sixes.

Finally I turn to Mr. Trollope, who says that I admitted that Stedman Triples is a principle. I admit that I did think at one time that it might be called a principle, but I am now quite convinced that it is not. It is simply a seven-part touch and Duffield Major is not a plain course either, but a touch of Double Original Major having four bobs in each six. Original is a principle, the Stedman slow six is a principle, Forward is principle, for not one of these when analysed can be shewn to contain bobs. H. LAW JAMES.

In 1103 the compulsory curfew was abolished, but it lingered on as a custom almost everywhere, and it is really surprising to find in how many places it still exists, or at any rate was existing at some time during the latter half of the present century. In some counties, such as Cheshire and Oxfordshire, the number of curfew bells recorded as still or until lately existing is quite startling. In the Scottish Lowlands, again, it is far from uncommon, and a rather touching case is that of many American towns, especially in the New England States, which have retained it as a legacy from their pilgrim founders.

T. W.—Will you kindly send again?

BLACKPOOL.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's Hackney, on August 15th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on the 17th, and 31st; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 8th; St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 22nd. St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, August 19th. All members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations Homerton (North London Railway, and Cambridge Heath (Great Eastern Railway). Bells available from 3.15 till 9 p.m. Short service at 5 p.m., which all are requested to attend. Tea will be provided at The Lord Stanley, Paragon Road, at 5.30, at 6d. per head, if all members and friends who intend to be present will notify me by the 15th inst.

WILLIAM J KEMP, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *Chateworth Road, N.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting will be held on Monday, August 21st. The tower of St. Clement Danes open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business in the headquarters room at The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, W.C., at 9.30 p.m. As many members as can make it convenient, are requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Gen. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—All ringing at the above church suspended until September 1st.

JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Worsley (by request), to-day, Sat., August 5th. A walk through the drives of Worsley Hall has been arranged. Bells ready at 2.30. Meeting at 7. W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Ely Diocesan Association.—The postponed annual meeting of this Association will be held on Bank Holiday, Monday, August 7th, at The Lion hotel, Cambridge.

R. L. TWELLS, *General Secretary.*

Peterborough and District Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Peterborough on Monday, August 7th. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m., with address by the Very Rev. the Dean. The Cathedral (5), St. John's (8), and St. Mark's (6), available during the day. Meat tea, 9d. each, at the Fitzwilliam Cafe at 4.30.

J. JUTSON, *Sec. pro tem.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Portsea on Bank Holiday, August 7th. Bells of the parish church available from 2.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at the Parish Institute at 6. Meeting after.

Fareham. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Little Comberton on Saturday, August 12th. Service, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. W. D. Lowndes, at 5 30 p.m. By the kind invitation of the Vicar tea and a business meeting will take place at the rectory after service. Will all those intending to be present at tea, please notify me not later than August 7th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m.

J. HEMMING, *Hon. Br. Sec.*
10, *Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Hale on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 4. Members intending being present please send word to WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*
3, *Shrewsbury Place, Garston.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Guildford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Witley on Saturday, August 12th. 2 30.—Bells available (8). 5.0.—Service: Preacher—The Vicar (Rev. E. J. Nevill). 5.45.—Tea in the Institute. Tea tickets 6d. each; visitors 1s. Please let me know by Wednesday, August 9th, how many will attend. JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Sec.*
North Street, Guildford.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hamer, Rochdale, on Saturday, August 12th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock. Business important.

J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford—It is proposed to arrange a whole day's outing for Saturday, August 19th, starting by conveyance from Stourbridge, and to visit Oldswinford (8), Hagley (8), Clent (8), Kinver (6), Enville (8), Kingswinford (6), Wordsley (6), and Wollaston (6). Will those ringers who wish to join, send their names to me at once, so that the necessasy arrangements may be made. REV. E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
6, *Upper Forster Street, Walsall.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley.—The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.—The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PEYER, *Sec,*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

Mr. F. E. Dawe writes: "In answer to your query in last week's "BELL NEWS," I called a peal of 5040 at Peel, Isle of Man, twenty years ago. It was by a band from the mainland, all College Youths. The bells are a pretty ring of eight, tenor 10½ cwt. in G, by Warner. I believe the tower was since deemed unsafe."

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In some villages in some parts of France the bells are rung to frighten away the demons of the storm. The parish church of Orionhoc was struck by lightning whilh the sacristan's daughter, surrounded by a group of friends, was tolling a bell to frighten away the demons. All the young people were more or less injured, and one remained totally deaf. As the belfry of the church was the only edifice struck, and the victims would have thus enjoyed immunity everywhere else in the village, faith in the power of the bells ought to be shaken at Orionhac.

The sound of bells was supposed to drive away evil spirits, warn off thunder, and calm storms and tempests. It is said there was a special endowment to Old St. Paul's for ringing the "hallowed belle in great tempestes and lightenings," but Whitgift wrote they were they were then a sign of good, being rung to sermons and other godly actions.

When the priest came to the Sanctus in the mass the bell was tolled, so that those at home as well as those in the church could join the song of adoration. It was usually hung in the bell-cote on the gable of the chancel-roof, but at Boston in the gable of the naver The dinner-bell at The Red Lion hotel, Boston, is said to have been the Sanctus bell of Butterwick church.

The Sacring bell was a small hand-bell, used in the elevation of the host in the Eucharist. Amongst the plate which was sold by the Boston Corporation in the reign of Edward VI., was a "sylver belle," weighing 18 ozs. doubtless a sacring bell.

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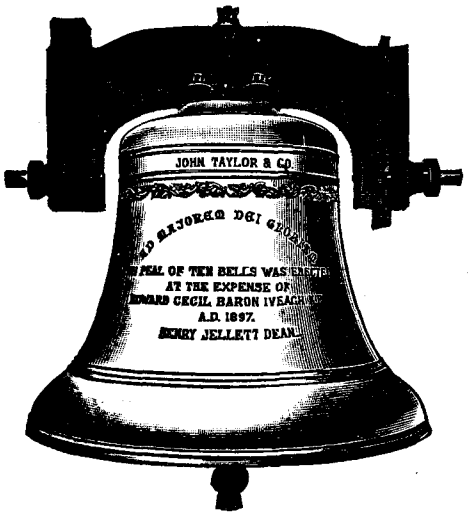

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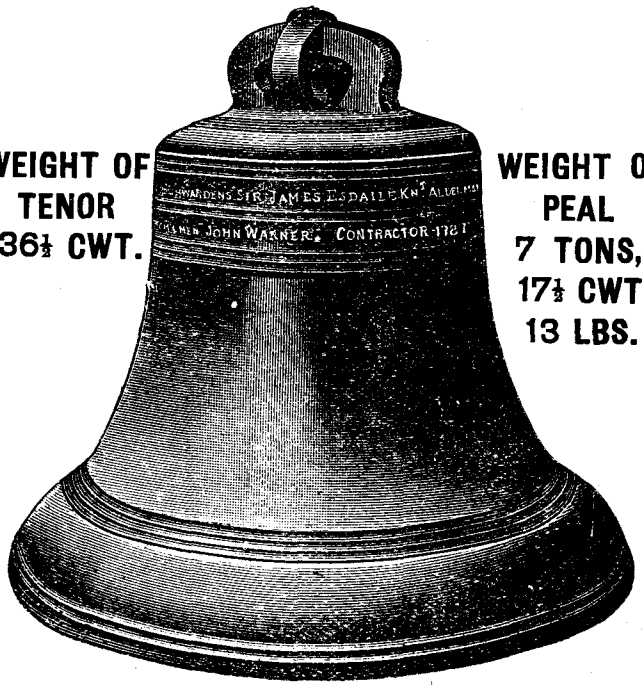

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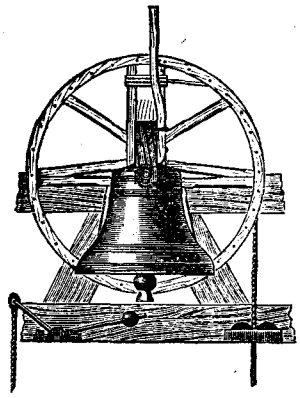

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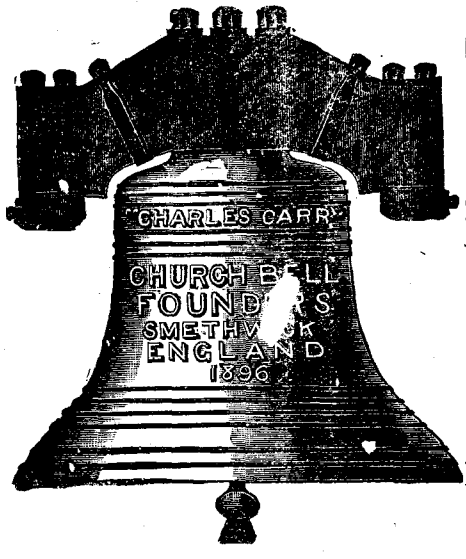

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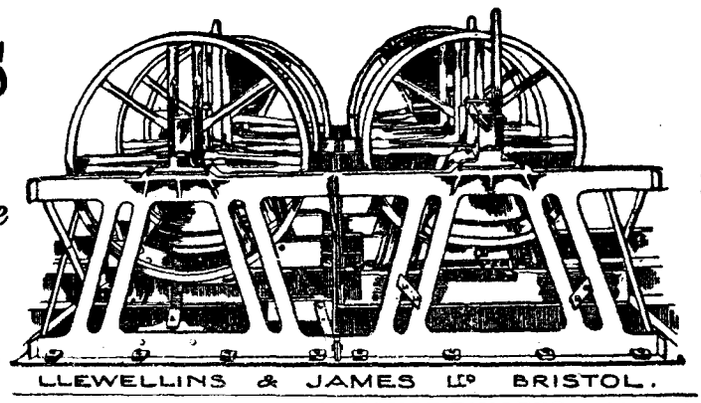

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It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN,
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THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the above was held at Peterborough on Monday, August 7th. Service was held in the Cathedral eastern chapel at 4 p.m., conducted by the Very Rev. the Dean, who also gave the address. The Rev. E. E. Law asssisted. Amongst those present other than the local men were the Revs. S. G. Short and C. J. Sturton, Mr. W. Willson, J. Houghton, G. Ladds, York Green, H. W. Gayton, A. Andrews, J. B. Hallifax, members from Maxey, Wisbeach, Whittlesea, etc.

The following methods were rung during the day at the various towers: Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court. The meeting and tea was held after the service, over which the Dean presided.

The Rev. E. E. Law, Treasurer, presented the Report, showing a balance of £5 7s. 4d.

Mr. J. Jutson extended a hearty welcome on behalf of the members to the visitors, with especial mention of Mr. W. Willson, the latter gentleman making a capital speech in reply.

The officers were re-elected for the ensuing year with additions (to committee) from the new towers. Mr. F. Cooke was unanimously elected Secretary.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Dean for presiding and for his impressive address.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

THE OXFORD SOCIETY.—In the evening of Saturday, August 5th, at the Cathedral Church of Christ Church, Oxford, as a last tribute of respect to the late Bishop Paget, three courses of Stedman Caters were rung by the following, with the bells muffled: W. Smith conductor, W. Finch, A. Hawes, S. Hounslow, A. Fox, W. Jeffery, F. Castle, T. Payne, Rev. C. Jenkyn, A. Strange. It was intended to start for a peal, but owing to a misunderstanding with the college authorities the attempt had to be abandoned, and the above was substituted.

BLACKPOOL.

RINGERS and their friends will find good accommodation at MR. JOHN SMITH'S, 41, Hornby Road, Blackpool, (late of Rawtenstall). Near Central Station and Sea. Piano. "THE BELL NEWS" taken. Good half-pull neighbourhood.

BELFRY DESIGN AND BELFRY NUISANCE,

In the present details of design of church belfries, which propogate the sound of bells, they serve to cause a nuisance. A radical change in the details which are concerned in propagating bell sound is therefore needed, which will presently be described.

The suppression of the ringing of church bells would be a national calamity in the estimation of many inestimable hosts of people and church-goers in most communities throughout the country. Yet there are growing murmurs and rumours of an ominous character, both public and private, that the continuous ringing of church bells, even for the half-hour preceding service, is a nuiasnce. In some parishes the ring is only permitted during the first and last five minutes of the half-hour. What, then, is to become of the change-ringing feats of mental, moral and physical performances involved in Treble Bob Major of 8,864 changes rung through in five hours and twenty-seven minutes? There are, besides, many other famous peals of "superlatives," etc., and various others of shorter duration, varying from about two hours to over three hours. That the "Ringing Island," as England has been fitly called, should discard the important use of her belfries by silencing her church bell-ringing is hardly to be entertained. It should be remembered, too, that it would involve stopping the enjoyment of an important mental and muscular exercise, in which between 30,000 and 40,000 professional change-ringers are immediately interested, besides a much larger host of their friends and sympathisers. Times, however, are changed, and the designs and uses made of church belfries must keep abreast of the advance with the accompanying changes of taste of the people, but not by silencing her bells and forgetting the cunning of her change-ringers, it is to be hoped. The church belfry has been for many centuries a most attractive part of the church functions. Even to this day its introduction in 404 B.C. by Paulinus, the then bishop of a most ancient city, founded by the Etruscans 800 years B.C., who first constructed the belfry and cast bronze bells for church purposes, is annually celebrated, This festival called "Giglio di Nola," takes place on the Saturday, Sunday, and Monday after June 22nd, at Nola, near Naples. The leading feature of the procession on the Sunday assumes an architectural display of nearly a dozen highly modelled belfry towers or steeples of different elaborate architectural styles and design, mostly octagon, and averaging about 70 ft. high. They are of six or seven storeys, of varieties of Italian Classic, Renaissance, etc., superimposed architectural orders of design. Each tower is surmounted by the erect figure of the patron saint, and embellished with fitting emblems of the local trade guilds presenting them for the occasion. The towers are constructed of bright coloured papier mache upon a light braced frame-work of sawn laths, secured to a light wood platform of about 16 ft. square. The platform has ten projecting arms placed equi-distant round each of the four sides, so that each tower structure may be borne in the procession upon the shoulders of forty men, wheeled platforms not being permitted for the occasion. The Italian type of entablature mitring round the capital of the column and pilaster, as in the triumphal arches of Septimus Severus and Constantine at Rome, seems to find favour with the designers of these elaborate bell towers. And not les in favour at times is the more pronounced and extravaant style of architecture, decoration, and enrichment known as Rococo or Racaille, which commenced early in the seventeenth century, accompanying the Renaissance movement. The Rococo was pretentious, sumptuous, and tasteless, and we find it repeated in furniture as well as architecture of more recent times in this country. It succeeded the first revival of Italian architecture in the time of Louis XIV. and XV. It was sinuous in elevation as well as in plan, broken and curved pediments, scroll buttresses, twisted columns, columns in front of pilasters, with the cornice mitring round them. The mouldings round panels are broken or curved at the angles into various shapes. Panels are filled with flowers, leafage, etc. Crimped and conventional shells, scrolls abound in various positions. There are birds, fishes, masks, figures, husks, marks of different forms and characters, ribbons, canopies, embossed grounds, musical instruments, and other extravagances in carving, sculpture, modelling, etc.

Though we would venture to suggest that some of the Lord Mayors' metropolitan shows should partake belfry towers, as appropriate to the "ringing island," in a somewhat similar manner that they should avoid many of the extravagances of the Rococo, with its early "bizarre" and later "baroco" phases. Vast crowds of tourists and visitors from all parts of the world at its most fashionable health and pleasure resort, Naples, witness these annual festive architectural displays.

The most radical reform of the belfry which is needed is a new phase in the sound-propagation function of the bell-chamber. The louvres of the present arrangement direct the sound downwards upon the near dwellers with overpowering loudness, instead of its being scattered abroad. The louvre windows should therefore be boarded up inside, and ample sound ports then be opened above them with projecting hoods to keep out the rain, etc. These sound ports should centre opposite to the level of the bells' lips when they are turned mouth upwards in change-ringing. The ceiling of the bell-chamber should slope upwards and outwards from the centre in a flat inverted conical form, somewhat like the soundboard over the pulpit of St. Paul's Cathedral. Galvanized wire netting should be spread across the sound ports to keep out birds.

Another reform in the belfry is of vital importance, as it causes the dangerous dilapidation of the masonry of the belfry, so that many valuable peals of bells cannot be rung. The bell-cage, being usually made of timber, shrinks and warps, so that the joints of the framework get open and permit of injurious rocking of the cage, which bumps loose the stones of the belfry masonry against which it is wedged. The brasses in which the bell gudgeons work get loose, out of level, and in wind, and thus causes injurious distortions and friction which makes tiresome ringing and oftener prevents it altogether.

The neglect which causes this dilapldation to the belfry masonry, coupled with ricketty and dangerous stair access up the tower to the belfry, have long been pleaded against by numerous writers from time to time.

It should be noted that the bell is not a uniformly thin plate, as nearly all philosophical writers have treated it, but a plate of varying thickness throughout its vertical section, and hence there are various complexities involved in the sound it produces—varied too, by the manner in which it is struck.

Since the belfry is in existence for the use of bells, the bells should be musically tuned to justify the combined existence, when the belfry is properly designed to perform its function without propagating a nuisance. Then, with musically voiced bells, properly hung in a suitable belfry, there would be little cause of complaint.

LIVERPOOL CATHEDRAL.

At last a visible sign of the splendid unity which is being developed out of the vast medley of men, materials, machinery on St. James's Mount has come into being. The first of the main roof arches of the choir has been completed, and another is likely to be completed this week. The apex of the arch is 115 feet from the floor of the Cathedral—more than a dozen feet higher than Westminster Abbey or York Minster, the loftiest interiors in England. The huge windows at what would ordinarily be the east end of the choir, is to rise some 7 feet higher than the arch of the last bay, beyond which it will stretch upwards, the largest expanse of glass in any English Cathedral—larger even than the great Gloucester window. The cost of the glass is provided for by the munificent gift of the late Mrs. T. H. Ismay, in memory of her husband.

Meanwhile there is a curious disproportion between the steady progress in the stonework of the choir, and the complete standstill in regard to the great transept which is to be part of the first portion of the main Cathedral building. The fact is, it is impossible to start on the transept until the plans and drawings for the new central tower are approved in detail, as these will have to settle how the transept is to be prepared for the tower to join on to it. Accordingly the date named a year ago, 1914, for the completion of this portion will have now to be pushed on a year or two, as such massive masonry cannot be hurried. It will be remembered that the published design for the single tower which is now to replace the original two, gave a perspective view of it from the bottom of the cemetery looking up, and that the approval of it by the public has been far from unanimous. It now appears that this aspect was deliberately chosen by the architect as being the very worst in which his enormous tower could be seen. This argument—ingenious enough when understood—was that if the change was, on the whole, approved from that point of view, there would be no question that it would then pass muster from more favourable yoints. Till a good perspective view is produced, shewing the effect from the corner of Hope Street and Upper Parliament Street, it will be impossible to gauge the value of the new feature. Already, however, from that point, or, better still perhaps from Windsor Street, which gives a marvellous vista, the mass and outlines of the choir can be more than guessed at. From within also its peculiar construction becomes clearer month by month, each bay consisting virtually of a transept, the aisles being mere passage ways pierced through the successive transept walls. Above the main arcade runs a broad triforium sallery, two bays corresponding to each arch of the arcade, but the transeptal construction dispenses with a clerestory.

During the holidays of the organist and choir the music has been reduced to a minumum, the service being read, and nothing sung but the Psalms and two hymns, accompanied on an harmonium. The number of holiday visitors is very large, people coming in and out almost incessantly. The visitors are drawn from all ranks, but the interest and delight are unfailing. People hardly know which feature to prefer; but the glass certainly is one of the most conspicuous attractions. During the last few days two pieces of work, hitherto unfinished, have been displayed in their completed state.

At Jacobstow, on a recent afternoon, a peal was rung by lady ringers, five daughters of the Rector, with Mr. Raby ringing the tenor and conducting.

5232 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By Fredk. Hy. Dexter, *Leicester.*

23456	1	4	5	6
45362	x	–		
54263		–		–
34562		–		
43265		–		–
53462		–		
23564		–		
32465		–		–
24365				–
42563		–		–
25463				–
52364		–		–
53264				s
43562		–		
34265		–		–
54362		–		
45263		–		–
35462		–		
25364		–		
52463		–		–
24563				–
42365		–		–
23465				–
32564		–		–
53426			x	
24356	–	–		–
45326	–			
23546	–			–
34526	–			
25436	–			–
54236				–
42536				–
35246	–			–
52346				–
43256	–			–
32456				–
52436	s			
34256	–			–
45236	–			
32546	–			–
24536	–			
35426	–			–
54326				–
43526				–
25346	–			–
53246				–
42356	–			–
23456				–

In this peal the 6th is away from the tenors for half a lead only, and is the extent, in 23 times w, and 14 times r.

A bob before and behind in the first lead of the first course must be called. 5008 by omitting 3 consecutive calls at 4 or 6.

Cotgrave (Notts).—On Sunday, August 6th, for service at the parish church, 360 Kent Treble Bob. D. Burton, A. P. Wakley, W. Hickling, W. White, T. Squires, J. T. Dyke conductor. 360 Double Court. W. Hickling, W. White, A. P. Wakley conductor, W. E. White, J. T. Dyke, T. Squires. On handbells 720 Bob Minor. J. T. Dyke, 1-2; A. P. Wakley, 3-4; W. White conductor, 5-6.

Pulham Market (Norfolk).—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, 932 Oxford Treble Bob Major. F. Borrett, C. Baker, A. Smith, J. Allen, G. Baxter, W. Roope, F. Roope, C. Roope.

OAKHAM, RUTLANDSHIRE.

DEDICATION OF A PEAL TALBLET.

An event of great interest to ringers took place on Saturday, August 5th, the occasion being the dedication of a stone tablet recording the first peal rung in the town. Ringers from Melton Mowbray attended the service, which was conducted by the Rev. A. M. Baird Smith, M.A. in the absence of the Vicar.

The bells were raised for the service, and afterwards a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was brought round in 50 mins. H. Burbeck (Oakham), S. Huddleston (Melton), G. H. Towell (Oakham), A. E. Johnson (Melton), F. C. Towell (Oakham), W. James (Melton), R. H. Bartram conductor (Melton), W. E. Higgs (Oakham).

The stone for the tablet was kindly given by Mr. W. Higgs, and was cut and lettered by Mr. J. Smith. On it appears the following in plain lettering: "The Midland Counties Association of Change-ringers. In this tower was rung a complete peal of Grandsire Triples, 5040 changes, Holt's ten-part, on Saturday, May 6th, 1911, in 3 hours and 17 minutes. G. H. Towell, treble; S. Huddleston, 2; Miss Lilian A. Willson, 3: Walter James, 4; W. Edgar Higgs, 5; Richard Mount, 6; R. H. Bartram, 7; Sydney B. Higgs, tenor. First peal in the town of Oakham. J. H. Charles, M.A., R.D., Vicar. W. M. Keal, G. Phillips, Churchwardens."

BELLS WITH A HISTORY.

A ring of bells that has had as adventurous a career as any that hang in Old World towers is the famous peal of St. Michael's, Charleston, South Carolina. Five times have these bells crossed the sea, once as a heap of ruined metal, and two armies have they had to encounter or escape; yet to-day the nine bells are of unusual purity and sweetness of tone.

Cast in England before the Revolution, and brought over to St. Michael's, they met with their first danger in that war. That they might not be injured they were sent back to England. After the war was over the people of Charleston wanted them, and it became the duty of the first American Minister to England to negotiate for them. He was successful, and amidst triumphant ovations they were escorted to the church. All went well with them till the Civil War. Then the steeple of St. Michael's was made the target for the cannon of the besiegers. It was necessary to remove the bells to a safer place, and they were sent to Columbia. When Sherman's army took to Columbia, the sheds in the yards of the state house, in which the bells had been placed, were broken into, and the bells broke into fragments, while the bells were set on fire. They were not yet done for, however. At the close of the war the pieces were carefully gathered together and shipped to Liverpool, together with extracts from the records of St. Michael's, shewing where the bells were cast and the proportion of metals forming the component parts. Upon inquiry, it was fonnd that the firm of bell-founders that had cast the bells was still in existence, unchanged in name, and consisting of the descendants of the original firm. The records of the firm contained an account of the casting of the bells, and the proportions corresponded with those in the St. Michael's records. Under such favourable circumstances it was not hard to recast the bells. Then for the fifth time they crossed the Atlantic, and arrived safely in Charleston.

ST. ELISABETH'S SOCIETY, REDDISH.

On Saturday, July 29th, the ringers attached to this church held their annual outing, Lincoln being the place selected. Leaving Stockport by 6.12 a.m. train, accompanied for the first time by their wives and female friends, a splendid run landed them at their destination about 9.45. Here they were kindly met by Mr. Rupert Richardson, who had already covered the distance from Surfleet (40 miles) on his motor cycle, also Mr. George Chester, one of the local ringers, who had made all necessary arrangements as regards the catering, etc., and who throughout the day acted as guide to the party. The Cathedral, both inside and out, came in for general admiration, also the well equipped Arboretum, the various "gates," together with the historic castle and surroundings. The irrepressible humourist of the party was well to the fore, and thoroughly appreciated the quaint curiosities inspected. Their thanks are due, and are here tendered, to the Rev. Reginald Bond, Vicar of St. Peter-at-Arches, for allowing the party to ring for evensong, although the heat was too oppresive for much ringing; to Mr. Rupert Richardson for so kindly placing his services at their disposal; and last, but by no means least, to Mr. Chester for arranging for the ringing and the excellent dinner and high tea, which was very promptly and efficiently served at the local Co-operative Cafe, and to which ample justice was done. Mr. Chester proved to be full of dry humour and wit, and thoroughly conversant with all the "points" relating to Lincoln and its surroundings: a store of knowledge in himself, but withal unostentatious. Everyone agreed to having spent an enjoyable and busy day, and were sorry when the time of departure arrived.

UGBOROUGH, DEVONSHIRE.

The ring of eight bells (tenor 24 cwt.) at this church, which had got into a very dilapidated condition, and unsafe to ring, has been rehung in an iron frame with all new fittings by Harry Stokes and Son, church bell hangers, of Woodbury, and were re-dedicated by the Archdeacon of Totnes and re-opened recently. A peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on them on July 22nd by the Plymouth branch of the Devonshire Guild, an account of which has already appeared in these columns.

WIDFORD, NEAR WARE, HERTS.

A large new clock has been ordered for the parish church here which will strike the hours and show time on a large dial. It is to be fitted with all the latest improvements and generally to the designs of the late Lord Grimthorpe. The makers—Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, guarantee it to keep time with great accuracy. The same firm recently made clocks at Saxthorpe church, Norfolk, and Barton Mills church, Suffolk.

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A GOSSIP AOUT BELLS.

When we dip down into the archives of antiquity we find that bell-ringing accounted for no small share of church expenses. Each year's accounts contain records of the amounts paid to bellringers for their services. The bells were then rung upon all sorts of occasions, joyous and sad. Indeed the church bell would appear to have served the purpose of the modern newspaper and telephone, only not so effectively as those latter-day mediums do. One can picture to oneself the villagers rushing out of their houses, or leaving their work, when the tones of the bell were heard, and questioning each other as to what the intelligence was—gay or otherwise. Those records are reminiscent of many interesting occasions in English history during the first half of the nineteenth century. For instance, on November 5th, 1805, the ringers received half-a-guinea for ringing on the occasion of a "Nelson victory;" on March 26th, 1806, news must have been received in Neston of a victory by Admiral Duckworth, inasmuch as the ringers, under this head, again received 10s. 6d.; on May 29th, in the same year, the ringers were paid 6s. on account of the King's Restoration, and a similar amount for ringing the tidings of the King's birthday; on August 12th, 1808, they received 6s. for "Cadize," and on September 10th, the same year, they received 6s. for a "Wellesley" victory; half-a-guinea was paid to them on October 25th, 1809, for "Jubele" day; in August of the next year they were paid 10s. 6d. for ringing the intelligence of Lord Wellington's victory, and again on July 13th, 1813, a like amount for another Lord Wellington's victory, while on November 24th their services at the bell, or bells, in connection with the Dutch "revelusion" were rewarded with a sovereign. Again, on July 7th, 1814, the ringers received a sovereign in connection with "thanksgiving for peace," and on June 18th, 1815—the year that is indelibly imprinted upon the mind of every schoolboy and girl—£1 was paid to the "bell-pullers" for announcing the welcome intelligence of the Allies' victory over "Buonparte," while on January 18th, 1816, they were paid 18s.—there is a good lot of "eighteen" about this matter—for ringing the bells in connection with the thanksgiving for peace. And so on.

The ringers must have been a very useful, not to say indispensable section of the community in those far-back times. One wonders if it was a custom in those days to apprentice lads to the bellringing, just as nowadays "young hopefuls" are apprenticed to different trades and professions. Certainly bell-ringing seems to have been a much more important business then than it is now, or is ever likely to again become. A custom now defunct, and unknown for many years, was that of ringing in the new churchwardens after each vestry meeting. The ringers were also paid for their services at confirmation, for ringing on Christmas and New Years's days, and also for tolling the curfew bell—that old relic of the Norman period, when fires had to be covered, lights extinguished, and the people were supposed to retire to rest at eight o'clock. Those must truly have been happy times! One more item in reference to the ringers, and then I will pass on. About 1848 or so they must have been getting very lax, or doing something that displeased their superiors, for in 1849 "it was ordered that the bellringers be expected to attend Divine Service regularly."

5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS.

By Fredk. Hy. Dexter, *Leicester.*

23456789	1 2 3 4 5
23456978	– – –
35427968	– s –
52436978	– s –
23457968	– s –
4532	– s s
5234	– s –
2435	– s s
4532	– s –
5234	– s –
3425	– s s
4523	– s –
5324	– s –
3425	– s –
4523	– s –

Repeat, but call 1st course same as the 5th for—

54237968	1 2 3 4 5
54237896	– – –
43257698	s – –
35247896	s – –
54237698	s – –
2345	s – s
3542	s – –
5243	s – –
2345	s – –
3542	s – –
4253	s – s
2354	s – –
3452	s – –
4253	s – –
2354	s – –
3452	s – –
4253	s – –
2354	s – –

Repeat, but call 1st course same as the 5th for—

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Contains alternate courses throughout.

The Versatile Oganist.—A contemporary has unearthed an advertisement which sets forth the allurements of the post of verger-organist at a church in the enlightened town of Kammerswaldau. The duties are as follows: To play the organ at four services and to lead the singing, to secure the services of singers, and as they cannot be obtained in the town, provide the expense of their journey and meals; to perform the function of verger, including clerk's work, but not including bell ringing and cleaning. While occupied at the organ to provide a deputy verger, and be at the Vicar's service for baptisms and so forth. The yearly salary offered for the post is forty shillings, with a special grant of twelve and sixpence for the deputy verger and three shillings and fourpence for the organ blower.

The Peal at Hadleigh.—In connection with this peal Mr. A. Symonds writes: "I am very sorry I failed to send this peal at the proper time. Had got it out and thought it was posted, and have been looking for it in my "B.N." The tenor mas has sent me a post card asking why it has not appeared, I apologise to you and the band for being so neglectful."

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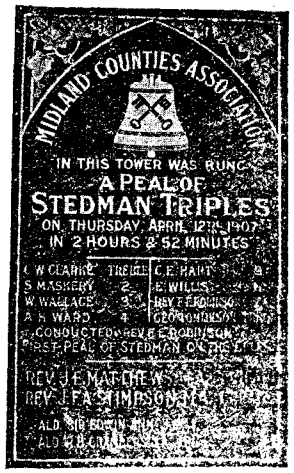

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In the Kent Variation. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

Stedman H. Symonds	*Treble.*	W. R. John Poulson	5.
Charles Varo†	2.	William Dent	6.
Thomas Reed*	3.	Ernest Beckwith	7.
Arthur Symonds	4.	David Elliott	*Tenor.*

Composed by the late H. Johnson, and Conducted by S. H. Symonds.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. It is 64 years since a peal has been rung on these bells. Mr. Reed entertained the band to breakfast after the peal.

MARDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, July 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A Variation of Holt's Ten-Part, Tenor 14½ cwt.

Fredk. Hodgkin	*Treble.*	Archibald C. Kay	5.
David Hodgkin	2.	Philip Hodgkin	6.
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AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Grandsire and Oxford Bob, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs.

FREDK. C. WOOLLEY ..*Treble.*	PERCY J. LENTON .. .. 4.
MATTHIAS HOBBS .. .. 2.	GEORGE HOLLAND .. .. 5.
ALBERT E. WYKES .. .. 3.	HORACE W. SHARMAN ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. W. SHARMAN.

WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of Grandsire, April Day, and Plain Bob Doubles.

Tenor 10 cwt.

LEONARD KEMP* .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS CRANE .. .. .. 4.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT.. .. 2.	ALBERT LEE .. .. .. 5.
WILLIAM KEMP .. .. .. 3.	LIONEL HAMMOND .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the treble ringer, the company wishing him many happy returns. Also to celebrate the successful completion of the new bell tower at Spexhall church. *First peal; aged 14.

HONINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, August 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of thirty-two 6-scores of St. Dunstan, and ten 6-score of Grandsire. Tenor 8¼ cwt.

A. MACKEABS .. .. ..*Treble.*	A. PALMER .. .. 3.
R. SCOTT .. .. 2.	W. WATSON .. .. .. 4.
A. DRURY .. ..*Tenor.*	

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Rung in honour of the wedding of the Rev. E. H. Wilgress, Vicar of Carlton Scroop, and Miss F. M. Moore, daughter of Canon Moore, of Honington.

SWAFFHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 3, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 23 lbs. in E.

FREDK. R. BORRETT ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM ROOPE.. .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.	ARTHUR ROOPE .. .. .. 6.
WILLIAM HAINES* .. .. 3.	RUSSELL RICHES .. .. 7.
CHARLES BAKER.. .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by FREDK. R BORRETT.

*First peal in the method.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 17½ cwt.

Being seven 720s each called differently.

WILLIAM E. WHITE.. ..*Treble.*	JOSEPH T. DYKE .. .. 4.
WALTER WHITE.. .. .. 2.	ALBERT P. WAKLEY .. 5.
JOHN J. JACKSON .. .. 3.	THOMAS SQUIRES .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM E. WHITE.

First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor by all, on the bells, and by the Association.

SHENSTONE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Saturday, August 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

SHIPWAY'S FIVE-PART, Tenor 13 cwt.

F. JAMES COPE .. .. ..*Treble.*	*THOMAS BLOORE .. .. 5.
ARTHUR BOWLER .. .. 2.	*WILLIAM D. JAMES .. .. 6.
BERNARD T. CLAYDON* .. 3.	*GEORGE ROBERTS .. .. 7.
JOSEPH W. TIMMS .. .. 4.	*BERTRAM LEEDHAM .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. J. COPE.

*First peal of Bob Major. This is believed to be the first peal of Bob Major on the bells.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

ALFRED J. TURNER*.. ..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 6.
JOHN S. GOLDSMITH* .. 2.	*ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 7.
ALBERT D. STONE* .. .. 3.	GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 8.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 4.	*KEITH HART .. .. .. 9.
CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 5.	ERNEST PYE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by WILLIAM PYE, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal Cambridge Royal. First Surprise peal on ten bells in Sussex.

ROTHERFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DENYS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 24½ cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER .. ..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH.. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. .. 7.
CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

HENRY S. REEVES .. ..*Treble.*	SAMUEL PAGE .. .. .. 5.
HUBERT EDEN .. .. .. 2.	GEORGE N. PRICE .. .. 6.
WALTER HOBBS .. .. .. 3.	EDWARD WHITBREAD .. 7.
CHARLES N. LEMAN* .. 4.	FREDK. WHITE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by HUBERT EDEN.

*First peal in the method.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Tenor 16½ cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE .. ..*Treble.*	ROBERT J. DAWE .. .. 6.
CHARLES W. CLARKE .. 2.	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH.. .. 7.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. .. 7.
CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. .. 9.
GEORGE R. PYE.. .. .. 5.	BERTRAM PREWET.. .. ..*Tenor*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JOHN S. GOLDSMITH.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen 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.

FREDK. SMITH*	..*Treble.*	GEORGE THOMPSON	6.
GEORGE HOLLIS..	2.	ALBERT COPPOCK	7.
WILLIAM LAMBERT	3.	SAMUEL WESLEY	8.
FRANK JACOBS	4.	*PERCIVAL PRICE	9.
WILLIAM J. THYNG	5.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

*First peal of Royal. First peal as conductor on ten bells.

READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(READING BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES.

Ten or 24 cwt. in D.

HARRY SIMMONDS† ..	..*Treble.*	*WALTER A. WEBB	6.
HUBERT HATTO*	2.	GEORGE ESSEX	7.
CHARLES GILES‡	3.	ALFRED WATMORE	8.
JOSEPH HANDS	4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	9.
GEORGE IRVINE..	5.	REUBEN SAWYER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by the late JOHN NELMS, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

*First peal of Grandsire Caters. †First peal of Grandsire Caters away from the tenor. ‡200th peal; a list appears next week. Rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Bishop of Oxford, President of the Guild, who was buried at Christ Church, Oxford, on the 5th inst.; also on the 19th anniversary of Mr. Watmore's wedding. The band wish to thank the Rev. R. P. Newhouse for granting permission, also Mr. W. Newell for making all necessary arrangements, and who was there and heard the finish of the peal.

BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

CHARLES W. CLARKE	..*Treble.*	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH.. ..	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE..	2.	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
GEORGE R. PYE*	3.	ERNEST PYE	7.
CHARLES T. COLES	4.	KEITH HART	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells. *500th peal.

WHITWICK, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 12 cwt.

HAROLD PEGG†	..*Treble.*	JOHN RAWSON	5.
HARRY PERCIVAL*	2.	JOSEPH LORD	6.
JOHN MOORE	3.	WALTER FERN	7.
GEORGE WALKER	4.	STORER W. WEST ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH LORD.

†First peal, and was proposed a member before starting. *First peal with a bob bell.

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SWANAGE, DORSETSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. in E flat.

WALTER KERLEY ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. PERCEY	5.
EDWIN T. GREEN	2.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	6.
LIONEL H. PAGE	3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7.
CHARLES FORFITT	4.	CHARLES W. GOUDENOUGH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

BECCLES, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL 5000 CHANGES

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 25 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lbs.

FREDK. BORRETT ..	..*Treble.*	*EDGAR BAILEY	6.
ALBERT WARNES	2.	FREDK. ROOPE	7.
CHARLES BAKER..	3.	*ERNEST BAILEY	8.
JAMES BAILEY*	4.	WILLIAM STEELE	9.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN.. ..	5.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal on ten bells.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 10½ cwt.

A. J. NAUNTON	..*Treble.*	*L. NAUNTON	4.
J. JILLINGS*	2.	F. W. NAUNTON	5.
C. PARNELL	3.	JOHN LARTER	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN LARTER.

*First peal.

CHESTER.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

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

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

HARRY GOUGH*	..*Treble.*	HENRY DEW	5.
ROBERT SPERRING	2.	JAMES MORGAN	6.
WILLIAM SCONCE	3.	REV. C. CAREW COX ..	7.
HENRY W. WILDE	4.	ERNEST CHANNELL ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by B. ANNABLE, and
Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

*First peal in the method.

BRIDGNORTH, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 8, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LATES'S ONE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

JOHN OVERTON	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHORT	5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ..	2.	WILFRED OVERTON	6.
REV. E. V. COX	3.	JAMES E. GROVES	7.
JOHN ELCOCK	4.	HORACE W. OVERTON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

Correspondence.

SIR,—Permit me to correct the postscript to my last letter, which should read thus: I almost think we are corresponding under an erroneous title, as the Extension of Stedman would be more appropriate. I wish also to say I have perused Mr. James' six examples in this week's "BELL NEWS," and in order to ask a question upon the subject I am giving the following two examples as an illustration of it. First let me say that Mr. James tells us at the end of his letter that there are three principles, Original, Stedman's Slow Six and Forward (and not one of these when analysed can be shown to contain bobs).

STEDMAN'S SLOW SIX.	STEDMAN'S QUICK SIX.
X.	Y.
12345	12345
21435	21435
12453	24153
14235	42135
41253	41253
42135	14235
24153	12453
42513	21543

Now Mr. James tells us there are two bobs in the quick six. These I take to be made by the bells making 3rds place, viz., treble and 2nd, as in this quick six Y example. My question is What is the 2nd bell doing in X example, if not "bob making?" It goes from lead and makes 3rds and back again to lead. Just the same as treble and 2nd does in example Y. We of course know in X three places are made, hand and backstroke, while those in Y are made back and hand, just reverse. Stedman accounts for this by the term "cutting compass."

HENRY DAINS.

THE EXTENSION OF STEDMAN.

SIR,—I have no wish to carry on a useless discussion in the pages of "THE BELL NEWS," and from the letters which have lately appeared it seems likely that we shall degenerate into this state of things if we are not very careful. Change-ringing is a practical Art of ringing actual changes upon bells; it also has a very interesting history, and is also a pure science; all these three are extremely interesting, they can be kept absolutely seperate, and they can also react upon one another, to the mutual advantage of each. Mr. Dains' investigations deal with history, and some of the statements he makes in bis letter this week are very interesting, but they have nothing to do with the science of change-ringing and very little with the practice. The letter which you kindly inserted for me in this week's "B.N." is purely scientific; its only bearing on history is that it proves that the Norwich ringers who extended Stedman from Doubles to Triples made a mistake, but its practical bearing is of great importance, because when the Exercise reaches what Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques really are, we shall get peals rung in which there is double dodging above 3rds place, undisturbed by the disfiguring 5th, 7th or 9th place bobs of the Norwich Extension.

Mr. Dains thinks that I have overlooked Reverse Bob Major, etc., in the Clavis, but this is not so, there are indications of coming light before Shipway's time, but still the fact remains that he was the first to publish what we may fairly call a scientific treatise on change-ringing, and this is so in every science, you get facts collected by various workers over a certain period of time, and then some one starts the real science by trying to classify the whole of the facts; this leads to analysis, and then and not till then you have a Science

And what is science? It is the systematic search for truth, and that, Sir, is all that I have in view; and if ringers will kindly remember this and approach the subject in a friendly way with a common desire to find out the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, we shall have a friendly discussion, extend our range of vision, and arrive at results which will be really beneficial in the belfry. Mr. Dains then goes on to say something about course order, and he says P Plain. The whole of the working bells continuing in the same course order, and then states that there are different course orders for different methods or principles, and he quotes Double Norwich and London Surprise as having different course order. But Sir, this is not so. Original, Forward, Stedman (slow sixes only) all plain methods and all Treble Bob methods have absolutely the same course order 1246 etc. up to x y . . . 5 3, on any number of bells on which they will run, short of infinity.

He states also that Stedman Doubles does not contain bobs until a rule is invented to find them, by which statement he gives away the whole position and grants me exactly what I want. Until you know the difference between P and B you cannot see the bobs in Stedman Doubles. Stedman did not know the difference, and therefore never saw them; if the bells are coursing in the order 1234, P does not alter them, B alters three of them by moving one over two others, and we get for instance 12534. Now this is a real difference whatever we choose to call it, and nothing which is P can possibly be B or vice versa, any more than a straight line can be crooked, or a crooked line straight.

H. LAW JAMES.

Date Touches.

THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, BARKING.

BARKING.—On Sunday, July 23rd, for morning service, a date touch of 1911 Stedman Triples, in 1 hr. 7 mins. G. Cottis, A. C. Hardy, F. Russell, R. Fenn, G. Faulkner, J. Norriss, C. Fenn conductor, E. A. Davis. Composed by J. Bradley.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

CROPWELL BISHOP (Notts).—On Monday, August 7th, in 1 hr. 5 mins., a date touch of Doubles, 1911 changes, being 240 each of Stedman Slow Course, Stedman, Grandsire, St. Dunstan's and Canterbury, 360 Old Doubles, and 351 Plain Bob. W. E. White, A. P. Wakley conductor, W. White, J. T. Dyke, T. Squires. Tenor 11½ cwt.

Miscellaneous.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

NETHERTON.—On Sunday, August 6th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans') in 43 mins. J. Faulkner, V. White, A. Hackett, H. Hill, S. Grove, H. Price, A. Greenfield, first quarter-peal in the method as conductor, J. Massey.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

CARDIFF.— On Investiture Day, at St. John's church, 796 Grandsire Caters. S. Williams, C. Hobbs, H. Day, W. B. Biss conductor, F. Chamberlain, A. Rowley, W. Millar, E. Coles, W. Bolton, C. Oram. Another 796 by the same band, with the exception of S. R. Barker, who rung the tenor. Also 504 Stedman Triples. H. Day, W. B. Biss conductor, E. Coles, A. Rowley, W. Miller, F. Chamberlain, W. Bolton, S. R. Barker. On Sunday, July 16th, 720 Bob Minor, with 6-8 covering. S. Williams, H. Day, E. Coles, W. B. Biss conductor, F. Chamberlain, J. Hole, W. Miller, S. R. Barker.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

NILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Tuesday evening, August 8th, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. J. Avis, J. Burles, G. R. Ambrose, F. M. Mitchell, R. Constant, F. Hayes conductor. First 720 in the method by all the band, and on record on the bells. Rung as a farewell to the 1st Batt. Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, who leave Milton on the 12th, after a stay of three years.

BLACKBURN.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans') in 48 mins. H. Walter, W. Briggs, F. Hindle, W. H. Idle, E. Duteson, J. Watson, W. E. Wilson conductor, W. J. Edmundson.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's Hackney, on August 15th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street on the 17th, and 31st; St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 22nd. St. Magnus 7.30; the ethers 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, August 19th. All members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations Homerton (North London Railway, and Cambridge Heath (Great Eastern Railway). Bells available from 3.15 till 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at The Lord Stanley, Paragon Road, at 5.30, at 6d. per head, if all members and friends who intend to be present will notify me by the 15th inst.

WILLIAM J KEMP, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *Chatsworth Road, N.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting will be held on Monday, August 21st The tower of St. Clement Danes open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business in the headquarters room at The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, W.C., at 9.30 p.m. As many members as can make it convenient, are requested to attend.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Gen. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, August 26th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. G. H. Siddans). Bells available at 3.30. Tea, 6d., at 6 o'cleck. Members and friends cordially invited. The Secretary would be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided in the Parish Room at 6 o'clock, at 6d. per head. Members and friends cordially invited.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—All ringing at the above church suspended until September 1st.

JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association.—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Little Comberton to-day, Sat, August 12th. Service, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. W. D. Lowndes, at 5 30 p.m. By the kind invitation of the Vicar tea and a business meeting will take place at the rectory after service. Bells (6) at 3 p.m.

J. HEMMING, *Hon. Br. Sec.*
10, *Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Hale to-day, Sat., August 12th. Bells ready at 4.

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*
3, *Shrewsbury Place. Garston.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Guildford District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Witley to-day, Sat., August 12th. 2.30. — Bells available (8). 5.0. — Service: Preacher—The Vicar (Rev. E. J. Nevill). 5.45.—Tea in the Institute. Tea tickets 6d. each; visitors 1s.

JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Sec.*
North Street, Guildford.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Hamer, Rochdale, to-day, Sat., August 12th. Bells ready at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 6 o'clock. Business important.

J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.—It is proposed to arrange a whole day's outing for Saturday, August 19th, starting by conveyance from Stourbridge, and to visit Oldswinford (8), Hagley (8), Clent (8), Kinver (6), Enville (8), Kingswinford (6), Wordsley (6). and Wollaston (6). Will those ringers who wish to join, send their names to me at once. so that the necessary arrangements may be made. REV. E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
6, *Upper Forster Street, Walsall.*

The Dudley and Districts Guild.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards. Tea will be provided at 9d. each for those sending their names to me not later than the 23rd inst. H. SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *High Street, Dudley.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, August 26th. Tea at 5.30 will be provided for those giving three day's notice to

A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea. — The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PEYER, *Sec,*

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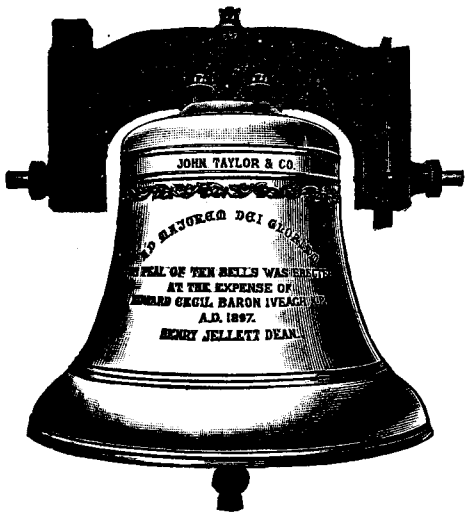

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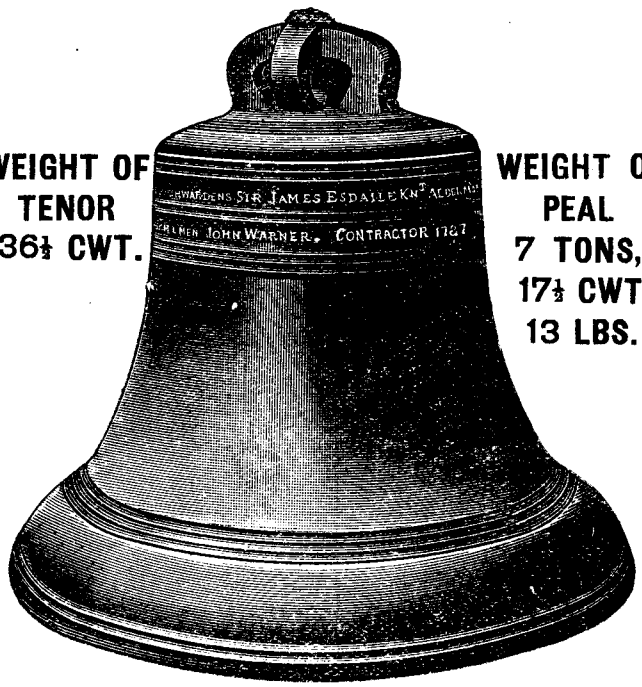

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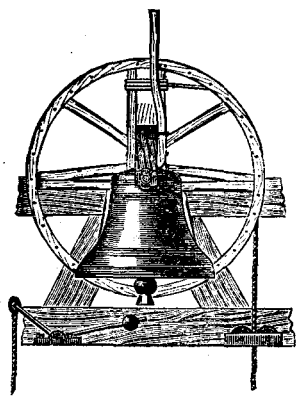

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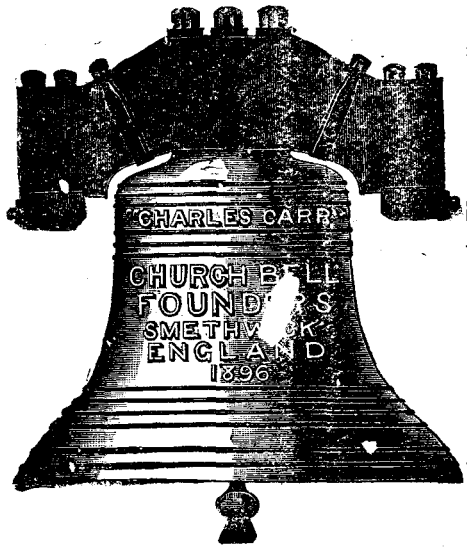

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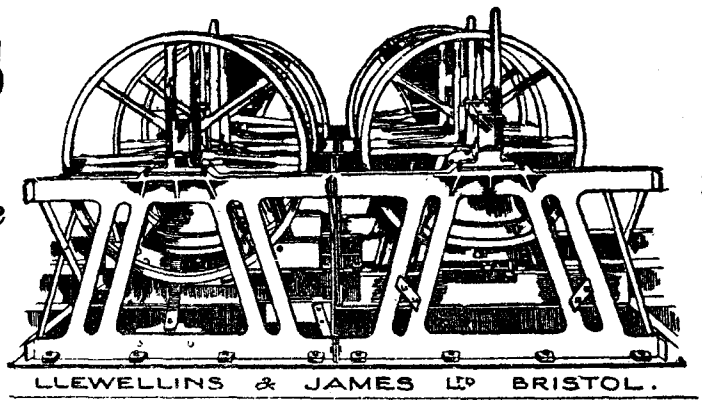

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THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The postponed annual meeting of this Association was held at Cambridge on Bank Holiday, August 7th. The dinner and business meeting were held at The Lion hotel, about forty members attending. Amongst those present were the Revs. A. H. F. Boughey (in the chair), Rev. R. L. Twells (general secretary), Rev. K. H. Smith (hon. treasurer), Rev. J. M. Clarkson, P. Webb, A. Pilgrim, district secretaries, and Messrs. R. A. Daniell, F. Pitstow, A. F. James, W. Watts, O. G. Howe, J. Taylor, G. Taylor, W. B. Kempster, T. R. Dennis and others.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed. Letters regretting inability to be present were read from the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, Rev. E. J. Teesdale, Mr. A. Symonds and others.

The Chairman announced that the next annual meeting is to be held at Huntingdon on Easter Monday.

The General Secretary read the report, which shewed a decrease in the number of peals, and also membership, which is the most marked in the Isle of Ely district.

The Hon. Treasurer, in reading the balance-sheet, commented strongly upon the lack of enthusiasm in the Association, and urged members to put forth greater efforts to secure new members.

Before the election of officers took place the chairman made the welcome announcement that the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson would shortly reside in Cambridge, and hoped he would be able to take office. The General Secretary, Rev. R. L. Twells, having decided to resign, Mr. T. R. Dennis was proposed and elected. The treasurer and district secretaries were all re-elected, and the Rev. J. M. Clarkson was elected representative of the Association on the Central Council for three years. Votes of thanks to the chairman, officers and clergy for the use of the bells concluded the meeting.

During the day touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich and Kent Treble Bob Major were successfully brought round. The towers open were Great St. Mary's (12), Great St. Andrew's (8), St. Andrew's, Chesterton (6), and the church of Our Lady (R.C.) 8. Mr. W. H. Lawrence again performed the feat of ringing two bells in a course of Grandsire Triples.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

The Second Quarterly Meeting of the Southern Branch of this Association was held at the charming village of Little Comberton, at the foot of the Bredon Hills, on Saturday, August 12th, when ringers were present from Evesham, Hampton, Hinton, Cropthorne, Pershore, Bretforton, Worcester, Wolverhampton, etc. Ringing was indulged in freely during the afternoon and evening, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob and Oxford Bob being rung. Service was held in the parish church at 5.30, the first part of the service being conducted by the Rector, the Rev. W. D. Lowndes, and a very interesting address given by the Rev. H. B. S. Fowler, Vicar of Elmley Castle.

After service an adjournment was made to the rectory lawn, where ample justice was done to a good tea, kindly provided by the Rector. Tea over the usual business meeting was proceeded with under the control of the Rector. Several new members (honorary and performing) including the Rector and the Rev. H. B. S. Fowler, were unanimously admitted. The next quarterly meeting of the branch was fixed to be held at Fladbury, the date being left to the hon. secretary to arrange. A vote of sympathy was unanimously passed to the family of the late Vicar of Great Comberton in their recent bereavement, the Rev. J. C. Hammond being one of the hon. members of the Association.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. and Mrs. Lowndes for welcoming the members of the Association, and for providing such a splendid tea; and to the Misses Lowndes for attending to their wants. This, on the motion of Mr. J. R. Newman, general secretary, seconded by Mr. G. E. Nind, hon. secretary of the Evesham company, was carried unanimously.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Guildford District was held at Witley, on Saturday, August 12th, and was very poorly attended, only about twenty members being present from Witley, Shalford, Farnham, Haslemere, Ewhurst, Chiddingfold and Dunsfold, but no representative from either of the Guildford towers. It must be acknowledged that with the temperature where it was there was a deal of energy required to face a long cycle ride, or walk.

The Rev. E. J. Nevill, Vicar of Witley, welcomed those present, and gave an interesting address, afterwards taking them round the church, part of which is pure Norman work, and pointed out the altar tombs, one of which (with an unfinished inscription) is to the Duke of Clarence, Lord of the Manor of Witley, who was drowned in a butt of wine, at his own request.

Tea was held at the Institute, presided over by the Vicar. Twelve new members of the Aldershot tower were proposed by Mr. C. Edwards, and duly elected as probationers. The ringing master sent a report from which it appeared that 16 peals had been rung by the district since the last meeting, viz.: 1 Grandsire Triples, 1 Surprise Minor, 1 London Surprise, 2 Bristol, 1 Cambridge on tower bells, and 9 Stedman Caters and one of Stedman Triples on handbells. It was decided to hold a combined practice at Aldershot in September. A hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar concluded the proceedings.

STRATFORD-BY-BOW.—On Sunday, August 6th, at St. Mary's church, a touch of Stedman Triples. S. Hayes conductor, T. Cranfield, H. Torble, A. Scrambler, W. Theobald, S. Palmer, F. Watling, G. Dawson. Rung to oblige F. Watling, who hails from Saxmundham.

BELLS AND THEIR HISTORY.

As in Old England, so in New England, is the curfew still heard. In Boston the nine o'clock bell was rung from time immemorial up to within a very few years. So, also, at eight o'clock in the morning and one o'clock in the afternoon. Many Bostonians regretfully miss this good old custom; old, as is witnessed by Joseph Josselyn, who visited Boston in 1763, and in his description says—"On the south there is a small but pleasant common, where the gallants a little before sunset walk with their marmalet madams, as we do in Moorsfield, etc., till the nine o'clock bell rings them home to their respective habitations, when presently the constables walk their rounds to see good order kept, and take up loose people."

In many of our towns the curfew still rings o'er hill and dale. In South America it is called the "stay bell," and after it was rung, at ten o'clock, the use of the streets was forbidden by municipal ordinances to the inhabitants of Quito and other Peruvian towns.

The Angelus is a prayer to the Virgin introduced by Pope Urban II. in 1095, as an intercession for the absent crusaders. It begins with the words Angelus Domini, nuntiavir Mariæ—the angel of the Lord announced unto Mary. Then followed the salutation of Gabriel, Ave Maria, etc.

The prayer contains three verses, and each verse ends with the salutation, Ave Maria; and it is reclted three times a day, at the ringing of the Angelus bell, so named from the first word in the prayer. After the crusades, the custom languished until, in 1327, Pope John XXIII. ordered all the faithful to recite an Ave Maria at each ringing of the bell. He announced an indulgence for recitation. Other names are Ave Maria bell and the Vesper bell; the latter is the name given by Byron in his paraphrase of a passage in Dante's Purgatorio—

> Soft hour, which wakes the wish and melts the heart,
> Or fills with love the pilgrim on his way,
> As the far bell of vesper makes him start,
> Seeming to weep the dying day's decay.

These religious customs are peculiarly beautiful in the land in which they are practised, and as the melody of a sweet-toned bell vibrates on the air, call forth the tender sentiments of love and adoration.

Most large bells are old bells. Although England has so many bells and chimes that it has been called the "Ringing Island," and Belgium's bells have caused her to be named classic land of bells; yet Russia, perhaps, exceeds all other nations in its fondness for bells, having an immense number of them, and many very large ones.

The king of bells, the largest one in the world, is in Moscow. It was cast first in 1651, and recast in 1734. It remained in the pit where it was cast until 1836, when Nicholas I. caused it to be raised and placed upon a stone pedestal near the tower of Ivan, in the Kremlin, where it now stands.

Moscow is said to have had at one time over 1700 large bells, and as many as 5000 of all sizes. In the Ivan tower alone there are thirty-four, one of which, in the first storey above the chapel, weighs more than sixty tons; it swings freely, is easily rung, and if one smites it with the palm of the hand it responds in a wonderful clear and startling manner. Two others are of solid silver, with very soft, pure tones.

It has been consecrated as a chapel, the door being an aperture six feet high by seven wide at the base, made by the piece, weighing 11 tons, which broke and fell out during the fire of 1737, when water came in contact with the heated metal. This bell is 21 feet high, 21 feet 6 inches in diameter, 24 inches thick, and weighs 432,000 lbs, or something over 220 lbs. Some authorities give the weight as 444,000 lbs.. or 220 tons. Is has bas-reliefs of the Emperor and Empress, the Saviour, the Virgin Mary, and the evangelists. Another bell about half as large required twenty-four men to ring it, and this was done by pulling the clapper.

Spain has some famous bells. The great one at Saragossa is said to ring spontaneously before the death of a soverelgn. The bellmaster in the Giralda at Seville, which is 360 feet high, is blind, as are other bellringers of Spain. Of all the bells in Spain that belonging to the cathedral of Toledo is most celebrated for its size and the stories connected with it. In a volume by Hans Christian Anderson, "In Spain," we are told that fifteen shoemakers could sit under it and draw out their cobbler's thread without touching. The weight is said to be 17 tons. There is another story about this bell.

A rich count of Toledo had a son, who, having killed a man in a duel, sought refuge in the cathedral while his father went to Madrid to petition the king for his pardon. "No," said the king; "he who has killed a man must die." The count continued his petition, and the king to refuse, till at length the king said wishing to get rid of him, "When you can make a bell at Toledo that I can hear at Maerie, I will pardon the young man." Now Toledo is sixty miles away from Madrid. The count went home, and some time after as the king was sitting in his palace at the open window, he heard a distant roll. "God help me," he cried, "that's the bell of Toledo," and so the young count obtained his pardon.

The largest bell in America is that of Notre Dame Cathedral, Montreal, which hangs in the south tower. It is 6 feet high, 8 feet 7 inches in diameter, and weighs 24,780 lbs. It is ornamented with images of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. John the Baptist,, together with the emblems of agriculture, commerce, and industry. It was cast in London, and bears the inscription in Latin, "I was cast in the year of the Christian era 1847, the 202nd since the foundation of Montreal, the first of Pius IX's pontificate, and the tenth of the reign of Victoria, Queen of England. I am the gift of the merchants, the farmers, and the mechanics of Ville Marie."

In the opposite tower hangs a chime of ten bells, the smallest weighing 897 lbs., the largest 6,021; total, 21,696 lbs.

The largest bell in the United States is the alarm bell on Ciiy Hall, New York, which was cast by Blake, of Boston. It is 6 feet high, 6 feet 8 inches in diameter, and weighs 23,000 lbs.

BURNHAM, SOMERSET.

On Saturday, July 22nd, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins. by W. Crandon, J. Coran, J. Harris, G. Pruen, E. B. Crowder, W. Worgan, G. Chamberlain conductor, H. Lawrence. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. Whitaker, who has been churchwarden for many years and always taken a very keen interest in the bells and ringers. Mr. Whitaker was presented by the ringers with a photograph of the clergy, churchwardens and ringers framed in oak.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The ringer of the 3rd bell in the peal at Swaffham, reported last week, should be William HAWES, not Haines,

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

BURNHAN (Somerset).—On Saturday, July 15th, the ringers of St. Andrew's church had their annual outing, Torquay and Teignmouth being the places visited. The party were accompanied by Mr. W. Champion, churchwarden. To the regret of all the Rev. H. J. Ker Thompson and Messrs. Cox and Whitaker were unable to accompany them. Torquay was reached about 11.30, and a visit was paid to Upton church, some touches of Grandsire Triples being rung on these fine bells. A capitatal dinner was served at The Half Moon hotel by Mr. W. H. Johnson, to which ample justice was done. At 2.30 the party left the Princess pier by the steamer "Duke of Devonshire" for Teignmouth, the trip being much enjoyed. At Teignmouth they were met by Mr. S. Cook, captain of St. James's ringers, West Teignmouth, and again some touches of Grandsire Triples were rung. Tea was partaken of at Mr. Courtier's restaurant, Station Road. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar of Upton and others concerned, also the Vicar of St. James's and Mr. Cook, West Teignmouth, for their kindness in granting the use of the bells. At 8.30 the party left Teignmouth and reached home about 11.30, all being well pleased with the day's outing.

THE BELL AS A SIGN.

To the treasures of the Guildhall Museum there have just been added, it is stated, through the initiative of the Library Committee, three very interesting specimens of old public-house signs. These historic mementoes of bygone conviviality are in stone, and appear, from the style of their workmanship, to have been carved within a few years of the Great Fire—a period when English glyptics of the decorative kind may be said to have been in a very flourishing condition. Just before the Restoration the traditions of Tudor Architecture, with its wealth of mouldings and abundance of elaborate tracery, had not died out; while after the Civil Wars the art of sculpture in wood and stone received a magnificent impetus, due to the genius of Grinling Gibbons. We learn that the first sign which is to be added to the curious collection of memorabilia at Guildhall belonged to the Bell Tavern in Knightrider Street, the second, termed the Pill, was discovered in Messrs. Sutton's warehouse, behind Bow church, and the third ensign, representing a female head, was found in the course of some recent excavations In Paternoster Row. All these three relics are said to be in a splendid state of preservation, but it must be confessed that the name attached to one of the signs is slightly provocative of perplexity, and that some direct evidence requisite to associate the image of the female head dug up in "the Row" with the cognisance of a public house. In the matter of the Bell it is all plain sailing; for it is one of the commonest signs in England, and was certainly in use in the fourteenth century. Does not Chaucer recall that "the gentii hostelrie that highte the Tabard" was "fast bi the Belle." In all probability bells were set up to denote houses of public entertainment on account of the national fondness for bellringing, and the thirst consequently engendered in the lusty "youths" who, time out of mind, have been so passionately addicted to ringing triple bob majors, and refreshing themselves with legs of mutton and trimmings and strong ale afterwards. England has been called "the ringing island," and Handel declared the bell to be our national instrument of music; and although modern legislation has suppressed the dustman's bell and that of the town crier, and even looks with coldness on the humble tintinnabulum of the muffin-vendor. there is still an amazing quantity of ecclesiastical campanology audible, and few people presume to protest against the dreadful din oi those church bells, the clangour of which on Sundays almost drives sick and nervous people mad.

Of bells, in combination with other objects, the name is legion on ths sign-posts of the past: but the bells which have a distinct reference to church ringing are, perhaps the most numerous. Thus, as a peal of bells generally consists of eight, there were frequently signs of the Eight Bells; the number sometimes rose io ten and sank to five; then at Norwich and elsewhere there were the Eight Ringers: the Old Ring of bells were to be found at Birmingham and Wolverhampton, and the Three Swans and Peal in Staffordshire: while the Nelson and Peal in Warwickshire, is unmistakable suggestive of the triumphs of the Nile and Trafalgar. As to the Bell alone, the oldest tavern of that name in Middlesex is said to have stood in King Street, Westminster. Another very old Bell was that in Warwick Lane, Newgate Street, and at the Bell in the Poultry lived, in the time of Queen Anne, a noted bookseller named Nathaniel Crouch, who was the first to condense voluminous and erudite works into a small and popular form. To the landlord of an inn called the Bell, three miles from Wellingborough, belong the merit of having found a rhyme for the name of the village where his hostel was situated.

DAWLISH, DEVON.

There was a large congregation at the parish church, when the two new bells, which have been subscribed for by the parishioners in commemoration of the Coronation of King Georg V. were dedicated by the Ven. the Archdeacon of Exeter. The church had originally six bells, and these have been tuned by Messrs. Harry Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, who have hung the two new bells. The latter, which are in an iron frame, with steel girders, are hung over the old six. The six require rehanging, and it is hoped the work will be taken in hand ere long. The weight of the new treble is 4 cwt. 2 qrs. 11 lb., and the inscription on it is: "God preserve Church and King, 22 June, 1911." The weight of the 2nd is 5 cwt. 10 lb., and the inscription: "King George V. Coronation, June, 1911." The cost of the two bells is about £125, and although the suggestion of thus marking the Coronation was only made by the Vicar (the Rev. W. P. Alford) at the Easter Vestry, the residents of the town have subscribed the money required.

The Vicar took the service, the Archdeacon reading the lesson. During the singihg of the processional hymn the clergy and choir proceeded to the belfry, where they were met by the churchwardens, the rlngers standing to their bells. The Archdeacon stood between the ropes of the two new bells, and, holding them, dedicated them "to the Glory of God and the service of His Church in memory of the Coronation of his Majesty George V., whom God preserve. May the blessing of the Almighty ever rest upon the use of these bells from generation to generation." After two prayers a short peal was rung, followed by the hymn "Lifted gently to the steeple." The Archdeacon gave an address, and at the close of the service the National Anthem was sung, and the bells were rung at intervals during the day.

ST. NICHOLAS, NEWCASTLE.

The bells of the Cathedral of St. Nicholas, Newcastle, once sounded musically, apparently, for Bourne, in his History, says: "They are very large ones; have a bold and noble sound, and yet an exceedingly sweet and harmonious one." Ninety-nine people out of every 100 dispute that now. It is commonly known that for long the bells of St. Nicholas have rung, boldly enough, perhaps, but neither sweetly nor harmoniously. Indeed, on one occasion a lecturer, strange to Newcastle, was extolling the musical virtues of the bells to a Lit. and Phil. audience, when the cathedral clock struck nine. At the first sound the lecturer bowed his head, put his fingers to his ears, and when the striking finished, convulsed his audience by saying, "But, ladies and gentlemen, not a bell like that." And we have heard of another curious story of the effect of this particular clock-striking bell. There had been a fall of an inch or two of snow, but the air had cleared, and under the brilliant, crystalline stars not a sound could be heard. Every footfall and every cab wheel was muffled. It was the time when no chimes preceded the announcement of the hour. In the dead silence after midnight a man was passing under the steeple when the clock struck one, and the sound, so sudden and awful, sent him full length on the ground.

For the veracity of this statement we do not vouch, but it and others that are told illustrate the general idea prevalent among the public that the bells are not everything that could be desired. But the best proof, if proof were needed, of this fact is that a new peal of bells are hung in the historic belfry. From several historical records of old Newcastle we get the following facts:—

Down to the beginning of the eighteenth century the church possessed only five bells. The first is dedicated to the patron saint of the church, and, as deciphered by Mr. John Ventress, and afterwards translated from the Latin, bears, in rhyme, the following words; "Bearing modulations to all, I am Nicholas, rejoicing." The second bell is dedicated to the Virgin, and has the following inscription: "O Divine Mother, Mary the Virgin, hear me." On the third bell there is an inscription which apparently reads—"Campana vocor Micaelis dulcis sisto melis." The fourth bell was called the common or great bell, because it was tolled to convene the burgesses, and used for other municipal business. It was also known as the thief and river bell, from its being rung at the commencement of the annual fairs to indicate that thieves, cattle rievers, and banished persons generally might enter the town to trade without fear of arrest. In times when public holidays were not so common as they are now, it proclaimed every Shrove Tuesday at noon-day a half-holiday, and it still rings on that day, though the half-holiday is no longer kept. This bell has been recast at least three times. On the last occasion, in 1745, it bears the names of Cuthbert Smith and William Rowell, Mayor and Sheriff in that year, and of the founders, Lester and Pack—a Colchester firm. The fifth bell bears the arms of the town, and a curious inscription which is supposed to read: "When caught to this height you see when this tower it was built." The date upon the bell is 1658.

To these five the Corporation in 1717 added another three, completing the octave. Above one of the latter, in solitary grandeur, has hung for over half a century the ninth bell, the largest in the steeple. It is known as the "Major," from its donor, Major George Anderson, who by his will left £500 "to obtain a large bell for striking the hours at St. Nicholas." The bell was purchased and hoisted into its place on the 10th of December, 1833. The diameter of the "Major" across the mouth is 6 ft. 5 ins.; its length from top to bottom is 4 ft. 10 ins.; its thickness in the thickest part 4½ in.; and it weighs 3 tons 12 cwt. The belfry of the church contains the machinery of the clock and four large mural tablets of wood commemorating as many achievements of the ringers. One of these achievements, as set forth on the tablet, reads as follows: "Newcastle-upon-Tyne, October 25th, 1809. Isaac Cookson, jun., esq., Mayor; R. H. Williamson, esq. Recorder; Job Bulman, esq., Sheriff. On this day was rung in St. Nicholas' steeple 5040 of Holt's grandsire Triples by the Union Society of this town in three hours and twenty minutes, being the only peal rung in England in commemoration of His Majesty George III. entering into the fiftieth year of his reign over a free and loyal people. Tenor 36 cwt."

The tablets seem to be an official announcement of "the beating of the record" in respect to this performance. The third tablet, dated Easter Monday, 1842, shows that this same peal was rung "in the unprecedentedly short time of two hours fifty-nine minutes." And ,again, the the other tablet, dated December, 1848, states that the peal was rung "in the unrivalled time of two hours fifty-five minutes." Without a wooden tablet, what is the improvement on this after the lapse of nearly another half century?

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Seven methods five bells	1	
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Grandsire Triples	2	1
Grandsire Caters	5	1
Grandsire Cinques	1	
Bob Triples	1	1
Bob Major	6	2
Canterbury Major	1	1
Double Norwich Court Bob Major	17	
Double Norwich Court Bob Caters	1	
Kent Treble Bob Major	5	
Kent Treble Bob Royal	2	
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	1	
Oxford Treble Bob Major	6	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal	1	
Forward Royal	1	
Stedman Triples	7	
Stedman Caters	5	
Stedman Cinques	1	
Superlative Surprise Major	8	
Cambridge Surprise Major	3	
New Cumberland Surprise Major	1	
Bristol Surprise Major	1	
London Surprise Major	2	
	80	

On Handbells.

Grandsire Triples	1	
Grandsire Major	2	
Grandsire Caters	1	
Bob Minor	1	1
Bob Triples	1	1
Bob Major*	9	4
Bob Royal	1	
Canterbury Major	1	1
Stedman Triples	1	
Stedman Caters	2	
	20	

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THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL FUND.

It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

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THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A most enjoyable meeting of the Liverpool Branch of this Association was held at Hale, on Saturday, August 12th. The weather was delightful, and ringers were present from Tue Brook, Walton, Garston, Grassendale, Widnes, Rainhill, Bidston, and the local company. The bells were set going at about 5 o'clock, one or two touches being brought round before the Vicar invited the ringers to tea in the vicarage garden, between thirty and forty being assembled round the tables. After tea the Secretary was called on to read the minutes of the last meeting, which were passed. Reference was made with regret that St. Nicholas' Liverpool bells had been re-opened without intimation having been sent to some who would have liked to have been present. It was decided to hold the next meeting of the branch at Port Sunlight on September 9th. The branch secretary was elected to serve on the committee for the next two years. There being no other business of importance a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar, the Rev. C. A. Clements, for his hospitality and use of the bells, which was duly acknowledged. An adjournment was then made to the tower, when the first 720 of Surprise was rung on the bells by Rev. C. A. Clements, T. Jennion, G. R. Newton, H. Fyles, H. H. Barker conductor, J. Allen. Touches of Oxford Bob and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob were also brought round.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 7th, an attempt was made by eight Metropolitan members of the above Association to ring a peal of Cambridge Surprise on the fine and heavy bells at Tenterden. The band was as follows: J. Emery 1, J. A. Trollope 2, E. Barnett, jun. 3, T. Groombridge, jun. 4, F. Bennett 5, E. Barnett, sen. 6, J. E. Davis 7, T. Groombridge, sen. 8. The bells settled down quickly to some faultless ringing, and it seemed that the first Surprise peal on the bells was a certainty; but after about an hour and a half the tenor-man found his bell was going too badly to finish, and the peal was stopped. A move was made to Rolvenden, where London was attempted after some repairs, but through the hot weather and neglect the bells were quite unpealable, and the attempt came to nothing. Next day a similar thing happened at Gaudhurst, where there is a heavy ring of eight. These also were in a bad state, and a peal of Stedman Triples was lost. At the next place—Marden—a lighter peal in a new iron frame was found, and no difficulty was experienced in scoring the first peal of Double Norwich on the bells. The following day was the hottest for seventy years, and what was left of the band, made up by local men, celebrated it by ringing two peals, one of Treble Bob at New Romney, and the other Stedman at Rye. This last was finished in darkness. Both peals were the first in the methods on the bells.

On the following Saturday London was again attempted at Westerham, but without success, the peal cracking up after five courses. So ended a holiday which was not very successful so far as peals go, but very enjoyable in all other respects.

Obituary.

SIDNEY FREDERICK GOWLETT.

It is with deep regret we announce the death of the above-named ringer, which occurred on Monday, July 31st, at Leytonstone, where he had resided this last few months. Deceased was only 21 years of age, being born in Lambeth on December 13th, 1889. Nearly two years ago he started to learn ringing at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark. His progress wes rapid, ringing his first peal on April 2nd, 1910, and since then, in one year, ringing ten peals of Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major. His illness (consumption) this last three months, would not allow him to stand in a peal. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the London County Association, and the St. George-the-Martyr (Southwark) society, of which he had taken part in peals for all. His abilities as a double-handed handbell ringer are well known in London, for at the meetings of the different societies he used to attend, his touches were much appreciated. The funeral took place on Friday, August 4th, at the Lambeth cemetery at Tooting, he being followed by several ringers and representatives, the Rev. F. C. Parker, curate of St. George's, Southwark, officiating. At the interment, by special request of deceaeed, a touch in his favourite method—Stedman Triples—was rung over the grave by T. H. Taffender (conductor), 1-2; L. Attwater, 3-4; H. R. Pasmore, 5-6; F. J. Hardy, 7-8. A good fellow and ringer, his interest in the Art was most keen. We mourn his loss very much at St. George's, Southwark. R.I.P.

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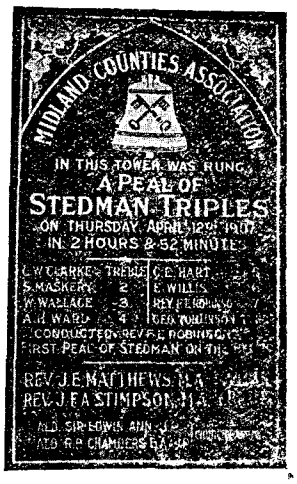

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On Monday, August 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Philbert W. Wilkins	*Treble.*	William Welling	5.
Joseph White*	2.	William J. Paice	6.
George F. Williams	3.	*Richard H. Young	7.
William Goodchild†	4.	Richard Buckland	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. Barker, and Conducted by George F. Williams

*First peal of Bob Major away from the treble. †First peal in the method. In the above peal seven towers were represented, viz.: Bledlow, Hurst, High Wycombe. Hughenden, Old Windsor, Wokingham, and Beaconsfield.

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WALTER PERKINS ..	..*Treble.*	REUBEN SANDERS	5.
ALPHAEUS PERKINS	2.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ..	6.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE*	3.	JAMES GARRATT..	7.
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THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 11 cwt.

EVAN COLES†	..*Treble.*	SIDNEY DAWE	5.
CLARENCE O. HOBBS* ..	2.	JOHN CLUTTERBUCK	6.
WILLIAM B. BISS	3.	WILLIAM BOLTON	7.
FRED CHAMBERLAIN	4.	ALLEN ROWLEY.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN E. BURTON, and Conducted by ALLEN ROWLEY.

*First peal. †First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar, the Rev. D. Phillips, for granting permission to ring.

EWELL, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT..	..*Treble.*	JOHN H. B. HESSE.. ..	5.
JOHHN HOWES	2.	ROBERT GRIMWOOD	6.
ALFRED H. WINCH	3.	HERBERT LANGDON	7.
JAMES N. FROSSELL	4.	CHARLES E. READ ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. P. BURTON, and Conducted by J. A. LAMBERT.

First peal of Bob Major on the bells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, July 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt. in D.

BERNARD CLARE* ..	..*Treble.*	MAURICE SMITHER	5.
HENRY HUTTON..	2.	JAMES HUNT	6.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE* ..	3.	FRANK BLONDELL	7.
CHARLES WILLSHIRE ..	4.	ALFRED H. PULLING	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

*First peal of Bristol.

MARDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHUECH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM H. LAMBERT* ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST C. LAMBERT ..	5.
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ..	2.	FRANK BENNETT	6.
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ..	3.	HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ..	7.
J. ARMIGER TEOLLOPE ..	4.	ISAAC EMERY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. A, HOLDEN, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

*First peal in the method, and first on the bells.

NEW ROMNEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES; In the Kent Variation. Tenor 19½ cwt. in E.

WILLIAM E. PITMAN	..*Treble.*	FRANK BENNETT	5.
ISAAC EMERY	2.	HUBERT J. BLACKWELL ..	6.
GEORGE BILLENNESS* ..	3.	CHARLES W. PLAYER ..	7.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ..	4.	HIGHWOOD S. HUMPHREY	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

*First peal of Treble Bob First of Kent on the bells.

RYE, SUSSEX.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 19 cwt.

FRANK BENNETT ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE WATSON	5.
ISAAC EMERY	2.	*GEORGE BILLENNESS ..	6.
WILLIAM E. PITMAN ..	3.	CHARLES W. PLAYER ..	7.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ..	4.	HUBERT J. BLACKWELL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. BENNETT.

*First peal of Stedman; and on the bells. This was J. A. Trollope's 100th peal.

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GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, July 30, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-one Minutes,

AT 21, STOKE ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5053 CHANGES.

JAMES HUNT	1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE ..	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING ..	3-4.	MAURICE SMITHER ..	7-8.
*J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	9-10.		

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpire—S. Radford. *First peal of Stedman Caters in hand.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5029 CHANGES.

MAURICE SMITHER ..	1-2.	CHARLES WILLSHIRE ..	5-6.
ALFRED H. PULLING ..	3-4.	JAMES HUNT	7-8.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	9-10.		

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. H. PULLING.

Umpires—S. Radford, T. W. Radford, and F. Blondell.

A little church in Haleyville, Cumberland county, New Jersey, composed of coloured people, is going to lend to the Exhibition a bell that once belonged to Christopher Columbus. It was presented to Columbus by Ferdinand and Isabella, who received it as a trophy from a chapel in the Alhambra, and he in turn gave it to a congregation of monks in New Granada. These monks lost it by a band of pirates, whose vessel was in turn wrecked, the bell alone being rescued and carried to South America, where, after many years, it was given to a New Jersey sea captain, from whom it has since come into the possession of the negro church at Haleyville.

Correspondence.

The Extension of Stedman.

Sir,—This week's "Bell News" contains a very nice letter from Mr. Dains, which breaths the right spirit from beginning to end, and which has finally convinced me that I must do what I have been thinking about for some time, that is go right back to the beginnmg of all things in change-ringing, and so work np to the construction of Principles and Methods and the extension of the Principles and Methods from the lower number of bells to the higher.

Now change-ringing is first of all a practical matter, and the practice is governed by certain definite rules which we must adopt as postulate before we can do anything.

Let it be granted—

i. That no bell may change places with any bell except one next to it.

ii. That every bell must change places with one next to it every time it strikes if possible.

iii. That no bell may strike more than two blows in any one place except at a bob.

iv. That every row between rounds and rounds must be different.

Now we will begin with two bells, only work by the above postulate, and assume that we know nothing at all, and find out rules step by step, prove them and use them when proved to find others, this will lead us right through to the end of the matter.

1 2
2 1
1 2

This is all that can be done on two bells. The rows obey the four postulates, and 1 2 occurs twice; but one of these two is really outside the composition, let us assume that the second is. Then we begin with 1 2, the treble hunts up into second's place and the second hunts down to lead, and this produces 2 1 we can now get back to 12 by dodging, and in no other way. But we might have begun with 2 1 and so produced 1 2, and this is only the reverse variation of the other, so that dodging in the ordinary acceptation of the word is only plain hunting backwards. We next proceed to consider the same thing on an infinite number of bells, beginning from 1 2 3 etc., we get—

2 1 4 3 etc.
2 4 1 6 3 etc.

Two leads a whole pull, and one hunts up, but as the bells are infinite in number the treble can never get up to the back, and however far she goes from lead she can only get back to lead in the same way as we get back from 2 1 to 1 2, that is by plain hunting backwards, which we have seen on two bells is dodging, therefore she can get back to lead by an extended dodge through all the intervening places.

Next consider the matter on an infinite number of bells in both directions x y z, etc., x w z y, etc., now no bell can get either to lead or behind, and the conclusion is the same, we can only get back to the starting point by plain hunting backwards, that is by a dodge extending over as many places as we had previously plain hunted.

Now I come to Mr. Dains's slow six question, but I can only indicate the answer this week, as we have to go further than we have done already, in order to see what a bob is.

1 2 3 4 5
———·—
2 1 4 3 5
1 2 4
1 4 2
4 1 2
4 2 1
2 4 1 5 3

We start from 1 2 3 4 5 plain course order, we get into another six 2 1 4 3 5, this movement is plain hunting, and so far we have nothing but original doubles, the next row would be 2 4 1 5 3, but 4 makes third's place and down to lead backwards and her whole motion from 2 1 4 3 5 to 2 4 1 5 3 is plain hunting backwards. Two plain hunted down to lead and then turned backwards, and her whole motion from 2 1 4 3 5 to 2 4 1 5 3 is plain hunting backwards; the same is true of the treble.

Mr. Dains asks what is the 2nd doing? I answer plain hunting backwards, that is dodging in three positions. This answer must suffice for the present, as we have to consider cross sections before we can complete it, and in order to do that we must consider Original on all numbers up to twelve, and find out what a bob is. So far we have found out that dodging is plain hunting backwards.

H. Law James.

Miscellaneous.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

Blewbury (Berks).—On Monday, July 31st, in honour of the return from their honeymoon of Howard Caudwell, Esq., Vicar's warden, and Mrs. Caudwell, 630 Grandsire Triples. W. Webb, Miss Margaret Nightingale, W. Grace, C. Gregory. R. James, G. F. James conductor, E. Aldridge, S. Alworth. On Thursday, August 3rd, with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Bishop of Oxford, 339 Grandsire Triples. G. Welch, Miss M. Nightingale, W. Grace, E. Aldridge, R. James G. F. James, G. Greenough, T. Busby.

Blackburn.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans') in 48 mins. H. Walter, W. Briggs, F. Hindle, W. H. Idle, E. Duteson, J. Watson, W. E. Wilson conductor, W. J. Edmnndson.

Birmingham.—On Sunday, August 13th, for Divine Service in the morning at Bishop Ryder's church, 404 Grandsire Triples B. Devonal (Cadoxton). F. J. Smallwood, E. Large, G. Taylor, J. T. Perry conductor, J. Collett, A. Scrivens, J. Salter (Kidderminster). For evening service 308 Grandsire Triples. S. Coley, A. Scrivens, J. Collett, W. Webb, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, G. Taylor, J. Salter.

Farnham.—On Friday, August 11th, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. Upshall, F. Laker, F. A. Barnett, E. A. G. Allen, T. Upshall, A. Baigent, C. Edwards conductor, W. Sherfield.

London.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Sidney F. Gowlett, the whole pull and stand was rung half-muffled by G. Woodage, sen., S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. C. F. Bailey, G. F. Woodage, jun., F. J. Hardy, A. D. Barker, T. H. Taffender. Afterwards 420 Stedman Triples. F. J. Hardy, S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. Milner, A. E. Pike, T. H. Taffender conductor, A. D. Barker, G. Woodage, sen. And 288 Treble Bob Major. C. F. Winney, F. G. Perrin, T. H. Taffender, H. T. Gowlett. J. Milner, A. D. Barker, W. Harlesden, C. F. Burden.

Nutfield (Surrey).—On Tuesday, August 4th, at the parish church, 720 Cambridge Minor. T. Leeson, A. Harman, A. Bashford, W. Cheesman, W. Bashford, F. Hawkins conductor. First 720 of Surprise on the bells, and by all the band.

Pulham Market.—On Sunday, August 13th, for morning service, 768 Oxford Treble Bob Major. F. Borrett, F. Roope, C. Baker, W. Roope, G. Baxter, E. Whiting, H. GarnhaH, C. Roope.

Seale (near Aldershot).—On Wednesday, August 9th, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. Edwards, A. Baigent, F. Laker, G. Upshall, E. A. G. Allen, T. Upshall conductor.

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263154		–	–
264351			–
261453			–
261354		S	–
264153			–
263451			–
362154		–	–
364251			–
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152463		–	–
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154362			–
154263		S	–
153462			–
152364			–
251463		–	–
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352461		–	–
351264			–
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5056.

23456	B	M	W	H
45236			–	–
24536				–
52436				–
64235		–		–
26435				–
42635				–
36524		–	–	†
36245	†			–
23645				–
62345				–
34625			–	–
63425				–
46325				–
52364		–	–	–
35264				–
23564				–
62534			–	†
43526		–	–	–
54326				–
35426				–
42356			–	–
34256				–
23456				–

Add three bobs at home where † are, and the peal will have the extent of 4, 5, 6 in 5-6 in 5952 changes.

5088.

23456	B	M	W	H
45236			–	–
62534		–		–
56234				–
25634				–
46532		–		–
54632				–
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Twice repeated.

Thirty-Six Feet of Daughters.—Dr. Sinclair, who after twenty-two years of strenuous work as Archdeacon of London, and thirty-five years in the diocese, has taken a country charge, is over six feet, and in this connexion it is interesting to remember that his father, the late William Sinclair, Prebendary of Chichester, who came of a Highland race, had fourteen brothers and sisters, all of whom were known in Scotland from their great height. The tallest was 6 ft. 7 in., and none of them, it is believed, was under 6 ft. The story has often been told of how, when George IV. visited Scotland, the Archdeacon's grandfather presented six of them as thirty-six feet of daughters.

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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 the 31st; St. Giles, Cripplegate, on the 22nd. St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m. WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.
T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held at St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, today, Sat., August 19th. All members and friends cordially invited. Nearest stations Homerton (North London Railway, and Cambridge Heath (Great Eastern Railway). Bells available from 3.15 till 9 p.m. Tea will be provided at The Lord Stanley, Paragon Road, at 5.30, at 6d. per head.
WILLIAM J. KEMP, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *Chatsworth Road, N.E.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A special general meeting will be held on Monday, August 21st. The tower of St. Clement Danes open from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Business in the headquarters room at The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, W.C., at 9.30 p.m. As many members as can make it convenient, are requested to attend.
T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Gen. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on Saturday, August 26th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. G. H. Siddans). Bells available at 3.30. Tea, 6d., at 6 o'clock. Members and friends cordially invited. The Secretary would be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided in the Parish Room at 6 o'clock, at 6d. per head. Members and friends cordially invited.
H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—All ringing at the above church suspended until September 1st.
JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Dudley and Districts Guild.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards. Tea will be provided at 9d. each for those sending their names to me not later than the 23rd inst. H. SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *High Street, Dudley.*

The Essex Association.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, August 26th. Tea at 5.30 will be provided for those giving three day's notice to
A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Blackburn parish church on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3 o.clock. Meeting at 6.30. J. WATSON *Branch Sec.*

The Warwickshire Guild. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Henley-in-Arden (6 bells), on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. The date unfortunately clashes with the date of the Rugby society's excursion, and it is therefore thought wiser to reserve Aston Manor as the place for the September meeting.
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The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, on Saturday, August 26th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. All subscriptions due. Election of branch secretary and committee-man. A good attendance requested.
T. ROLLERSON, *Branch Sec.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Marple, Saturday, August 26th. A. T. BEESTON, *Hon. Sec,*

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T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

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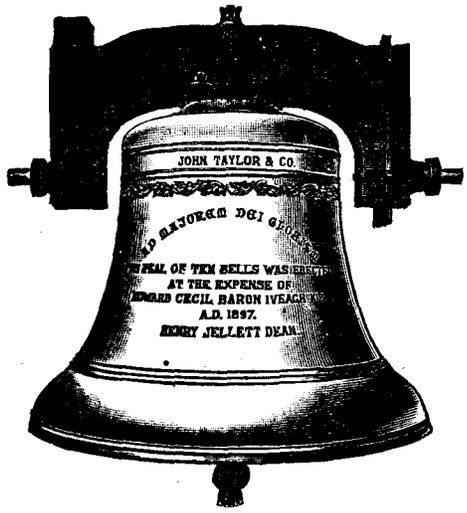

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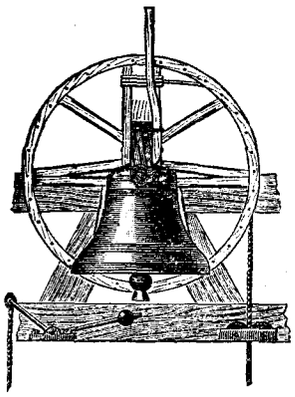

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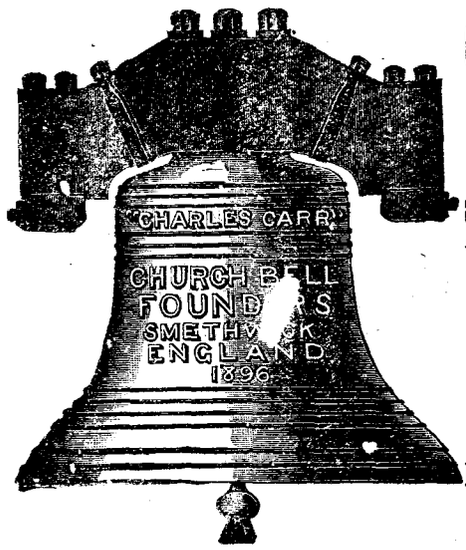

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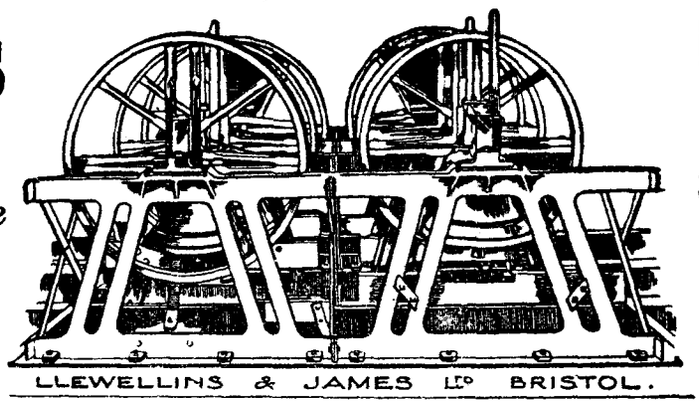

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Herbert J. Bradley, *Hon. Sec. to the Committee.*
The Parish Church, Shoreditch, E.

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In 1875 the tenor, which had been cracked for many years, was recast by Messrs. Blews, of Birmingham. It now weighs 28½ cwt., with a diameter of 58 inches. It had previously been recast by Mears in 1820, otherwise Lester's bells remain intact.

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The above select performers on the 1st day of May 1777, rung a complete peal of 11,080 in the above method; time 8 hours 2 minutes, which will be transmitted to posterity as a masterpiece of the Art.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

The second quarterly meeting of the western branch was recently held at Upton-on-Severn. Ringers from Worcester, Welland, Castlemorton, Hallow, Tewkesbury, and Malvern were present. A service was held in the church, at which the choir attended. An address by the Vicar on ringers' duty and work in the church, was attentively listened to. An adjournment to the Parish Room was made, where the Vicar and churchwardens had provided a substantial tea, which was soon disposed of. The busiiners meeting followed, the Vicar (the Rev. —. Edmondson), presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Droitwich was selected for the next quarterly meeting to be held in October. The Vicar very readily gave permission for the next quarterly peal to be attempted at Upton, to be conducted by Mr. W. Page. Several new members were proposed, including the Vicar. The best thanks of the meeting were given to the Vicar for presiding, and for his address; to the churchwardens for providing the tea, and to the Vicar for attendance at the service. This concluded the meeting, the Vicar giving them a hearty welcome to his church at any time.

Several touches were rung on the bells, which are a handy ring of eight. This meeting was poorly attended, owing no doubt to the difficulty of trains, but was none the less enjoyable, everything being done for their comfort by those responsible, and which was greatly appreciated.

THE HANDBELL PEAL AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

The ringers desire to thank Mr. Robert Warner (of John Warner and Sons) for his kindness in making arrangements for the comfort of the party, for the use of a peal of handbells, and for providing refreshments after the peal. Thanks are also due to Mr. Duncan F. Christy, who very kindly assisted in many ways to make everything a success.

AN AFTERNOON AT SPARKBROOK.

By The Rev. C. D. P. Davies.

A fine day in the merry month of May found Sir Arthur Heywood and me driving up at about 2 p.m. to the door of 130, Walford Road, Sparkbrook, whither we had been very kindly invited by Mr. John Carter to inspect that most marvellous instrument, his change-ringing machine. In company with Mr. Carter himself we found our old friend Mr. W. H. Godden awaiting us, and as Sir Arthur's time was unfortunately short, we were ushered without delay into our host's workshop, a light and roomy attic at the top of the house.

On our way from the station Sir Arthur and I had been wondering what the gereral aspect of the machine might be. Was it going to look like a sewing machine, or a cupboard, or a barrel organ, or a chest of drawers? Was it to be the size of a tea-caddy or a fire engine? These questions were all answered the instant that we got into the room. In the middle of the floor stood a treadle lathe, with centres about 4 in. and bed of about 3 ft., having the machine mounted on the bed, to which it was screwed in the ordinary way, i.e. just as the mandrel, or rest, or tailstock would be attached. The only part of the lathe that was being employed was the mandrel, on the nose of which was a self centring drill chuck carrying a pinion of about twelve leaves on the end of an axle 3 or 4 inches long. This pinion engaged in the driving wheel of the machine, causing the latter to ring the changes when the lathe was worked with the foot. The machine could be put instantly in or out of gear with the pinion by loosening the nut under the bed by which it was screwed to the bed. As a rough guess from memory the machine is about a foot wide, by 8 or 9 inches deep by about 2 ft. long.

But how to describe it? In the first place let me say at once that I do not suppose that anyone could fully understand it with less than a full fortnight's continual study and practice with it: and therefore it will easily be seen that, with an acquaintance with it of three hours at the most, all that I can do is to give my elementary impressions of the way in which this most marvellous piece of mechanism does its work. These impressions reach only to some of the main features. They may be right—some of them at least are very possibly wrong—but in any case I can make no pretence to go into details. Unfortunately, too, Sir Arthur had to leave after the first three quarters of an hour or so; otherwise his great mechanical knowledge and experience would doubtless have suggested scores of questions with which to ply our willing host, and which did not occur to me—not to mention that being far more conversant with machinery than I am, he would have grasped far more of the working of the machine than I could hope to do. But I will do my best to describe what *I think* that I understood.

To begin with, the main principle underlying the working is that the mechanism is one for making, and then instantly breaking, a series of electrical contacts. Each contact produces a blow on a bell, the bells being in a separate case about a yard away. Of course they might be in the next room, or across the street, or in London, while the machine might work at York. The current is supplied by a small accumulator.

We will suppose ourselves seated with one of the shorter sides of the instrument towards us, and will for convenience call it the front, which does not for a moment imply that it is more important or necessary, or more highly finished than the "sides" or "back." All are equally necessary and equally perfect. Thus seated the first feature that arrests the attention is a revolving brass arm like a clock hand, whose centre of rotation is a hole in the middle of the right hand side of the instrument. In concentric circles around this hole are ranged sets of small brass studs about as large as nail heads, the outermost having 24 studs, the next inner one 20, and the next 16. The reader will instantly perceive that the outermost is for 12-bell ringing, the next for 10, and the other for 8. The stud corresponding in each circle to the figure 1 on a clock face is separated by a double interval from the "12 o'clock" stud, This of course keeps the handstroke lead. A sliding protuberence on the back of the rotating arm can be fixed so as to make contact with the studs in any desired circle, the machine being in this way adaptable for 8 or 10 or 12 bell ringing. Each stud is connected with one of a row of strips of brass passing in a direction parallel with the sides of the machine just under a set of twelve steel sliders. The steel slides are strips of polished steel about 1 or 1¼ inches wide, about 1/8 thick, and about 16 or 18 inches long, carefully planed and made to slide truly, easily and yet without shake in a direction across the machine, i.e. at right angles to the brass strips just underneath them. Each steel slide is provided with a fixed stud, or other means of electrical contact on its under surface. This stud makes contact with any given brass strip according to the position of the slide. If the slide is pushed as far as possible to the left, i.e., with its right-hand end flush with the right side of the machine, and its left end protruding about 5 or 6 inches, then its stud is in contact with the first brass strip, and as the revolving arm passess over the first stud on the side of the machine the circuit is completed, and a blow is sounded on the bell connected with the slide—in this case that particular bell will sound first, i.e, it will be at lead. Each slide is by its upper surface always in electrical contact with one and the same bell. Thus it will be seen that the order in which the bells will sound depends on the mutual position of the slides, and that the movement of the slides right and left in proper mutual relation to each other is *par excellence the* work of the machine, and it is in this particular, as crowning all the other clever mechanical devices which it contains, that Mr. Carter shows the brilliance of his mechanical genius. To show fully how he accomplishes it would occupy a fair-sized pamphlet with innumerable drawings and illustrations, and is therefore out of the question in a brief article, even if I understood it myself, which at present I certainly do not. But I will try to give an inkling of the way in which it is managed. Before doing so I may just mention that by simply looking at one of the slides as the machine works, it is possible to tell what method is being rung, and to follow the work of the bell with which it is connected. Take for instance Stedman Cinques, and suppose the bell to be coming into the slow. In this case the slide will be protruding 4 inches or so out on the left hand side of the machine, and just before the bell sounds its first blow in 3rds you see the slide move gently about 3/16 farther to the left. This indicates that it is coming down one place. Then it remains until two blows have been struck, after which it moves a similar stage further again to the left in preparation for the blow in 2nds, and so on. It is interesting as the bell gets into the sixes to watch the see-saw motion of the slide, which moves s stage further to the left as each six comes to an end, the part of the slide protruding on the left of the machine, becoming shorter with

each fresh stage, while that on the right becomes of course longer as the bell steadily mounts up behind.

And now *how* are the slides moved? This, as I said just now, I have not so far fathomed. But I can give one or two little notes. Underneath the slides is a very complicated mechanism, or rather a pair of mechanisms—one occupying the left longitunial half, and the other the right, the one being answerable for the handstrokes and the other for the backstrokes. Which does which I really forget, but I *fancy* that the left-hand half manages the handstrokes, and the right hand the backstrokes. But I may be wrong. Each half consists of at least two main portions' one in front which I call from its motion a "rocker," and another in the rear, which from its appearance I call a "barrel." The rockers consist of a light metal framework about the size of a Bryant and May's big match box, containing sets of levers which in some way govern, or help to govern, the production of a row from its predecessor, i.e. they settle which pairs are to change, and which places are to be made. I gathered this from the fact that the levers in one of the rockers were set in about a moment, the reason being that the rocker in question was the one answerable for the handstrokes, which in the Major method to be rung were all Cater rows, i.e. they differed from their predecessors as 21436587 from rounds; whereas the arrangement of the other rocker took some few minutes, as it was by means of this one that the various places were to be made. Provision had to be made for rows of the forms 13246587, 13254687, 13254768, 21354768, and 21435768.

It was remarked above that the rockers govern, *or help to govern*, the production of a row from its predecessor. The words in italics were said advisedly, for the barrels have also some important share in settling the question. They are situated, as was said before, in the hinder part of the machine, and consist of a series of steel strips about 1/8 in. wide, ranged round and sliding in slots in two or more metal rings about 2½ inches in diameter. The strips are about four inches long, and occupy the position of the staves of a barrel, the rings occupying that of the hoops. Or, we may liken the whole to a circular screen or guard, such as is sometimes put round the stems of young trees for their protection. The axis of each barrel is parallel with the sides of the machine, and as the rows are rung, the barrels are driven round, for the distance required to bring each staff into action in succession, the handstroke barrel being sharply pushed round for the handstroke, and the backstroke one for the backstrokes. The staves in the barrels are slid into their proper position for the method before the ringing commences, and remain throughout. An accurate gauge is employed for bringing them into the exact position required. At the back of the machine are two index pointers, rather like that for setting the alarum of a small clock. For the method of Stedman each is set to 6; for a Treble Bob Major method they would each be set to 16. The reason for this is that the Stedman method is comprised in 12 rows, i.e. a slow and quick six, after which the places made repeat themselves, so that provision has to be made for 6 handstrokes and 6 backstrokes: while in a Treble Bob Major method the places repeat themselves after 16 handstrokes and 16 backstrokes. When each barrel has been jogged round to the extent to which the index was set, it instantly flies back to the zero position, and the place-making again follows in the same order once more. Thus, when the machine has been set, all that is required is to work the treadle, and the plain course is tapped off. For a bob a special lever is touched by the finger at the right moment. The barrels, and the levers moving the rockers are all situate under the slides, and the cover of the machine is formed by the board to whose under surface are attached the electrical conductors connecting the slides with the bells. This board can be removed and replaced in a moment, access being thus afforded for the adjustment or rectification of the mechanism in the interior.

Most sincerely do I wish that it were in my power to give a more adequate and less superficial description of this marvellous machine. As I said at the outset, my acquaintance with it extended only to three hours duration at the most; and I can only hope that someone more able than I am, may soon be in a position to do fuller justice to its many wonders, and to give the Exercise a far more exact knowledge of its details.

There is just one little criticism on which I think that I may venture without presumption, and it is on the particular form of the bells which Mr. Carter has adopted. They are of the hemispherical form, a form not famous for beauty of tone. The reason for Mr. Carter's choice is obvious, viz., that they pack themselves into smaller space than any other shape of bell. But for sweetness and purity oi tone almost anything else would be preferable. The hammers might hit, after the fashion of a pianola, on the keys of a piano, or on ordinary handbells; or small Harrington tubes might be employed-

But be it remembered that this has nothing to do with the machine itself, from which the bells might be miles distant. The machine is above and beyond all criticism. The more it is studied the more are we bound to admire not only the mechanical skill and perfect workmanship that has produced a machine working so smoothly and accurately, but still more the brilliant mechanical genius that originated and planned all the wonderful parts of a mechanism that has not its like in the world.

Much to my regret I had to depart shortly after 5 p.m. without having left myself proper time to do justice to the bountiful tea so kindly provided by Mrs. Carter.

In his original invitation to Sir Arthur Heywood, Mr. Carter had asked him to bring a method with him. Hearing this from Sir Arthur, I turned up a bundle of old papers containing the records of an investigation that I commenced twenty-three years ago into the various possible forms of a perfect Major method, and, after a superficial glance at two or three that appeared the best, I chose the following, and took it with me, having first composed a brief touch to be rung if opportunity offered. As may easily be imagined, it would be impossible to find a more appropriate name for it than "Sparkbrook Major," to commemorate the place and remarkable conditions of the occasion on which it was first rung. Though it fails to satisfy one of the tests—an absolutely fanciful one, as I have always thought—laid down by the Legitimate Methods Committee, to the effect that the lead-ends must be those of Plain Bob Major, it is in all other respects of perfect construction, capable of producing good peals, and in Mr. Carter's opinion, a very musical method. On noticing the date of its composition on the original sheet

NILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Tuesday evening, August 8th, 720 Woodbine Treble Bob. J. Avis, J. Burles, G. R. Ambrose, F. M. Mitchell, R. Constant, F. Hayes conductor. First 720 in the method by all the band, and on record on the bells. Rung as a farewell to the 1st Batt. Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, who leave Milton on the 12th, after a stay of three years.

of paper, I found the curious coincidence that it was *the very day*, twenty-two years before my delightful visit to Mr. Carter, viz., 10th May, 1889.

A week or two later I got out the proof scale, and made preparations for composing a peal, but as I could only give an odd few minutes to it now and then, and found myself very rusty at Major composition, I passed it on, proof scale and all to Mr. Carter, who in a day or two sent the three admirable peals herewith given.

When Sir Arthur and I arrived at Mr. Carter's we found the machine set for Duffield Maximus, a plain course of which it rang most beautifully. If I remember aright it was then set for Stedman Cinques, which it also rang perfectly. It was not till later on that it was set for the new method, of which it rang a plain course to perfection; and after this a portion of a touch. As there was a bob at the first lead-end it was delightful to hear 7-8 dodging together behind.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.

Wednesday, August 16th, was the date selected by the ringers of SS. Peter and Paul, Dagenham, for their annual outing, and mustering at the church at 8.30 a.m. a brake was in readiness, with our tenor man acting the part of coachman. A start was made for a fifteen-mile drive to Orsett, via Rainham, Wennington, Aveley and Stifford, and after a lovely ride through some of the prettiest of Essex scenery, arrived safely at our destination. Leaving our worthy steed in the care of the ostler at The Fox and Hounds we wended our way to the church, which boasts a fine ring of six, tenor 11 cwt. in splendid condition. The bells were soon raised and set going to Woodbine Treble Bob, 720 of which was successfully brought round, shortly followed by one of Kent and another of Cambridge Surprise. Some of the local ringers then joined us, and touches of Plain Bob and Oxford Treble Bob were brought found. Tracks were then made to the local hostel, where the hostess had in readiness a splendid dinner, to which justice was done. After a walk round, and promising the locals we would call again on our way back, we boarded our conveyance en route for Stanford-le-Hope, and after a further drive of three miles the pretty church on the hill hove in sight, and having looked to the wants of our trusty steeds, ascended the tower and found another fine ring of six in good going order, tenor 8 cwt. These were soon going to the tune of Oxford Treble Bob, a 720 of which was brought round, when the steeplekeeper looked in and took a rope in several touches of Plain Bob. As there is a service at 6 p.m. it was decided to hark back to Orsett to spend the evening, and duly arriving a group was quickly formed to give our camera manipulator a chance to shew what he can do. Afterwards a 720 of Plain Bob was brought round, three of the local men standing in. Tea ready was the cry, and again the wants of the inner man were satisfied. Afterwards a 360 of Plain Bob and touches of Oxford Delight, Double Oxford and Grandsire brought a splendid day's ringing to a close, and after a final thirst quencher and handshake with our Orsett friends a start was made for home, the journey being enlivened by songs, recitations, etc., Dagenham being safely reached at 10.30 p.m., thus bringing to a close one of the best outings we have ever had.

The Dagenham band wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Incumbents of Orsett and Stanford-le-Hope for so kindly granting the use of their bells, and also the members of the local bands for having everything in readiness. The members taking part were Messrs. Hawkins, Playle, sen., Playle, jun., Miles, Freestone and Butler, and Messrs. Keeling and Chinnery, of Orsett, and Wade of Stanford-le-Hope.

A VISIT TO NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.

On Saturday, August 5th, a few members of the Royal Cumberland Youths left St. Pancras for a day or two's run round the Central Northamptonshire district. To the majority of the party the trip was over entirely new ground, and the number of really fine rings of bells on which permission had been granted to ring came as a revelation after the varied experience of London ringing. Through the kindness of the various clergy, and the efforts of the various local ringers, visits were paid in turn to Kettering, Irthlingborough, Thrapston, Islip, Raunds, Higham Ferrers and Wellingborough; whilst a trip to Rothwell, where permission had been granted to ring by the Vicar, the Rev. A. H. Morley, for the Tuesday afternoon, had to be abandoned owing to the (at the last moment) early return of some of the company, leaving the band incomplete. Although four peals were attempted, none were successful; but everything in the way of touches and handbell ringing turned up trumps, the methods including Stedman, Superlative, London, Forward, Duffield and Double Norwich. Many old friendships were renewed and new ones made, and the whole party, both visitors and locals, were well satisfied with a pleasant holiday free from bustle. The thanks of the visitors are due, in addition to the Vicars of the various churches mentioned, to Messrs. Perkins and Tyler (Irthlingborough), J. B. Martin (Higham Ferrers), D. Nicholls and C. W. Bird (Kettering), for the arrangements they made. Much regret was expressed at the continued illness of Mr. W. V. Newman, a ringer well known outside as well as inside Northamptonshire. In the near future the local men hope to make some effort on his behalf which may commend itself to ringers generally.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern District of this Association was held at the church of St. John of Jerusalem, South Hackney, on Saturday, August 19th. Ringers were rather late in arriving, owing, no doubt, to the fact that the North London Railway was closed, and that the Great Eastern Railway was running a curtailed service of trains. However, the bells were set going in the various standard methods at 4.15, and some good touches were rung, despite the fact that the tenor was not on her best behaviour. At 5.30 an adjournment was made to The Lord Stanley for tea, and, after satisfying their appetites, rendered the more keen by the afternoon's exercise, the members were quite ready for the business meeting which followed. The meeting over the tower was again visited, but, before sufficient time had elapsed to enable a touch of Stedman to be brought round, the bells had unfortunately to be silenced, owing to illness in the vicinity of the church. A re-adjournment was therefore made to The Lord Stanley, where the remainder of the evening was passed ringing handbells and singing songs, concluding at about 10 o'clock with Auld Lang Syne and the National Anthem.

SEALE (near Aldershot).—On Wednesday, August 9th, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. C. Edwards, A. Baigent, F. Laker, G. Upshall, E. A. G. Allen, T. Upshall conductor.

THE ST. GILES' (READING) SOCIETY.

On August Bank Holiday, the members of the above Society had their annual ringing outing. A special invitation from the Rev. W. S. Mahony, Vicar of Linslade, Bucks., was taken advantage of. Leaving Reading and travelling by G. W. R. as far as Aylesbury, thence by brake to Linslade, the drive was very much enjoyed by all. On arrival touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung. A move was next made to the vicarage lawn, where a splendid spread was awaiting them, which, needless to say, was soon made look very small. After dinner a move waa made towards Leighton Buzzard. Here was found a splendid ring of ten, which go admirably, and Grandsire Caters, Stedman Triples and Bob Major was rung. After lowering the bells in peal the party broke up to have a look round; some went on the canal, others wandered back to the vicarage, all again meeting there for tea. A photo. of the party numbering twenty, was taken just before making the return jonrney. Reading was reached at 12.45 a.m. The journey was enlivened by songs, etc. The company wish to thank the Vicars and their ringers for helping to make the day a success, and hope to again visit them in the near future.

CHURCH BELLS.

Du Cange says it is uncertain who introduced church bells, but that they were invented by the Italians, the large in Campania and the small in Nola. Others say that they came into use in the seventh century, and that Bede is our first author who mentions them. The Roman custom of consecrating them is not earlier than the tenth century. A brass bell was used by the Latins to convoke them to church. The ancients used bells for signals and gave them the names of men and women. On the Thursday in Passion Week the ropes were tied up. The priests anciently rung themselves, afterwards persons incapable of other offices, as the blind, etc., and in Cathedrals the clockmen. Ringing of bells upon a person's coming into a town was anciently a sign of dominion and often stipulated by charter. To have alarm or town bells was a civic privilege, and all persons within the district were bound to come. They were anciently rung for victories and used to give alarm of robberies, of fire, and to summon artisans to work. The name Tom is presumed to be taken from the sound. Of muffling or bufleting bells there is no precedent in antiquity, and Brand thinks that it was introduced after the Restoration. Ringing the morning and evening bell was to excite the people to repeat the Angelus, according to the custom in Catholic countries. They were rung to drive away thunder and evil spirits, as well as to expedite childbirth when women were in labour. The custom of striking them with a hammen, not a clapper, began with this mode of summoning the monks to the refectory. Ancient bellropes had at the end silver or brass rings. The practice of ringing bells in changes is said to be peculiar to England, but the antiquity of it is not easily ascertained. Sir Matthew Hale is said to have belonged to a set of bellringers in his youth, and Anthony Wood learned to ring. Hentzner says that the English, when they had got a glass in their heads, ran to some belfry, and gentlemen have been known to have spent their fortunes in the pursuit. To this rage probably many parish churches owe their bells. Bells were often rung backwards on alarms, as of fire, etc., or as a general mark of sorrow.

LUTON PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

These bells seem to have undergone three great changes in attaining to their present number. The earliest mention of any church bells at Luton is in 1430, when four were bought and Abbot Wheathampstead, as patron and Rector, gave 100 shillings with a promise of more to pay the cost of a fourth bell. There were no bells at Luton before that date, 1430, but Dunstable Priory churhh had a bell a century before Luton had any. Parish churches seldom had more than four bells before the 16th century. Nearly 300 years elapse before any mention occurs again of Luton bells, although long before the end of this period great changes had taken place in its peal, for the ring is next found to consist of five. Three of them bore the date of the early part of the 17th century (1602 and 1616), and the tenor (5th), originally called Trinity, is said to to have been a very large bell weighing nearly 50 cwt. Of these the 4th seems to have been given by a Lady Elizabeth Wenlock, of Someries. The priest's bell, though dated 1637, was probably a re-cast of the ancient Sanctus bell, but there is no remembrance of its ever having been used as a priest's bell. It is now in the bell cot of St. Mary's Hall. This is the only one remaining of the 17th century bells, and is more than a century older than any of the others. The five heavy bells of the 17th century peal were re-cast into the present eight and lighter bells in 1775, during the incumbency of Dr. Prior. They were all, except the 8th (which is the earliest), cast at Whitechapel Foundry, and bear the names of the founders: Pack and Chapman London, fecit 1775. This foundry has been in continuous existence since 1520, and is now represented by Mears and Stainbank.

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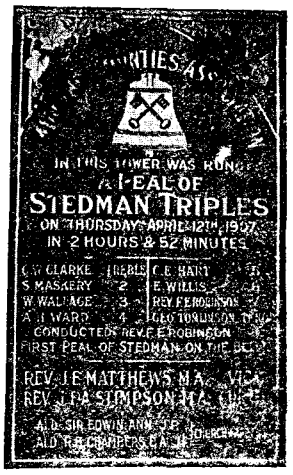

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It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

Reuben Sanders	*Treble.*	William Miller	5.
Isaac G. Shade	2.	Albert W. Coles	6.
Ernest Pye	3.	Harry Flanders	7.
Alfred W. Grimes.. ..	4.	William Pye	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by William Pye.

The Provinces.

BLAXHALL, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, July 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Bob Minor.

Ernest Hammond	*Treble.*	James Starling	4.
William Sawyer	2.	Henry Puttock	5.
Alderman Ling	3.	James Wardley	*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. Puttock.

SAXLINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Taylor's. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

John F. Wilson	*Treble.*	Alfred G. Bennington..	5.
Bertie J. Howchin.. ..	2.	Fredk. J. Howchin.. ..	6.
William Steele	3.	Wm. L. Duffield	7.
Albert G. Warnes.. ..	4.	Alfred Funnell	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. J. Howchin.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Wilde's Transposition of Thurstans's Four-Part.

Tenor 17 cwt.

Albert Cotterell* ..	*Treble.*	John Flower	5.
Joseph Davies	2.	Henry George	6.
William C. Pilcher ..	3.	Alex. Hutchison	7.
Fred W. Hill*	4.	Alfred Clarke..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Fred W. Hill.

*First peal in the method. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect and in memory of the late Rev. W. E. Bradstock, late Vicar of this parish.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation.

Miss Lilian A. Willson	*Treble.*	Albert Mason	5.
William H. Inglesant..	2.	James Harris	6.
William Willson, jun. ..	3.	T. Henry Hardy	7.
Thomas Bottrill	4.	William Willson	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Miss Lilian Willson.

First peal as conductress. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. H. Inglesant. First peal in the method with a bob bell by the ringer of the 7th.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Thurstans's Four-Part. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

George Williams	*Treble.*	Charles J. Fray	5.
William W. Gifford ..	2.	William H. George ..	6.
Henry W. Wilkes	3.	Keith Hart	7.
William T. Tuckee ..	4.	Owen Giles	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Keith Hart.

Handbell Peals.

THE CRYSTAL PALACE, LONDON, S.E.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Wednesday, August 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

At the Technical Art School,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES.

William A. Woodrow	1-2.	William Shepherd ..	5-6.
Arthur F. Shepherd	3-4.	Louis Attwater	7-8.
Fredk. G. Woodiss			9-10.

Composed by James George, and Conducted by Wm. Shepherd.

Umpire—James W. Driver. This is the first peal ever rung in the Crystal Palace, and is the above society's 100th peal. Further reference elsewhere.

NEW CROSS.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

At 3, Margaret Terrace, New Cross,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Holt's Ten-Part (Reversed).

Miss Elsie L. Bennett*	1-2.	Frank Bennett	5-6.
William Shepherd ..	3-4.	Fredk. G. Woodiss ..	7-8.

Conducted by William Shepherd.

Umpire—F. Hairs. *First peal First peal of Grandsire on handbells by the Association.

Peal Correction.—The ringer of the 5th in the peal at Isham, Northants., on July 11th, was Walter T. Wilson.

STEDMAN (Doubles & Triples)

For Beginners.

By I. B. Holmyard, L.C.P., Midsomer Norton, Bath.—Second Edition (revised and amended) now ready. Price 6½d., post free, direct from the Author. Experts' opinions:—"Just what was wanted"; "Should prove of much assistance"; "Clearly put and well explained."

Correspondence.

The Extension of Stedman.

Sir,—I proceed this week to Original. The Principle proper begins on two bells, and on two bells we get the whole of it, and we can see exactly what it is.

1 2
2 1
2 1
1 2

The treble hunts up into second's place, strikes *two* blows there and returns to lead. On three bells it is true, and so on up to twelve, but on every number of bells it is exactly the same thing, every bell rings a plain hunting course, and we consider the whole pulls in front and behind to be a part of the plain hunting work. From it we get the idea of coursing order, which is the order in which the bells follow each other along the course, and also the idea of turning points which are the whole pulls in front and behind. From it we also obtain the ideas of divisions as the cause can be divided into as many divisions as there are working bells, and division heads and division ends, for Original consists of these and these alone. H. Law James.

The Construction of Principles.

Sir,—It would be premature at present to contest Mr. Law James' conclusions, but one must point out that he has not made his proof clear as far as he has gone.

He says of 1 2 and 2 1 that one of these two rows "is really outside the composition." What does the word "really" exactly imply here? Without further explanation it seems most "unreal" to exclude half the method. Does it simply mean "First let us assume that one of these rows, etc.," or does it mean "this touch can be divided into two parts?"

Again he says "this is only the reverse variation of the other." But why "only"? In fact we might say that it is the same work done backwards, or that one is a quick two, and the other a slow two, or that it is a half-way single, or a cross section, or—but there is hardly anything that we cannot say it is. For of course all work of every possible kind is in the changes on two bells—in embryo as it were.

What is essential, if this method of induction be employed, is that whatever is proved on the smallest number be proved on the larger numbers, step by step; but this is exactly what Mr. Law James omits to do. He jumps straight from two bells to infinity, without one single step of induction. And with all due respect to one so learned, I submit that this process is neither scientific nor mathematical. Moreover he does not give sufficient indication of what is in his mind, to enable us to work out the omitted steps ourselves.

He would prove that "dodging in the ordinary acceptation of the word is only plain hunting backwards." But the Glossary tells us that in the ordinary acceptation of the word, it requires three strokes to make a dodge; moreover it puts in italics the statement that the bell that makes a dodge "*resumes its former path.*"

His argument here seems to me to be "begging the question." What Mr. Law James calls "hunting backwards" should be called "hunting wrong"; and he is entitled to say that the first half of a dodge is hunting wrong; but the completion of the dodge puts the bell right again. When a bell comes in slow in Stedman the hunting right is interrupted by thirds place, which sends her in to lead wrong. A snapping lead has the same effect on the two bells in front, and thus all three bells are "hunting wrong," or as Stedman expresses the same thing, they "cut compass." H. Drake.

Braisworth Rectory, August 19th, 1911.

Mr. Wightman's Peal.

Sir,—The footnote to the peal of Double Norwich Major by Mr. Edgar Wightman in your last issue is incorrect. A 5040 with the same qualities was published in "The Bell News" of January 16th, 1904. Joseph W. Parker.

St. Nicholas' Bells, Newcastle.

Sir,—In the account of the old bells of St. Nicholas' Cathedral, Newcastle, which appeared in your last issue, I notice several errors. It was the seventh of the old peal of eight which was dedicated to St. Nicholas, not the first; the sixth to the Virgin Mary, not the second; the fourth to St. Michael, not the third. It was the old tenor, not the fourth, which was called the "common bell," and used for the purposes described. This bell was recast at Colchester as stated in 1615, and again in 1622, but *not* by Lester and Pack, who carried on the Whitechapel foundry at a much later date. This firm however did recast her in 1754. Again; it was the third, not the fifth, which was cast in 1658 and bore the peculiar inscription mentioned. The treble and second only were added in 1717, cast by Richard Phelps of the Whitechapel foundry. It was the old "Major" which was such a bad bell, and which the clock struck upon on the occasion mentioned. This bell was cast by James Harrison, of Barton-on-Humber, in 1833. He cast the bell in Hawk's foundry at Gateshead. Of course all the bells have now been replaced by the modern peal of ten and the new Major, all cast by Tayler in 1892. J. R. Jerram.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

Blewbury (Berks).—On Monday, July 31st, in honour of the return from their honeymoon of Howard Caudwell, Esq., Vicar's warden, and Mrs. Caudwell, 630 Grandsire Triples. W. Webb, Miss Margaret Nightingale, W. Grace, C. Gregory. R. James, G. F. James conductor, E. Aldridge, S. Alworth. On Thursday, August 3rd, with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Bishop of Oxford, 339 Grandsire Triples. G. Welch, Miss M. Nightingale, W. Grace, E. Aldridge, R. James G. F. James, G. Greenough, T. Busby.

Blackburn.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans') in 48 mins. H. Walter, W. Briggs, F. Hindle, W. H. Idle, E. Duteson, J. Watson, W. E. Wilson conductor, W. J. Edmundson.

Birmingham.—On Sunday, August 13th, for Divine Service in the morning at Bishop Ryder's church, 404 Grandsire Triples B. Devonal (Cadoxton). F. J. Smallwood, E. Large, G. Taylor, J. T. Perry conductor, J. Collett, A. Scrivens, J. Salter (Kidderminster). For evening service 308 Grandsire Triples. S. Coley, A. Scrivens, J. Collett, W. Webb, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, G. Taylor, J. Salter.

Farnham.—On Friday, August 11th, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. G. Upshall, F. Laker, F. A. Barnett, E. A. G. Allen, T. Upshall, A. Baigent, C. Edwards conductor, W. Sherfield.

London.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Sidney F. Gowlett, the whole pull and stand was rung half-muffled by G. Woodage, sen., S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. C. F. Bailey, G. F. Woodage, jun., F. J. Hardy, A. D. Barker, T. H. Taffender. Afterwards 420 Stedman Triples. F. J. Hardy, S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. Milner, A. E. Pike, T. H. Taffender conductor, A. D. Barker, G. Woodage, sen. And 288 Treble Bob Major. C. F. Winney, F. G. Perrin, T. H. Taffender, H. T. Gowlett. J. Milner, A. D. Barker, W. Harlesden, C. F. Burden.

Pulham Market.—On Sunday, August 13th, for morning service, 768 Oxford Treble Bob Major. F. Borrett, F. Roope, C. Baker, W. Roope, G. Baxter, E. Whiting, H. GarnhaH, C. Roope.

Stratford-by-Bow.—On Sunday, August 6th, at St. Mary's church, a touch of Stedman Triples. S. Hayes conductor, T. Cranfield, H. Torble, A. Scrambler, W. Theobald, S. Palmer, F. Watling, G. Dawson. Rung to oblige F. Watling, who hails from Saxmundham.

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LEAD.

12345678

21436587
12463857
21648375
26184735
62817453
26187543
62815734
68251374
86523147
85621374
58263147
52836417
25384671
23548617
32456871
34265781
43627518
46372581
64735218
67453128
76541382
75643128
57461382
54716832
45178623
54718263
45172836
41527386
14253768
41235678
14326587
13462857

BOB

13462578

COURSE-ENDS.

3	4	5	23456
–			52436
	–		42356
		–	26354
–	–		45236
–		–	56234
	–	–	46253
–	–	–	46532

BOBS AT I

1	34625
2	46532
3	65243
4	52364
5	23456

PEALS.

5472 OR 5024.

1	3	4	5	23456
	–	–		45236
		–	–	26435
–				64523
			–	63425
		–		46325
		–		34625
	–	–)		62345
		–}		36245
		–)		23645

For 5024 omit the three bracketted bobs at 4 in one part.

6048.

3	4	5	23456
–	–		45236
	–	–	26435
	–		42635
–	–		63425
	–		46325
	–		34625
–	–		62345
	–		36245
	–		23645

All the above are three-part peals.

5088 BOB MAJOR.

By H. Price, *Kegworth, Derby.*

23456	W	B	M	H
64235		4		–
23645	–			–
62345				–
34625	–			–
63425				–
46325				–
25365	–			
36245	–			–
43265	–			
26435	–			–
42356		–	–	–
35426	–			–
43526				–
52436	–			–
45236				–
24536				–
53246	–			–
25346				–
32546				–
54236	–			–
32456	S			–
43256				–

Repeated.

Will Miss Hawkins (lady ringer), of Nottingham, kindly send us her address.

5072 BOB MAJOR.

By Ernest Morris, *Leicester.*

2345678	W	M	H
3724568	–	(s3rd)	
24375	–		–
32475			–
43275			–
27435	–		–
42735			–
57234		–	–
257			–
275			s
527			–
752			–
725			s
5372	–		–
753			–
735			s
573			–
857			–
575			s
5263478	–	(5th)	–
6523			–
2653			–
5326	–		–
2536			–
2536478	–	–	–
43256	–	–	–
2435			–
3245			–
4532	–		–
3452			–
5234	–		–
3524			–
2354			–
5423	–		–
2543			–
4352	s		–
5243	–		–
4523			–
2453			–
5324	–		–
2534			–
3254			–
5432	–		–
5542			–
4235	–		–
3425			–
2345			–

4th, 5th, and 6th only in 6ths. Contains all the 3-4-6-8s, and 2-4-6-8, and the 6th twenty-times at home.

Nutfield (Surrey). — On Tuesday, August 4th, at the parish church, 720 Cambridge Minor. T. Leeson, A. Harman, A. Bashford, W. Cheesman, W. Bashford, F. Hawkins conductor. First 720 of Surprise on the bells, and by all the band.

Other compositions are held over till next week.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will be held at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 31st; St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec. pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—North and East District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, to-day, Sat., August 26th, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. G. H. Siddans). Bells available at 3.30. Tea, 6d., at 6 o'clock. Members and friends cordially invited. The Secretary would be glad to receive all outstanding subscriptions at an early date. C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Sunbury-on-Thames to-day, Sat., August 26th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided in the Parish Room at 6 o'clock, at 6d. per head. Members and friends cordially invited.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

St. Margaret's Society, Westminster.—All ringing at the above church suspended until September 1st.

JAMES E. DAVIS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Dudley and Districts Guild.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Wombourne on Saturday, August 26th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Service in church at 5, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards. H. SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *High Street, Dudley.*

The Essex Association. — North-Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Goldhanger on Saturday, August 26th.

A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM, *Dis. Sec.*
Sandpit Road, Braintree.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The annual branch meeting will be held at Blackburn parish church to-day, Sat., August 26th. Bells ready at 3 o.clock. Meeting at 6.30. J. WATSON *Branch Sec.*

The Warwickshire Guild. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Henley-in-Arden (6 bells), to-day. Sat., August 26th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. The date unfortunately clashes with the date of the Rugby society's excursion, and it is therefore thought wiser to reserve Aston Manor as the place for the September meeting.

C. C. Cox, *Hon. Sec.*
The Parsonage, Shottery.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, to-day, Sat., August 26th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30. All subscriptions due. Election of branch secretary and committee-man. A good attendance requested.

T. ROLLERSON, *Branch Sec.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.—Stockport Branch.—Next meeting at Marple, to-day, Sat., August 26th. A. T. BERESTON, *Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton on Saturday, September 2nd. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Broughton on Saturday, September 2nd. Bells ready at 3. Meeetng at 5.30. All members are requested to attend

E. R. MARTIN, *Branch Sec.*

The Hertfordshire Association.—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Knebworth on Saturday, September 2nd. Tea at the Lytton Arms, price 1s., to all who inform me by August 31st.

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
12, *Grove Road, Hitchin.*

The Lancashire Association. - Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at at St. Mary's, Oldham (12 bells), on Saturday, September 9th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester on Saturday, September 16th. Further particulars next week.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H SHUKER, J. H. BANKS, *Hon Secs.*

The Ely Diocesan Association. — The General Secretary's address is now 33, Clarendon Street, Cambridge.

T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea. — The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PRYER, *Sec.*

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5008 BOB MAJOR.

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	W	B	H
5236478	–	–	–
5273468	–	2ins	–
75234			–
23754	–		–
72354			–
35724	–		–
73524			–
57324			–
32574	–		–
53274			–
25374			–
2563478	–	2ins	–
62534			–
53624	–		–
65324			–
32654	–		–
93254			–
29354			–
35264	–		–
23564			–
45236	–	M	–
24536			–
52436			–
43526	–		–
54326			–
32546	–		–
53249			–
25346			–
34526	s		–
52346	–		–
35246			–
23546			–

Repeat last 12 courses; omit middle.

SOMETHING ABOUT BELLS.

As to the manufacture of church bells during the last five centuries, it must not be supposed that the early bell founders understood all the principles of construction, mixture of metals, lines, and proportions which go to form our notion of a good bell. As an Amati or Stradivarius violin is the result of innumerable experiments extending over centuries, so the bells of Van den Gheyn (1550) disengaged themselves after ages of empirical trials, as the true models, and supplied the finished type for all succeeding bell-workers. Bell metal is a mixture of copper and tin, in the proportion of four to one. In Mr. Layard's Nineveh bronze bells it was ten to one. Zinc and lead are used in small bells. The thickness of a bell's edge is one-fifteenth of its diameter, and its height is twelve times its thickness. Bells, like viols, have been made of every conceivable shape within certain limits. The long narrow bell, the quadrangular, and the mitre-shaped, in Europe at least, indicate antiquity; and the graceful curved inwardly-midway and full trumpet-mouthed bell indicate an age not earlier than the sixteenth century. The bell is first designed on paper, according to the scale of measurement. Then the crook is made, this being a kind of double wooden compass, the legs of which are respectively curved to the inner and outer sides of the bell, a space of the exact form and thick-

ness of the bell being left betwixt them. The compass is pivotted on a stake driven into the bottom of the casting pit. A stuffiing of brickwork is bound round the stake, leaving room for a fire to he lighted inside it. The outside of this stuffing is then padded with fine soft clay, well mixed and bound together wifh calves hair, and the inner leg of the compass run rounnd it, bringing it to the exact shape of a bell. Upon this core, well smeared with grease, then lightly cover with the finest clay and then wtth coarser clay. until a solid mantle is thickened over the outside of the clay bell. A fire is now lighted, and the whole baked hard; the grease and wax inscriptions steam out through holes at the top, leaving the sham clay bell baked hard and tolerably loose, between the core and the cope or mantle. The cope is then lifted, the clay bell broken up, the cope let down again, enclosing now between itself and the core the exact shape of the bell. The metal is then boiled and run molten into the mould. A large bell will take several weeks to cool. When extracted it ought to be scarcely touched, and should hardly require tuning. This is called its maiden state, and it is one so sought after that many bells are left rough and out of tune in order to claim it.

The quality of a bell depends not only on the casting and the fineness and mixture of metals, but npon the due proportion of metal to the calibre of the bell. The larger the bell the lower the tone, but if we try to make a large E bell, with metal only enough for a smaller F bell, the E bell will be puny and poor. It has been calculated that for a peal of bells to give the pure chord of the ground tone or key-note, third, fifth, and octave, the diameters are required to be as thirty, twenty-four, twenty, fifteen, and the weights as eighty, forty-one, twenty-four and ten. It has been mentioned that Pope Sabinianus first used church bells; but it seems clear that they were introducod into France as early as 550. In 680, Benedict, Abbot of Wearmouth, imported them from Italy; and in the seventh century Bede mentions them in England. St. Dunstan hung many in the tenth century, and in the eleventh century they were not unoommon in Switzerland and Germany. It is incredible that the Greek Christians, as has been asserted, were unacquainted with bells till the ninth century; but it is certain that, for political reasons after the taking of Constantinople by the Turks, their use was forbidden, lest they should provide a popular signal for revolt.

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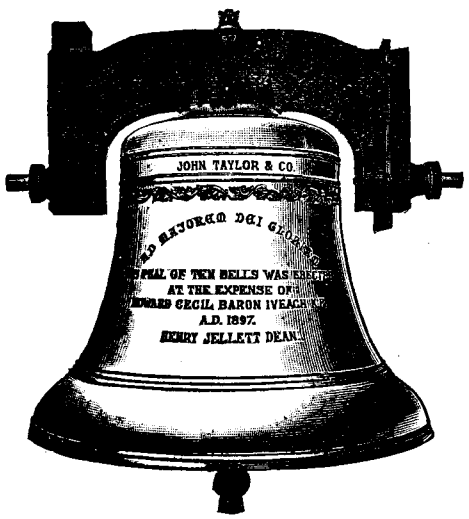

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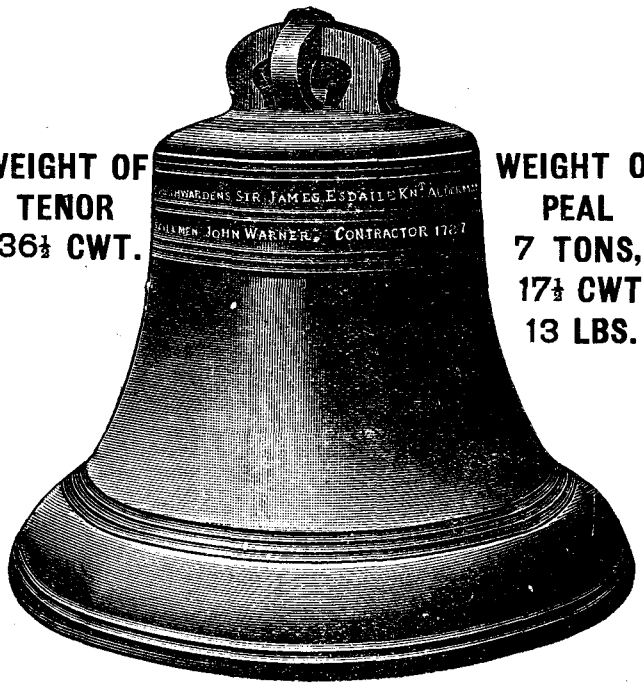

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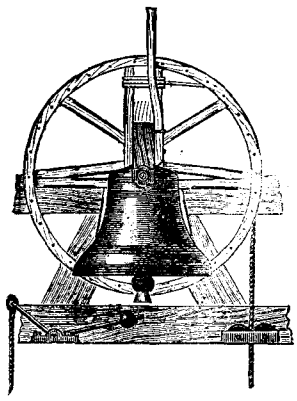

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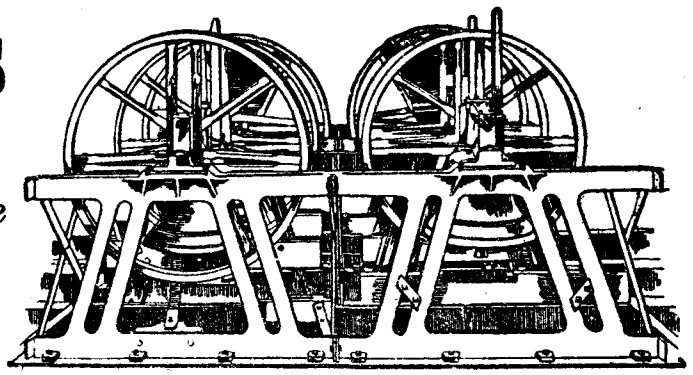

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THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the above Guild was held on Saturday, August 26th, at the pretty country village of Wombourn, where everything for the comfort of the ringers had been kindly arranged by Mr. R. Cartwright. At 5 o'clock the beautiful Guild service was said in the church, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. E. P. Nicholas, who also gave an interesting address on ringers as church workers. At the close of the service an adjournment was made to the Church Institute, where the business meeting was held presided over by the Vicar, who in his opening remarks welcomed the Guild to Wombourn, and hoped that ere long he would have the pleasure of welcoming them again. Apologies were received from Mr. S. Spittle (Master), and Mr. John Smith, regretting their inability to attend. After the meeting the members repaired to the belfry, while others strolled round the village. The bells were kept merrily going until 8 o'clock, when time arrived only too soon for several members to take their departure home.

On the proposition of Mr. W. R. Small a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his kindness in conducting the service, for his address, for presiding at the meeting, and for the use of the bells and institute; to the organist and choir for the service they rendered in making the service bright and enjoyable; not forgetting Mr. R. Cartwright for the trouble he had gone to in making the arrangements for the meeting, which were most successfully carried out.

The Vicar suitably replied on behalf of himself and organist.

It was proposed that the peals not attempted last quarter should be attempted during the ensuing quarter. On the proposition of Mr. D. Jones St. Luke's, Blakenhall, was the place selected for holding the next quarterly meeting. This concluded the business of the meeting.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the North Eastern District was held at Goldhanger, on Saturday, August 26th, members attending from Braintree, Bocking, Maldon, Great Totham, Tolleshunt-D'arcy, and the local ringers. Tea was provided at The Cricketers by the kindness of the Rector, who presided. Maldon was selected for the annual district meeting in December. The Rev. F. T. Gardner, Rector of Goldhanger, was unanimously elected an hon. member, and in responding to a vote of thanks for the use of the bells and kindly entertaining the ringers to tea, said he hoped the Association would again visit Goldhanger before long, as they would be sure of being welcomed.

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Nothing is more familiar to our ears than the sound of the bells of our parish church. Yet few people knew anything about the bells themselves. Even the ringers are content to pull the ropes year after year without inquiring into their archæology. Campaning is a hobby which not many indulge in. And still, notwithstanding its peculiar peril and difficulties, there must be a certain amount of excitement and adventure in bell-hunting. Equipped with his ladthorn and bag of materials and apparatus, the true campanologist is said to feel all the excitement of the sportsman or the angler in taking "squeezes" and "rubbings." The former are impressions taken in pipeclay, or a sort of putty made for the purpose. From these plaster casts can be taken at home, from which again drawings or engravings can readily be made. Rubbings are best taken from bells by tying a long strip of paper over the inscription and rubbing with heel-ball or a bit of new shoe leather. A quatter of a century ago, when he was more active in his limbs, that veteran ecclesiologist, the Rev. J. T. Fowler, visited nearly all the bell lofts in Durham and Northumberland, and made squeezes and rubbings of the most interesting bells. At St. Margaret's, Durham, two out of the three bells are mediæval, and two of those at St. Giles, in the same city, are ancient. The first has "Campana Sancti Egidii" (the bells of St. Giles), and the letter I twice on the soundbow, which Mr. Fowler is unable to explain. The second bell has "Santa Maria ora pro nobis" (St. Mary, pray for us), and the monogram of Jesus, "I.H.C."

At Pittington there are three ancient bells, and there is a peculiarity here in the construction of the bellframes. The first and second at Chester-le-Street are most interesting bells. They appear to have been cast at the same time, being uniform in design and character. The crown moulding is peculiar, and of elegant design. Both have upon them little figures of a sort of dragon, which is not met with elsewhere, and Mr. Fowler hazards the conjecture that it may be a representation of the far-famed "Worm of Lambton." If so, it carries the story back to the beginning of the fifteenth century. The first has this inscription: "Magister Robertus Aschburn Decanus Cestrie me fecit" (Mr. Robert Aschburn, Dean of Chester, made me), and in a line beneath this, "Hec Campana data Cuthbertns sit vocitata" (Let this bell, being given, be named Cuthbert). The second has "Dominus Iohannes Lumley me fecit fieri, hec campana pie datur hic in honore Marie" Lord Lumley had me made. This bell is piously given here in honour and glory). There was a Baron John Lumley, 1405-1421, and a John de Ashbourn, Dean of Chester-le-Street, in 1409, to whom Robert may have succeeded, though this latter name is not given in the histories. The third bell was recast in 1665, but was probably first cast at the same time as the other two, for it was given by Bishop Langley, who occupied the See of Durham from 1406 to 1437. In the tower of the ancient church of St. Paul at Jarrow are two bells. One is quite plain and devoid of inscription or device. The other has "Sancte Palus ora pro nobi" (St. Paul pray for us). At Stranton, near Hartlepocl, one bell is dated 1664 and another 1699.

Three of the bells at Heighington are ancient, and very fine. The first is a particularly sweet-toned bell. It bears the inscription, "O mater dia me sana virgo Maria" (O Divine Mother save me, Virgin Mary), in fine bold black letter, with a richly adorned letter O and initial cross, and also a small figure of our lady holding the Infant Jesus in her arms. The second bell has in good Lombardic letters, "Tu Petre pulsatus perversos mitiga fiatus (Thou Peter, being rung, assuage adverse tempests). And the third inscription in the same letters, may be translated thus: "Thon Paul, join us purified to the Court of Heaven." Mr. Fowler speaks highly of the tenor bell at Sedgefield. The inscription is in black letter, like the first at Heighinton, each word, however, beginning with a richly-ornamented Lombardic capital. He also took rubbings of the old bells in the church of St. Nicholas in Newcastle. The 6th bore the following melodious inscription, in which, however, orthography is sacrificed to rhyme, "Sum Nicholaius ouans tunctis modulamina promans" (I am rejoicing Nicholas, sounding melodies to all). The fourth had "Dulcis sisto melis campano vocor Micaelis" (I am of sweet melody; am called Michael's bell). The seventh bell had the same inscription as the first at Heighington. Four of the bells at St. Andrew's, Auckland, are dated 1720, and there are two at Aycliffe, date 1664. Two of these at Brancepeth are dated 1632. At Darlington four out of the six bells are dated 1755. The fiifth is dated 1761, and the sixth, which is dated 1702, has on it "Moneo Georgio Thomson ministro ad preces" (I call George Thomson the minister to prayers). Six of the eight bells at Durham Cathedral are dated 1692. The whole had been cast before by Thomas Bartlett, as appears by the register of St. Mary-le-Bow—"Thomas Bertlett (a bell founder). This man did cast the Abbey bells the summer before he dyed. Buried Feb. 3, 1632." The six bells ar St. Oswald's in Durham are dated 1694. At Easington two bells are dated 1664 and 1618 respectively. At St. Mary's, Morpeth, was a bell dated 1662, and another dated 1635, with the inscription, "Cry alonde, Repent." It had a gaping crack as the result of its loud crying when Mr. Fowler saw it.

BLETCHLEY (Bucks). — On Saturday, August 12th at St. Mary's church, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 40 mins., owing to the 2nd rope breaking. T. Best, J. Mead, J. Marks, F. Stanton, C. A. Valentine, H Sear conductor, Rev. W. P. Wright, W. Bonham. On Sunday, August 13th, 168 Stedman Triples. F. Hedges, J. Mead, J. Marks, J. D. Matthews conductor, L. Meager, S Smith, H. Sear Rev. H. P. Wright. 336 Grandsire Triples. F. Stanton, J. Mead, H. Sear conductor, J. Marks, L. Meager, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, J. D. Matthews. On Tuesday, August 15th, 720 Bob Minor. J. Marks, F. Stanton, T. Best, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, H. Sear conductor. On Sunday, August 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. F. Hedges, J. Mead, H. Sear conductor, S. Smitbt T. Best, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, V. Sear. The above touches were arranged for the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Hemimbrough, Yorkshire.

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THE PARISH CHEST.

Most people are familiar with the ancient cofier which usually stands in an out-of-the-way corner of an old parish church.

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The oldest I have seen are those huge muniment chests with arched lids, hooped with iron, standing in the room over the north porch of the church of St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol, the scene of the remarkable and ingenious forgeries of the youthful Chatterton.

In these old cases were deposited the Registers, Churcwardens' and Overseers' Accounts, Rate Books, and other records of the past,

In consequence of the great changes which have been made of late years in the management of local affairs, the parish chest is no longer required, and is now stowed away anywhere, so as not to occupy valuable space; a damp corner, or even the belfry, being considered good enough for its accommodatiou.

The Registers are very properly secured in fire-proof safes, with any documents of value or importance; and the parish officers take charge of their own books and papers.

It has been my privilege to overhaul many of these long forgotten old chests, some, indeed, of which had not been disturbed for years, and my researches have been directed towards churchwardens' accounts, for in them one can discover much interesting information with respect to the fabric of the church, such as alterations, repairs, or removals of various portions, besides little bits of local history, which often throw light upon what has hitherto been considered doubtful or obscure. It is not often that one comes across bound books in excellent order and preservation, with beautiful clear writing. The general rule seems to have been for the Wardens to present their account at the annual vestry meeting, written very badly with indifiecent ink upon very poor thin paper, which, when passed by the meeting and signed, was thrown into the chest along with those of the overseer and constable, and there remained to be tumbled about during two or three centuries among the miscellaneous books and papers therein accumulated. The result has been that, alas! only fragmentory portions are very often recovered; a perfect manuscript being a great rarity. Nevertheless, one's perseverance is occasionally rewarded, and some important information is happily rescued.

I once cleared out such an old chest in the west of England, and sorted the papers according to their dates. The Rector had them placed in a book made for the purpose, with leaves of stifi brown paper, between which they lay loosely but securely, and will be preserved for many years to come.

Even the lists of persons who were in the receipt of parish relief from the time of Queen Elizabeth are not without interest. In some cases it will be found that the name still exist among those who are at the present day on the pauper's roll—a remarkable instance of heredity—while in others there is no trace of them left in the neighbourhood.

The Indentures of parish apprentices also reveal something of the waye of the "rude forefathers of the hamlet" in bygone days, and may furnish unexpected items of parochial hlstory. In short, the old parish chest is worth examining, and its contents will generally repay the explorer who take the trouble to rescue them from their too common state of utter confusion and neglect. B.

MASTERS OF CLOCKWORK.

A London weekiy newspaper in reviewing a book, entitled—"Former Clock and Watchmakers and their Work," has the following:—

"It was in the seventeenth century that the fine art of clockmaking entered on its most interesting period, tiut it was not till towards its close thst it became necessary for watches and clocks to bear the maker's name and address. From these often very vague inscriptions it would seem that a favourite locality with the craft was where the statue of Rowland Hill now stands, but Sweeting's alley was not rebuilt after the destruction of the Exchange by fire in 1838, and most of the other names, familiar to City men in the early days of George III. have long since been lost to view, Many of them are recalled in the productions of the old horologists, which traces the development of the industry. We all know how King Alfred measured time by candles, and a couple of centuries after him it seems pretty certain that some sort of mechanical indicator had been invented by the only people who had time for anything but fighting—the monks. The clock tower in Palace-yard, Westminster, about 1300, was a curious old structure. Of it the author says:—

"In the reign of Edward I. a large stone tower was built in Palace Yard, opposite to Westminster Hall, and a clock placed therein, which struck every hour upon a great bell. The Hon. David Barrington states that the Lord Chief Justice Randulphns de Hengham, having made an alteration in a record, was find 800 marks by the King's order, and the money was applied to defray the cost of erecting a public clock opposite the entrance to Westminster Hall. In an issue-roll of the forty-fourth year of the reign of Edward III, is recorded the payment of £2 to John Nicole, keeper of the Great Clock of the King within the Palace of Westminster, being his wages for eighty days at the rate of sixpence a day. The tower was pulled down about the middle of the seventeenth century.

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LONDON.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Sidney F. Gowlett, the whole pull and stand was rung half-muffled by G. Woodage, sen., S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. C. F. Bailey, G. F. Woodage, jun., F. J. Hardy, A. D. Barker, T. H. Taffender. Afterwards 420 Stedman Triples. F. J. Hardy, S. B. Weatherstone, C. H. Hughes, J. Milner, A. E. Pike, T. H. Taffender conductor, A. D. Barker, G. Woodage, sen. And 288 Treble Bob Major. C. F. Winney, F. G. Perrin, T. H. Taffender, H. T. Gowlett. J. Milner, A. D. Barker, W. Harlesden, C. F. Burden.

BLACKBURN.—On Thursday, August 3rd, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (Thurstans') in 48 mins. H. Walter, W. Briggs, F. Hindle, W. H. Idle, E. Duteson, J. Watson, W. E. Wilson conductor, W. J. Edmundson.

Correspondence.

The Extension of Stedman.

Sir,—I am sorry that Mr. Drake has not understood my letter, but I would suggest that be should read it again carefully, and then he will probably see cause to withdraw the second paragraph of *his* letter. His third and last paragraph I think he will also withdraw, if he will study them carefully, for surely "reverse variation" and "the same work done backwards" mean exactly the same thing, and "hunting backwards," "hunting wrong," and cutting compass all mean the same thing, so that both paragraphs are irrelavent, as they only deal with words, while I am considering facts.

After reading Mr. Drake's quotation from the Glossary I was inclined to question the definition of a dodge given there; but it occurred to me that it would be better to look at the definition itself first, and I find that he has misquoted the Glossary quite as much as he has misquoted my letter. The definition is on page 10, and deals with dodging on two bells only, but it is a perfectly accurate definition of dodging on every number of bells from two up to infinity.

I turn next to paragraph four of Mr. Drake's letter, and since he complains of my leaving out everything between 2 and infinity, we will take some examples, as I particularly wish to make this matter plain. Consider the following groups of figures:—

A

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12
21
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12
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B

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123
213
231
321
312
132
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312
321
231
213
123
213
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C

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1234      5678
2143      6587
1234      6857
2143      8675
2413      ----
4231      6857
2413      6587
4231      5678
2435      5768
2345      1786
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          7168
          ----
          1786
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          7168
          7618
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D

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123456 7
214365 57
123465
132645
316245
361425
634125
643215
462315
426135
241635 75
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426175 35
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E

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12345678 90
21354768 09
  53748 6
  57384 6
  75836 4
  78536 4
  87654 3
  86745 3
  68473 5
  64837 5
  46385 7
21436587 09
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24163850 79
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Now apply to each of these the definition in the Glossary on page ten, remembering that the restriction to two bells only applys to A. In A the definition which I quote applies exactly, and the bracket shows the dodge.

Page 10. Dodge:—

An evolution in "change-ringing" performed (when required by the rule of the 'method') by (two) bells which meet each other while 'hunting' in opposite directions, (one) 'up' and the (other) down, and change 'places' (three times in successive strokes) before resuming their respective paths; that is each bell, after crossing the other's path, strikes (a) blow in the contrary direction to that in which it was previously 'hunting,' and then *resumes its former path*, crossing the other again. The backward blow is called the dodge.

Certain words are included in brackets ( ) because they require alteration when applied to more than two bells.

The definition describes A exactly.

Try B and notice all three bells run backwards from 132 to 123, and then resume their former path.

Try C taken from Bristol Major and notice 8. She hunts down to fifths places, then goes backwards up to 8th, strikes two blows there backwards and backwards, down to 7th, and then resumes her former path.

And you can easily apply the same to D and E. Finally study the path of the 2nd in London Major. From the seventh row of the first lead up the twentieth row she is running backward, and this is really an extended dodge of fifteen rows.

From this we gather that dodging is simply the reverse variation of plain hunting, and so all three bells in a slow six of Stedman are really dodging. H. Law James.

Sir,—You have published two letters by Mr. James in reply to my X Y question, and as in neither does he give a correct answer, kindly permit me to repeat the question in other form, which I hope will bring a clear reply:—

X		Y	
12345		12345	
2--35		21435	
-2-53		2-153	
--235	Slow six.	-2135	Quick six.
--253		-1253	
-2-35		1-235	
2--53		12-53	
42513		21543	

Question put. If 1 2 in Y example are bob-making bells, what is 2 in X example doing if not bob making? (Reply given is plain hunting.) Impossible. The reply is based upon the old argument that a bell laying behind does not make a place, and is illustrated in a misleading way by example B which follows. But the reply is all wrong, as Mr. James ignores the place made by 2 in X. This is an oversight surely, as it is by these places that we get the foundation of scientific classification of method. Not many months ago I sent Mr. James in a private correspondence example A that follows as illustrating dodging by two bells. His reply, now before me, is that it represented hunting. Now as a matter of fact neither is absolutely correct, as this represents more than that, as A really represents dodging, hunting and snapping. I here give both examples for reference:—

A

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12
22
12
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B

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12
21
21
12
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Now B does not clearly represent my question, although this is Mr. James's illustration of it, as while he will still ignore place making in B he cannot again do so, as shewn in X, as here there are two bells behind, and so 2 don't go the whole distance up and down as it does in B, but makes a place and returns to lead. The reply to my question is better answered by example A. But this is not truthfully so, as although 2 goes

from back to front and back again, it does not lay two blows in either position. That is where the reply misleads those who don't know, and this is an inexactitude.

I have again examined Mr. James's A B C examples. They are more a mixture of Original and Stedman than anything, and I cannot see a practical result at present. If there is anything else to follow these on higher numbers I shall be pleased to see it at once. It has been repeated that the slow six is a principle. Yes, and so it is; and by the same rule so is the quick six. But both of them are useless in Doubles composition unless linked up after the style of Stedman, and I see no value in A B C touches whatever. H. DAINS.

FALSE COMPOSITIONS.

SIR,—The peal of Bob Major, 5072, by E. Morris, in your last is false in the 1st and 37th courses. Also peal No. 167 in the C.C. Collection, Section 2, by Mr. Dains, is false. G. CROSS.

BELLS AND BELLRINGING.

[FROM AN OLD NORWICH PAPER.[

A genial authority on bells and bellringing tells us that the art of casting bells in sequence of sound appears to have been practised after the Conquest partly by ecclesiastics and partly by handicraftsmen, but by the end of the fourteenth century it fell entirely into the hands of laymen. Among the great bell foundries that existed prior to the Reformation were those at Norwich and Bury St. Edmunds. The site of the former, was upon that piece of land at present occupied by the triangular block of buildings between Red Lion Street and Briggs Street. At the beginning of the eighteeeth century a Mr. Dobson owned a foundry at Downham Market, where a considerable number of bells were cast and distributed over the United Kingdom. A correspondent, writing to our journal on November 28th, 1819, stated that wihin the short space of two years the following rings had been sent out from the Downham Foundry: a peal of five for the new General Post Office, Dublin, the largest weighing 43 cwt.; eight for Newton, near Manchester; six for the village of Llandegai, Carvonshire, the gift of the Baroness Penrhyn; six for Northwold church; six for Horringer church, near Bury St. Edmunds; eight for Birstall, near Leeds; six for the tower of Beaumaris in the Isle of Anglesey, given by Viscount Bulkeley; and ten for the church of St. Michael, Liverpool. At about the same date Thomas and Joshua Hurry, of The White Hart inn, St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, were noted bellhangers, for we find them advertising in 1820 that they had hung peals at Foulsham, Cawston, Woodrow, Wroxham, East Ruston, Worstead, Watton, Postwick, etc. The curious custom of rival companies ringing for hats on the occasion of the opening of new peals seems to have been generally practised throughout the county. In some cases money prizes were offered for competition, as shown by the following advertisement that appeared in our columns on December 24th, 1819: "At Mattishall, in Norfolk. The bells, having recently been restored, will be opened, on Tuesday, December 28th, 1819. Any companies that wish to attend will receive the following prizes: £3 for the best; £1 10s. for the second best; and £1 for the third best who may attend, by applying to Mr W. Lindley, churchwarden." While upon the subject of bells we may mention a singular accident, which resulted in the death of a ringer at Swardeston. "Sunday last," said a writer in the "Chronicle" of February 15th, 1806, "between one and two o'clock, as James Coleman, bricklayer, was ringing a bell in Swardeston tower, about half up, the crown and cannons broke from the bell, and she came down through both storeys, breaking the floor that covered the well hole in the upper floor, and killed him instantly on the spot. His remains were interred on Wednesday in the same spot where he fell." A subsequent examination of the bell showed that it had been cracked. Advantage was taken of the occurrence to warn churchwardens and others, who had the care of the bells, to keep them in proper order, "for," it was added, "if the stocks and frames are bad the same fatal consequences may ensue."

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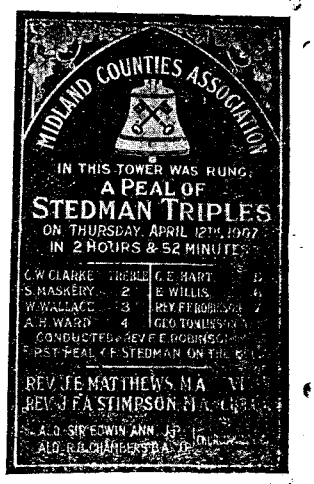

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On behalf of the Committee, James Barratt, chairman, 7, College Croft, Eccles; Harry Chapman, vice-chairman, Plymouth Grove, Manchester; Samuel Wood, treasurer, 44, Crowthorn Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; Charles Cash, 16, Partington Lane, Swinton, Saml. Greenhalgh, 72, Brindle Heath Road, Pendleton, joint secretaries.

Hull (Yorks).—On Tuesday, August 29th, at Holy Trinity church, as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Jenkins, who has been a ringer 48 years, 938 Grandsire Triples (67 leads, his age) in 36 mins. M. Hedges, T. Stockdale, F. Merrison, J. Highfield, H. Rodmell, E. Cutsforth, C. Jackson conductor, J. Chamberlain,

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The Provinces.

EYE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 24 cwt.

THOMAS TURNER ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM ROSE	5.
ALFRED E. BOWELL	2.	FREDK. BRUNNING	6.
JAMES BETTS	3.	ERNEST F. POPPY	7.
EDWARD EVANS	4.	ROBERT RUTH.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by E. F. POPPY.

Arranged for E. Evans, of Ipswich.

SALISBURY. WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

SIDNEY MACEY	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	5.
FREDK. PRECEY	2.	ROBERT P. KNIGHT	6.
JOHN S. RUMMING	3.	KEITH HART	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4.	CHARLES GAISFORD ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD.

A PEAL OP ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

SIDNEY F. PALMER ..	..*Treble.*	TOM O'HARA	5.
CLEMENT GLENN	2.	R. WILFRED COLLIER ..	6.
JOSEPH ATKIN	3.	GEORGE HALKSWORTH ..	7.
JAMES EVINSON	4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

This is the first peal in the method in the county, by all the band, and by the Association.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

ALFRED KNIGHT	..*Treble.*	ALBERT V. INNS	5.
ALFRED KING	2.	CHARLES W. BIRD	6.
ROBERT F. TURNER	3.	DAVID J. NICHOLS	7.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE	4.	FREDK. W. SAWFORT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by W. WILLSON, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS,

Arranged for A. King, of Luton. First peal of Major by the ringer of the treble.

ERITH, KENT.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM J. KEMP ..	..*Treble.*	ISAAC G. SHADE	5.
CHARLES WILKINS	2.	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	6.
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ..	3.	ERNEST PYE	7.
JOHN J. LAMB	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

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

ETWALL, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Single and Double Court, Double and Single Oxford, Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8¾ cwt. in A flat.

CHARLES SANDERS* ..	..*Treble.*	JOSEPH T. DYKE	4.
ARTHUR K. HARRISON* ..	2.	JOHN HOUGH	5.
E. HARRY STONELEY ..	3.	ALBERT P. WAKLEY	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

*First peal of Minor. First of Minor on the bells. Arranged for Messrs. Harrison and Stonely.

TODMORDEN.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(ROSSENDALE BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Two Honrs and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT CROSSSTONE CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each College Treble, Merchants' Delight, Violet, Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

D. BARNES	..*Treble.*	R. W. ETHERINGTON ..	4.
D. BRIGGS	2.	J. W. RATCLIFFE	5.
J. L. LOMAS	3.	J. H. BARNES	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. H. BARNES.

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

OLIVER JAMES	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHORT..	5.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK	2.	WILLIAM PAGE	6.
GEORGE PIGOTT	3.	*GORDON CHECEITTS	7.
JAMES E. GROVES	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method with a bob bell.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

CHARLES SAMSON	..*Treble.*	CHARLES F. BAILEY ..	5.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	2.	JAMES M. BAILEY	6.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	3.	FREDK. J. SMITH	7.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	4.	*JAMES G. RUMSEY ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

*First peal of New Cambridge. Rnng as a birthday compliment to C. Samson.

KNEBWORTH, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ..	..*Treble.*	REUBEN SANDERS	5.
ARTHUR J. NEALE	2.	CHARLES CASTLE	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	ROBERT E. STAVERT ..	7.
FRANK BENNETT	4.	ALBERT J. BAYNES ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN DE SEPULCHRE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 10 cwt.

ALBERT HARVEY ..	..*Treble.*	W. W. GOODBURN	5.
WILLIAM G. MAYERS ..	2.	WILLIAM STEELE	6.
ALFRED FUNNELL	3.	GEORGE H. CROSS	7.
FRANK H. PHILIPS	4.	GEORGE MAYERS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the treble and 5th.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	*Treble.*	JAMES M. BAILEY	5.
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ..	2.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	6.
PETER LAFLIN	3.	CHARLES F. BAILEY ..	7.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	4.	FREDK. R. BORRETT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 29, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs.

ARTHUR W. DIX ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE N. PRICE	5.
THOMAS L. SIMMONS.. ..	2.	GEORGE E. HOWCHIN ..	6.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN.. ..	3.	HUBERT EDEN	7.
HENRY HODGETTS	4.	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

This composition has the sixty in-course course-ends. It is believed to be the first time a peal of this description has been rung as an ordinary 5000-

Handell Peals.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, August 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT 46, KING EDWARD ROAD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

JOHN THOMAS*	1-2.	GEORGE N. PRICE.. ..	5-6.
HENRY HOLGETTS.. ..	3-4.	*WILLIAM ROUGHTON ..	7-8.

Conducted by G. N. PRICE.

*First peal in the method on handbells. Umpire—C. N. Leman.

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.)

On Monday, August 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

F. DEWELL	1-2.	A. E. MOORE..	5-6.
H. A. TURNER	3-4.	F. LEVITT	7-8.

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conductod by A. E. MOORE.

Umpire—A. Ely. First peal in the method by all double-handed. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor; also as a wedding compliment to H. R, Moore, his brother-ringers wishing him long life and happiness.

CHURCH BELLS.

The chimes. the chimes of motherland,
Of England green and old,
That out from fane and ivied tower
A thousand years have tolled;
How glorious must their music be
As breaks the hallowed day.
And calleth with a seraph's voice,
A nation up to pray.

Those chimes that tell a thousand tales,
Sweet tales of olden time;
And ring a thousand memories
At vesper and at prime.
At bridal and at burial,
For cottager and king,
Those chimes, those glorious Christian chimes,
How blessedly they ring.

Those chimes, those chimes of motherland,
Upon a Christmas morn.
Out-breaking as the angels did,
For a Redeemer born;
How joyfully they call afar,
To cot, and Baron's hall,
With holly deck'd and mistletoe,
To keep the festival.

And then those Easter bells in spring,
Those glorious Easter chimes,
How loyally they hail thee round,
Old queen of holy times;
From hill to hilt, like sentinels,
Responsively they cry,
And sing the rising of the Lord,
From vale to mountain high.

I love you, chimes of motherland,
With all this soul of mine,
And bless the Lord that I am sprung
Of good old English line;
And like a son I sing the lay
That England's glory tells:
For she is lovely to the Lord,
And you, ye Christian bells.

BLETCHLEY (Bucks). — On Saturday, August 12th at St. Mary's church, an attempt for a peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief after ringing 1 hr. 40 mins., owing to the 2nd rope breaking. T. Best, J. Mead, J. Marks, F. Stanton, C. A. Valentine, H Sear conductor, Rev. W. P. Wright, W. Bonham. On Sunday, August 13th, 168 Stedman Triples. F. Hedges, J. Mead, J. Marks, J. D. Matthews conductor, L. Meager, S Smith, H. Sear Rev. H. P. Wright. 336 Grandsire Triples. F. Stanton, J. Mead, H. Sear conductor, J. Marks, L. Meager, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, J. D. Matthews. On Tuesday, August 15th, 720 Bob Minor. J. Marks, F. Stanton, T. Best, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, H. Sear conductor. On Sunday, August 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. F. Hedges, J. Mead, H. Sear conductor, S. Smitbt T. Best, E. Marks, Rev. W. P. Wright, V. Sear. The above touches were arranged for the Rev. W. P. Wright, of Hemimbrough, Yorkshire.

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Repeated.

ALL SAINTS, NEWCASTLE.

The bells of the above church were first rung on October 17th, 1797, by the Union Society, in celebration of Admiral Duncan's victory over the Dutch fleet ofi Camperdown, nearly a twelve-month after the top stone of the spire—restored some years ago after the accident—had been placed in position to mark the completion of the structure. This incident was further illustrated by an old public-house with the sign of The Admiral Duncan, formerly in Cowgate, at the foot of Silver Street, which, like another that still bears, in Akenside Hill, the sign of Napoleon le Grand, gives the approximate date of the first tenancy. St. Ann's church bells are remarkable for being formed of the overthrown statue of James II. that once stood near the Guildhall, given to the churchwardens by the Corporation—in keeping with the stone work of the church built with the stones of the old stone wall on the Quay. The old bells of St. Andrew's were taken down in 1726, and replaced by six, cast by Mr. Phelps, of London, and a similar number occupy the old square tower of St. John's. All these old bells are rather the worse for wear—especially the St. Andrew's peal, two of the bells being cracked—and it is to be hoped some pious and generous donors will enable the churchwardens before long to follow the example set by the cathedral church.

THE CHURCH BELLS OF DENFORD, NORTHANTS.

The six bells of the church of the Holy Trinity, Denford, are understood to be the lightest in the county. The treble only measures 21 inches across the mouth, and is just about the size, weight, and tone of the "Ting Tang" or Priest's bell at Wellingborough. This bell would be much more pleasant to ring if the slider were re-adjusted so as to allow it to fall a little farther over the balance when set at handstroke. It is a great mistake to have so light a bell uneven in its pull, as this proved to be quite recently. The bells as a whole go well, and the frame and fittings are in fair order. Belfry, church, and churchyard are also clean, tidy, and well kept. The Vicar and churchwardens of Denford evidently take a pride in their beautiful little church and its surroundings. Below are lhe inscriptions of the entire peal of bells:—1.—"Thomas Norris cast me 1629." 2.—"Robert Mot made me 1581." 3.—"Matthew Bagley made me 1680." 4.—"Henry Bagley of Chalcomb made me 1680." 5.—"Bryan Svtton and Richard Bvrges Chvrch Wardens 1680." 6.—"Sr. Edward Reade Barronknight 1680."

These bells sound exceeningly sweet as one wanders up the river side. Robert Mot, who cast the second bell over 300 years ago, was a celebrated London founder of that day, in fact the originator of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry, now in the hands of Mears and Stainbank. Mr. North states that this is the only bell in Northamptonshire from Robert Mot's fouudry.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 5th and 19th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 14th and 28th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 5th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 19th. St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m. Members are requested to attend on the 5th. when the Committee's proposals (Revision of Rules) will be discussed.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. — The annual meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Heston, on Saturday, September 23rd. Full particulars will be given next week.

C. T. COLES,
H. C. CHANDLE, } *Hon. Secs.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bishopstoke on Saturday, September 9th. By the kind permission of Henry White, esq., members are invited to tea at his residence, Oakwood, Bishopstoke, at 5 o'clock. The church bells will be available during the afternooc, and the gardens of Oakwood will also be open to members. Twyford tower will be open in the evening. Members intending to be present at tea must let me know by Wednesday. September 6th.

JAS. W. ELKINS, *Dis. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. A cycle run will take place on Saturday. September 9th. 3.30 p.m.—Albrighton (6): 4 45 p.m.—Codsall (6); 6.45 p.m.—Bushbury (6). E. V. COX, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Flixton to-day, Sat., September 2nd. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Broughton to-day, Sat., September 2nd. Bells ready at 3. Meeetng at 5.30. All members are requested to attend

E. R. MARTIN, *Branch Sec.*

The Hertfordshire Association.—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Knebworth to-day, Sat., September 2nd.

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
12, *Grove Road, Hitchin.*

The Lancashire Association. – Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at at St. Mary's, Oldham (12 bells), to-day, Sat., September 9th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be hel4 at Port Sunlight on Saturday, September 9th. Bells ready at 4. Members intending being present please send word to

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*
3. *Shrewsbnry Place, Garston.*

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester on Saturday, September 16th. Further particulars next week.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon Sec.*

Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, 16th. Ringing at St. Chad's at 2.30 p.m.

REV. P. H. GREEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Skipton on Saturday, September 16th. For full particulars see circulars. CLEMENT GLENN. *Hon. Sec.*
11. *Fisher Road, Sheffield.*

Society for the Archdeoconry of Stafford.—A quarterly meetsng will be held at Penkridge on Saturday, September 16th. 2 30.—Ringing 4.45.—Committee meeting in vestry. 5.15.—Unveiling of peal board. 5 30 —Service in church, with an address by the Vicar. 6.—Tea, at 1s. each. Please notify intention of being present not later than Tuesday, September 12th. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H SHUKER. } *Hon. Secs.*
J. H. BANKS,

The Ely Diocesan Association. — The General Secretary's address is now 33, Clarendon Street, Cambridge.

T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea. — The usual practice at this will not take place until further notice. J. PRYER, *Sec,*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H.s Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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The first belfry towers owed their origin ontirely to a utilitarian want, while the first minaret seems to have been u happy, spontaneous expression of strong artistic feeling. The invention of bells is attributed by some of the best foreign campanologists to the Egyptians, who are credited with having made use of such percussion instruments to announce the sacred fetes of Osiris. In China they are said to have been known nearly 3000 years before the birth of Christ. The Greeks and the Romans, it is said, neved used bells of a large size. Yet the hour of bathing and the opening of the market places were advertised daily by ringing bells, and it appears that small ones would scarcely have answered the purpose. In the time of Thucydides, 400 B.C., the patrols who went the midnight rounds in garrisons and camps had a handbell or codon by which the sentinels were kept wide awake in their sentry-boxes. You may read, too, in Theocritus, how the priests of Cybele, the delirious Corybantes or Galli, always jingled bells during the wild celebrations of their festivities, and also that the priests of Cabiri did the same while performing their obscene rites. Tydeus, one of the seven chiefs of the army of Adrastus, put bells on the handle of his shield: and Rhesus, a king of Thrace, and a warrior of "difficult and raging hand," used them to decorate the harness of his swift and noted horses. As we have seen, India and China had very large bells long before the rest of the world. Two Arabs who journeyed through China in the ninth century, have delivered down to us an interesting account of the great popular justice bells, then in use throughout the whole of the country. In each town there was a beil of a large size fixed to the wall above the head of the Prince or Governor, and to it was attached a rope a mile or so in length, and laid so temptingly along the main thoroughfare that the humblest sufferer from injustice seldom hesitated to tug at it without fear. As soon as the bell sounded the Governor sent for the petitioner, and "serious business, craving quick despatch," met with instant and honest recognition. And even above the head of the Emperor himself there was such a noisy friend to the people—but he who rang it without sufficient cause — and his Celestial Majesty was often difficult to please in this particular–was switched in a very lively manner. As for the

celebrated quartette of monster bells at Nankin, one is nearly twelve English feet high, with a diameter of seven and a half, and a circumference of twenty-three: its metal about the edges is 7 inches thick, its weight is computed at 50,000 pounds, and its shape, but for a bulging in the middle, would be cylindrical. Father Le Compte adds there are seven others in Pekin, cast in the time of Joula, and weighing 120,000 pounds each; but being struck with wooden clappers their tone is feeble.—*The Magazine of Art.*

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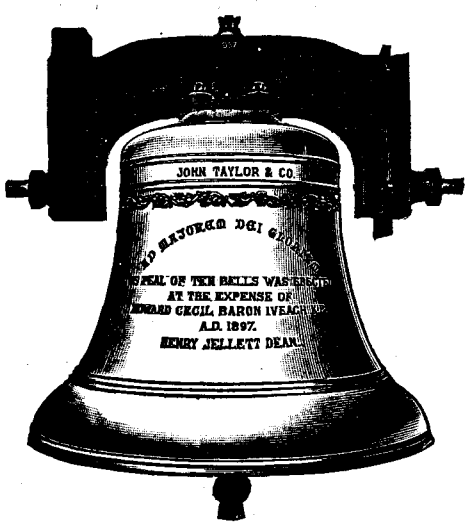

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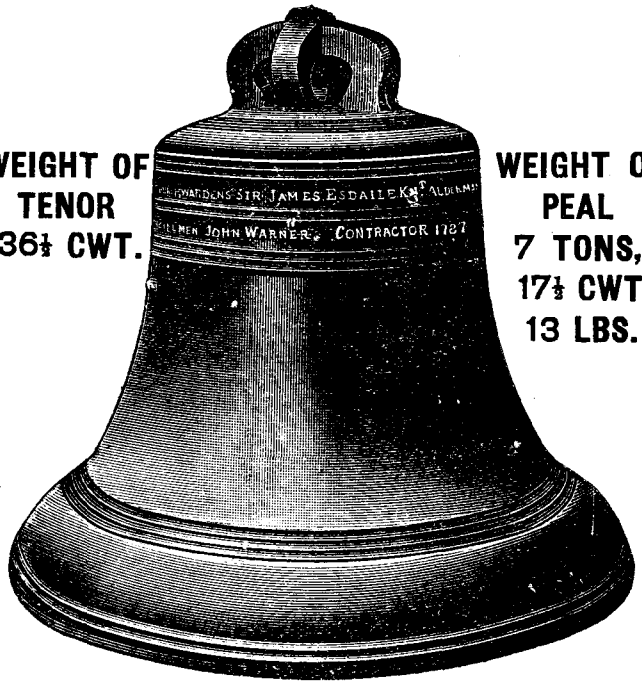

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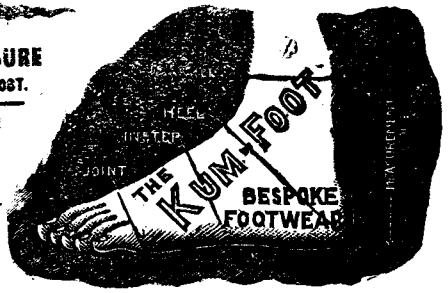

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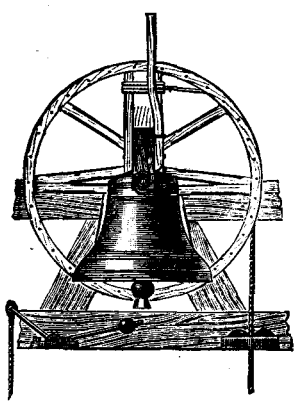

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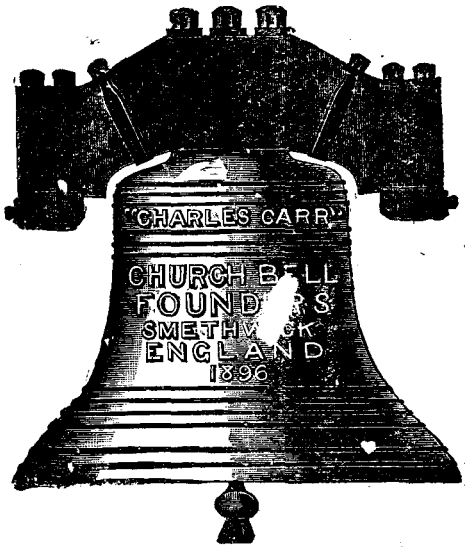

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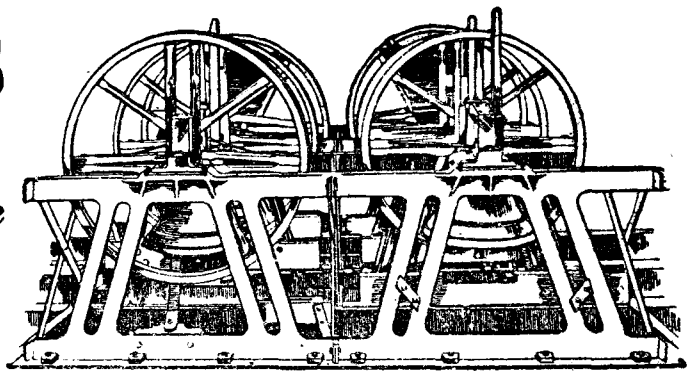

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THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

WORKSOP, NOTTS.

Anent the correspondence which appeared in "The Bell News" a little more than twelve months ago, viz., June 18–25, July 2nd and 9th, 1910, re Restoration of church bells, permit me to thank the following gentlemen for their letters of encouragement and advice: H. C. Pauli, R. Ridyard, J. R. Pritchard and J. W. Jones, and also the Rev. B. Darley, Rector of Harthill, and G. W. D. Metcalfe, captain of the East Retford Company, the latter two acting as arbitrators. Your help and sympathy has been the means of having our bells restored by a first-class firm of bellhangers, and they are now in good going order, and the ringing chamber is everything that can be desired. If any of you are passing through the dukery district and will kindly let me know, I will try and arrange some ringing for you, although my occupation at times prevents me from taking part.

X. Y. Z. (H. Haigh, Worksop.)

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

The annual outing of this Society took place on Saturday, August 26th, in ideal weather, Bedford being the place selected. The party left Rugby by the 8.24 a.m. train, and on arrival at Bedford were met by Mr. H. S. Harlow, of the St. Paul's Society, who acted as our guide. The first item on the programme was a good sharp walk of three miles to Cardington, where we found a magnificent ring of eight, which were quickly going to the tune of Superlative Surprise and Stedman Triples. The band stood as follows: H. S. Harlow, W. Malins, H. O. White, J. A. Fenton, C. W. Wheeler, J. W. Chandler, J. B. Fenton, J. George. The go of the bells is all that can be desired. Mr. W. J. Mayes, of Old Warden, having joined the party, a move was made for Elstow, a distance of two miles. Here we found a splendid ring of six, which were quickly going to Kent Treble Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles.

The hour having arrived for which dinner was ordered, a hasty retreat was made for Bedford. Our host, whose name is Mann, acted as a man, although he had cause to be otherwise, for we were just one hour late, and he could see we had had a warm time. After dinner we made our way to St. Peter's, and here we found Mr. Clarke and his party all in readiness to give us a hearty welcome. Touches of Kent Treble Bob Minor, Stedman and Grandsire Doubles were brought round in fine style, and at four o'clock the combined party visited St. Paul's belfry, Mr. Barker and his band giving us a hearty reception. Touches were rung in the following methods: Kent Treble Bob Royal, Stedman Caters, Grandsire Caters, Superlative Surprise, Double Norwich Major, and Stedman Triples. An attempt for a course of London Surprise unfortunately came to grief.

Still they came; a party of five from Rugby arrived in Bedford at 3 o'clock. While walking towards the town they had to cross the river Ouse. The sight of the boats so fascinated them that they forgot themselves and went for a trip up the river and returned just in time for the go-off at the tea-table. After tea a return visit was made to St. Paul's for about an hour's ringing. At 7 o'clock the party, now numbering thirty-three, adjourned to a quiet spot, where the handbells were set going to the tune of Bob Major. Time was too quickly flying, and the chairman, Mr. J. George, on behalf of the St. Andrew's Society, proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Barker, Mr. Clarke and to all of the Bedford ringers for their untiring efforts to make the visit such a success. He also wished to thank the Rev. W. S. C. Succumbe, Vicar of Cardington, Rev. C. F. B. Hawkins, Vicar of Elstow, Rev. J. E. Gilbert, Vicar of St. Peter's, and Rev. Canon Lambert Woodard, Vicar of St. Paul's, for so kindly allowing the use of their bells.

Mr. J. B. Fenton seconded, and said he thoroughly endorsed all that Mr. George had said. One thing he would like to add was that it was a very great pleasure to meet so many ringers at Bedford.

Mr. Barker, in reply, said it was a very great pleasure to make arrangements, and he wished it to be known that all ringers would be made welcome at Bedford.

Now, gentlemen, train time; good bye Bedford; long shall we remember our first visit. W.

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CONCERNING NOISE.

It has been a little amusing to notice the various noises selected for criticism. Of course, we have had the never-failing organ-grinder and the German band, who make day hideous, especially in the West End and suburban districts; the newspaper boy, with his horribly penetrating yell has come in for his due share of remark the muffin-man, whom we supposed to be almost an extinct animal, gone to bear company with the antediluvian night-watchman; the unhappy yelping dog, and the unduly loquacious cocks and hens, and even, alas! the church bells, not, indeed, of St. Martin's, but of some remote suburb; all these in turn have been subject to scathing, and scornful and indignant animadversion.

It is really strange that no one has remarked upon the midnight revels of amatory cats. We almost thought that it would have been proposed to banish these familar sounds by Act of Parliament, and to give special powers to the police to take the offenders into custody if they could catch them: and we are inclined to feel rather hurt that that the pretensions of our favourite pussie to be classed among the noisemakers should have been so slighted. An Act of Parliament for the suppression of superfluous cats would surely have had many willing supporters.

We Londoners are apt to forget that, after all, we do not stand absolutely alone, either in our dislike to noise, or in our unwilling endurance of it. Have we quite forgotten how, when we had sought the seclusion of some quiet country village, far from the maddiug crowd, the sleep which we courted was disturbed by the howling dogs who called to each other during tbe night, or drove us to distraction by wailing at the moon; or how, when these were tired out and failed to keep us from our coveted repose, it seemed that we had scarcely closed our eyes before the shrill-voiced cock proclaimed the approaching dawn beneath our very windows, and made further rest impossible. How well we remember spending a few days of an early spring in the Pyrenees mountains, and going to bed with the window half open to let in the sweet, fresh air. But, alas! close by that window was a tree, and in the tree a nightingale, and all through that night the feathered songster trilled its melodies of sound, until it had produced so great a feeling of irritation that we could have found it in our heart to wring its neck, and stop its worrying noise; but we never dreamed of writing to demand the removal of our too-melodious nightingale. Nor would it be very reasonable to find fault with noise which is inseparable from the position in which we have placed ourselves either from necessity or from choice. There are a few sounds more exasperatingly piercing and distracting than that of a fog-horn, facetiously called a siren, on an Atlantic steamer. But, then, if we will cross the Atlantic we must be prepared to submit to an inconvenience which we can easily avoid by staying at home. Did you ever stand by a boiler-maker at work, or pay a visit to a Bradford cloth mill? If so, you will understand what noise is. But, then, if we wish to avoid the noise, we need not choose the trade. If we do choose it, then it would be unreasonable to demand that the noise of it should be prohibited. Some such considerations need to be borne in mind, when we speak of the noises of a great city. If people will live ina city like London, it would be idle to complain of the sounds which are inseparable from the position. So, if we wittingly choose to fix our habitation next door to steam-engine, which has been working noisily for many years, it would seem neither wise nor fair to call to Jupiter, or to the magistrate, to suppress a nuisance which we need not have encountered at all. This seems to be a sufficient defence of the ringing of the church bells, for instance, Let it be admitted that the sound is well-nigh intolerable. that if very close it shuts out conversation or music, and even at a greater distance it is distracting to the mind, and positively prevents active thought. No one knows this so well as the writer, who lives close to them. But then the church and the bells and the ringing existed before we did. For centuries they have sent out their peal far and wide. It is hardly fair, then, for the new comers to cry out against them as a nuisance, and demand that they should forwith be silenced.

But after everything has been said in defence of noise which is necessary, and in extenuation of noise which is harmless, no one can doubt that even in London there is much that might be done and ought to be done. It is not the regnlar roar of the city or the continuous roll of traffic which irritate so much as the intermittent and irregular ejacnlations which might easily be dispensed with. The cry of the costermonger, whose goods no one seems to want; the excited howl of the newspaper boy, who flies along with the latest news, howling as he flies—"Result of the poll," "Spesshul, Spesshul": the 'bus conductor, who takes up his position beneath our bedroom window and yells "Harchway" "Harchway," "Igit Harchway," and in a voice so strong and shrill that no human being could sleep under it; the organ grinder, who takes his stand outside the windows of the church whilst service is going on, so that the refrain of some popular music hall melody is heard as a not altogether harmopious accompaniment of the prayers; the midnight revellers returning from some entertainment, and making night hideous as they pass with noises which they fondly imagine to be singing; all these we would gladly spare from the noises of London. The householder is almost powerless. True that he can call in the aid of the police, or he can go out and order his disturbers to move on; but the remedy is nearly usesless. For weeks we were disturbed at night by a female fiend who began just as we were safely esconced in bed, and beneath our very window stood and sang, if singing it could be called, the refrain of "Annie Laurie." Under existing arrangements, we believe that a policeman has no right to see or hear anything unless his attention is specially directed to it and his aid invoked.

AN APPEAL.

We gladly insert the following:—

Owing to a motor car accident over two years ago, EDWARD CASH, who is so well known and respected amongst Bellringers, Oddfellows and others, has been incapacitated from work for a long time, and is now in the Salford Royal Hospital. A few friends, desirous of assisting him, have decided to make an APPEAL FOR HELP, and at a meeting held at Swinton, it was decided to get up a Draw for his benefit. Every effort has failed to find the owner of the car. It is sincerely hoped that his many friends will make the matter widely known: and those willing to assist will oblige the committee by doing their utmost for this worthy object, either in soliciting subscriptions or selling tickets.

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BELLS AS TIME TELLERS.

The ringing of the bell in bygone times was general as signal to commence and to close the daily round of labour. In some of the more remote towns and villages of old England the custom lingers at the ingathering of the harvest. At Driffield, in the East Riding of Yorkshire, for an example, the harvest bell is still rang at five o'clock in the morning to arouse the labourers from their slumbers, and at seven in the evening the welcome sound of the bell intimates the time for closing work for the day. References to this subject may sometimes be found in parish accounts and other old church documents. In the parish chest of Barrow-on-Humber, Lincolnshire, is preserved a copy of the "Office and Duty of the Parish Clerk," bearing date of 1713, and in which it states:—

"Item.—He is to ring a bell every working day morning at break of the day, and continue the ringing thereof until All Saints, and also to ring a bell every evening about the sunseting until harvest be fully ended: which bells are to begin to ring from the beginning of the harvest."

We learn from an old survey of the parish, still retained, amongst the church papers, the reward given to the clerk for ringing the harvest bell. Says the document:—

"The Clarke Receiveth from Every Cottager at Easter for ringing the day and night bell in Harvest two pecks of wheat."

Barrow-on-Humber became famous for its bells, beer and singers. An old rhyme states:—

Barrow for ringing,
And Barrow for singing,
And the Oak for good stout ale.

BELLRINGERS' STRIKE.

"The bellringers of St. John's, Redhill, say they were slighted at the annual outing, and refuse to ring the bells." —*Lloyd's News.*

'Tis not for wages ringers strike,
But slight and contempt they dislike,
A fact let none be doubting;
Small recompense do they aspire,
Beyond an invite from the choir,
To join the annual outing.

The bellows blower, he can find
Payment as he raise the wind,
He seldom takes to pouting;
The beadle, clerk, and parson too,
For all their dutiies get their due,
Besides the annual outing.

But when it comes to men of brain,
And muscle in the lieu of gain,
Ah! then there comes some shouting;
The choir, aghast, feel not inclined
To yoke with men so unrefined,
'Twould spoil their annual outing.

Vain mortals of a passing breath,
Soon shall we make our beds in death,
A surcease to our flouting;
Of what avail our pleasures past,
Our wealth or learning, howe'er vast,
In the eternal outing? G. F. M.

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By J. Armiger Tkollope.

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This composition has the sixty course-ends. Rung at Oxhey on August 29th, 1911, in 3 hrs., conducted hy G. N. Price.

THE QUAINTEST CHURCH.

Perhaps the quaintest little church in the kingdom is that of St. Michael de Rupe, situated on the top of Brent Tor, in the middle of Dartmoor. Two and a half miles from the romantic Lydford gorge, on the road to Tavistock, stands this outlying peak of the great Dartmoor range, on which, in Saxon days, the beacon fires blazed which gave the crag its name. Near the summit of this rock is a tiny church, 40 ft. long and 14 ft. wide, dating back to 1283. It has a oaken roof, three small windows, and a western tower 52 ft. high, and was formerly attached to the great Benedictine Abbey at Tavistock. Service is held in the church on alternate Sundays, and once a year the Duke of Bedford, the lord of the manor, is said to visit the church. From the rock on a clear day the Channel may easily be distinguished. Where Rupe is that this particular St. Michael hailed from is not known.

Stoke-on-Trent.—On Sunday evening, August 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. G. Bloor, H. Willisford, G. Woods, E, Landon, C. Smith, S. Churton conductor, C. Page, H. Austin. The ringers of the 2nd and 5th hail from Uttoxeter.

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SOME SINGULAR STEEPLES.

"Will it have a tower or a spire?" is one of the first things which are sure to be asked about a new church. The question is intelligible enough, but not quite satisfactory in point of form. Even a spire needs a tower to carry it, and what the inquirer really wants to know is whether the tower will be flat-topped or tapered to a point. Quite possibly, however, it may be neither. So much we may discover even without looking beyond the City of London. St. Peter's, Cornhill, for instance, has a domed campanile, St. Magnus, London Bridge, has another, while St. Dunstan's, a little further east, ends in a kind of open work bower, whose branches are of stone, and whose leaves are of "bosses" and "crockets." Wren's churches of which there are three, seem to hold their existence on much the same terms as the fairies. These little people, according to olden belief, were in many respects to be envied. But their happiness was clouded by terrible forebodings, because, every seventh year, one of their number had to be sacrificed to evil spirits. So it is with the great architect's towers. They are spoken of with much respect, they receive constant admiration, some real and more effected, and yet, at frequently recurring intervals, another and then another is offered up to "the least effected spirit that fell." Some, indeed, that are gone are not greatly to be regretted. They were not exactly architectural "pot boilers," for Wren did not work on the terms which make "pot boilers" possible. But there were structures to which, for some reason or another, he gave his worst and not his best, and the difference between Wren's worst and his best is almost infinite. St. Dunstan's-in-the-East belongs neither to one extreme nor the other. If it cannot be named beside the tower of St. Mary-le-Bow for originality and freshness, it is far from having the poverty and triteness which characterize that of St. James's, Westminster. It is of a type, too, which was never common. Its grace and lightness have always impressed the popular imagination, till a fancy has grown up that it must have been designed by Wren's daughter. There seems to be no historical basis for the belief. The ladies of the seventeenth century were not noted for mathematical knowledge. They had no visions of the time when one of their sex would surpass a senior wrangler. But the strong yet daring construction of St. Dunstan's "crown" implies a familiar acquaintance with difficult and complex calculations. It is a kind of masonic tour-de-force. Its tall and slender terminal rests on no ordinary foundation. It is poised in the air, with vacant space beneath it. Yet, when Wren was told that a hurricane had damaged all the steeples in London, he is said to have answered, "Not St. Dunstan's, I am sure."

There are at least three older specimens of the "tower-crown"—one at Edinburgh, one at Aberdeen, and one at Newcastle. This last, which now forms part of the cathedral, is the finest of its kind, in which a tall terminal or turret is balanced by consummate skill on curved ribs or flying buttresses. A singular thing about it is its wonderful fitness for a smoky town. When it was first erected, some 400 years ago, Newcastle was probably not more smoky than York or Lincoln. The Mediæval builders could not have foreseen what its atmosphere would be in our time. Yet, had they been forewarned, they could hardly have acted more wisely than they did. "They builded better than they knew," and neither soot nor smoke can ever spoil the crown of St. Nicholas. For it does not depend in the least on its colour. By day and night, in storm or sunshine, it stands out clearly against the sky, a lovely interweaving of stone ribs and traceries—now light on a dark ground, and now again dark on a light one. No wonder the citizens have always been proud of it, and we, who see it to-day, may be thankful for their care of it in ages past. For it is still remembered that when the Scots besieged the town and threatened to destroy the tower, the men of canny Newcastle filled it with Scottish prisoners, and gave their countrymen early information of the fact.

English and French spires generally have eight angles. On Caddy Island, Pembrokeshire, there is one with six. Some very old spires, like those at Tournai Cathedral, in Belgium, and Valladolid, in Spain, are four-sided; while at Verona, at Piacenza, and elsewhere in Italy there are circular or conical ones, shaped like an extinguisher. Towers vary in form as much as spires. The great majority of course are square. Octagonal ones are also numerous. Two of those at Ely Cathedral are ten-sided, and the Golden Tower at Seville has twelve sides. In Norfolk and Suffolk round towers are common. The reason for this is supposed to have been the scarcity of freestone. The walls were built of flints, which were plentiful enough, but at every corner quoins of dressed stone were necessary. There was, therefore, much to be saved by adopting a plan which had no corners and needed no quoin-stones. Round towers, however, have been built where this motive could not have existed: and one of the most noted, though not the most beautiful, of all such structures, the leaning tower of Pisa, is circular. On a smaller scale, for example, in turrets the circular shape is often very pleasing. This can hardly be said of the triangular one, and yet at Maldon, in Essex, there is a three-cornered belfry tower of considerable dimensions. This last is one of the oddities of tower design. Of these there are many. The strangely twisted spire of Chesterfield church, which, from some points of view, looks as if it were in the very act of falling, cannot perhaps be fairly classed amongst them. It is odd enough beyond all question, but its oddity was probably undesigned. It is built of wood, and not of stone, and the twisting seems to result from the prolonged action of sun and wind on badly-seasoned timber. The spire of St. Michael's, Lewes, which is of similar materials, is similarly twisted, though in a less degree. The church of Our Saviour at Copenhagen has a curious spiral staircase winding round and round on the outside of the spire. The round tower in the same city has no staircase at all. In place of one there is a paved roadway inside it, turning round and round an inner circle, and thus rising at a gentle slope till it reaches the top. Horses and carriages, even, have at times made the ascent. Of fantastic ugliness in tower-forms, we are not without examples in London. The misshapen obelisk, for instance, which serves as the tower of St. Luke's, Hoxton, might have been decided on by a committee chosen from the neighbouring madhouse. A church just on the north of the railway between London Bridge and Bermondsey is not much better. Where St. Luke's has an obelisk it has one enormous column. We are happily free in this country from the bulbous excrescences which deform so many buildings in Holland and North Germany. There the tulip mania seems to have made its way even into church building, and roofs shaped like magnified tulip roots often take the place of spires. Sometimes there are several, one above the other, as, for example, in the great church of Middleburgh. But even this was outdone in Russia. In the Kremlin, at Moscow, stands what is probably the

oddest of all architectural oddities. This is the church of Vasili Blagennoi. It is like no other church on earth, and almost indescribable. If it suggests anything, it is a gigantic cruet stand. Nine polygonal towers stand round a loftier central spire, like the cruets round the handle. But this is not the whole of the resemblance. Each polygonal tower has a bulb-shaped top, forcibly recalling a familiar kind of stopper. To complete the suggestion, every tower. and still more, every top, is covered over with just such projecting patterns as the glass-cutter most. The affinities of the design are not with nature but with art; and with precisely that sort of art which is turned out wholesale by a prosperous town in the Midland Counties.

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FABIAN STEDMAN AND SCIENTIFIC CLASSIFICATION OF METHODS.—A.D. 1668.

The above is the date of the year Stedman published his first work on Bell Ringing. This he gave us under the title of "Tintinnalogia, or the Art of Ringing. In this work one method Grandsire is first published, and is given by Stedman as follows: "Grandsire on Five Bells." Grandsire is the best and most ingenious peal ever composed, etc. After elaborate ringing directions, he tells us it can be "prickt or rung some thousands of wayes," and the 120 rows with the making of all bobs and singles are given just as now a day are rung. Next he tells us the bobs and singles may be made when the treble is behind; and while the bobs are made behind the single can be made with the treble at lead, and vice versa, and gives an example similar to what is given on page 3 of Legitimate Methods by the Central Council, published and dated 1907. This classification is used by The Clavis in 1788. Not in Grandsire, but it is applied to Bob Minor and Bob Major, and given in reverse and double form. Here we also get a note to Superlative Surprise Major, that it may be rang with bobs behind and before, like Real Double.

ANCIENT THEORY.

On another page of Tintinnalogia Stedman tells us Grandsire has two sorts of bobs; one is a single bob and the other is a double bob. Our Grandsire 3rds place is indicated as the single bob, while this and the third's place bob together gives us the double one mentioned.

GRANDSIRE BOB ON SIX BELLS.

This is what we ring as "Plain Bob," but it is given as above in Tintinnalogia. This is also described as having two sorts of bobs, one a single bob and the other a double bob. The double bob is made when the bell makes 2nds next treble; the single bob is our ordinary 4th place one. There can be no mistake in this, as every row in the first eighteen score is given in this work, while a through line is drawn between the handstroke and the backstroke of treble's lead where our ordinary bob is made. This shews some indication of an existing difference between the two sorts of bobs, and which lead up to the explosion of the idea of two sorts of bobs theory, as when publishing his next work—

"CAMPANALOGIA,"

which is dated 1677. And this is where Stedman's Principal is first published. Here the idea of the double or two sorts of bob question is not continued; it has vanished; while what I describe as our bobs is retained and given as in The Clavis and all other later works to present date. But Stedman here continued classification, as here is first published Double Oxford, just as continued by The Clavis and Shipway and later works, to Standard Methods of the latest edition and date. H. DAINS.

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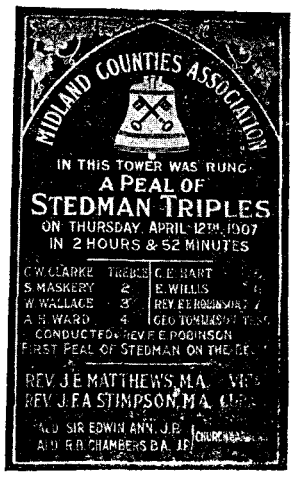

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Frank J. Hairs* .. .. 4.	Thos Groombridge, sen. *Tenor.*

Composed by C. Middleton, and Conducted by Frank Bennett.

*First peal in a Surprise method. First peal on the bells.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF FORWARD MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 18 cwt.

Edwin F. Pike .. .. ..*Treble.*	Frank Hairs .. .. .. 5.
Arthur N. Hardy .. .. 2.	William Hewett .. .. 6.
J. Armiger Trollope .. 3.	John H. B. Hesse .. .. 7.
Alfred W. Grimbs .. .. 4.	James E. Davis .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. A. Trollope, and Conducted by J. E. Davis.

This is the first peal of Forward Major by the Association, and in London.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. Thompson, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

The Provinces.

RIPLEY, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(The Ripley Guild.)

On Tuesday, August 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Carter's Twelve-Part. Tenor 17 cwt.

G. Arthur Bowmer	*Treble.*	Fred W. Hill	5.
William Wagstaffe	2.	Alex. Hutchison	6.
Samuel Wesley	3.	Henry George	7.
Herbert Day	4.	William Pilcher	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Samuel Wesley.

Arranged for Mesers. Wagstaffe and Wesley, of Lenton.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(St. Peter's Amalgamated Society.)

On Thursday, August 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES.
Tenor 16 cwt.

Tom O'Hara	*Treble.*	Clement Glenn	5.
Albert C. Fearnley	2.	*Herbert Beandshaw	6.
Edwin James	3.	*George H. Smith	7.
Samuel Wesley	4.	William Biggin	*Tenor.*

Composed by George Lewis, and Conducted by Clement Glenn.

*First peal in the method. Rung on the occasion of the laying of the foundation-stone of the new church at Woodseats, an off-shoot of Norton parish.

NORTH SHIELDS, NORTHUMBERLAND.
DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.
Tenor 19 cwt.

Stephen W. Stratford	*Treble.*	Alfred F. Hillier	6
Joseph A. Gofton	2.	Joel Hern	7.
William Story	3.	George T. Potter	8.
Thomas T. Gofton	4.	Joseph E. R. Keen	9.
Edward A. Hern	5.	John Stuart	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. T. Daltry. and Conducted by Thomas T. Gofton.

OFFICERS' PEAL.
BROMLEY COMMON, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
Heywood's Variation. Tenor 15 cwt.

Thos Groombridge, sen.	*Treble.*	*Edward A. G. Allen	5.
John H. Cheesman	2.	William J. Jeffries	6.
Rev. F. J. O. Helmore	3.	Isaac Emeby	7.
Edwin Barnett, sen.	4.	John Wheadon	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Thomas Groombridge, sen.

*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman on the bells. It is also the first peal rang by officers of the Association, which were as follows; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, two District Secretaries, one District Representative, four Central Council Representatives, and two Committee-men.

LANGHAM, RUTLAND.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty nine Minutes,
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
In seven Methods, viz.: Double Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 13½ cwt.

William H. Dyke	*Treble.*	Albert P. Wakley	4.
Joseph T. Dyke	2.	John Wildman	5.
John J. Jackson	3.	Walter White	*Tenor.*

Conducted by Walter White.

First peal in seven methods in the county of Rutland.

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

On Saturday, September 2, 1911, 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 15½ cwt.

Edgar Pemberton	*Treble.*	Charles J. Sedgley	5.
William Motts	2.	William P. Garrett	6.
Robert H. Brundle	3.	James Motts	7.
Rev. Everard S. Powell*	4.	Charles Crapnell	*Tenor.*

Conducted by James Motts.

*First peal of Stedman Triples, or any method above Minor. The rev. gentleman is the son of the Rev. John Powell, the respected Rector of St. Clement's, Ipswich. He is having his holidays at Ipswich. and hails from Holbeton vicarage, Plymouth, and the above peal was specially arranged and rang to oblige him during his stay in the borough of Ipswich.

BELTON, RUTLAND.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Single Court Bob, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and Plain Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

Joseph T. Dyke	*Treble.*	John J. Jackson	4.
William E. White	2.	R. Henry Barteam	5.
Albert P. Wakley	3.	*William Willson	*Tenor.*

Conducted by William Willson.

First peal on the bells, recently recast and rehung by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The two trebles were the gifts of (1) Mrs. G. Ward, (2) Mr. and Mrs. Gough, to commemorate the King's Coronation. It is William Willson's one hundredth peal as conductor. The company of ringers were entertained at Belton Old Hall by J. Jackson, esq., to whose efforts the bell restoration is largely owing.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.—THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin,
A PEAL OF ALBION TREBLE BOB MAJOR,
5184 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs. in A flat.

Henry Woodfine	*Treble.*	James Morgan	5.
Henry W. Wilde	2.	Edwin H. Lewis	6.
Robert Sperring	3.	Edward Allen	7.
Rev. A. T. Beeston	4.	George Jones	*Tenor.*

Composed by Edward C. Gobey, and Conducted by E. H. Lewis.

*** We would again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper should be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the publishers.

Correspondence.

The Extension of Stedman.

Sir,—My reply to Mr. Dains is that 2 in example X is plain hunting backwards. I did not say plain hunting, and if Mr. Dains will look at my letter again he will see that I stated that the answer was incomplete. I will return to Mr. Dains' question when I have dealt with cross sections, and I cannot complete the answer to then. I cannot write more at present, as I am in the middle of my holiday. H. Law James.

P.S.—If Mr. Dains will examine a course of quick sixes he will find that they are not as Principles, as all the bells do not do the same work; and perhaps that will help him to see what I mean.

Sir,—I am but a tyro in the theory of changes, but I believe that the question that follows is not irrelevant, but rather of considerable practical bearing on the discussion about the extension of Stedman. In the event of its being conceded that the so-called plain course contains third place bobs, could any existing composition on seven or more bells be regarded as legitimate, seeing it would contain 5th or 7th or 9th place bobs as the case may be, as well as 3rd place bobs? However logical the reasoning of men like Mr. Law James, I fancy the Exercise will demand some other definition of the term "principle" than one which would eventually compel us to banish Stedman as at present rung on more than five bells to the same limits to which Violet, Woodbine, etc., are being despatched.

E. S. Powell.

Double Norwich Major.

Sir,—I am sorry I overlooked the peal published on January 16th, 1904, and thank Mr. Parker for pointing this out. I withdraw the peal as being the first to contain these qualities.

Edgar Wightman.

Miscellaneous.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Wenhaston (Suffolk).—On Thursday, August 31st, for the Harvest Thanksgiving Service, three courses of Oxford Treble Bob and 360 Plain Bob Minor. C. List, C. Moss, F. C. Lambert (conductor), A. Lee, J. Youngs, T. King, S. Ellis, J. Punchard.

Chediston (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for Divine Service, 360 Plain Bob Minor and 120 Grandsire. Miss R. Stanford, F. C. Lambert, W. Kerrison, W. Pratt, T. Crane, L. Hammond, E. Hurren, F. Peck.

Halesworth (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for evening service, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. Kerrison, F. Lambert, jun., C. Moss, A. H. Took, F. C. Lambert (conductor), J. Howard, T. King, A. Lee.

Poulton-le-Fylde (Lancashire). — On Thursday, August 31st, 720 Violet Treble Bob. C. Kerr, J. Fell, J. Tipping, D. McLellan, J. Hardman, T. Allanson. And 240 Kent Treble Bob. J. Tipping, J. Fell, C. Kerr, D. McLellan, J. Hardman, T. Allanson. Conducted by J. Tipping. All the above hail from St. John's, Lytham. Rung on the occasion of the annual outing. Thanks are tendered to the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells; also to Mr. Whiteside, for having the bells ready.

Reddish (Cheshire). — On Tuesday, August 29th, at the church of St. Elisabeth, 518 Grandsire Triples. A. Sumner, G. Shawcross, Miss E. R. Barnes (conductor), T. Smithson, F. Needham, J. E. Barnes, J. Barnes. First 500 by A. Sumner, first 500 with a bob bell by Miss E. R. Barnes.

Stoke-on-Trent.—On Sunday evening, August 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. G. Bloor, H. Willisford, G. Woods, E, Landon, C. Smith, S. Churton conductor, C. Page, H. Austin. The ringers of the 2nd and 5th hail from Uttoxeter.

THE GREEK TEST.

Why a Labourer Backed out of His Challenge to Vicar.—A good joke has just come to grief in the little parish of Tivetshall St. Margaret, Norfotk. It began its promising career on a recent Thursday morning, when an agricultural labourer, named Reuben Websdal, fired by the prevalent spirit of revolt, publicly challenged the parson to "swop jobs" for a day. It was a sporting offer, although inspired by an error on the part of Reuben, who labored under the delusion—widely shared—that parsons enjoyed soft times. Much to the joy of the village, the parson, the Rev. Augustine Mackie, promptly accepted the challenge. The day of Reuben's proud defiance had not expired before he received the parson's spirited reply. With sinking heart and fallen jaw, he read the reverend communication:

"Dear Websdal,—I am taking seriously your suggestion of this morning; it would be a pleasant change for both of us, and change of occupation is said to be as good as rest. It would be unfair to ask you to do my work to-day, as you have not been licensed by the Bishop to officiate in church, and therefore you could not conduct this evening's service at St. Mary's. I propose we "swop jobs" next Saturday; this will be all in your favour, as that is generally a slack day with me. The terms of of our wager might be that the loser pays the winner his own week's wages. If I were by chance to win, I should give the winnings to the sick and poor fund of the parish. I suggest that the matter be left in the hands of a committee of three to decide whether you were better able to do my day's work, or I were better able to do yours. Mr. Herbert Cole, your master, might be one of the three; you can choose one of your fellow-workmen as the second, and I will have the Rev. W E. S. Cooper, of Gissing, as my representative. In consideration of the fact that I have oftentimes done such work as yours, whereas you have probably not had any experience of mine, I will give you two hours' start on Saturday morning. I shall expect you up here on Friday evening any time after 8.30 to make final arrangements, and to give me a time-table of your duties. I append the sort of day's work which I do on a Saturday; you may regard it as being what you will be expected to do next Saturday. Your meals will be provided for you here; will you see that my dinner and "fourses" are sent out to me? I will arrange with Mr. Cole that you do not suffer from absenting yourself from work on Saturday.—I am, yours faithfully, Augustine Mackie."

Then followed the time-table of Reuben's duties:

Saturday, 26th August, 1911.

9.30–10.0—Re-translation of English into Greek.

10.0–11.30.—Œcumenical documents of the faith. Revise the "definition" of the Council of Chalcedon.

11.30–12–30.—The Homo-ousion and the Constantinopolitan symbol.

12.30–1.0.—The "hapax legomena" of the Apocalypse.

3.0–5.0.—House-to-house visiting in St. Mary's.

6.0–6.30.—Write out notices for church porches, and choose hymns for Sunday.

6.30.–9.0.—Prepare two sermons and children's address.

Reuben uttered an unecclesiastical ejaculation; but he is a lad of mettle, so he sent word to the parson accepting the terms, thereby causing some consternation in the vicarage. The village decided to make Saturday a whole holiday. But alas! the contest never came off. It was briefly announced (on the notice-board in the porch of St. Margaret's on Sunday morning, that "the challenger backed out at the eleventh hour, to Mr. Mackie's keen regret and disappointment." It is reported that while Reuben was prepared to tackle the house-to-house visiting, and would have thrown himself enthusiastically into the task of choosing the hymns and preparing the sermons (no obligation resting upon him to preach them), he considered the hour allowed for dealing with the Homo-ousion and Constantinopolitan system absurdly inadequate.—*London Evening Paper.*

W. H.—The address you require is 19, Willoughby Street, Lenton, Notts.

Bob Major.—If what you say is correct, why not proceed farther in the matter? We are writing you with regard to the other matter.

SIR CHRISTOPHER WREN AND SOME LONDON CHURCHES.

Sir Christopher Wren's work must surely be reckoned among some wonders of the world. He built nearly every parish church now existing in the city of London, and also its magnificent cathedral. Of his other great works here and elsewhere I do not propose to speak. Nor does the marvel stop here. There are two other English cathedrals which may fairly claim for themselves that one man designed them as they stand. Salisbury was the work of Bishop Osmund Poore, though the spire was raised after his time; and Truro is the work of Mr. Pearson, though he skilfully brought in some work which he found already on the site. But Wren laid the foundation-stone of St. Paul's in 1675, and witnessed his son laying the last in 1710, and for some thirteen years longer came ofttimes to look upon his finished building. And the original contractor, Robert Strong, also lived to see the completed work. He lies buried in St. Peter's church at St. Albans, which Lord Grimthorpe so generously (and by general consent so wisely and carefully) restored. Bishop Compton, who took the see the same year that the stone was laid, held it until 1714.

Wren, as we all know, was not a "Gothic" architect. His whole genius lay in the Italian style, though I hope to say something hereafter about his Gothic churches. The reproach which has been cast upon him, that he understood nothing about making chancels is unjust. However we account for it, the old churches in London that remain have the same feature, the absence of the chancel arch, e.g., St. Ethelburga's, St. Olave, Hart Street, St. Katherine Cree, St. Giles, Cripplegate. At most, you have simply a recess. The fact that many of the churches were as chapels of the great city merchants will largely account for this. The whole tenor of Wren's life goes to prove that his view was entirely in agreement with Laud's about the position of the altar, and the reverence with which it should be treated. He was following the traditions of past London, and considerations of space absolutely precluded his making deep chancels if he had wished to do so. But his fertility of resource, and apparently endless power of variety, are very wonderful. And though he did not construct chancel arches, there are at any rate two beautiful screens of his existing, namely, at St. Peter's, Cornhill, and St. Margaret's, Lothbury. The latter has been brought from the lately demolished church of All Hallows, Thames Street, and fitted by Mr. Bodley with great success in its preseut position. But let me now go to one of Wren's churches by way of a beginning.

St. Martin's at Ludgate is not one of the most elaborate yet it is both skilful and handsome. Look at it from the street. A blank grey wall, with a tower in the middle, surmounted by a lofty black spire. You enter this tower and find yourself in a corridor running along the whole length. You cross this corridor, open the door on the other side, and you are in the church. Well, what was that empty place for? It effectually shuts out the noise of the busy street. When you get into the place of worship you might be fifty miles away frow the roar of the ceaseless traffic. There was just the same feature about St. Mildred's church in the noisy Poultry, now pulled down. The side facing the street was a dead wall without any windows at all. And so with St. Mary, Woolnoth, built by Wren's pupil, Hawksmoor. I heard Mr. Penrose, the cathedral architect point out that he, too, while presenting a blank wall on the Lombard Street side, yet managed to make that wall a very handsome object. What words are strong enough to denounce the vandalism of the proceeding if this church is to be pulled down for a railway station, as it seems is within the possibility of things? But to return to St. Martin's, at Ludgate.

When you are in this church you find that its floor is a parallelogram. But Wren has placed four composite pillars in sqnare in the centre, and upon these has placed a groined roof. Then he has placed entablatures round the remaining portions of the roof, and a waggon-shaped ceiling to each arm of the cross. The whole appearance thus created is that of nave, aisles, transepts complete, and the top of the cross forms, of course, the chancel. It has been raised two steps; between the two eastern pillars and the wall is the choir; the sanctuary stands two steps higher still, and the holy table is elevated on a foot-pace. The whole effect is very beautiful in its simplicity. The organ is at the west end, so is the font, which has round it the well-known "recte et retro" inscription, NI*ONANO MHM ATAMHMONANO*IN—"Wash from sin, not the countenance only." This church, if I mistake not, was the last which was restored by the late Mr. Christian, and critics who do not look kindly on a good deal of his work, confess that he has done this admirably. Though I had been in it previous to the improvements, I do not recollect it sufficiently well to dwell on the changes, but merely describe it as I saw it lately. But there are a few other features to note. The present rector was incumbent of St. Mary Magdalen, Old Fish Street, until that church was destroyed by fire in 1886. He then accepted this, the Rector of St. Martin's resigning, and the two parishes were united. Another parish, that of St. Gregory-by-St. Paul, had also been united since the fire of 1666. The present incumbent has succeeded, with the help of friends, in setup appropriate symbols of the three saints thus combined. On the east wall of the quasi-aisle are two frames from the altar-piece of St. Mary Magdalen's with a benefaction board of the same church, on which are paintings (1) of St. Mary Magdalen, after the Mantegna in the National Gallery, and (2) of St. Gregory. To these has been added that of St- Martin dividing his coat with the beggar. It is a copy of the work by Van Dyck. That painter took St. Martin for his subject more than once. There is one by him at Windsor, and there is a copy of it in Vintner's Hall, Upper Thames Street. He also painted it for the village church of Saventhem, near Brussels, where it now is, though Napoleon stole it with so many mere for the Louvre, and loud were the lamentations of the Parisians when after his fall the allied powers compelled them to restore the ill-gotten booty. So would the Artful Dodger have mourned if Charley Bates had restored a gold watch. But this by the way. The picture of which I have been speaking is copied for St. Martin's, and a very admirable work it is. Van Dyck died in the immediate neighbourhood on December 9th, 1741. His daughter, Justinian, was baptised at St. Ann's, Blackfriars, on the very day of her father's death. He was buried in Old St. Paul's, near John of Gaunt. Their memorials perished in the fire.

As I have already said, the church is admirably restored, and that in more ways than one. More than forty years ago I knew the incumbent of that date. He was a jolly old fellow, who lived at a country rectory, which held with this city living which he probably considered a sinecure, for I don't think he ever came near it. He knocked off his port handsomely after dinner, and would have held heel-taps in as great abhorence as he did Popery.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 19th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street Street, on the 14th and 28th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 19th. St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Members are requested to note that the Association meets for united practice at St. Clement Danes, Strand. A meeting is also held on the second Sunday in each month at 10 a.m.

T. H. TAFFENDER, *Hon. Sec pro tem.*
35, *Crawford Street, Denmark Hill, S.E.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. — The annual general meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Heston, on Saturday, September 23rd. The bells at Heston, Norwood Green, and Hounslow will be available for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service with sermon by the Rev. F. W. A, Wilkinson. at 5.30. Tea, 6d,. at 6.15, to be followed by meeting. Those desirous of having tea provided for them are requested to note either of the Hon. Secretaries not later than the 20th inst. Four representatives will be elected to serve on the next Central Council.

C. T. COLES,
H. C. CHANDLE, } *Hon. Secs.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, September 23rd, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 3.45 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at the Leigham Arms, Sunnyhill Road, at 8 p.m.

F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

St. Luke's Church, Chelsea.—The usual practce will be resumed on September 12th.

J. PRYER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Winchester Diocesan Gulld.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bishopstoke to-day, Sat., September 9th. By the kiud permission of Henry White, esq., members are invited to tea at his residence, Oakwood, Bishopstoke, at 5 o'clock. The chnrch bells will be available during the afternooc, and the gardens of Oakwood will also be open to members. Twyford tower will be open in the evening

JAS. W. ELKINS, *Dis. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. A cycle run will take place to-day, Sat., September 9th. 3.30 p.m.—Albrighton (6): 4 45 p.m —Codsall (6); 6 45 p.m.—Bushbury (6). E. V. Cc?, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. - Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at at St. Mary's, Oldham (12 bells), to-day, Sat., September 9th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Liverpoo Branch.—A meeting will be hel4 at Port Sunlight to-day, Saturday. September 9th. Bells ready at 4. WALTER HUGHES. *Sec.*
3. *Shrewsbnry Place, Garston.*

The Sussex County Association.-Central Division.—The next meeting of this division will be held at Lindfield on Saturday, September 16th. Tower open at 3 Tea at 5.30 at The Bent hotel. Those intending to be at please let me know by September 12th.

ROBERT J. DAWE, *Div. Hon. Sec.*
"*Southever*," *Alfriston Road, Seaford.*

The North Wales Association.—The ha'f yearly meeting will be held at Machynlleth on Saturday, September 16th, at 2 p.m. Bells (8) available after 9 a.m. All welcome.

S. A. CULLINGTON, *Hon. See*

The Kent County Association.-Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester on Saturday, September 16th. The cathedral tower will be open from 3 to 3.50. Service in the cathedral at 4. Tea and meeting in tbe Committee Room, New Corn Exchange, at 5.30. Will those intending to partake of tea let me know not later than Wednesday, September 13th. The following towers will be open after the meeting; The Cathedral and St. Margaret's till 9 p m.; Chatham from 8 till 9.30. and Frindsbury 7 till 9.30.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*
77, *Bill Street Road, Frindsbnry, Rochester.*

Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury on Saturday, 16th. Ringing at St. Chad's at 2.30 p.m.

REV. P. H. GREEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Skipton on Saturday, September 16th. For full particulars see circulars. CLEMENT GLENN. *Hon. Sec.*
11. *Fisher Road, Sheffield.*

Society for the Archdeoconry of Stafford.—A quarterly meetsng will be held at Penkridge on Saturday, September 16th. 2.30.—Ringing 4.45.—Committee meeting in vestry. 5.15.—Unveiling of peal board. 5 30.—Service in church, with an address by the Vicar. 6.—Tea, at 1s. each. Please notify intention of being present not later than Tuesday, September 12th. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H SHUKER. } *Hon. Secs.*
J. H BANKS, }

The Ely Diocesan Association. — The General Secretary's address is now 33, Clarendon Street, Cambridge.

T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H.s Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

W. T.—Send again.

JAMES.—We think not,

5040 BOB ROYAL.

By H. PRICE, *Kegworth, Derby.*

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DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By GEORGE CROSS, *Norwich.*

12,096

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Five times repeated: omitting first bob at 4 in the 2nd, 4th, and 6th parts. Has the 4th, 5th and 6th each the extent in 5-6.

THOMAS DOBLE & SON,
Church Bell Hangers,
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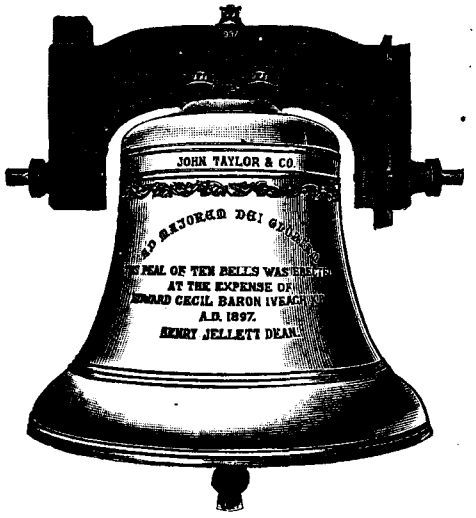

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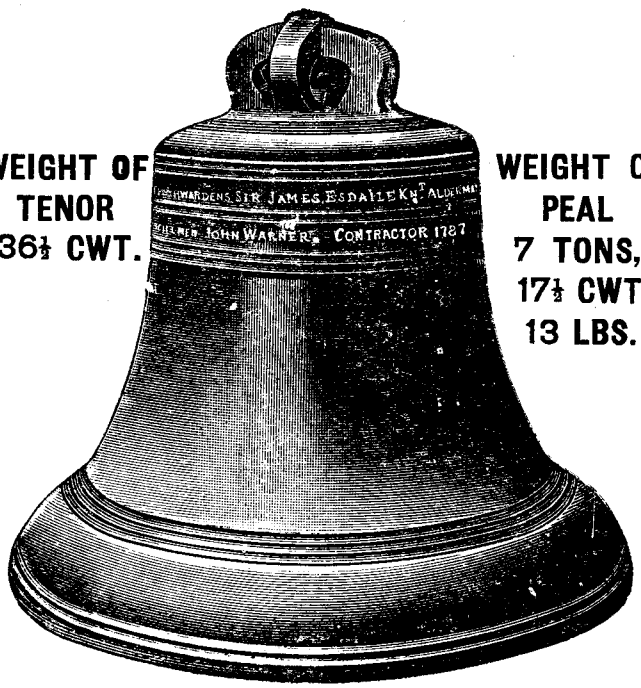

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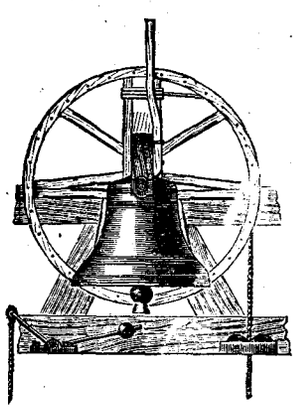

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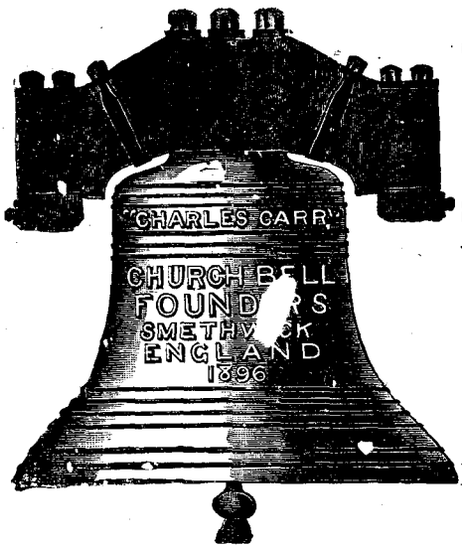

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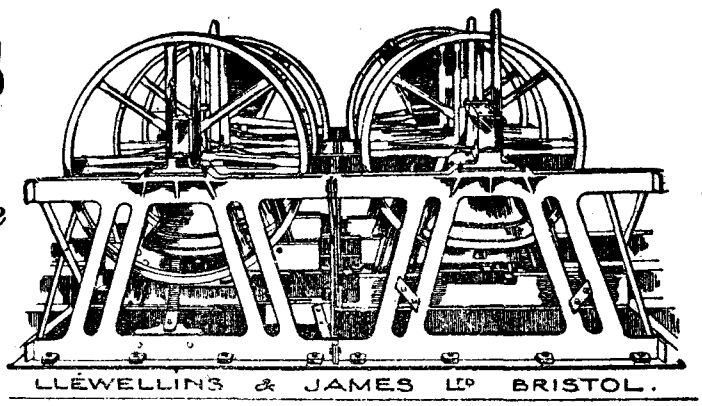

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BELTON, RUTLAND.

It was at the invitation of Mr. J. J. Jackson, of Belton, Uppingham, that a number of ringers hailing from Cotgrave, Melton Mowbray, Waltham, Wymondham and Burton-on-Trent assembled at Belton with a long and varied programme to get through.

Wednesday, August 30th, was the day fixed for the opening of the new ring of six at St. Peter's, Belton. The original four bells have been recast and two new trebles added. The treble was given by Mrs. G. Ward, and the 2nd by Mr. and Mrs. Gough. The remainder of the money was raised by subscription. The bells are a fine toned ring of six, tenor 10¼ cwt. in G, and uphold the reputation of their founders, Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

The dedication service was conducted by the Ven. Archdeacon Moore, who had a double task to perform. A beautiful lych-gate, which had been given by J. E. Corby, esq., of Finchley, and formerly of Belton, had to be dedicated. This portion of the service took place outside, and when this was over the choir and clergy re-entered the church, and the Archdeacon and the Vicar, the Rev. G. J. Patterson, proceeded to the belfry, and the dedication of the bells took place. Immediately after this portion of the service the local band raised the bells.

The sermon was preached by the Archdeacon, who congratulated the villagers on their new acquisitions. After the service the bells struck off in Bob Minor, a well-struck 720 being brought round by W. Whlte, J. T. Dyke, W. H. Dyke, A. P. Wakley, J. J. Jackson conductor, R. Mount. Other ringers now arrived, among them being the Rev. J. M. Clarkson, of Brington, Hunts., who rang in touches of Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob. Later in the evening ringers from Oakham arrived and joined in a 6-score of Grandsire. One of them, F. Towell, rang his first touch of Treble Bob. With Mr. Cyril Johnston standing in, a well-struck 6-score of Stedman was brought round.

Later in the evening the villagers were treated to an impromptu concert in the village hall. Handbell ringing, which consisted of tune playing, and courses of Grandsire Triples and Caters and songs formed the greater part of the entertainment. Messrs. Johnston, Baker and Jackson very kindly sang songs, which were much appreciated.

The next day the musical members of the party rang hymn tunes on the church belis. In the afternoon the party visited Oakham with the intention of ringing a peal of Bob Major, but a change course put an end to all efforts in this direction. However, a start was made for Grandsire Triples under the conductorship of Mr. R. H. Bartram, but after upwards of 2000 changes had been rung a misunderstanding developed into a trip which caused it to come to grief. The Oakham bells are a grand ring of eight, recently recast and rehung by Gillett and Johnston, with a tenor of just over a ton. Next day saw the first peal in seven methods rung in the county of Rutland. Langham, near Oakham, which possesses a fine ring of six by Taylor, was the place chosen for the attempt. Three hour's good ringing, under the conductorship of Mr. W. White, saw the completion of the peal. After the peal the ringers were very kindly entertained to supper at The Noel Arms by Mr. R. W. Baker, one of the churchwardens. The local company joined in a convivial evening, and Mr. Jackson obliged with songs. A course of Grandsire Triples was rung on the handbells, and Mr. A. P. Wakley gave a course of Stedman Triples on the piano. The remainder of the evening was spent at the house of Mr. Baker, and the company proved so pleasant that it was about 3 a.m. when the party reached Belton.

Next day, Mr. W. Willson, of Leicester, Mr. R. H. Bartram, of Melton Mowbray, and Mr. W. E. White, of Cotgrave, arrived, thus completing the band for the first peal on Belton bells. Mr. Walter White now most kindly stood out to allow J. T. Dyke to take his place. The peal was beautifully struck, there being hardly a bad blow in it. The evening concluded with a further demonstration in the village hall, Grandsire Triples and Caters being rung on the handbells, and Mr. Walter White, in his shirt sleeves, was very much in evidence in conducting tune-ringing. Songs were given by Messrs. R. H. Bartram, W. Willson, A. P. Wakley and J. J. Jackson. The proceedings concluded with Auld Lang Syne on the handbells. Further ringing took place for the services on Sunday, a 720 each of Double Court and Kent Treble Bob, and 360 each of Oxford Bob and Kent Treble Bob being rung. Cambridge Surprise was attempted but failed.

The visitors desire to thank most heartily both Mr. and Mrs. Jackson for their extreme kindness and hospitality to them during their stay.

STURMINSTER MARSHALL, DORSET.

In the presence of a large congregation the Archdeacon of Dorset (the Ven. C. L. Dundas) on Tuesday evening, September 5th, at a special service, dedicated a ring of six bells in the tower of the parish church. Originally the ring consisted of four ancient bells, which have been rehung with new fittings in the most approved modern fashion, the cost of this work having been borne by Mr. C. E. Parke, a former churchwarden and a lord of the manor. Mr. Parke has also generously defrayed the expense of a new steel frame to accommodate the six bells. The new bells are the gift of Mrs. T. S. Courtney, as a memorial of the long-standing connection of her family with the parish, she being a sister of the late Mr. Thomas Mackrell (one of the lords of the manor), and her grandson (Mr. R. Courtney).

It will be remembered from previous reports appearing in the columns of a contemporary that the condition of the fittings, etc., in the belfry was such that it became imperative that a thorough restoration should be carried out at once. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who have removed the old worm-eaten bell cage, and have substituted a steel girder frame. The four original bells are of ancient date, three being of pre-Reformation time, and one was recast in 1622, by John Wallace, of Salisbury. The tenor, weighing nearly a ton,

has had its handsome and decorated cannon removed, and this has been nicely worked up into a font cover—although weighing 125 lbs.—and mounted on a plinth of oak taken from the old oak in the belfry. The inscription on the inscription on the two new bells are: "Susan Courtney gave in memory of the Mackrell family, 1911," and "R. Courtney gave me, 1911." It is pleasing to note that the costly undertaking will require but a small financial effort on the part of the parishioners, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Parke, Mrs. and Mr. Courtney, and the churchwardens' expenses in connection with the undertakings are comparatively small.

The service on Tuesday was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. J. Cross), and the dedication of the new bells was performed by the Archdeacon of Dorset, at the request of Mr. W. C. Martin (churchwarden), who, with his fellow warden (Mr. J. Marsh), the Vicar and the choir, accompanied the Archdeacon to the belfry, from which a short peal was rung after the usual form of dedication had been gone through by—W. W. Gifford, Salisbury, 1; J. G. Johnson, Croydon, 2; Rev. Ll. Edwards, Kington Magna, 3; M. Stewart, Ferndown, 4; J. S. Running, 5; A. Osman, Wimborne, 6. The hymns used during the service were "The Old Hundredth," "We love the place," and "Who givest all." Special Psalms were also sung. Mr. A. E. Willshire, organist of Wimborne Minster, presided at the organ. The Archdeacon preached an appropriate sermon from the text "O come let us worship." In the course of it he alluded to the important part music and bells played in the lives of men and of worship. Bells, he remarked, had a threefold invitation for them. 1—They called them to fellowship and were a symbol of unity and brotherhood; 2—They were messengers of sympathy in times of joy and sorrow; 3—and they called persons together as fellow workers to put into action feelings of fellowship in their service. The Archdeacon also addressed the ringers on the importance of their work.

A collection was taken in aid of the expenses which the churchwardens have had to incur.

After service six-scores of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles and 360 Bob Minor were rung, Messrs. Lewis, Blandford, Townsend and Case, Poole, and C. Goodenough, Bournemouth, taking part. Some thirty ringers later enjoyed the hospitality of the Vicar, who presided at supper, being supported by Archdeacon Dundas, the Rev. C. A. Phillips, the churchwardens and Mr. Parke.

Obituary.

WILLIAM GREEN.

It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of the above-named ringer, who died at his residence, Monks Eleigh, Suffolk, on Sunday, August 26th, and was interred in the parish churchyard on August 31st, amongst sorrowful relatives and friends. He was borne to his last resting-place by four of his nephews. Deceased was a ringer at this church for upwards of fifty years, and was an excellent striker. His last ringing took place on March 20th, for his 75th birthday, when a 720 of Kent came to grief in the last course of the third attempt, much to the regret of those taking part. With his two old departed and dearest ringing friends—A. Keeble and C. Parker—in their early days were frequent visitors to the towers of Lavenham, Preston, Hitcham, and Bilheston, where lived the much respected tower-keepers—Messrs. Boby, H. Symonds, J. Sewell, and the clever Hy. Hobart. Monks Eleigh has lost the last of the old band, and their places will not easily be filled. In the last decade death has taken from this tower a whole band of six. On the evening of August 31st, after the interment, a 720 of Kent was rung with the bells muffled as a last mark of respect. J. Poulson, H. Crick, A. Symonds, T. Hollocks,, A. Keeble, W. Stiff. And 360 of Oxford (half-muffled), conducted by W. Stift-

CHARLES SHEAFF.

It is with regret that we record the death of the above ringer, of St. Mary's band, Dover, Kent, which occurred at his residence, 18, Vale View Road, on August 16th, after a long illness. Deceased was for many years steeplekeeper at St. Mary's, and a regular attendant on all occasions when ringing was to be had. He was a good tenorman. and had rung several peals for the County Association. The sermon at the following Sunday morning service was very thoughtfully fitting. Canon Bartram's heading was "Our Golden Bells," dealing with all things interesting to a bellringer, and the life that had just passed away. As the congregation left the church "Chiming Bells" was solemnly played by the organist, Mr. Taylor. Deceased was buried on the following Monday, the local ringers being represented at the graveside. Among the floral tributes was a wreath from the St. Mary's ringers. The bells at St. Mary's were rung muffled with the exception of the tenor at backstroke in the evening.

CHEDINGTON, BUCKS.

On Thursday, September 7th, a new treble bell was dedicated by the Archdeacon of Bucks., at a special service held at 7.15 p.m. Before the service the bells were rung by the local ringers, and after the service the following Leighton and Linslade ringers rang two 240s of Bob Minor, and two 120s of Stedman Doubles. W. Bacchus, F. Dedman, J. Nicholls, W. Seabrook, G. Tompkins, F. Vickers. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rector, the Rev. J, Ashley Broad, for his kind hospitality after the ringmg.

HARTSHORNE, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

A large clock with two 5 feet dials, and striking the hours, has just been erected upon the parish church here. The work has been carried out by John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, to the general designs of the late Lord Grimthorpe.

CHEDISTON (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for Divine Service, 360 Plain Bob Minor and 120 Grandsire. Miss R. Stanford, F. C. Lambert, W. Kerrison, W. Pratt, T. Crane, L. Hammond, E. Hurren, F. Peck.

HALESWORTH (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for evening service, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. Kerrison, F. Lambert, jun., C. Moss, A. H. Took, F. C. Lambert (conductor), J. Howard, T. King, A. Lee.

POULTON-LE-FYLDE (Lancashire). — On Thursday, August 31st, 720 Violet Treble Bob. C. Kerr, J. Fell, J. Tipping, D. McLellan, J. Hardman, T. Allanson. And 240 Kent Treble Bob. J. Tipping, J. Fell, C. Kerr, D. McLellan, J. Hardman, T. Allanson. Conducted by J. Tipping. All the above hail from St. John's, Lytham. Rung on the occasion of the annual outing. Thanks are tendered to the Vicar for allowing the use of the bells; also to Mr. Whiteside, for having the bells ready.

THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

AMERICA'S FIRST BELL.

In Chicago there is a bell with a wonderful history. It is about the size of a railroad restaurant dinner bell. It is a dark greenish brown colour, and bears on one side the letter F. It is placed in a show case with several other relics, but it is the most precious of the lot. It is the first bell that was ever rung across the waters of the New World. It was the church bell of Isabella, the city founded by Columbus in San Domingo in 1492. This is the story ot the bell. It is of bronze; of excellent workmanship, and was presented to the church in Isabella by King Ferdinand. In 1494 the discovery of gold in the mountains of Cuba caused a general movement towards the interior, and everything portable was removed to the new tower at this place. The city was destroyed by an earthquake in 1564. More than 300 years afterwards, in 1868, a shepherd who was noosing around among the ruins, found this bell near the tower among some tangled wires. A fig tree growing near by had thrust its branches into the ruinned tower, and had by growth forced the bell from its place and held it in the tree. It is a venerated relic, and is called the "bell of the fig tree."

RYE, SUSSEX.

This tower, erected between 1135 and 1154, at the south-east corner of the town, on the edge of a steep cliff, in the course of 700 years has undergone great mutations; having served its original purpose of a fortress for nearly 300 years, it was sold by the Corporation of Rye, in 1430, to John de Iprys, probably a descendant of the founder; was again sold hy the latter to Thomas Stoughtou, in 1451; he disposed of it to James Hyde sometime between this last date and 1473; from James Hyde it passed to his dangher Joan, who, in 1473, conved it to Lord Stanley. This nobleman, after the defeat of Richard III. at Bosworth, placed the crown on the head of Henry of Richmond and proclaimed him King of England; for which act Henry, in 1485, created him Earl of Derby, and under this name we find him convoying this same tower to John Newbirith, in 1492, in exchange for certain lands he held in the county of Chester. In 1464 the Corporation purchased it of Mr. Newberry (for this spelling is now assumed for Newbirith), and used it to transact their business in till the building of the Town Hall, whence it got the name of Court House. It was thus used for about 150 years, when it was converted into a gaol, being used for that purpose until 1891. The lower part is now used for a mortuary. But when the stranger goes to examine Ypres Tower, he must bear in mind that the original only consists of that part which coustitutes the south west angle of the present building, the other part having been added some years ago, when there was a necessity to enlarge it. The original consists of a square building with a round tower at each angle, each tower being about forty feet in height, and fifteen in its interior circumference. There are two rooms in the central square on the ground floor and one above, each room about fifteen feet square. There is a door at each of the corners of these two rooms, communicating with one of the towers. There are stairs only in the north-east tower, but these do not at present reach to the top. Of course they did formerly, when the warder ascended by means of them to the summit to survey the horizon, to see that no ile sail approached the town.

RINGMER OLD CHURCH AND ITS BELL.

Mr, H. Heneage Legge has contributed a paper on "Bell Casting in the Seventeenth Century" to the "Reliquary and Illustrated Archæologist." He particuiarly refers to an old bill, dated 1662, of the charges incurred in the casting and hanging of a bell for the parish of Ringmer, and remarks:—

"This document, written with very good penmanship on long foolscap paper, now yellow with age, I was fortunate to discover while acting on the Documents Committee of Ringmer Parish Council, among the parish books and papers. It is entitled 'An account of ye church-wardens charge anno '82.' and contains many miscellaneous items, as well a 'perticuler of ye charges in casting and hanging ye bell.' In addition it throws some light on the obscure history of Ringmer church tower and bells, which had long been a subject of considerable debate and conjecture. Endeavouring to put together in their relative positions thes various gleanings from the past, this appears to be the conclusion of the whole matter. Firstly, that an ancient tower of masonry, with a bell—or bells—was destroyed, possibly by lightning, at some period preceding the building of the west wall (necessitated by this destruction), and its Perpendicular window; secondly, that in 1682 a new bell, partly made from the old bell metal found in 'ye rubbish in ye Ile,' was hung in a wooden belfry among the ruins of the old tower; thirdly, that this belfry was destroyed, probably by fire, within the following century; fourthly, that in 1804 a new bell by Mears, of Whitechapel, was hung in a turret at the west end of the ridge of the nave; this being finally displaced in 1885 to make way for the present tower. Of this latter we need say is that it is built of flint, with stone dressings, the top being battlemented and terminated by a weathercock. It contains a peal of bells and a chiming clock. The greater part of the cost of the whole erection was borne by Mr. W. L. Christie. The name of the founder of the bell with which we are mainly concerned, is preserved to us in the old mnnuscript. William Hull, for such was his name, at the beginning of his career, was foreman to John Hodson, of London, bell founder. His initials are sometimes found on bells, such as those at Hailsham, together with the name of his master. About the year 1580, Wm. Hull set up for himself at South Malling, where he died in 1687, and was succeeded by his son.

Mr. Legge then gives the old document, aud in adding a few particulars elucidatory of some of the items, says:

"Mr. Lillie was the Vicar at the time of the founding of the bell. He was instituted in 1680, and died in 1690. The parish clerk was Bodenham, and the manuscript of this warden's account is probably in his handwriting."

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.

On Sunday, September 10th, six members of this branch—Messrs. W, Page (Master), H. T. Knowles, Secretary, W. Sheppard, J. Sadler, E. E. Barber, and G. Camm—journeyed by cycle to a few of the towers situated on the extreme border of the county. Within a few minutes of the fixed time Bromberrow was reached, several of the local ringers meeting us. A fine ring of six of the Rudhall period, tenor about 10 cwt., were found in good order, and a 360 of Oxford Single Bob, and six-scores of Grandsire and Stedman with the local men were rung. The tower is of unusual construction, the upper portion is half timbered, and is in first-class condition, as is all the other parts, showing great care by the authorities. Time passing all too quickly our next move was to Redmarley, passing through delightful scenery of copse and enchanting hills and dales, with cottage and farm dotted here and there. This place derives it name from the nature of its soil, being very bright marl, and exceptionally so this season, due to the extreme drought. The bells here are in good order and go well. Several short touches of Minor were rung and the bells lowered. By kind invitation of the Rev. and Mrs. Niblett the company were entertained to tea. Before reaching the vicarage, acting upon the instructions of a local worthy to go through a white gate, we stormed the castle, much to the surprise of the occupier, who was not the worthy Vicar, as we had gone astray. Apologies were given, and later on we found our proper "in course," and to our great delight tea was all ready, the Vicar sitting down with us. After enjoying his hospitality we thanked him most heartily and journeyed on to Eldersfield, the Vicar piloting us part of the way through lanes of many twists and turns. After a stift climb up hill a surprise awaited us. There, situated in solemn lonely grandeur, was found a tower and church of grand dimensions, style and durability, setting foth the great power and strength of Christ's Gospel, which for generation and generation had here been preached to the toilers of the land. In fitting harmony we found a truly grand ring of six, tenor about a ton, and rang 720 Bob Minor, in 26 mins. The tone of the bells are great. It is to be regretted that the inside of the tower should be used for a general storage, rather out of keeping with the beauty and serenity of the structure; perhaps ere long this may be altered.

Once more awheel we journeyed on, the cyclometer faithfully recording each mile. Here it was our company was depleted by the hurried departure of the "Shepherd," whose energy and perseverance to find out all about the tenor is well known. We hope he caught his train. On reaching Longdon evening service had concluded, so with the help of a local stalwart a few six-scores were rung. We were greatly troubled with the dim light and the immense sallies. Worcester may be noted for "sauce," but not for bell ropes, and we would suggest their immediate deportment to some swing boat proprietor and try elsewhere for bellropes.

Our programme completed, our energies flagging, we started on the home course. A brief stay in Upton, the faithful four resumed, soon to part into doubles and thence to singles. Our journey of forty miles or so took us through beautiful scenery: we received great hospitality from all, and to all we tender our thankfulness, with the hope that soon we may find fresh friends and towers, and not forget the old. H. T. K.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the members of the Winchester district held at Bishopstoke on Saturday last, September 9th, proved a most enjoyable one. The church bells (5) were freely used during the afternoon, and the pleasant grounds of "Oakburn," the residence of Henry White, esq, which is close to the church, were open to the members. At five o'clock tea was served on the lawn, at the close of which Mr. White spoke some kindly words of welcome on behalf of Mrs. White, his daughters and himself, and gave some account of the trouble he and the Rector had had to get the bells moved from the old church to the new one, and he hoped that at some future time a similar gathering to this one would take place, when they might have an increased number of bells to invite members to ring on.

A vote of thanks to Mr. White and his family was proposed by the district secretary (Mr. J. W. Elkins) for their most kind hospitality, and to the Rector (Rev. —. Sedgwick) for the use of the bells. This was seconded by the Rev. W. E. Colchester, the general secretary of the Guild who said he hoped the ring at Bishopstoke would become one of eight bells, and when it was decided to make it one of that number he was quite sure some help would be given by the Guild.

The Rector thanked Mr. Colchester, and expressed the hope that it would be possible to add to the number of bells, when he would certainly not forget the kind offer made by Mr. Colchester. One thing, he said, which struck him about ringers was their good fellowship, and he could not sufficiently express his gratitude to the North Stoneham band for the way in which they had come forward and helped his own ringers.

Mr. A. T. King, late Hon. Secretary of the Middlesex Association, congratulated the Winchester Guild on their position with regard to peals.

Mr. W. H. George brought his handbells, and some touches were rung on them. At a subsequent meeting of the committee, at which Messrs. W. Andrews, G. Smith, L. Lampard, and F. Hunt were present, arrangements made by the district secretary for instruction to be given to Sparsholt and Bishops Sutton were confirmed, and the following members of the Bishopstoke band were admitted to the Guild: Messrs. Grant and Titcombe, free members, and Messrs. Ayliff, Collyer, Gillingham, Hutchens, Lewis, Snooks, and Wells, probationers. Twyford tower was open during the evening, and touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung. Permission has been obtained from the Dean for a peal to be rung on the Cathedral bells in the month of october, and Mr. George Williams is getting a band together to make the attempt, probably on Saturday, October 21st.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

Mr. A. Symonds writes: "The Rev. W. L. B. Hopkins has asked me to let my ringing friends know that no more attempts can be made to ring peals on Lavenham bells until they are thoroughly overhauled. Visitors for touches and service ringing excluded."

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THE BELLS OF HARVARD COLLEGE.

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In the college buildings, to each of which the term "College" was invariably applied from 1642 to 1720, there have been installed at various times no less than eight bells, as verified by information, authentic if often meagre, that has come down to us. The recent discovery, incident to the excavation for the Cambridge Subway, of ancient foundation walls has been thought to strengthen the theory that the original College stood near the site of Gray's Hall, though Goffe's College, of which little is known, must have been situated in that vicinity,

While no picture of the first College exists, detailed descriptions of the floor-plans make it possible to re-produce an approximate design of the exterior, the front of which we know was broken by a turret surrounded by a "lanthorn." This turret shows the intent to provide a bell, an instrument at that date of prime necessity in every community, clocks and watches not having come into general use. The following extract from the "Rules and Precepts that are observed in the Colledge," contained in a book entitled "New England's First Fruits," published in London in 1643, indicates that a bell was already in use:

FIRST BELL.

"Every schollar shall be present in his Tutor's Chambers at the 7th houre in the morning immediately after the sound of the bell at his opening the Scriptures and prayer, so also at the 5th houre at night, and their give an account of his own private reading, as aforesaid, in particular the third, and constantly attend lectures at the houres appointed. But if any without necessary impediment shall absent himself from prayer or lectures, he shall be lyable to admonition, if he offend above once a week."

A second reference to this bell is found in "Certain Orders by the Scholars and Officers of the Colledge to bee observed, written, 28 March, 1650:"

"The Butler upon every Sixt Day of the week at noon is to give an account to every Schollar demanding his weeks sizings in the Buttery & is not bound to stay above half an hour at Bevers in Buttery after the Tolling of the bell, Nor above a quarter of an hour after Thanksgiving in the Hall at Meals. The Cook on the Sixt Day at Noon shall give in the weeks expenses of the whole society. Wth the Butler shall enter into his Book, according to Custome and shal keep the Bills from Quarter to Quarter and shew them to the Stewart at his demand for his satisfaction."

A shade of doubt may, indeed. be cast upon the identity of this bell by the suggestion that the College may have had the use of the bell of the First Parish, with which close relations had been established from its foundation. In fact one of the reasons for selectlng Cambridge as the site of the College was the proximity of this church, then under the ministry of Thomas Shepard, a clergyman of marked ability and piety, and the first Commencement was held in this meeting-house.

To remove all uncertainty on this point it becomes necessary to show that the College possessed the only bell in Cambridge at the time when these "Rules and Precepts" were framed. Now it is known that the first mention of the first bell used in Massachusetts occurs in the history of Cambridge by Prince, who says that in 1632 "the first house for public worship at Newtown (Cambridge) with a bell upon it" was built; and Holmes states that the town records confirm this statement, and that the town meetings were called by the ringing of the bell. Goss adds that for some reasons not known, a drum was afterwards substituted, as mentioned by Edward Johnson in "Wonder Working Providence" when on approaching the town a drum was heard calling the people to meeting. Furthermore, in 1646, the records contain an order for the payment of fifty shillings to a man for his services for beating the drum.

The explanation of this temporary substitution of a drum is found in the history of the Society organized under Thomas Hooker. Of two hundred Puritans who came over in one company, many had setted in Newtown and built the first meeting-house, which stood on the west side of Water, now Dunster Street, a little south of Spring, now Mt. Auburn Street. In the summer of 1636 Mr. Hooker with his entire congregation, 103 in number, emigrated to the place in Conneticut called Hartford; and it is recorded that they carried with them their bell. Here it is said to have been in use upon the First Church till it was broken in 1825. It was replaced by another, cast in 1827.

The meeting house in Cambridge thus left vacant was at once bought by the Society, which had been organized February 1, 1636, under Mr. Shepard, known thereafter as the First Church in Cambridge; but for at least ten years thereafter the church seems to have been without a bell. That on the College therefore was the only one in use during this interval.

A vote of the parish in 1648 indicates that the first bell had then been replaced by another, for it was ordered:

"That there shall be an eight peny ordnary provided by the Townsmen (Select-men) every second munday of the month upon there meeteing day; and that whoesoever of the Townsmen fail to be present within half an houre of the ringing of the bell (which shall be halfe an houre after eleven of the clock), he shall both lose his dinner and, pay a pint of sacke, or the valne thereof, to the preeent Townsmen."

Tracing further the history of this second church bell, it was removed to the second meeting house, erected in 1650, upon Watch House Hill, within the present College Yard and near the site of Dane Hall. Replaced by a larger bell given in 1700 by Captain Andrew Belcher, it was then voted by the Town to give "the little meeting house bell to the Cambridge Farms, now Lexington."

SECOND BELL.

In College Book III. is the following entry in the handwriting of the Treasurer, Danforth. It is uncertain whether the date of this entry is 1658, 1659, or possibly a year or two later, but the reference is unquestionably to a second bell:

"Mr. John Willet gave to the Colledge the Bell now hanging in the Turrett."

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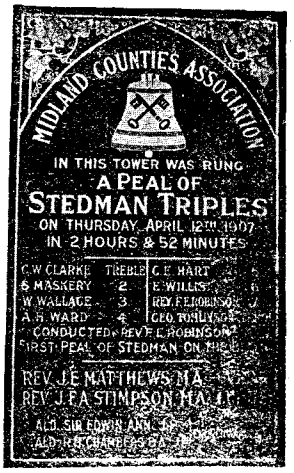

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1911.

On another page will be found a letter, the contents of which, we venture to think, will send a thrill of indignation throughout the Exercise. The writer of the missive has done the right thing in laying the matter before the ringers of the country. The facts are in brief: a Vicar goes away for his health and appoints a *locum tenens* in his place to carry on his work and responsibility in his absence. The new deputy minister discovers that there is a young lady ringer at the church, and thereon forbids her the belfry, giving as his reason that "a belfry is not a fit place for any female, as it might lead to questionable actions taking place"! We can scarcely trust ourselves to speak calmly to such a person. It is the deadliest insult ever offered to a ringer of either sex. If the belfry is not fit for a "female" neither is it fit for a "male." Apart from this he has no right to forbid the lady to enter the belfry, not being the Vicar. If he were to mix among the ringing fraternity—much as he despises them—he would discover the fact that not one of them has ever forgotten his manhood to insult a lady. In this case the wound is made more painful from the fact that the lady's father is the Captain of the company, and a brother is also a ringer! It is customary for a minister to prepare candidates for Confirmation. What would be said of a parent who forbid his daughter to enter a minister's presence "lest it might lead to questionable actions"?

Does the *locum tenens* think that the feelings of his flock are coarser than his own? Let him apply to the many reverend gentlemen who honour the ringers' ranks for *their*

opinion, and act upon it. Does he know upon whom his ignorant action reflects? In nearly every case the lady ringers of the country have fathers who have reputations in the belfry. Here are a few for this minister's mental digestion. Miss Parker, of Edmonton, rings in the tower where her father is Master; Miss Willson, of Leicester, is a Sunday School Teacher, and her father is also Master; Miss Alice White, of Basingstoke, is the same, and her parent is a prominent ringer and officer of the local C.E.M.S. The same can be said of Miss Gillingham, while Miss Jukes is a Vicar's daughter. Another Rector has six daughters, all ringers. There is not a lady ringer in the country who would feel herself inferior to the Vicar's deputy. Time was when Medicine, Literature and Learning were outside woman's domain, chiefly owing to the stupidity of the sterner sex, and the unwritten law of which this case is a pitiful specimen, but it would be easier to stop the incoming tide than to arrest the march of education. If the ringers at the tower concerned are uncouth and immoral, the parson's path of duty is clear. If they are not—and we do not know any such—they ought at once to petition the Bishop, pointing out that the Vicar sanctioned the lady's presence in the belfry, and the present substitute intends to reverse his superior's ruling. In the meantime it will be interesting to know what our readers think of this edict.

The Metropolis.

THE ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURDH OF ST. MARY ABBOTS, KENSINGTON,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 32 cwt.

JAREOLD HAYWARD ..	..*Treble.*	WALTER G. MATTHEWS ..	6.
HENRY G. MILES	2.	ERNEST G. STIBBONS ..	7.
CLARENCE J. DOBBIE* ..	3.	JAMES R. MACKMAN	8.
GEORGE B. EDSER*	4.	ARCHIBALD F. HARRIS ..	9.
WILLIAM A. GARRARD* ..	5.	WILLIAM E. GARRARD	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by W. E. GARRARD.

*First peal of Royal.

The Provinces.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 10¼ cwt.

ALBERT G. WARNES	..*Treble.*	GEORGE HOWCHIN	5.
GEORGE H. CROSS	2.	JOHN A. WYMER	6.
WILLIAM A. HEMPEL ..	3.	ROBERT BLAKE	7.
CHARLES SADLER	4.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN	..*Tenor.*

Composed by E. FRANCIS, and Conducted by A. G. WARNES.

Rung as a farewell peal to Charles Sadler, who is making a new home in Toronto, Canada.

*** We would again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper should be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the publishers.

LLANDUDNO, CARNARVONSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM CRANE, SEN.	..*Treble.*	MORRIS J. MORRIS	5.
JAMES H. MIDWINTER* ..	2.	ALBERT J. HUGHES	6.
WILLIAM CRANE, JUN. ..	3.	WILLIAM T. PEGLER ..	7.
CHARLES E. BORRETT ..	4.	ARTHUR E. PEGLER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WM. T. PEGLER.

*Fiftieth peal; reference elsewhere.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

CLEMENT GLENN	..*Treble.*	*JOHN W. J. COTTAM ..	5.
TOM O'HARA	2.	GEORGE NAYLOR	6.
JAMES COTTERELL	3.	WILLIAM BIGGIN	7.
JAMES EVINSON	4.	JOHN H. BROTHWELL ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

*First peal in the method.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Septewber 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt.

J. H. SWINFIELD	..*Treble.*	EDWARD I. STONE	5.
H. WAKLEY	2.	L. BULLOCK	6.
W. J. SMITH	3.	J. GRIFFIN	7.
W. W. WORTHINGTON ..	4.	F. SHEPHERD	..*Tenor,*

Conducted by J. GRIFFIN.

First peal of Stedman on the bells.

EASTCHURCH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, ISLE OF SHEPPEY.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 12¾ cwt. in G.

THOMAS J. PHILO	..*Treble.*	THOMAS JULL	4.
WILLIAM SPICE	2.	WILLIAM J. WALKER ..	5.
ALBERT J. DAY	3.	WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. H. B. WILKINS.

First peal on the bells. First peal in the Isle of Sheppey, where the bells have been lately rehung, and a treble added by Mears and Stainbank, the "go" and tone being perfect. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells, and his kind hospitality after the peal.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 17 cwt.

BENJAMIN GREATOREX	..*Treble.*	JOHN FLOWER	5.
WILLIAM FOX	2.	HENRY LETTS	6.
HENRY GREGORY	3.	JOHN W. DERBYSHIRE ..	7.
HUGH GREGORY	4.	WILLIAM TAYLOR ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JAMES LIVERMORE, JUN.	*Treble.*	EDWARD W. BRAY	5.
GEORGE H. HOWSE*	2.	ALBERT D. STONE	6.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	3.	RICHARD F. DEAL	7.
ARTHUR D. BARKER*	4.	KEITH HART	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDORF, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

*First peal in the method.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY	*Treble.*	JAMES G. RUMSEY	5.
FREDK. W. BAILEY	2.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	6.
GEORGE WILSON	3.	CHARLES SAMSON	7.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	4.	CHARLES F. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung to commemorate the return to Birchwood House, Leiston, of Mr. and Mrs. W. Taylor, of Babbinghton House, Southwold.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKS.-THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

JOHN R. BARTON	*Treble.*	HENRY FERGUSON	5.
THOMAS HAIGH	2.	GEORGE HALKSWORTH	6.
HERBERT MILLNER	3.	FRANK WOODHEAD	7.
CHARLES JACKSON	4.	THOMAS COLE	*Tenor*

Composed by J. W. MOORHOUSE, and Conducted by C. JACKSON.

This peal is now rung for the first time.

DISS, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

EDWIN WHITING	*Treble.*	†FREDK. MANSER	5.
CHARLES BAKER	2.	†GEORGE SNELLING	6.
JOHN SNELLING†	3.	ERNEST WHITING	7.
JOHN SOUTER	4.	FREDK. BORRETT	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by E. WHITING.

First peal in the method as conductor. †First peal in the method.

HERSHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 8¼ cwt.

FREDK. G. WOODISS	*Treble.*	CHARLES J. HAMBLIN	5.
ALFRED WOODROW	2.	ERNEST HAMBLIN	6.
WILLIAM A. WOODROW	3.	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD	7.
BENJAMIN MORRIS†	4.	FERRIS SHEPHERD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD.

†First peal in the method. First peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. G. Woodiss and W. Shepherd.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. CORBETT	5
JOHN HOYLE	2.	CHARLES E. READ	6.
ALFRED H. WINCH	3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH	7.
JOHN BEAMS	4.	DAVID ANSCOMBE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM S. SMITH.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

HARRY WITHERS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHORT	5.
JAMES E. GROVES	2.	JAMES DOWLER	6.
GEORGE PIGOTT	3.	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	7.
WILLIAM PALMER	4.	SAMUEL GROVE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR CHAMBERS.

First peal in the method as conductor. Rung in honour of the fiftieth anniversary of the consecration of the above church.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs. in G,

ERNEST DUMPER	*Treble.*	ALBERT MARKS	5.
WALTER G. ROWE	2.	ALFRED MEARS	6.
HENRY W. WILKES	3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7.
CHARLES J. FRAY	4.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late G. T. Mercer, esq., who was interred in North Stoneham churchyard the same day. The deceased gentleman in 1893 had the three then existing old bells recast, and three new ones added, making a ring of six, and all hung in a new frame He also gave a handsome contribution to the fund for increasing the bells from six to eight in 1908-9.

Miscellaneous.

THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY, RUGBY.

RUGBY.—On Sunday evening, September 10th, for Divine Service 672 London Surprise. W. Taylor, W. Malins, H. O. White, J. A. Fenton, jun., C. W. Wheeler, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, J. W. Chandler. Conducted by J. B. Fenton. First touch of London Surprise on the bells; first touch by all except J. B. Fenton; first touch of London Surprise as conductor.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

BURTON-ON-TRENT.—On handbells, 720 and 1260 of Doubles, consisting of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Old and Canterbury. Also 360 Bob Minor. A. K. Harrison, 1-2; J. T. Dyke, 3-4; W. Shercliff, 5-6.

ST. MARY ABBOTS GUILD, KENSINGTON.

KENSINGTON.—On Sunday, July 13th, at St. Mary Abbots church, for evening service, 1268 Stedman Caters. J. Hayward, C. J. Dobbie, W. J. Daubney, E. G. Stibbons, F. G. Miles conductor, W. E. Garrard, W. A. Garrard, P. G. Miles, J. R. Mackman, C. A. Phipps. On Sunday, September 3rd, for evening service, 1080 Kent Treble Bob Royal. J. Hayward, J. Thomas, C. J. Dobbie, G. B. Edser, W. A. Garrard, W. G.

Matthews, W. J. Daubney, A. V. Selby, E. G. Stibbons, W. E. Garrard conductor.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HULL (Yorks) —On Monday, September 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins. M. Hedges, G. Dowling, F. Merrison, C. Jackson conductor, T. Stockdale, H. Rodmell, G. T. Miller, J. Chamberlain first quarter-peal.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

TYLDESLEY.—On Sunday, September 10th, at St. George's church, 1344 Bob Major in 45 mins. H. Watts, J. Allred, H. Allred, J. T. Allred, W. Hindley, T. Jackson, H. Allred, R. Allred. Conducted R. Allred. Arranged for the 6th ringer, who hails from Bolton. All the others are local men.

BLACKBURN (Lancashire).—On Sunday, September 10th, for Divine Service in the evening at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. W. T. Edmondson, H. Walker, F. Hindle, W. H. Idle, E. Duteson conductok, J. Watson, W. E. Wilson, J. Ashton. First quarter-peal as conductor.

KINGS NORTON (Worcestershire).—On Sunday, September 10th, before morning service, 960 Kent Treble Bob Major. F. Sumner, F. Withers, J. Dowler, T. Pritchett, J. S. Pritchett, A. Chambers, J. Withers conductor.

KENNINGTON (Surrey).—On Sunday evening, September 10, at the church of St. John the Divine, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, taken from Holt's Original, in 45 mins. H. Opher, H. J. Walton, A. Walton, T. W. Wyatt, A. T. Miller, A. S. Miller, G. W. Wild conductor, H. C. Wightman.

LAVENHAM (Suffolk).—Recently, on handbells, in the tower of the parish church, 720 Victoria Treble Bob. F. Poulson, J. Poulson, A. Symonds, S. H. Symonds conductor. First in the method in the Ely Diocese. On Thursday, August 24th, 720 Bob Major. A. Symonds, F. Poulson, J. Poulson, G. Lambert, Rev. R. L. Gardner, S. H. Symonds conductor.

Correspondence.

A CLERGYMAN AND LADY BELL RINGERS.

SIR,—I trust you will find space to publish the following in your paper, as an instance of the views a clergyman takes as regards to lady ringers. Our Vicar, I am sorry to say, has been seriously ill for some time, and has now gone away to recuperate. Meanwhile a deputy has taken his place, and he expressed a wish to meet the ringers so as to make their acquaintance, and accordingly paid a visit to the belfry and found we have in our band a young lady, who, I may say, has made good progress in the art of change-ringing. Shortly after he asked to see our Captain, and informed him he most absolutely forbid the young lady in question from entering the belfry under any circumstances whatever, and on being pressed, gave as his reason—

"The belfry is not a fit and proper place for any female, as it might lead to questionable actions taking place."

And in further course of conversation stated the belfry is not in the strict sense of the term part of the church. This, I think, your readers will agree is absurd. It was pointed out that numerous churches in the country could boast of lady ringers, but this had no effect, and the rev. gentleman still persists in the attitude he has taken up, with the result the young lady is debarred from following up her hobby, notwithstanding her father is captain, and she also has a brother who is a member of the band. My object in writing this is that perhaps some of our clerical friends, and also ringers, both male and female, will express their opinion in this, I trust, isolated case, so that this individnal clergyman may be induced to somewhat modify the ideas he holds as regards lady bellringers. E. J. B.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL FUND.

It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN,
Chairman of the Robinson Memorial Committee.

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AN APPEAL.

Owing to a motor car accident over two years a o, EDWARD CASH, who is so well known and respected amongst Bellringers, Oddfellows and others, has been incapacitated from work for a long time, and is now in the Salford Koyal Hospital. A few friends, desirous of assisting him, have decided to make an APPEAL FOR HELP, and at a meeting held at Swinton, it was decided to get up a Draw for his benefit. Every effort has failed to find the owner of the car. It is sincerely hoped that his many friends will make the matter widely known: and those willing to assist will oblige the committee by doing their utmost for this worthy object, either in soliciting subscriptions or selling tickets.

On behalf of the Committee, James Barratt, chairman, 7, College Croft, Eccles; Harry Chapman, vice-chairman, Plymouth Grove, Manchester; Samuel Wood, treasurer, 44, Crowthorn Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; Charles Cash, 16, Partington Lane, Swinton, Saml. Greenhalgh, 72, Brindle Heath Road, Pendleton, joint secretaries.

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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. John's, Hackney, on September 19th; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street Street, on the 28th; and St. Michael's, Cornbill, on the 19th. St. Magnus 7.30; the others 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. — The annual general meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Heston, on Saturday, September 23rd. The bells at Heston, Norwood Green, and Hounslow will be available for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service with sermon by the Rev. F. W. A, Wilkinson. at 5.30. Tea, 6d,. at 6.15, to be followed by meeting. Those desirous of having tea provided for them are requested to note either of the Hon. Secretaries not later than the 20th inst. Four representatives will be elected to serve on the next Central Council.

C. T. COLES, H. C. CHANDLE, } *Hon. Secs.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, September 23rd, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 3.45 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at the Leigham Arms, Sunnyhill Road, at 8 p.m.

F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*
86, *Gaskarth Road, Balham Hill, S.W.*

The Sussex County Association.–Central Division.—The next meeting of this division will be held at Lindfield to-day, Sat., September 16th, Tower open at 3. Tea at 5.30 at The Bent hotel.

ROBERT J. DAWE, *Div. Hon. Sec.*
"*Southever,*" *Alfriston Road, Seaford.*

The North Wales Association.—The half yearly meeting will be held at Machynlleth today, Sat., September 16th, at 2 p.m. Bells (8) available after 9 a.m. All welcome.

S. A. CULLINGTON, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.–Rochester District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Rochester to-day, Sat., September 16th. The cathedral tower will be open from 3 to 3.50. Service in the cathedral at 4. Tea and meeting in the Committee Room, New Corn Exchange, at 5.30. The following towers will be open after the meeting; The Cathedral and St. Margaret's till 9 p.m.; Chatham from 8 till 9.30. and Frindsbury 7 till 9.30.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*
77, *Bill Street Road, Frindsbury, Rochester.*

Salop Archidiaconal Guild.—Tbe annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury to-day. Sat., 16th. Ringing at St. Chad's at 2.30 p.m.

REV. P. H. GREEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Yorkshire Association. — The next meeting will be held at Skipton to-day, Sat., September 16th. CLEMENT GLENN, *Hon. Sec.*
11, *Fisher Road, Sheffield.*

Society for the Archdeoconry of Stafford. —A quarterly meetsng will be held at Penkridge on Saturday, September 16th. 2.30.—Ringing 4.45.—Committee meeting in vestry. 5.15.—Unveiling of peal board. 5 30.—Service in church, with an address by the Vicar. 6.—Tea, at 1s. each. Please notify intention of being present not later than Tuesday, September 12th. H. KNIGHT, *Hon. Sec.*
15, *Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.*

The Winchesier Diocesan Guild –Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Oakley, Saturday, September 23rd. Bells from 4. Tea and meeting Oakley parieh room at 6.

F. G. HUME, *Dls. Sec.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.–North Bucks. Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Emberton. Bucks. on Saturday, September 23rd. Service at 3.30 p.m.

F. W. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Warwickshine Guild. — The next meeting will be held at Aston Manor on Saturday, September 23rd. Bells (10) ready at 4 p.m. REV, C. C. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
The Parsonage, Shottery.

The Hertfordshire Association.–Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Bennington on Saturday, September 23rd. when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening. A free tea will kindly be provided by the Rev. W. Mills, Rector, in the parish reom at 5.30. It is hoped many will attend a meeting at this picturesque old world village. W. H. LAWRENCE *Dis, Sec.*

The Kent County Association —Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be yeld at Headcorn on Saturday, September 23rd. Bells available at 3 o'clock, Tea can be arranged at 5. at 1s. each for all those who notify me not later than Tuesday, September 19th. There will be a short special service in the church at 6, to be followed by a business meeting for the election of officers, etc. An allowance of one penny per mile single journey will be paid to all members attending. Turn up brothers, by road, rail, or sea. C. TRIBE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
British School Villas, Tenterden.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 23rd. Please notify Mr. S. J. Kynnersley, 20, Holly Road, The Heath, Uttoxeter, of how many intend to be present not later than September 20th. REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON. } *Hon. Secs.*

The Midland Counties Association.–The next quarterly meeting will be held at Darley Dale on Saturday, September 30th, Tower (8 bells) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4 15. Tea at 5 (1s. each), both at The Grouse inn. Those who intend being present at tea, must inform Mr. W. Taylor, Northwood, Darley Dale, by the previous Thursday morning.
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The Essex Association.—South-Western District.—The annual meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, September 30th. Bells available at 3.15. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar, Tea at The Red Lion, at 5.30., members 6d,, non-members 1s. 6d., followed by business meeting. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid on or before this meeting. Will members intending to be present let me know by Wednesday, September 27th. T. D. LOOSEMORE. *Hon. Sec.*
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The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H SHUKER, J. H BANKS, } *Hon. Secs.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

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Must if he chance to curse or swear,
Pay sixpence to the poor.

And whoso'er a noise does make,
On idle story tells
Must sixpence to the ringers take,
For mending of the bells,

If any like to smoke or drink,
They must not do so here;
Good reason why, just let them think,
This is God's House of Prayer.

Young men that come to see and try,
And do not ringing use;
Must sixpence give the company,
And that shall them excuse.

He that his hat on his head doth keep,
Within this sacred place;
Must pay his sixpence e'er he sleep,
Or turn out with disgrace.

If any one with spurs to heels,
Rings here at any time;
He must for breaking articles,
Pay sixpence for his crime.

If any overthrow a bell,
And that by chance he may;
Because he minds not ringing well,
He must his sixpence pay.

Or if a noble-minded man,
Comes here to ring a bell;
A shilling is the sexton's fee,
Who keeps the church so well.

If any should our parson sneer,
Or wardens rules deride;
It is a rule of old most clear,
That such sha'nt here abide.

The Sabbath Day we wish to keep,
And come to church to pray;
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And when the bells are down and ceas'd,
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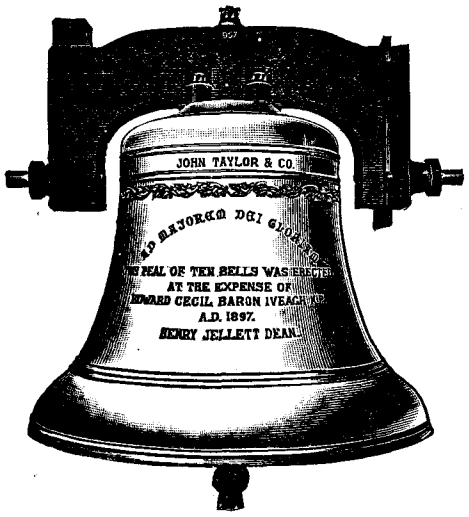

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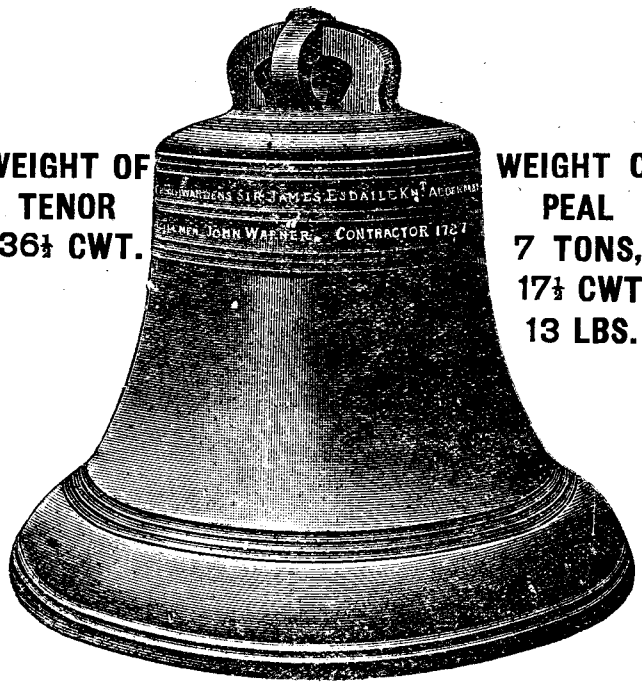

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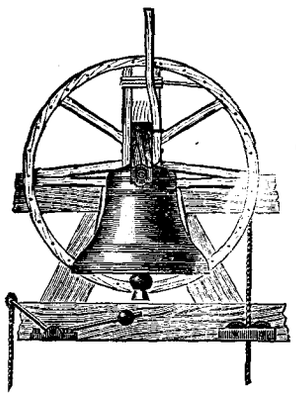

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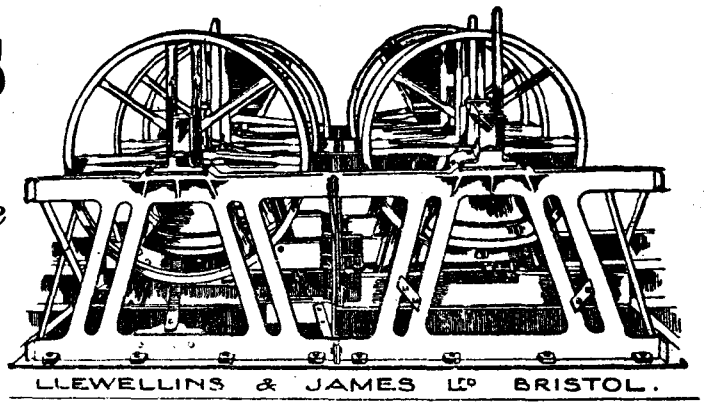

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SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

The Quarterly Meeting held at Penkridge on Saturday, September 16th, proved to be a success. In connection with this meeting an interesting ceremony was performed, viz., the unveiling of a peal board recording a peal of Double Norwich—the first in the method on the bells—which the Vicar (the Rev. J. H. Kempson, M.A.) had very kindly presented. This ceremony was performed by the Rev. E. V. Cox, who, in the course of his remarks, expressed the hope that the record would be an incentive to others.

The Rev. H. Kempson, in reply, said it gave him pleasure to do what he had done, and he hoped that in the near future his own band would score a peal, which would in turn be recorded in a similar way. The lettering on the board is black, with initials in red, enclosed in an Oxford frame, and surmounted by a cross—all of oak. The reading is as follows: "Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. On Tuesday, April 18th, 1911, the following members rang a peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major (consisting of 5024 changes), in three hours and five minutes. John Perry, 1; W. D. James, 2; Herbert Knight, 3; John C. Adams, 4; Rev. E. V. Cox, 5: William Fisher, 6; George Pigott, 7; Joseph Pigott, 8. Composed and Conducted by Joseph Pigott. J. H. Kempson, M.A., Vicar; C. J. Tildesley, C. P. Russell, Churchwardens; Frank Fowke, head ringer."

At the service which followed the Vicar gave an encouraging address, his text being taken from Numbers x. 2 He reminded his hearers of their duty to God as worshippers, as well as using their skill and knowledge of the Art in calling others.

A substantial tea was provided at The Littleton Arms." The Rev. A. T. S. Talbot was elected an honorary member. The Central Council regresentatives—Messrs. S. Reeves and R. Cartwright—were re-elected. It was proposed that a sum of two guineas be handed over to the fund for augmenting the bells at St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, to a peal of twelve. The next meeting is to be held at Bilston on January 13th, 1912. A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his address, for presiding, and for the use of the bells. Thanks are also due to the organist and choir, who so kindly gave their assistance. Among the items of ringing were Grandsire, Stedman and Erin Triples, Plain Bob, Kent, Double Norwich, and Superlative Surprise Major.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the Rochester District was held at Rochester on Saturday, September 16th. The Cathedral bells were raised at 3.0 p.m. to ring for the 4 o'clock service, at which some forty members were present. The Archdeacon (the Rev. John Tilly Rowe) gave a short address, taking his text from the 28th chapter of Exodus, the 12th and following verse. "A golden bell and a pomegranate; a golden bell and a pomegranate on the hem of the garment round about. In the course of his address he emphasised the great privileges of bellringers, whose duty it was to call God's people together for prayer and praise, that they took the place of the Priests of the early Jewish Church, who summoned the people together by the blowing of trumpets. He also urged them to aim high in their religious life, with the enthusiasm that they put into their ringing,

At 5.30 tea was served in the committee room of the corn exchange, kindly lent by the Mayor (A. J. Knight, esq.), sixty sitting down, representing Queenborough, Tunstall, Rodmersham, Borden, Newington, Upchurch, Hartlip, Rainham, Gillingham, Chatham, Swanscombe, Gravesend, Milton-next-Gravesend, Chatham and Rochester in the district, Lyminge in the Canterbury district, Maidstone district Dartford and Crayford, and some unattached members from the Lewisham district. Business commenced at 6.15, and Mr. W. Harper, of Swanscombe, was voted to the chair. A letter was read from the Mayor, expressing a welcome to the city, and his regret at not being amongst them, as he had previously arranged for that date, and wishing them a pleasant and successful meeting. A report of the district was read and adopted. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed; two new members for Queenborough were admitted: the district secretary and representative were again elected; and a collection was made on behalf of Gillingham and Rainham bells amounting to 16s. Votes of thanks were accorded the local clergy for the use of their respective towers; the Archdeacon for his address; the Mayor for the use of the committee room; and lastly to the chairman. Ringing was again indulged in at the Cathedral and Chatham, the former till 8.30, and the latter till 9.30. The methods rung were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Double Norwich, Kent Treble Bob and Superlative Surprise Major.

CHURCH CONGRESS AT STOKE-ON-TRENT, OCTOBER 2-6.

If any change-ringers intend to visit Stoke-on-Trent during the Congress week, and wish to ring, I shall be obliged if they will communicate with me at once, and I will gladly arrange a pull for them.—Sidney Churton, 24, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

Mr. A. Symonds writes: "The Rev. W. L. B. Hopkins has asked me to let my ringing friends know that no more attempts can be made to ring peals on Lavenham bells until they are thoroughly overhauled. Visitors for touches and service ringing excluded."

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A DAY'S RINGING IN THE BRADFIELD DEANERY.

"How about a run round Theale and Bradfield?" Such was the suggestion recently of a member of the Sonning Deanery branch; the result being that the idea was readily taken up by a good number of ringers. Saturday, September 9th, was the day chosen for the outing, and the order was to meet at the Town Hall, Wokingham, at 9 a.m. At the appointed time some nine ringers (all on cycles) assembled, representing the towers of Binfield, Eastampstead (2), Hurst, Sandhurst (2), and Wokingham, with Mr. W. Horne from Yately, and Mr. C. Edwards, Farnham. Theale, the first place ou the list, was reached about 10.30, and the fine ring of six bells were soon going to Kent Treble Bob, a 240 being brought round. This was followed by the same length of Oxford, two 6-scores of Stedman Doubles, and one of Grandsire, the latter being for the benefit of the veteran steeplekeeper, Mr. H. Stevens, who also helped to lower the bells in peal, his striking being a credit to many a young ringer. It seems a great pity that this very fine church should only possess six bells. Two good trebles would make one of the finest eights in the county.

Our next stop was at Englefield, one mile distant from Theale. This very pretty church stands in the beautiful park of Herbet Benyon Esq., and possesses a musical ring of six bells. Here we were met by Mr. J. Avery, who asked us to tap off a 720. Plain Bob was the method selected, and a good 720 was brought round, conducted by W. J. Paice. 240 of Cambridge Surprise was lost in the last lead, but a good 240 of Oxford was rung. The Squire and people of Englefield are on the best of terms, as was evidenced by the many things undertaken for the comfort and well being of the latter, particularly the large working men's club, where the ringers adjourned for refreshments. Greatly refreshkd we started on the next stage of our journey, Bradfield being reached shortly before 2 o'clock. This is an old-fashioned village famous for its College; and the church is a quaint old building with a tower capable of holding a ring of twelve. One of the local ringers informed us that he could ring the tenor with one hand for a quarter of an hour, a statement not entirely endorsed by the ringer who turned her in to a 720 of Kent. Owing to a wedding no more ringing could be hone here, so that the rest of the time at our disposal was spent under the church tower, while one of our number did his best to produce the group on the plate of his camera.

We now had a cross country ride of some three or four miles to the village of Beenham, where after a considerable amount of snapping and dodging and losing ourselves, we at last found the church. Mr. J. Hatto, the foreman of the local band, was there to welcome us, and the bells were soon going to Woodbine Treble Bob, a 240 being rung. This was followed by a short touch of Plain Bob and a six score of Stedman Doubles. During the ringing the Vicar visited the belfry, and said how pleaeed he was to see us at his church, and regretted that his wife was away from home or he would have been pleased to have given us tea. Wishing him and Mr. Hatto good-bye we started off again, our destination being the People's refreshment house on the Bsth Road. A rather unfortunate mishay occurred on the way here, the pedal of Mr. Horne's bicycle snapping off while ascending a hill, the consequence being that he had to depend on two of his comrades to push him along. Tea over we made our way to Padworth, and found a very tiny church, snugly tucked away in a corner of the park. The ropes hang in a semi-circle round the font, the treble and tenor ringers being almost hidden from each other by a large monument. 240 of Oxford was tapped off, followed by 240 Cambridge, 120 Plain Bob and 240 Kent, everyone remarking on the smooth running of this handy ring, and their rare sweetness of tone.

Dusk was falling as we started for the sixth and last tower on the list, viz., Burghfield, which was reached about 7.30. We found a rather peculiar built church, and a very fine ring of six bells, tenor about 12½ cwt. 360 of Oxford Bob was tapped off, conducted by W. Horne, followed by 120 Stedman Doubles and 240 Kent. The falling of the bells in peal concluded the day's ringing.

The unanimous opinion of everyone as we gathered outside the church afterwards to say good night was that it had been a most successful and enjoyable day, and hopes were expressed that it would be succeeded by many more.

The last "pull" of the day came when Mr. Horne disappeared in the darkness towed along, not by a bell-rope, but by a clothes line.

The grateful thanks of the party are due to Mr. J. North for suggesting the idea, to the various Vicars for granting permission, to the steeplekeepers for having everything ready, and last but not least to Mr. J. Avery for making the necessary arrangements and for acting as pilot through the country lanes and by-ways. Without all this kindly co-operation these outings could never be a success. It is interesting to note that although all the towers visited were six-bell, the company comprised a Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major band. W. J. P.

THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

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21436587
24163857
42618375
46213857
64128375
61482735
16847253
16482735
18642735 BOB

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TWO PEALS OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

By E. C. Gobey, *Ilkeston.*

5024.

23456	M	B	W	H
24536	1	–	2	2
25346	1	–	2	2
43526	1	–		2
56234	1		1	2
34625	1		2	2
36245			1	2
42635	1	–		2
65324	2	–	2	2
46253	2		1	2
23564	1		1	2
32465		–	1	2
25463	2	–	1	2
32654	–	–	2	2
23456	2			2

4th, 5th, and 6th the extent in 6ths.

5024.

23456	M	B	W	H
54326			2	2
45623		–	1	2
23564	1		2	2
32465	2			2
64235	1	–		2
62345			1	2
26543	2			2
63542	2	–	1	2
52436	2	–	2	2
25634		–	1	2
26354	1	–	2	2
54632	1		2	2
25346		–	2	2
23456	1	–	2	2

Has all the 8-6s.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By the same Author.

5024.

23456	1	4	5	6
26435		–	–	
63425	–			
24365	–			–
43265				–
62345	–			–
23645				–
36245				–
64235	–			
32465	–			–
62534	–	–		–
35264	–			–
34256		–	–	
52436	–			–
24536				–
45236				–
32546	–			–
25346				–
43526	–			–
35426				–
54326				–
42356	–			–
53246	–			–
32456	–			s

Repeated.

5024 BOB MAJOR.

By Geo. Cross, *Norwich.*

23456	W	B	H
52364	–	1	–
35264			–
26354	–		–
32654			–
63254			–
56234	–		
23564	–		–
62345	–	1	–
36245			–
24365	–		–
32465			–
43265			–
64235	–		
23645	–		–
43256	s	1	–
24356			–
32456			–
45326	–		–
34526			–
52346	–		–
35246			–
23546			–

Repeated.

Has all the combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6.

First rung at Hethersett on Thursday, September 14th, 1911, conducted by its composer.

5104 BOB MAJOR.

By H. Price.

23456	W	B	M	H
64352			–	–
36524		–	–	–
53624				[illegible]
65324				[illegible]
32654	–			[illegible]
63254				–
25634	–			–
62534				–
56234				[illegible]
23564	–			[illegible]
52364				–
53264				s
26254		3	–	–
23654				–
65234	–			–
26534				–
52734				–
63424	–			–
56324				–
32564	–			–
35264				s
42356	–		–	–
35426	–			–
43526				–
52436	–			–
45236				–
24536				–
53246	–			–
25346				–
32546				–
54326	–			–
32456	s			–
43256				–

Repeat the last twelve courses. Bob at home the first course.

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Correspondence.

Lady Ringers.

Sir,—The *locum tenens* mentioned by your correspondent, E. J. B., seems to have acted in a rather arbitrary manner, and has no doubt exceeded his powers. At the same time this latest craze for female ringers seems to me to be a mistake. I know that in the preeent day women engage in all kinds of men's work, which is a very wrong principle altogether. I blame the men quite as much as the women, for encouraging this sort of thing, and am persuaded that any man with a true respect for women would not do so. Women would be far more honoured in keeping to their own sphere than in trying to compete with men in men's work If this sort of thing goes on we shall have women working at all sorts of men's trades, while the men stay at home and do the cooking and housework. Certainly the belfry is no place for women, and it is a false notion of chivalry on the men's part to encourage them there. It may seem rather hard lines for those few ladies who have learnt to ring to abandon their pastime; nevertheless I think they would do well to do so, and take up some other kind of amusement more suitable for them. J. R. Jerram.

Ladies in the Belfry.

Sir,—It is with feelings of thankfulness for your outspoken criticism, anent the above, that I crave your indulgence to support you in the attitude you have adopted. Such a statement, and above all emanating from such a source, is truly an outrage on the ringing fraternity; an insult to their integrity, manners and intelligence. Ringers may have been guilty of coarse conduct in olden days; history records same of a few of the clergy. But let "bygones be bygones." The rev. gentleman quoted, is certainly not equal to the times, and in the words chosen as his cause for the young lady's withdrawal, could scarcely have realised the great insult he thereby inflicted upon the father (who we are informed is leader of the band), or upon the brother, both of whom from their very bond of affinity, one would think ought, and do realise, what is and what is not desirable for their relative to undertake; also the society she ought to mix with. It seems outrageous for a total outsider to at once come to the conclusion that something is wrong morally with the little band affected. I feel truly sorry for the three members, father, sister and brother, and, where I in their position, should feel that at least an apology was due. As regards the Exercise at large, I feel sure the presence of ladies will be welcomed; it adds a touch of refinement, and will do more to efface the misconceptions that have (and still exist) as regards ringing matters in general. With the exception of my daughter (age 14½) I have not had the pleasure of ringing with the opposite sex, but judging by the achievements of such as the Misses Parker, White, Willson and Gillingham, to mention only a few, I feel certain their presence would tend to lift ringers and ringing matters to a higher plane. As to morals—well I have yet to learn that ringers as a body are so debased as suggested. Possibly the remark as to the tower not being part of the church is one reason why the clergy, as a rule, so seldom find their way thereto; one cannot be surprised at their ignorance of ringing and ringers in such cases. If they fail to appreciate, or cannot eulogise the work or the workers, to say nothing of the time given for the same, both on Sundays and other occasions, whether it is done, as in our case (voluntarily) or paid for, surely we ought to be free from such gratituous insults, especially from leaders of our own community. At any rate, I feel sure ringers will not allow such a reflection to be cast without at least a strong word of resentment. Much more could and probably will be said by abler pens; at any rate I thank you for your candid criticism. Alfred Barnes.

Sir,—As a reader of "The Bell News" for many years I was glad to read your leading article in your last issue, but I certainly think the Ringing Exercise should be given the name of this deputy clergyman, so as the ringers (if any) wherever he goes, might be warned. From this gentleman's remarks one would fancy that we lived in the seventeenth or eighteenth century as regards ringing and ringers, but one can safely say that the present time our belfries and our ringers are both to be highly respected, and the mutual feeling of respect between male and female ringers is everywhere apparent. I heard of a case last year where a Vicar objected to a lady ringer, but I was very glad to find that this lady did not give up ringing, for she was welcomed by a band of ringers close by, and as far as I know she is still a regular member of that band. The Bishop should take steps to have such narrow minded clergymen removed to places where no bells exist, for our Exercise has no use for anyone who wishes to discourage our Art. W. S.

Sir,—Having read E. J. B.'s letter in this week's "Bell News," I feel I must write a few words as to the treatment I, as a lady bellringer, have met with at the various churches in which I have rung. I have now rung in twenty-seven different towers, these being situated in East Anglia, Hampshire. Yorkshire and Guernsey, and I have always met with extreme courtesy from the ringers, in fact there is not one single instance where I was not treated with great kindness and respect. My sister and I, as members of the Norwich Diocesan Association, have attended several bellringers' meetings, where we have been must heartily welcomed, the ringers, as customary with them, behaving as gentlemen. I should also like to say that we *do* consider the belfry a part of the church, and look upon our office as ringers as a sacred one. Surely that *locum tenens* can have had very little to do with bellringers to have made such an absolutely uncalled for remark about them.

R. W. C. Stanford.

Sir,—I think your correspondent should give the clergyman's name or at least the church were he is officiating, so that we might know who made such an uncalled for statement, and that he should be asked to give his reasons, as I feel it is a slur on all bellringers. I myself have been a ringer over thirty years. I have five sons, a daughter and my wife, though the latter two do not take an active part in change-ringing, but they go into the belfry to ring. But evil he who evil thinks. As to the belfry not being a part of the church, I never read a more ridiculous idea in my life, but one would think it was not part of the same building as the chancel, according to the attention it receives by some of the clergy, as they never see inside unless it is to find fault. It was built by the same builder and consecrated by the same Bishop. I should say the music from the belfry is listened to by larger congregations than the rev. gentleman preaches to. R. Mackman.

Sir,—The letter signed by "E. J. B." published in "The Bell News" of the 16th inst., comes as a big surprise to those that take part in the work of the Church. That a lady should be forbidden to work in the belfry if she is desirous of so doing one cannot understand, the more so as the belfry must be part of the Church itself, and is so considered by all fair minded people. The gentleman referred to must be sadly lacking in that part of his work to consider it otherwise; and I would recommend an early application to that duty, the result of which may cause the rev. gentleman to alter his views. The ringers it has been my pleasure to meet here and at other towers are at all times pleased to welcome a lady, whether the lady be a ringer or not, and speaking of those workers generally they are conceited enough (and I am one of them) to believe they know how to comport themselves in the belfry whether ladies be present or otherwise, and in my humble opinion anyone asserting the contrary is deviating from the path of truth. After all it is gratifying to know that some of the clergy hold an opposite view to the clergyman before mentioned, and pleased to welcome ladies to the belfry. We here are happy in the possession of such, and what is more every ringer is looking forward to the pleasure of welcoming a band of lady ringers for a peal within the next few weeks, and I believe the Vicar would like to be the first to congratulate them on their success. I don't think it necessary to touch further upon that part of the letter as to questionable conduct, only to say it is absurd. It would be interesting however to have the opinion of the daughter of the late Astronomer Royal, who took a lively interest in ringing with the band of St. Alphege, Greenwich, some few years ago, on the point of ladies in the belfry. Chas. T. Clarke.

Cubitt Town.

SIR,—May I give my opinion upon the seemliness of ladies ringing? I have rung in many belfries, but in none has there been more quietness and decorum than in a certain one where a father, son and daughters are regular ringers. It is for that reason among others that I always enjoy ringing for evensong in that particular belfry more than in any other. I have stood in a peal with a lady ringer; I have seen one present at a big quarterly meeting of country ringers, and on both occasions the influence of her presence was noticeable for good.

C. B. HULTON, Vicar of Worsley, Lancashire.

SIR,—Referring to your correspondent's letter on "Ladies in the Belfry," I feel I should like to say a word on the subject. I have been in about eighty towers in different parts of the country, and have met hundreds of ringers, and have the greatest respect for them all. I have never heard or seen any conduct that any lady need be ashamed of, or that in any way warrants such a cruel statement as made by the rev. gentleman in the letter in question. He surely cannot know what he is talking about. I feel very sorry for all the band of ringers, especially the lady. They must feel very uncomfortable at such words, it is quite an insult to all ringers. I trust the rev. gentleman will soon get a better opinion of us all, and would like to suggest that he join some band, when, no doubt, he will soon alter his opinion.

MRS. R. WHITTINGTON.

COMPOSITIONS.

SIR,—The two peals of Bob Major published by Geo. Cross, of Norwich, in your last issue belong by right to Gabriel Lindoff, The 5024 first part will be found under peal 136 of Central Council Collection of peals, the second part under 135, with wrongs for homes. The 5184 first part is identical with the other peal with middle and home added in the last course. The second part is peal 154. All these peals belong to Mr. Lindoff.

C. H. FOWLER.

THE PEAL AT LANGHAM ON SEPTEMBER 1ST.

SIR,—It has been pointed out that a peal of Minor in seven methods had been previously rung in the county of Rutland; we therefore withdraw our footnote with apologies to the previous band.

WALTER WHITE, Conductor.

Miscellaneous.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ROMSEY (Hants).—On Sunday, September 10th, for morning service at the Abbey, 336 Grandsire Triples. J. Smithers, E. V. Hinton, F. Paskins, F. Hand, J. Walker, T. Cole, W. G. Fowler, W. Payne. And 504. J. Elcombe 2, the rest as before. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins. J. Smither first quarter-peal, J. Elcombe, F. Paskins, F. Hand, J. Walker, T. Cole, W. G. Fowler, W. Payne. The above touches were conducted by W. G. Fowler, who was visiting Romsey. E. V. Hinton belongs to Christchurch.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Friday, September 15th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples on handbells. W. Shepherd conductor, 1-2; A. F. Shepherd, 3-4; W. A. Woodrow, 5-6; J. Loveridge (first quarter-peal), 7-8.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

RUGBY.—On Monday evening, September 18th, a quarter-peal of London Surprise Major, 1280 changes, in 55 mins. W. Taylor, W. Malins composer, H. O. White, J. A. Fenton, C. W. Wheeler, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton conductor, J. W. Chandler. First quarter-peal in the method by the St. Andrew's Society, and on the bells.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

ECCLESTON (Cheshire).—On Thursday, September 7th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins. *W. Morgan, A. E. Richards, H. W. Wilde, *F. J. Usher, *W. Dunning, E. H. Lewis conductor, P. Smith, *J. Thomas. *First quarter-peal.

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BISHOP STORTFORD (Herts).—On Thursday, September 14th at St. Michael's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. T. Newman, F. Bird, P. Springham, jun., H. M. White, H. J. Tucker composer and conductor, P. Springham, sen., W. Wilkinson, C. Ridgwell. Rung as a birthday compliment to P. Springham, jun., he having attained the age of 17 on the above date, the band wishing him many happy returns. It was his first quarter-peal.

HANDSWORTH (Staffordshire).—On Sunday, September 17th, for Divine Service at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins. W. Wood, H. Pratt, A. J. Cartwright, C. Starkey, W. Anker, W. G. Ellis conductor, T. Verry, R. Speakman.

KIDLINGTON (Oxon).—On September 10th, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 48 mins. F. Webb, sen., W. Judge, J. Franklin, E. H. Harding, J. Matthews, R. Judge, Wm. Judge conductor, F. Webb, jun. This was specially arranged for E. H. Harding, of Trowbridge.

LANGPORT (Somerset).—On Sunday, September 17th, for the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 45 mins. T. Jeanes, W. Tont, T. J. Lloyd conductor, T. W. Creed, G. Lock, J. Hilburn.

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21435
24153
42513
24531
42351
24315
42135
41253
14235
12453

PLAIN BOB CHANGE.

42135
41253
14523
15432

SINGLE CHANGE.

41253
14523
14532

The composition of it is to call a bob at first lead-end as shewn. The next lead is a plain one, also shewn. Twice repeat this calling, using single at the last plain lead end. Then repeat the whole, which completes the 120 Doubles. Omit the first single and the bells will run round from a touch of sixty changes.

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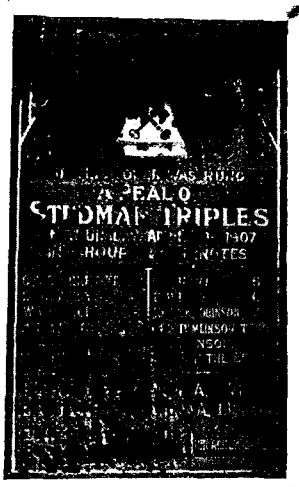

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BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

At the Church of St. Stephen the Martyr,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Heywood's No. 6. Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

Edwin J. Ridler*	*Treble.*	William Knight	5.
Jesse B. Tyler	2.	George Condick, jun.	6
Henry Pring	3.	William A. Cave	7.
John W. Jones*	4.	George Seaward	*Tenor.*

Conducted by William A. Cave.

*First peal of Stedman. Arranged for J. W. Jones, of Newport, Monmouthshire.

LYMINGTON, HANTS.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, September 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. Thomas,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 19½ cwt.

Rev. H. S. T. Richardson	*Treble.*	Rev. E. B. James	5.
E. M. Atkins	2.	W. D. James	6.
R. O. Street*	3.	*Rev. W. W. C. Baker	7.
Rev. A. G. Langdon*	4.	Rev. H. Law James	*Tenor.*

Composed by the Rev. E. B. James, and
Conducted by the Rev. H. Law James,

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

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BRADING, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, September 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY *Treble.*	R. O. STREET .. .. .. 5.
E. M. ATKINS 2	W. D. JAMES .. .. .. 6.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 3.	REV. E. B. JAMES .. .. 7.
REV. A. G. LANGDON .. 4.	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON *Tenor.*

Composed by W. ROYLE, and Conducted by the REV. E. B. JAMES.

First peal ever rung in the method.

HERNHILL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.

ERNEST J. DOBBIE .. ..*Treble.*	ALFRED W. GRIMES.. .. 5.
EDWARD TRENDELL .. .. 2.	FRANK BENNETT .. .. 6.
EDWARD E. FOREMAN .. 3.	*CHARLES W. PLAYER .. 7.
EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. .. 4.	JAMES E. DAVIS .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

*First peal in the method.

PUDSEY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION AND THE LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

PRATT CORDINGLEY .. ..*Treble.*	‡ERNEST MANN .. .. .. 5.
WILLIAM BIRKS .. .. .. 2.	‡WM. FREDK. THORPE .. 6.
SAM WARD† .. .. .. 3.	‡EBNEST HOYLE .. .. .. 7.
RONALD C. MATHERS* .. 4.	‡FREDK. WM. JONES .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by GEO. H. BEEVOR, and Conducted by ERNEST MANN.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. ‡First peal in the method on tower bells. First peal as conductor on tower bells.

HETHERSETT, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. REMIGIUS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt.

GEORGE A. CROSS .. ..*Treble.*	ALFRED GOODRUM .. .. 5.
WILLIAM A. HEMPEL .. 2.	ALBERT G. WARNES .. 6.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN .. 3.	ROBERT BLAKE .. .. .. 7.
GEORGE DAWSON .. .. 4.	FRED J. HOWCHIN .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by G. CROSS.

The ringer of the 4th was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting.

ECCLESTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

SAMUEL JONES .. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE JONES .. .. .. 5.
ALBERT E. RICHARDS* .. 2.	HENRY W. WILDE .. .. 6.
ROBERT SPERRING .. .. 3.	JAMES MORGAN .. .. .. 7.
FREDK. J. USHER* .. .. 4.	JOHN THOMAS .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HENRY W. WILDE.

*First peal. Rung as a farewell peal to F. J. Usher, who is leaving the neighbourhood for Corsham, Wilts.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lbs.

ISAAC HUFTON .. .. ..*Treble.*	ERNEST POXON .. .. .. 5.
JOSEPH HALL .. .. .. 2.	CECIL J. BAKER .. .. 6.
EDWARD C. GOBEY .. .. 3.	HENRY HARRISON .. .. 7.
SAMUEL BURGOYNE .. .. 4.	ALFRED T. BAKER .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

First peal on the bells, and by the local band.

BOLTON, BRADFORD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, two of Plain Bob, and three of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

CHARLES JACKSON .. ..*Treble.*	FRITH HOPWOOD .. .. 4.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 2.	JOSEPH BROADLEY .. .. 5.
WILLIAM WALAND .. .. 3.	THOMAS B. KENDALL ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

This is C. Jackson's 200th Yorkshire Association peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 8½ cwt.

JOHN LIVERMORE, JUN. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE PENFOLD .. .. 5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 2.	ERNEST GOWER .. .. .. 6.
ALBERT J. C. HARFFEY .. 3.	EDWARD W. BRAY .. .. 7.
GEORGE H. HOWSE .. .. 4.	BENJAMIN HOBBS .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

QUEENSBURY, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOSEPH BROADLEY .. ..*Treble.*	EDGAR WHITELEY .. .. 5.
JAMES COTTERELL .. .. 2.	SAM GLEDHILL.. .. .. 6.
CHARLES JACKSON .. .. 3.	GEORGE NAYLOE .. .. 7.
JONAS S. AMBLER .. .. 4.	FRED SALMONS .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

This peal is now rung for the first time.

GREAT WELDON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs.

REX T. BUSSELL .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY .. 4.
ALBERT E. FOURT .. .. 2.	ALBERT V. INNS .. .. 5.
FREDK. W. SAWFOOT .. 3.	E. MAURICE ATKINS ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

First peal on the bells, which are extremely noisy in the ringing-chamber. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival.

SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Pleasure, Duke of York, Woodbine, New London, Violet, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 16¾ cwt.

CECIL J. BAKER ..	..*Treble.*	ARTHUR FREEMAN	4.
WILLIAM HALFORD	2.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	5.
JOSEPH HALL	3.	*CHARLES WILKINSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWARD C. GOBEY.

*First peal, First peal in seven Treble Bob methods by all the band, and by the Association on tower bells.

HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

FRED C. MAYNARD ..	..*Treble.*	ISAAC CAVILL	5.
GEORGE H. BARKER.. ..	2.	WILLIAM SHEPHERD.. ..	6.
HAROLD W. CLARK	3.	REUBEN SANDERS	7.
CHARLES T. COLES	4.	HENRY G. ROWE ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

SKIPTON, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18¾ cwt.

JOE HARDCASTLE* ..	..*Treble.*	ALBERT C. FEARNLEY ..	5.
JAMES COTTERELL	2.	CHARLES JACKSON	6.
CLEMENT GLENN	3.	JOSEPH BROADLEY	7.
ARTHUR GILL	4.	GEORGE NAYLOR ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the morning of the Association meeting at Skipton.

GLODWICK, OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt.

ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM ..	..*Treble.*	ISAAC SCHOFIELD	5.
JOHN J. PEMBERTON.. ..	2.	SAMUEL HILL	6.
JOSEPH GODDARD	3.	JAMES W. TAYLOR	7.
SAMUEL STOTT	4.	CHARLES H. MARSLAND	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by I SIDEBOTHAM.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 5th. The 7th ringer was elected a member before starting.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON,—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHARLES CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

JOSEPH WOODLEY ..	..*Treble.*	REGINALD DOBSON	6.
HAROLD W. BENNETT ..	2.	WILLIAM D. JAMES	7.
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT ..	3.	ERNEST W. MARSH	8.
WALTER H. MARSH	4.	WILLIAM FORD	9.
WILLIAM RUNDLE	5.	FRANCIS W, PURSE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by WILLIAM D. JAMES.

*First peal in the method as conductor.

RUNCORN, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, September 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt. 3 qrs. 15 lbs. in F.

BENJAMIN TREVITT ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. J. HANCOCK	5.
WILLIAM BIBBY..	2.	GEORGE R. NEWTON.. ..	6.
REGINALD A. CARTWRIGHT	3.	EDWIN H. LEWIS	7.
JOHN A. CALLAND	4.	HENRY W. WILDE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by E. H. LEWIS.

This is the second peal to be rung in this method, and is in five equal parts of 1000 changes each.

SOUTH SHIELDS, DURHAM,

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HILDA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 9½ cwt.

ROBERT RICHARDS ..	..*Treble.*	THOMAS T. GOFTON	5.
STEPHEN W. STRATFORD..	2.	EDWARD A. HERN	6.
ALFRED F. HILLIER	3.	WILLIAM STORY..	7.
JOEL HERN	4.	GEORGE R. POTTER ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

Handbell Peals.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT 7, THE BROADWAY,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES.

ALBERT V. INNS	1–2.	E. MAURICE ATKINS ..	5–6.
DAVID J. NICHOLS.. ..	3–4.	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN ..	7–8.
FREDK. W. SAWFOOT			9–10.

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

First peal of Royal by all the band, and first in hand by the Association. Umpire—R. Chapman.

The following peals are the result of a weeks' ringing in South Wales by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

LLANGIBBY, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Sunday, September 10, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CYBI,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt.

ERNEST PYE	..*Treble.*	GEORGE DENT	5.
THOMAS T. GOFTON	2.	JOHN HOLMAN	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	JOHN FLINT	7.
ISAAC G, SHADE..	4.	WILLIAM PYE..	..*Tenor.*

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

First peal in the method on the bells, and by the Association.

CAERLEON, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Monday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CADOC,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr.

JOHN HOLMAN	..*Treble.*	ISAAC SHADE	5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	2.	WILLIAM PYE	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	7.
ERNEST PYE	4.	JAMES GEORGE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by the Association. This is W. W. Gifford's 400th peal.

Handbell Peal.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Monday, September 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF ALL SAINTS CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

BERTRAM PREWETT ..	1-2.	ERNEST PYE	5-6.
WILLIAM PYE..	3-4.	THOMAS T. GOFTON ..	7-8.
JAMES GEORGE	9-10.		

Composed by JAMES GEORGE, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on handbells by the Association.

TREVETHIN, PONTYPOOL, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CADOC,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAN W. GIFFORD	..*Treble.*	JOHN FLINT	5.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	WILLIAM PYE	6.
GABRIEL LINDOFF	3.	JAMES GEORGE	7.
JOHN HOLMAN	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by the Association.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Tuesday, September 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

GEORGE DENT	..*Treble.*	GABRIEL LINDOFF	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE	2.	ERNEST PYE	6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	3.	JOHN FLINT	7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON.. ..	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

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

First peal in the method on the bells, and by the Association.

MARSHFIELD. MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 11 cwt.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	2.	JOHN HOLMAN	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	WILLIAM PYE..	7.
GEORGE DENT	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by the Association.

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

On Wednesday, September 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt.

JAMES GEORGE	..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
ISAAC G. SHADE..	2.	JOHN FLINT	6.
GARRIEL LINDOFF	3.	ERNEST PYE	7.
THOMAS T. GOFTON	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Bristol rung in Wales.

CHEDISTON (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for Divine Service, 360 Plain Bob Minor and 120 Grandsire. Miss R. Stanford, F. C. Lambert, W. Kerrison, W. Pratt, T. Crane, L. Hammond, E. Hurren, F. Peck.

PENTRE, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

On Thursday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

JOHN FLINT..	..*Treble.*	THOMAS T. GOFTON	5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	2.	WILLIAM PYE	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	JAMES GEORGE..	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal of Major on the bells.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

On Thurssday, September 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5041 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt.

GABRIEL LINDOFF ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE DENT	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	JOHN HOLMAN	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	JAMES GEORGE	8.
WILLIAM PYE	4.	WILLIAN W. GIFFORD ..	9.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	5.	JOHN FLINT	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal of Stedman Caters on the bells.

LLANBRADACH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 21 lbs.

ISAAC G. SHADE	..*Treble.*	REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	5.
THOMAS T. GOFTON	2.	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
ERNEST PYE	3.	JOHN FLINT	7.
GEORGE DENT	4.	WILLIAM PYE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

First peal on the bells.

CAERPHILLY, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

On Friday, September 15, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.
3056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. 1 lb.

ISAAC G. SHADE	..*Treble.*	JOHN FLINT	5.
JOHN HOLMAN	2.	JAMES GEORGE	6.
WILLIAM PYE	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	7.
GABRIEL LINDOFF	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

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

First peal of Major on the bells.

CHEPSTOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, 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 21 cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	5.
WILLIAM PYE	2.	THOMAS T. GOFTON.. ..	6.
JOHN W. JONES	3.	JAMES GEORGE	7.
BERIRAM PREWETT	4.	ERNEST PYE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

HALESWORTH (Suffolk).—On Sunday, September 3rd, for evening service, 576 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. Kerrison, F. Lambert, jun., C. Moss, A. H. Took, F. C. Lambert (conductor), J. Howard, T. King, A. Lee.

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 the 28th, at 7.30.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild. — The annual general meeting will be held at St. Leonard's, Heston, on Saturday, September 23rd. The bells at Heston, Norwood Green, and Hounslow will be available for ringing from 3 p.m. Short service with sermon by the Rev. F. W. A, Wilkinson, at 5.30. Tea, 6d,. at 6.15, to be followed by meeting. Four representatives will be elected to serve on the next Central Council.

C. T. COLES, H. C. CHANDLE, } *Hon. Secs.*
173, *St John's Road, Walthamstow.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Southern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held to-day, Sat., September 23rd, at St. Leonard's, Streatham. Tower open from 3.45 p.m. to 8 p m. Business meeting at the Leigham Arms, Sunnyhill Road, at 8 p.m.

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34, *Guildford Road, South Lambeth.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild -Basingstoke District.—Quarterly meeting at Oakley, to-day, Sat., September 23rd. Bells from 4. Tea and meeting Oakley parish room at 6

F. G. HUME, *Dls. Sec.*

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.-North Bucks. Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Emberton. Bucks. to-day, Sat., September 23rd. Service at 3.30 p m.

F. W. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Warwickshine Guild. — The next meeting will be held at Aston Manor to-day, Sat., September 23rd. Bells (10) ready at 4 p.m. REV, C. C. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
The Parsonage, Shottery.

The Hertfordshire Association.–Eastern District.—A meeting will be held at Bennington to-day, Sat., September 23rd. when the bells will be available during the afternoon and evening A free tea will kindly be provided by the Rev. W. Mills, Rector, in the parish room at 5.30. It is hoped many will attend a meeting at this picturesque old world village. W. H. LAWRENCE *Dis. Sec.*

The Kent County Association —Ashford District.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Headcorn to-day, Sat.,, September 23rd. Bells available at 3 o'clock, Tea can be arranged at 5. at 1s. each for all those who notify me not later than Tuesday, September 19th. There will be a short special service in the church at 6, to be followed by a business meeting for the election of officers, etc. An allowance of one penny per mile single journey will be paid to all members attending. Turn up brothers, by road, rail, or sea. C. TRIBE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
British School Villas, Tenterden.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Uttoxeter to-day, Sat., September 23rd.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON. } *Hon. Secs.*

The Midland Counties Association.–The next quarterly meeting will be held at Darley Dale on Saturday, September 30th, Tower (8 bells) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4 15. Tea at 5 (1s. each), both at The Grouse inn. Those who intend being present at tea, must inform Mr. W. Taylor, Northwood, Darley Dale, by the previous Thursday morning.

Cotgrave, Notts. W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Western District.—The annual meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday, September 30th. Bells available at 3.15. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar, Tea at The Red Lion, at 5.30., members 6d,, non-members 1s. 6d., followed by business meeting. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid on or before this meeting. Will members intending to be present let me know by Wednesday, September 27th. T. D. LOOSEMORE. *Hon. Sec.*
80, *Elgin Road, Seven Kings.*

The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H SHUKER. J. H BANKS, } *Hon. Secs.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Congresbury on Saturday, September 30th. Service in the parish church at 3.30 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom at 4.15. Meeting to follow.

E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association. —Northern Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chaddesley Corbett on Saturday, September 30th Service in the church at 4 15. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar in the schools at 4.45. Business meeting to follow. A brake will leave the residence of Mr. T. J. Salter, Bromsgrove Street, Kidderminster, at 2 45, return fare 1s. each. Will all those intending to be present at the tea, or going by brake, please let me know on or before Wednesday, September 27th. E. J. DOWLER, *Hon. Sec.*
54, *Tiverton Road, Bournbrook,, Birmingham.*

The Bedfordshire Association.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Woburn on Saturday, October 7th. A. RUST *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.–Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of this district will be held at Charing on Saturday, October 14th. Through the generosity of the Rev. Rendell Carter, tea will be provided to all members intending to attend, who must notify the District Secretary not later than Monday, October 9th. Belfry open at 3.30 Short service at 5.30.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*
71, *Florence Road, Maidstone.*

St. Thomas's Church, Dudley. — The practice night at this church is discontinued until the end of September.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, *Hon. Sec.*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

NOTE TO PEAL.

THE PEAL AT BOLTON, YORKS. — C. Jackson's 200 Yorkshire Association Peals.–Minor methods 4, conducted 2; Grandsire Triples 85, conducted 73; Major 1, conducted 1; Caters 4, conducted 4; Bob Major 23, conducted 19; Royal 1; Yorkshire Court Major 7; Treble Bob Major 36, conducted 21; Royal 6, conducted 1; Stedman Triples 23, conducted 17; Caters 12, conducted 8; Superlative Surprise 2. Handbell peal.—Grandsire Triples 1. Total—200; conducted 149. Rung in 42 towers. One peal of Grandsire Major, and one of Triples which were false, is not included in this list.

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The mediaeval bells usually bear inscriptions, very common in rhyming leonine hexameters, pious invocations, or staves in honour of their supposed beneficent powers. The oldest founders rarely put on the bells their own names or the dates; but most of them have been identified by the foundry stamps and other devices with which they ornamented their works. Large bells were introduced in England about the sixth century, the earliest founders being monastic. Dunstan concerned himself with bell founding. The Croyland Abbey ring, cast by monkish experts, perished by fire in 1097 A manuscript in the library of Corpus Christi College, contains directions for bell founding, by a monk of Evesham, in the time of Henry III. The modern art of change-ringing, which took its rise in the seventeenth century led to rings of eight, and even twelve bells being hung in some towers ; but in very early times cathedral and abbey churches often had rings of heavy bells, and some of the oldest surviving parish churches, such as Brigstock and Brixworth in Northamptonshire, and St. Benet's church in Cambridge, were evidently designed to hold several bells. Change-ringing somewhat tended to rescue the bells from the neglect and disesteem into which they had fallen after the Reformation, but it also led to the disappearance of many mediaeval bells, as ancient heavy bells were recast into smaller ones of larger number. Moreover, the older bells, being long waisted in shape, were for that reason frequently made to give place to shorter ones, which the ringers deemed easier to raise.

The mediaeval bells now surviving are comparatively few in number. In Surrey, out of 1,030 bells, only a trifle over two per cent. were found to date before the year 1600. In Lincolnshire the proportion was 17·5 per cent. In Norfolk about one bell in six dates before the reign of Queen Elizabeth. The monastery bells seemed to have vanished when the monasteries were suppressed. Some disappeared in private hands; others wers sold by the Crown. The Augmentation Rolls shows that in the time of Henry VIII. one lot of 100,000 lb. of bells and bell metal were sold for £900, with licence to convey, utter, and sell the same beyond sea. A very few monastery bells hang *in situ*. Forde abbey, in Dorset, still possesses one of the bells cast by the Brasyers, who had a foundry at Norwich about the fifteenth century, bearing their foundry stamp and a handsome moulded invocation of St. Margaret.

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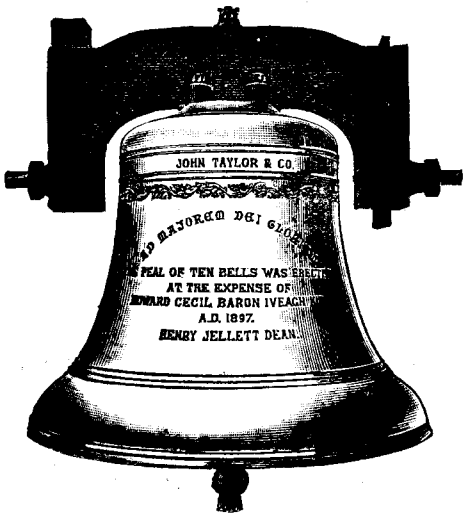

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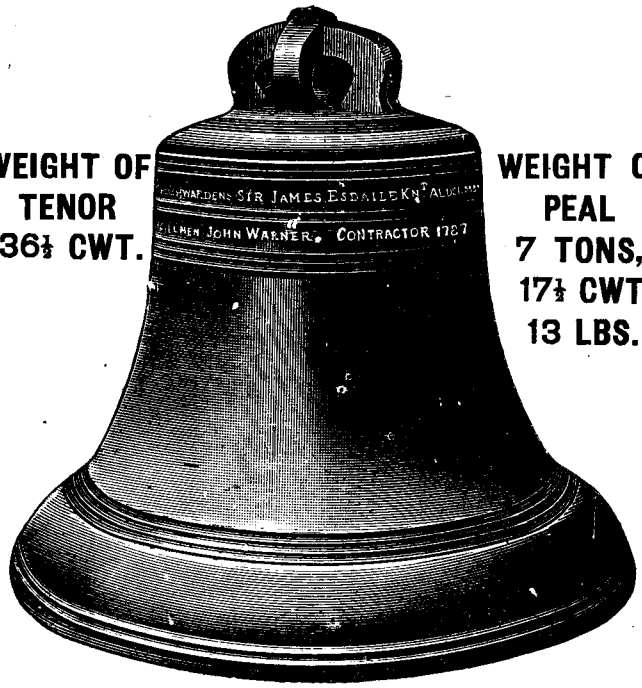

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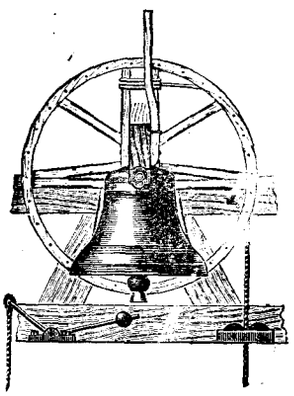

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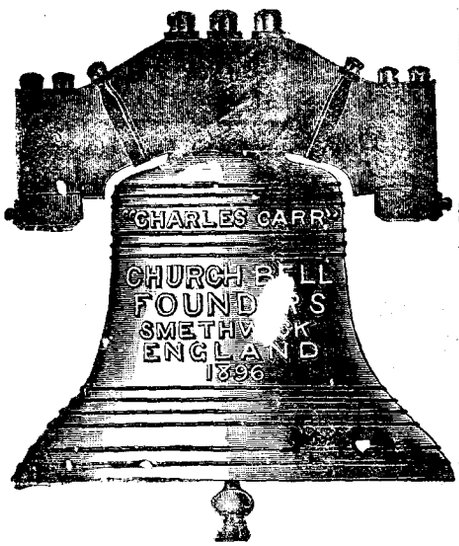

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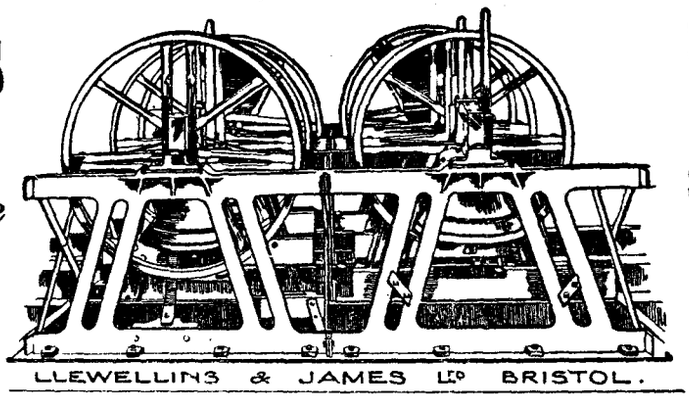

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The Third Session of the Seventh Council (21st Annual Meeting) was held in the Old Town Hall at Leicester on Whitsun Tuesday, June 6th, 1911, when there were present 51 out of 96 representative members, and 9 out 13 honorary members, making a totat of 60 members present.

The chair was taken at 11 a.m. by Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., the President.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and signed, the Hon. Secretary reported that, in accordance with the resolution passed last year, he had conveyed the condolence of the Council to Mrs. Robinson, and read the reply that had been received.

At this point the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn called attention to the position of the fund for the erection of a memorial to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, and, after discussion of the subject, in which many members joined, proposed that "In the event of the required amount of £300 not being in the hands of the Robinson Memorial Committee by the end of August, the Council sees no objection to the Committee re-considering what form the Memorial should take." This was seconded by the Rev. G. F. Coleridge and adopted.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge proposed "That the Council having in grateful recollection the many and great services rendered to the Exercise by the late Mr. R. S. Story, do hereby instruct the Honorary Secretary to send a letter expressing sincere sympathy with Mrs. Story and family in their bereavement." This having been seconded by the Rev. H. A. Cockey, and feelingly supported by the Presideet, was unanimously adopted in silence, the members rising.

The Hon. Secretary then read the statement of accounts, of which the following is a summary: Balance from last year £52 18s. 1d.; Affiliation Fees £12; Sale of Publication £2 6s. 1d. Against this there was, Expenses of last year's meeting £2 9s. 6d.; Insurance and Committee expenses 7s.; Postage and Printing 12s.; leaving in hand a present balance of £63 15s. 8d.

He also read the principal items in the account of Sales of Publication rendered by Messrs. Allen, stating that he had examined them carefully in detail, and had found them correct, and that he estimated the net value of those remaining in hand at £126 19s. 6d. The accounts, which had been previously audited in detail by the Standing Committee, were passed on the proposal of the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, seconded by Mr. F. B. Tompkins.

It was proposed by the Rev. C. E. Matthews, seconded by Mr. H. White, and carried unanimously, that the Rev. E. W. Carpenter be re-elected an honorary member, and the name of Mr. H. W. Wilde being also added to the list on the proposal of Mr. E. H. Lewis seconded by Mr. W. E. White.

The Hon. Secretary announced that expressions of regret for absence had been received from the Revs. H. E. Tilney Bassett and Canon Papillon, and from Messrs. C. E. Borrett, R. Cartwright, H. Dains, R. A. Daniell, J. Parker and J. R. Sharman.

The Rev. A. T. Beeston, representing the Chester Guild, and Mr. J. W. Parker, an Honorary Member, were introduced to, and shook hands with the President.

On behalf of the Peal Collection Committee the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson reported progress with regard to the Treble Bob section, and on the proposition of the Hon. Secretary, seconded by the Rev. H. S. T. Richardson, Mr. H. W. Wilde was added to the Committee.

In the absence of Mr. R. A. Daniell through indisposition no formal Report was presented in connection with the work of the Church Press Committee, but it was understood that the work was making due progress.

The Rev. H. Law James reported progress on behalf of the Committee for the Collection of Legitimate Methods.

For the Peal Values' Committee Dr. Carpenter brought forward a Schedule of Points for Peals on seven bells and upward, founded on the formula $\frac{V N^2}{64}$ together with a Schedule of Points for Minor peals, stating that the Committee recommended 3 points for 42 six-scores of Doubles, and proposed the adoption of the whole. This having been seconded by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Griffin proposed as an amendment to the Schedule of Points for Triples and upward a Schedule founded on the formula $\frac{V N^{3/2}}{8^{3/2}}$ the amendment being seconded by Mr. A. T. King. The President at this point advised that if it were adopted it would be best to refer it to the Peal Values' Committee for their consideration, and it was carried in this form by 25 votes to 12.

With respect to the Schedule for peals of Minor it was agreed, on the proposal of the Rev. E. W. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, that it be referred to the Committee, specially with reference to certain suggestions which had been put forward by Mr. J. S. Pritchett and the Hon. Secretary.

On the motion of Mr. A. T. King, seconded by Mr. J. Griffin, the Analysis of Peals for the year 1910 was unanimously adopted, the thanks of the Council being accorded to the Committee for their laborious and valuable work.

The Rev. H. Law James proposed, and Mr. R. Richardson seconded, "That nothing shall be recognised as a peal of Minor unless it consists of at least seven true and complete 720s, but that the 5040 may be extended by the addition of one touch of less than 720 changes, with or without extra 720s"

Mr. J. W. Parker proposed as an amendment that the first clause should read "The Council recommends that a peal of Minor should consist of at least," etc. This was seconded by Mr. E. H. Lewis and adopted unanimously, the resolution as so amended being then carried as the substantive motion.

Mr. W. Story moved that "For the purpose of representation on the Central Council, only such members of any territorial Association as are resident within the area

covered by that Association, shall be considered in fixing the number of representatives which such Association is entitled to elect." This was seconded by Mr. W. A. Cave and lost by a large majority.

Mr. J. A. Trollope moved, and Mr. R. J. Dawe seconded, that "The Central Council give to the "Ringing World" recognition equal to that accorded to "The Bell News" for the publication of official reports and communications, and that any peals published exclusively in the "Ringing World" shall be counted in the Council's Analysis."

The Rev. E. W. Carpenter moved to omit all words following "communications," and this was carried. After much discussion Mr. J. S. Pritchett moved the previous question, which was seconded by the Rev. W. W. C. Baker, and carried.

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge moved a vote of thanks to the President, and the meeting adjourned.

LEEDS (KENT) CHURCH BELLS.

On Sunday, September 10th, several members of the Kent County Association visited Leeds to try the newly-hung bells. Ringers from Benenden, Marden, Headcorn, Linton, Lenham, Tunstall, etc., rang touches of Bob Major, Grandsire Caters and Stedman Triples.

The work of recasting the 7th and 9th and entirely rehanging the whole ring of ten with steel headstocks has been carried out by Mr. Alfred Bowell, Bellfounder, of Ipswich. The verdict was that the "go" of the bells was excellent, and that the new bells were in perfect harmony with the rest of the peal. The tenor is a beautiful bell of about 21 cwt. cast by Joseph Hatch, of Ulcombe, a parish in the neighbourhood.

These bells are somewhat historical from a ringers' point of view, for on April 7th and 8th, 1761, James Barham and the Leeds Youths succeeded in ringing 40,320 changes of Bob Major in 27 hours. This is supposed to be the longest peal ever rung. The tower was built in the year 1119, and is peculiar in appearance, being little higher than it is wide. The following is a copy of the inscription on the headstone of James Barham, a noted ringer of this parish :—

"In memory of James Barnham, of this parish, who departed this life January 4th, 1818, aged 94 years, who from the year 1744 to the year 1804 rung in Kent and elsewhere 112 peals, not less than 5040 changes in each peal, and called bobs and S for most of the peals, and April 7th and 8th assisted in ringing 40,320 Bob Major on Leeds bells in 27 hours."

Correspondence.

Lady Ringers.

Sir,—Twenty years ago I taught my sister to ring a tower bell in the church where our father was Vicar, and I have been teaching ladies to ring ever since. Although not many have persevered, I have never known anything but a good result from what I done in this way: though I can understand old-fashioned ringers objecting to what they have not been accustomed. May we not have the name of the church and clergyman who has objected so autocratically; that we may both hear his side, and perhaps take steps to remedy matters?

Braisworth Rectory, Suffolk. H. Drake.

Sir,—I wish to thank you for publishing my letter, and also to thank those correspondents who have kindly replied to same. The clergyman in question is the Rev. Ferguson, and the church SS. Peter and Paul, Dagenham, Essex. E. J. B.

"Doubles."

Sir,—Please permit me to say the word "homing" in my Doubles last week should read "hunting," and the words Plain Bob change should read "plain change." H. Dains.

CHURCH BELLS.

Many bells, old and new, have been, and still are, wrecked by careless and unskilful ringing, and, notably, by the slovenly habit of "clocking." Two mediæval bells still lie cracked on the floor of a west country belfry, broken by lads who got into the belfry and hammered on the bells with heavy blows; nor is this a unique instance of such vandalism. And in our own day many noble old bells as well as many beautiful old churches have perished unnecessarily in over drastic and destructive restoration.

Although the oldest English founders very rarely dated their bells, a few instances exist to the contrary. Lancashire possesses a datod thirteenth century bell, and Lindolnshire one dated 1323. A Sussex church has or had a bell by a Low Country founder, dated 1369. The mediæval English founders turned out such fine bells that there was small temptation to employ foreigners. In Scotland foreign work is less uncommon. A few bells of a Mechlin founder have been found in England, and one of these, hung in a bell-cot on the roof of a tiny seaside church at Gower, misled a popular author into supposing that a foreign foundry had existed in that secluder corner of Glamorganshire.

Norwich, Salisbury, Reading (and Wokingham hard by), Gloucester and other English places had bell foundries in the middle ages. London from early times was the home of a long series of founders, belyetters, and potters, as the bellmakers were variously styled. Billiter Street in the City owes its name to them. Nearly all the London bells perished in the great fire of 1666, but the fine church of St. Bartholomew, Smithfield, still possesses a ring of five, adorned with saintly invocations and the device of Thomas Bullisdon, who was casting bells in London about the year 1500. Some of these old craftsmen cast cannon as well as bells, in sign whereof a founder at Bury St. Edmunds used a foundry stamp bearing both a bell and a cannon with a ball issuing from its mouth. The Brasyers of Norwich stamped their bells with a shield charged with three bells. William ffoundor, a London founder, whose patronymic was Dawe, used a chevron between three ewers or laxe-pots, as well as a bird device which may have been meant for a jackdaw. He cast guns for Dover Castle in 1385, and his bells reached Dartmoor and Cornwall. The Whitechapel Foundry, now carried on under the style of Mears and Stainbank, has been worked uninterruptedly for over three centuries under a succession of founders, beginning with R. Mot in 1570.

Bells cast after the Reformation no longer bore inscriptions invoking saints, or claiming supernatural powers. The handsome and elaborate Lombardic capital letters were discontinued, and the black letter soon followed. Since then inscriptions have mostly been in plain Roman capitals, with founder's name and date, to which came to be added the names of churchwardens or parson. In the seventeenth century the inscriptions often degenerated into poor and irreverent doggrel. Twenty counties, nineteen,

English and one Scotch, now possess printed accounts of their bells, and the founders, with illustrations, from rubbings and squeezes of the surviving mediæval inscriptions and devices.

A recent revival of the art of scientific ringing, coupled with this antiquarian cult of ancient bells, may warrant the hope that the bells will now be more skilfully handled and better cared for—that parish idlers will no longer be allowed to crack them with random jangling, much less batter them to pieces. It may be hoped also that fine old mediaval bells will no longer be ruthlessly and needlessly recast- Sales of the bells, such as those which took place in the eighteenth century, should be no longer possible. Yet not many months ago a mediaeval bell belonging to a small country parish was discovered in a neighbouring railway goods shed, presumably on its way to be sold, to find money for some church repair. Happily the bell was intercepted, and returned to its parish. There is ever some evil out of good, and good out of evil. Of late years jubilees and other joyful commemorations have been responsible for the needles recasting of many fine mediaeval bells. If, as we now so often hear, fuuds for necessary church repairs are hard to come by, there may the less temptation to spend money in unnecessarily exchanging old bells for new ones. Lastly, whenever an old bell has received injury which renders recasting absolutely necessary, it is possible to preserve the inscription and foundry marks in the form of a circular ring cut from the bell. In this manner some very fine inscriptions have been preserved, and whenever a mediaeval bell must be recast, there is no reason why the inscription should not be thus saved and hung, as a candelabrum or otherwise, in the church itself."

THE BELLS OF HARVARD COLLEGE.

By Arthur Howard Nichols, M.D., *Boston, U.S.A.*

(*Continued from page* 317.)

At a meeting of the Overseers, in 1660, it was ordered:

"Whereas (through long experience) former Laws have not been effectuail for the p'venting of unnecessary dammages to the Colledge, by the violence or carelessness of those for whose Accommodation great cost and charges have from time to time be expended. The Overseers do therefore order, that henceforth all due care be taken for the p'venting thereof; And that where any dammage shall be found done to any Study or Chamber inhabited, The p'son or p'sons resident therein shall make good the same, and where any dammage is done to ye Edifice of the Colledge (except by the inevitable providence of God) to any vacant Chamber, or Study, the Colledge fences about the yard, pump, Bell or clock, etc.; the same shall be made good again by all the Students resident in the Colledge at the time when such dammages shall be done or discovered to he done, and shall be duly payd in their Quarter Bills to the Steward of the Colledge, who shall repay the same to the Treasurer or othr such officers of the Colledge as shall be appoynted to dishurse the same. (Coll. Bk. III. p. 24.)

At a meeting of the Overseers at the President's house, March, 1667:

"The Orders following were confirmed untill the Overseers shall see cause to take them into further consideration. Coll. Lawes, Eadem, Lib. I. p. 37)."

"The Steward is from time to time to pay the Colledge officers, viz., The Tuto's, Cook, Butler, and Bellringer, their respective dues, sallaryes, also to allow the monito's Account. (Coll. Bk. III. p. 34)."

"The Buttlar upon evry 6th day at noon shall give an an Account to evry Schollar demanding his weeks sizings in the Buttery; & he is not bound to stay about halfe an hour at breakfast in the buttery, after the Tolling of ye bell; nor above a quarter of an hour after thanksgiving in the Hall, at meales. (Coll. Bk. III. p. 36)."

"The bell-ringers office is to ring ye bell (except for meales), to keep the clock and call the President to prayers, for which he shall receive from the Steward five pound per annum. Coll. Bk. III. p. 36)."

"An abbreviate of the College Accounts conteyning both receits and disbursements from October, 1654, untill Decemb. 1663. Extracted out of the Colledge Books, made and given in by Thomas Danforth, Trear."

Harvard College is Debtor:

Impts. To mrs Dunster in full of her her demands	020	00	00
To Table Linnen and Utensills for ye Buttery	006	08	09
To expences at Mr. Turners	007	03	06
To Sallaryes and Allowances payd to the Fellows and other Colledge Officers for 9 years past...	445	13	06
To repairs of the Edifices Presidents Lodge and fences etc. for 9 years past ...	337	11	01
To loss in peage received at 8 a penny	055	06	11
To freight of a chest of Books... ...	001	00	00
To Mr. Carter	035	00	00
To a stags head sent to England to a Benefactor	010	10	00
To moneys payd for exchange of a Bell	006	02	06
To a parcel of land on wch the Coll. now stands	020	10	00

(Coll. Bk. III. p. 46).

The amount allowed as above in exchange of a bell, doubtless the original bell, indicates that its weight was about 150 pounds. Of the early bells of the colonists none are known to have exceeded 300 pound in weight.

"The steward shall deliver in, to ye butler, his bread at 5s. ye bushell, allowisg to every bushell 70 loaves, ye weight of every Loafe being proportionable to ye current price of wheate, as in ye Country statute for whfte bread; and shall delives in hls beer at 2lb the barrell, each barrel consisting of 16 beer gallons; allowing thereunto a peck of Mault. The steward is from time to tyme to pay ye Colledge offcers, viz. ye Tutos, Cook. butler, and belleringers, ye respective dues and Sallaries, and allso to allow ye Moulto's Account. The Steward shall be accountable and pay unto ye Treasurer quarterly, wt shall be given in, in ye qt bill, in ye Accnt of Study-Rents and glass-mending. He shall be allowed in his Accts, 5th qurt'ly for his salary."

"June 1, 1675. Ordered, that Will: Bordman, Colledge Smith, be payd by the treasurer 20 shill, for mending the Clock, and that he be allowed 12 shill per annu for that Service for the future.

At a meeting of the Corporation, August 22, 1676:

"That ye butler ring ye bell at five of ye clock in ye morning, winter and summer, and at nine of ye clock at night throughout the yeare."

(*To be continued.*

Obituary.

EDWARD FRANCIS.

DIED SEPTEMBER 15TH, 1911, AGED 59 YEARS.

Members of the Norwich Association will receive with regret the news of the death of Edward Francis, of Norwich. He was born at Roydon, near Diss, and in the towers in that district he learned his ringing. He was an original member of the Norwich Association, and his first peal (7040 Oxford Treble Bob Major), rung at Diss in 1887, was the third peal scored by the Association. He removed to Norwich in 1886, and soon joined the Norwich Scholara at St. Peter Mancroft. As a composer in plain methods he was well known in the composition pages of this paper, and as a genial and high spirited man he will be greatly missed by a large circle of ringers.

His last peal was one of Grandsire Caters at Great Yarmouth, on May 11th last, and, at its conclusion, he himself suggested a visit in the following September for Cinques. "Man proposes; God disposes" was only too true in his case!

The interment took place at the Norwich Cemetery on the 19th inst., and was attended by a representative gathering of ringers and fellow employees. The service was conducted by the Vicar of St. James'—under whom the deceased had served as a sidesman for some years—and handbells were rung over the open grave before the Benediction. By permission of the authorities the bells of St. Peter Mancroft were rung half muffled in the evening, the members of the Norwich Scholars, and of the St. Peter Mancroft Guild combining to show this mark of respect. The "whole pull and stand" was rung by the following: C. E. Borrett, Treble; F. Knights, 2; F. J. Howchin, 3; P. C. Artis, 4; B. J. Howchin, 5; A. Rought, 6; G. Howchin, 7; S. Smith, 8; F. H. Knights, 9; G. Mayers, 10; A. G. Warnes, 11; D. T. Potter, Tenor; and was followed by touches of Caters and Cinques with other members standing in.

Edward Francis had just completed his half century of peals, rung as follows: Kent Maximus 4, Stedman Cinques 2, Grandsire Cinques 2, Oxford Royal 2, Kent Royal 2, Bob Royal 1; Grandsire Caters 2, Oxford Major 12, Kent Major 11, Bob Major 9, Grandsire Triples 3.

The sympathy of many ringers in Norwich and Norfolk will go out to the widow and her family in their heavy bereavement.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Again, for the third time in four months, Mr. H. J. Sacmmell, for many years one of the Frome Guild of Ringers, has given another of his family in marriage. On September 21st, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, Frome, was solemnized the happy union of Mr. Herbert E. Sutton to Miss Mary Fanny Cordelia, third daughter of Mr. Scammell, of Frome. The bridegroom is organist of the church, and the choir rendered the marriage service choral, meeting the wedding party at the church door and singing as a processional hymn "O perfect love," and after the union "How welcome was the call," followed by the wedding march as the register was being signed. Subsequently a reception took place in a marquee in a field adjoining Mr. Scammell's house, the Vicar and numerous friends being present. A photograph was taken ere the newly married couple departed for Weymouth. Numerous presents were on view, prominent amongst which was one from the Vicar, churchwardens and choir—a handsome clock, in an oak case, which chimes the quarters; and the choir boys gave their choirmaster and organist a shaving set, all wishing long life and happiness to the newly married couple.

HANWELL, W.

It was a merry party of twenty-five that met on the 20th inst. at "Auburn," Shakespeare Road, to celebrate the silver wedding day of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lawrence, and the coming of age of their eldest son, Stedman Lawrence. Amongst the company were several of the guests who were present at the ceremony of twenty-five years ago, some coming from long distances.

During dinner the toast of the host, hostess, and their son was most enthusiastically proposed, received and drunk. Music and handbell ringing was then the order of the evening, and included amongst the ringers were such well known names as Messrs. W. and A. Shepherd, of Hersham, and Mr. G. Edser, of London, who with the host rang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples on handbells cast by Robert Wells, of Aldbourne, in 1787. The ringing drew forth rounds of applause from the assembled company.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

The September monthly meeting was held at Aston Manor last Saturday (September 23rd), and a very fair number of members attended representing Rugby, Coventry, Allesley, Birmingham, Sutton Coldfield, Aston and Stratford-on-Avon. Mr. James George, the Master, was none the worse for his strenuous week's efforts in South Wales, and the bells were kept going from about five o'clock onwards in the following methods: Stedman Triples and Caters, Grandsire Triples, Superlative Surprise Major and Kent Treble Bob. A few members rang in their first touch on ten bells, and, although none of the ringing was up to a high standard, some good practice was obtained, which it is hoped will make members more enthusiastic in getting about to meetings of the Guild when such are held in the outlying districts of the county. It was to be regretted that the August monthly meeting, fixed for Henley-in-Arden, proved abortive, only four ringers turning up, one each from Warwick, Kings Norton, Birmingham and Stratford-on-Avon. The next meeting of the Guild will be the quarterly meeting and, all being well, will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 28.

CHURCH CONGRESS AT STOKE-ON-TRENT, OCTOBER 2-6.

If any change-ringers intend to visit Stoke-on-Trent during the Congress week, and wish to ring, I shall be obliged if they will communicate with me at once, and I will gladly arrange a pull for them.—Sidney Churton, 24, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

Mr. A. Symonds writes: "The Rev. W. L. B. Hopkins has asked me to let my ringing friends know that no more attempts can be made to ring peals on Lavenham bells until they are thoroughly overhauled. Visitors for touches and service ringing excluded."

ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, WEST HAM.

The members of this society had their annual outing on Saturday, September 9th, and spent a very enjoyable day at Standon and Braughing. Arriving at Standon a little before 10 o'clock, we were met by Mr, Cook, the sexton, who conducted us to the church, where hangs a good peal of six bells, tenor about 17 cwt. Soon these were going to touches of Bob Minor, and 720 Kent Treble Bob. After this was rung we bid Mr. Cook good-bye, and thanekd him for his kindness, and hurried to the station to catch the train to Braughing, where we found one of the best peals of eight bells in Hertfordshire. We also had the pleasure to know we could have the use of them for the rest of the day. After an hour's ringing, during which touches of Grandsire Triples and Kent Treble Bob Major was rung, we all adjourned to The Brown Bear and sat down to dinner. Dinner over, we were reinforced by Mr. J. Moule, who had arrived from Stratford, Mr. W. H. Lawrence from Little Munden, and Mr. T. Page, of Bennington, who stood in touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Double Norwich, and Superlative. At 6 o'clock ringing ceased, then all adjourned to the dining-room to spend a social hour with our Hertfordshire friends.

At the conclusion Mr. W. Doran proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Lawrence for kindly making arrangements for them, and Mr. Lawrence in reply said he was only too pleased to do what he could for the welfare of ringers when they visited Hertfordshire.

A vote of thanks was also passed to the two Vicars for the use of the bells during the day. Ringers taking part in this were as follows: T. Cranfield, W. Doran, F. Doran, A. Fiddes, G. Haydon, J. Moule. A. Neale, A. Scambler, R. Sanders, W. Theobald, H. Torble, and W. Truss.

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THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

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THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL FUND.

It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN,
Chairman of the Robinson Memorial Committee.

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AN APPEAL.

Owing to a motor car accident over two years a o, EDWARD CASH, who is so well known and respected amongst Bellringers, Oddfellows and others, has been incapacitated from work for a long time, and is now in the Salford Royal Hospital. A few friends, desirous of assisting him, have decided to make an APPEAL FOR HELP, and at a meeting held at Swinton, it was decided to get up a Draw for his benefit. Every effort has failed to find the owner of the car. It is sincerely hoped that his many friends will make the matter widely known: and those willing to assist will oblige the committee by doing their utmost for this worthy object, either in soliciting subscriptions or selling tickets.

On behalf of the Committee, James Barratt, chairman, 7, College Croft, Eccles; Harry Chapman, vice-chairman, Plymouth Grove, Manchester; Samuel Wood, treasurer, 44, Crowthorn Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; Charles Cash, 16, Partington Lane, Swinton, Saml. Greenhalgh, 72, Brindle Heath Road, Pendleton, joint secretaries.

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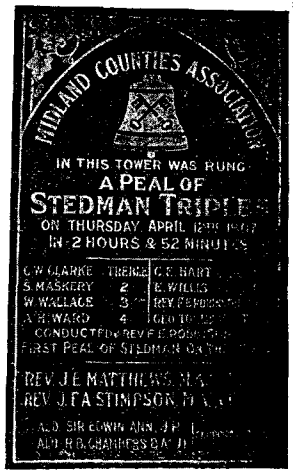

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,
A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDK. PERRIN	*Treble.*	WILLIAM HEWETT	5.
FRANK HAIRS	2.	FRANK BENNETT	6.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	3.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	7.
H. RANZETTA	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

This is the conductor's 400th peal.

The Provinces.

HONITON CLYST, DEVON.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 29 cwt.

GEORGE W. CHALLICE	*Treble.*	WILLIAM MOGRIDGE	5.
ALFRED W. BRIGHTON	2.	*CHARLES G. GLASS	6.
FREDK. W. RICHARDS	3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY	7.
HERBERT V. RICHARDS	4.	EDWIN SHEPHERD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal of Stedman Triples. The band wish to thank the Rector, the Rev. —, Clarke, for refreshments after the peal, and for the use of the bells. Mr. Churchwarden Shepherd has rung every bell to Thurstans's peal.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR JORDAN	*Treble.*	WILLIAM T. PRIOR	5.
GEORGE JORDAN	2.	ARTHUR B. WIFFEN	6.
THOMAS JORDAN	3	THOMAS J. WATTS	7
WALTER PRIOR	4.	WILLIAM WATTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 20, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

HARRY BREWER	*Treble.*	ALBERT ELLIS	5.
FREDK. W. RICE	2.	GEORGE ILLMAN	6.
ALBERT HARMAN	3.	GEORGE W. STOKES	7.
ALBERT MITCHELL	4.	*OLIVER SIPPETTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by W. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

*First peal as conductor.

EWERBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5111 CHANGES.

Tenor 15 cwt.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON	*Treble.*	RUPERT RICHARDSON	6.
ARTHUR ANDREWS‡	2.	FREDK. W. STOKES	7.
JOHN T. HOLMES	3	†JOHN H. BROTHWELL	8.
SIDNEY PALMER	4.	WILLIAM DICKINSON	9.
CLEMENT GLENN	5.	*THOMAS WRIGHT	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

*First attempt for a peal in any method. †First peal on ten bells and first attempt. ‡First peal of Caters away from the tenor.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

WILLIAM PALMER	*Treble.*	JOHN NEAL	5.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS	2.	*ALBERT J. HUGHES	6.
GEORGE F. SWANN	3.	†SAMUEL GROVE	7.
CHARLES DICKENS	4.	JAMES DOWLER	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

*First peal in the method, †First peal in the method as conductor. Rang as a birthday compliment to James Dowler.

NOTTINGHAM.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt.

NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON	*Treble.*	EDWARD J. BOOT	5.
ALBERT COPPOCE	2.	*ERNEST J. OLIVER	6.
J. CHARLES DICKEN	3.	BART. MITCHELL	7.
EDWARD C. GOBEY	4.	WILLIAM BELLAMY	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. W. Bellamy.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN SMITH	*Treble.*	W. W. WORTHINGTON	5.
JAMES HUTCHBY	2.	CHARLES HARRIMAN	6.
ERNEST CARTWRIGHT	3.	EDWARD READER	7.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY	4.	JOSEPH POWELL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. READER.

This peal was arranged for the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey who hails from Cambridge; and W. W. Worthington who hails from Netherseale.

POOLE, DORSETSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 21, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 19 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs. in E.

MISS EDITH K. PARKER	*Treble.*	ELI WATERS	5.
GEORGE PRESTON	2.	C. W. GOODENOUGH	6.
F. W. TOWNSEND	3.	W. W. GIFFORD	7.
MARTIN STEWART	4.	F. CASE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

This peal was arranged for Miss Parker, who was visiting Bonrnemouth, and is the first peal yet rung in this diocese in which a lady has taken part. It is also the quickest peal on the bells

WRITTLE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES. Tenor 18¾ cwt.

ARTHUR EDWARDS	*Treble.*	GEORGE F. MARGETSON	5.
LEWIS GREEN	2.	HENRY F. COOPER	6.
FREDK. G. RADLEY	3.	WILLIAM LINCSLN	7.
PERCY LETCH	4.	ARTHUR HEAD	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

Arranged for Messrs. Green and Margetson, and rang as a centenary peal for the bells, which were cast in 1811.

FEERING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt. in F.

PERCY LANGSTON	*Treble.*	JOHN SADLER	5.
WALTER SADLER	2.	FRANK CLAYDON	6.
THOMAS CRANFIELD*	3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH	7.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	4.	DAVID ELLIOTT	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

*First peal in the method.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

FREDK. R. BORRETT	*Treble.*	GEORGE GOWER	5.
JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	2.	FREDK. MANSER	6.
FREDK. WHITHAM	3.	RUSSELL RICHES	7.
WILLIAM STEBLE	4.	FREDK. SMITH	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. PLATT, and Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.

SOUTHWOLD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY	*Treble.*	*FRANCIS W. NAUNTON	5.
THOMAS KING	2.	CHARLES F. BAILEY	6.
JAMES M. BAILEY	3.	JOHN LARTER	7.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	4.	EDGAR H. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by D. WOODS, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

*First peal of Treble Bob.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HALEY'S VARIATION. Tenor 12¾ cwt.

WILLIAM FLETCHER*	*Treble,*	REGINAD BROUGH	5.
FREDK. J. FRENCH	2.	EDWARD AUDSLEY	6.
GEORGE POVEY	3.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	7.
RICHARD MORGAN	4.	WILLIAM FLOYD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.

*First peal of Stedman.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE	*Treble.*	EDWIN F. PIKE	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	FRANK HAIES	6.
EDGAR PEMBERTON	3.	JAMES MOTTS	7.
SEDLEY J. COLLINS	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

WORFIELD, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, and Canterbury Pleasure,, and two each of Plain Bob and Grandsire. Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR NEWSOME*	*Treble.*	BERTRAM HEAD	4.
JOHN OVERTON	2.	HORACE W. OVERTON	5.
JOHN ELCOCE	3.	WILFRED OVERTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILFRED OVERTON.

*First peal of Minor. First peal on the bells.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lbs.

JOHN W. WHITING	*Treble.*	REV. E. BANKES JAMES	5.
LIONEL H. PAGE	2.	WILLIAM H. GEORGE	6.
HENRY W. WILKES	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	4.	WILLIAM T. TUCKER	*Tenor,*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to Mr. P, Reading. a late member of the choir of this church.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 22 cwt.

FRANK KIRK	*Treble.*	EDWARD CHAPMAN	5.
E. MAURICE ATKINS	2.	CHARLES W. BIRD	6.
WILLIAM J. GILBERT	3.	ALBERT V. INNS	7.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE	4.	DAVID J. NICHOLS	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

DEVONPORT, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHAPEL, HIS MAJESTY'S DOCKYARD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 9 cwt.

ERNEST W. MARSH	*Treble.*	WALTER H. MARSH	5.
HAROLD BENNETT	2.	WILLIAM D. JAMES	6.
FRANK HOCKADAY	3.	WILLIAM FORD	7.
WILLIAM RUNDLE	4.	JOSEPH WOODLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM D. JAMES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor (aged 19), a member of the Charles' band, Plymouth, and who is spending a holiday in Plymouth previous to going to Cambridge in October.

WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE,

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minnte,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF ERIN CINQUES, 5063 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

THOMAS H. REEVES	*Treble.*	GEORGE HUGHES	7.
THOMAS RUSSAM	2.	JOHN CARTER	8.
WILLIAM SHORT	3.	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	9.
HERBERT KNIGHT	4.	SAMUEL GROVE	10.
ALF. PADDON SMITH	5.	JAMES E. GROVES	11.
JAMES L. WELLS	6.	REUBEN HALL	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

This is the first peal of Erin Cinques ever rung. All the above are also members of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham.

MORTIMER, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, September 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART (No. 1.) Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

GEORGE EATWELL*	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHEPHERD	5.
MISS ALICE WHITE	2.	WILLIAM FORD	6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD	3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY	7.
THOMAS NEVILLE	4.	WILLIAM RAGGETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal away from the tenor. Rung on the eve of the Harvest Festival. The band wish to thank Messrs. Ford, Neville, and Eatwell for kindly providing refreshments before and after the peal.

RUSHTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 qrs. 26 lbs.

E. MAURICE ATKINS	*Treble.*	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT	4.
BERNARD J. SADDINGTON	2.	WALTER W. WILSON	5.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN	3.	CHARLES W. BIRD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

WOLLASTON. WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN DIVISION.)

On Monday, September 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob.

Tenor 12½ cwt..

CHARLES E. PERKINS*	*Treble.*	ROBERT MATTHEWS	4.
ALFRED DAVIES	2.	WALTER J. BRETHERTON	5.
JOHN BASS	3.	CHARLES F. WHITE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal of Minor.

PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 26, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s called differently. Tenor 8¼ cwt.

GEORGE JUTSON	*Treble.*	*WALTER CROSS	4.
THOMAS VAUGHAN*	2.	FREDK. T. CODKE	5.
HERBERT A. TRAYNER†	3.	JOHN J. JUTSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE JUTSON.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Jutson.

Handbell Peal.

BILLINGBOROUGH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(THE ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.)

On Friday, September 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. ARTHUR ANDREWS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

FREDK. W. STOKES*	1-2,	SIDNEY F. PALMER	5-6.
CLEMENT GLENN	3-4.	†RUPERT RICHARDSON	7-8.

Composed by W. ROYLE, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire—John H. Brothwell. Witness—Arthur Andrews. First handbell peal in the method by the Guild, and in the county. *First handbell peal. †First handbell peal on eight bells. This was R. Richardson's 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

Miscellaneous.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

FULHAM.—On Monday, September 25th, for practice on handbells, two parts of Holt's ten-part peal. L. Attwater, 1-2; W. Shepherd, 3-4; J. W. Driver, 5-6; A. F. Shepherd, 7-8. Rung on strictly non-conducted principles.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND. — On Saturday, September 23rd, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. J. Fenwick, F. Hayes, G. Ambrose, R. Smith, R. Constant, W. Harper conductor. Also 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor. Ex-Sergt. J. Avis, R. Constant, G. Ambrose, R. Smith, G. Hayes, W. Harper conductor. Each in 26 mins. Rung as a birthday compliment to Ex-Sergt. J. Avis, of the Gravesend Borough Police, who attained his 50th year on this day, ringers mustering from the Milton, Gravesend and Swanscombe towers, and at the close of the ringing tendered their hearty congratulations.

BIRMINGHAM (On Sunday evening, September 24th, for the Harvest Festival at Bishop Ryder's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 43 mins. S. Coley, J. Porter, A. T. Scrivens, W. Webb, J. T. Perry conductor, W. H. Carrod, J. Collett, T. Pearce.

DEVONPORT.—On Sunday, September 17th, at the Chapel H.M. Dockyard, for Harvest Festival, a quarier-peal of Stedman Triples, in 42 mins. E. W. Marsh, W. H. Marsh, H. Bennett, W. Rundle, F. Hockaday, W. D. James conductor, W. Ford, H. Buckingham.

GORING (Oxon).—During a recent holiday 720 Bob Minor was rung. J. Nicholls, A. Mobey, W. Lawrence conductor, J. Aldridge, W. Napper, J. Bower. At Pangbourne, Berks, 720 in the same method. J. Nicholls, A. C. West, J. Abery, R. Abery, W. Lawrence, J. Bower conductor.

PLYMOUTH. — On Sunday, September 24th, at Emmanuel Church for morning service, 1218 Bob Major. J. Woodley, W. H. Marsh, W. D. James, E. W. Marsh, W. Rundle, F. Hockaday, H. Bennett longest touch of Major, G. H. Myers. Conducted by W. D. James.

PETERBOROUGH.—At St. Mary's church, on Sunday morning, September 24th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor (Penning's, 28 bobs and 18 singles). W. Chattle, E. Tilley, H. Traynar, J. Dunthorne, J. Jutson, G. Jutson, conductor.

ST. ALBANS (Herts).—On Sunday, September 24th, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. E. Whitbread conductor, J. Chattey, E. Randall, F. Blow, R. E. Hammond, F. Jeffs, H. Hollick, J. Porter.

WIMBORNE (Dorset).—On Friday, September 21st, 575 Grandsire Caters. Miss E. K. Parker, J. S. Rumming, I. Stone, F. Sparshott, R. O. Street, M. Stewart, C. Goodenough, W. W. Gifford, G. Preston conductor, A. Osman. And three courses of Stedman Triples. Miss E. K. Parker conductor, H. S. Newman, J. S. Rumming, G. Preston, M. Stewart, C. Goodenough, W. W. Gifford, A. Southey.

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT ST. JOHN'S, WATERLOO ROAD.—Mr. J. E. Davis's 400 peals.—Grandsire and Bob Doubles 1, Grandsire Triples* 23, conducted 5, Grandsire Major 1, Grandsire Caters 16, Bob Major 8, Kent Treble Bob Major 32, conducted 11, Kent Treble Bob Royal 23, conducted 14, Kent Treble Bob Maximus 1, Stedman Triples 42, Stedman Caters 64, conducted 24, Stedman Cinques 9, Double Oxford Bob Major 1, Double Norwich Court Bob Major 108, conducted 61, Double Norwich Court Bob Royal 1, Real Double Norwich Major 2, Forward Major 1, conducted 1, Forward Royal 1, Superlative Surprise Major 34, conducted 5, New Cumberland Surprise Major 5, Cambridge Surprise Major 20, conducted 2, Cambridge Surprise Royal 2, London Surprise Major 4. Rung in 11 counties and 102 towers. *Including Holt's Original non conducted.

THE PEAL AT BILLINGBOROUGH.—Rupert Richardson's 100 peals.—Doubles in five methods 1, Minor in one method (1 on handbells) 7, conducted 6, in two methods 1, in three methods 5, conducted 1, in four methods 3, in five methods 3, conducted 1, in seven methods 8, in eight methods 3, conducted 1, in nine methods 3, in fourteen methods 1, Grandsire Triples 4, Stedman Triples 18, Bob Major (1 on handbells) 11, conducted 2, Double Norwich Major 9, conducted 1, Double Oxford Major 2, Cambridge Surprise Major 4, Superlative Surprise Major 1, Kent Treble Bob Major 8, Oxford Treble Bob Major 1, Grandsire Caters 2, Stedman Caters 1, Bob Royal 2, Kent Treble Bob Royal 2.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.— Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's. Hackney, on October 3rd and 17th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 3rd and 31st; at St. Magnns, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th and 26th; and St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637 — The 274th anniversary dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11th, at The London Tavern. Fenchnrch Street, E.C., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. F. C. Bailey, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies. G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex. A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes. H. Langdon, E. P. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W, Prime, J. W. Rowbotham. W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, M. A. Wood, or

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The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. M. Harvey), at St. John's. Hillingdon, on Saturday, October 14th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be kindly provided by the donor of the bells (J. F. Stillwell, esq). All those intending to be present are requested to notify me not later than the 11th inst, Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—The ninth annual grand Bohemian Concert will be held at The Talbot restaurant, London Wall, E.C. Commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, prioe 6d., reserved seats 1s. which may be obtained from all officrs of the society. or from

FREDK. J. HARDY, *Hon. Sec,*
34, *Guildford Road, South Lambeth.*

The Midland Counties Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Darley Dale to-day, Sat., September 30th, Tower (8 bells) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting at 4 15. Tea at 5 (1s. each), both at The Grouse inn.

Cotgrave, Notts. W. E. WHITE, *Hon. Sec.*

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Congresbury to-day, Sat., September 30th. Service in the parish church at 3.30 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom at 4.15. Meeting to follow.

E. E. BURGESS, *Hon. Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Western District.—The annual meeting will be held at Barking to-day, Sat., September 30th. Bells available at 3.15. Short service at 5, conducted by the Vicar, Tea at The Red Lion, at 5.30., members 6d., non-members 1s. 6d., followed by business meeting. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid on or before this meeting. T. D. LOOSEMORE. *Hon. Sec.*
80, *Elgin Road, Seven Kings.*

The Lancashire Association. — Annual meeting at Blackpool, September 30th. Nominations for the following offices to be returned by August 28th; Vice-president, General Secretary. Ringing Secretary, two Auditors. W. H. SHUKER. } *Hon Secs.*
J. H. BANKS, }

Worcestershire and Districts Association.—Northern Branch. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Chaddesley Corbett to-day. Sat,. September 30th Service in the church at 4 15. Tea kindly provided by the Vicar in the schools at 4.45. Business meeting to follow. A brake will leave the residence of Mr. T. J. Salter, Bromsgrove Street, Kidderminster, at 2 45, return fare 1s. each. E. J. DOWLER, *Hon. Sec.*
54, *Tiverton Road, Bournbrook,, Birmingham.*

The Essex Association.—North-Western District —Annual meeting at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, October 14th. Bells at 3.30. Tea at 5.30 sharp at The Boar's Head. Members 6d., non-members 1s. 6d Will those who intend attending kindly let me know not later than Wednesday, October 11th.

J. F. PENNIMG, *Hon. Sec.*
Fairyville, Saffron Walden.

The Bedfordshire Association.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Woburn on Saturday, October 7th. A. RUST *Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Anston on Saturday, October 7th. Tea at 5 p.m.

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Warbleton, on Saturday, October 7th. Tea at 5.30., 6d. each to members letting me know by October 4th.

GEO. H. HOWSE, *Div. Sec.*
"*Kenilworth*," *Latimer Road, Eastbourne.*

The Lancashire Association —Liverpool Branch. — A meeting will beld at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 3.

WALTER HUGHES. *See.*
3. *Shrewsbnry Place, Gareton.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rochdale Branch.—The annual tea party and social of the above branch will be held on Saturday, October 14th, at Heywood. Tea on tables at 5 o'clock. Social at 7 o'clock. The party will be held in the Conservative Club, York Street. Tickets—Gentlemen 1s. 3d.; Ladies 1s. J. H. BASTOW, *Brauch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Scorton on Saturday. October 14th. Further particulats by circular.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of this district will be held at Charing on Saturday, October 14th. Through the generosity of the Rev. Rendell Carter, tea will be provided to all members intending to attend, who must notify the District Seoretary not later than Monday, October 9th. Bclfry open at 3.30 Short service at 5.30.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*
71. *Florence Road, Maidstone.*

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—Eastern Counties Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Spalding on Saturday, October 14th. The bells of the parish church and St Paul's, Fulney, will be available from 11 o'clock. Dinner at The White Hart hotel at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. Service with short address in the parish church at 3.30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*
Pinchbeck, Spalding.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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By H. Price.

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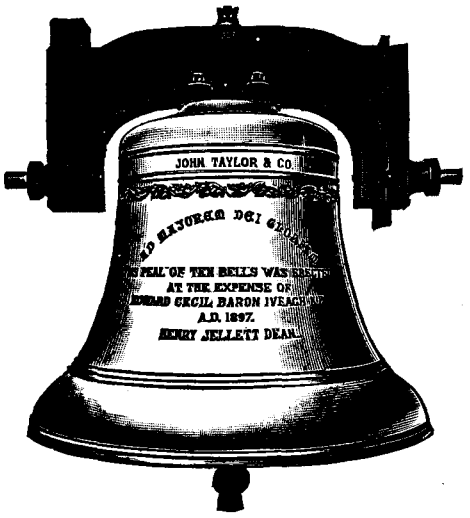

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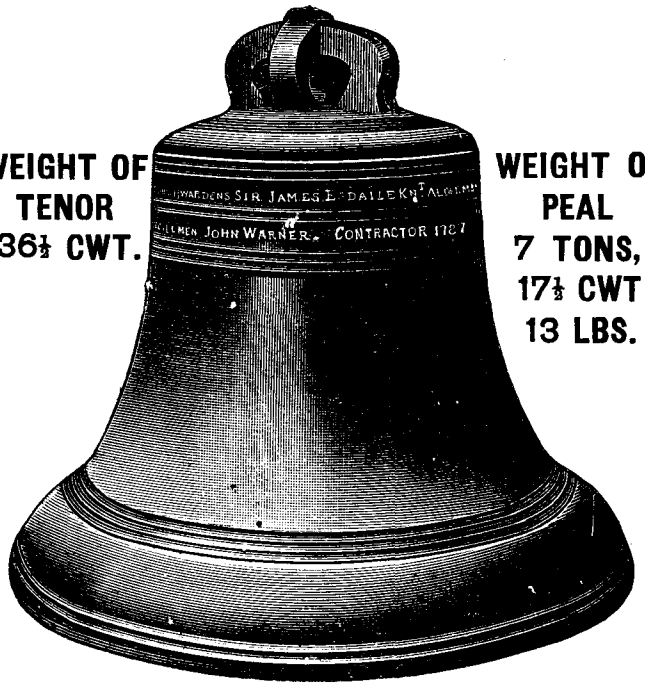

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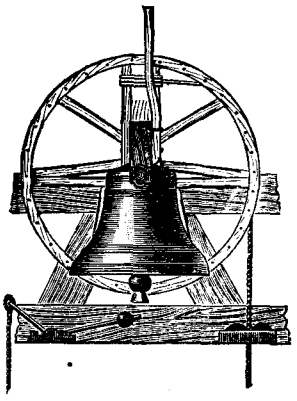

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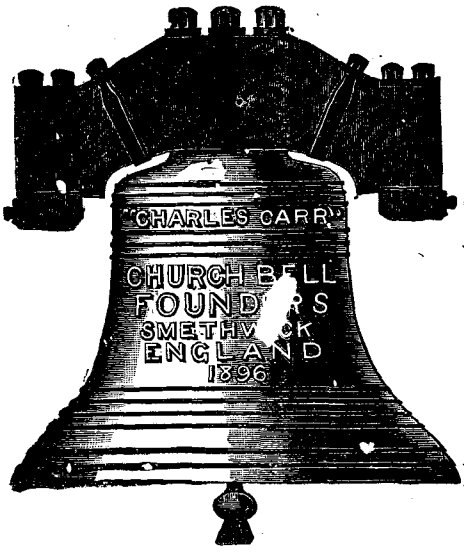

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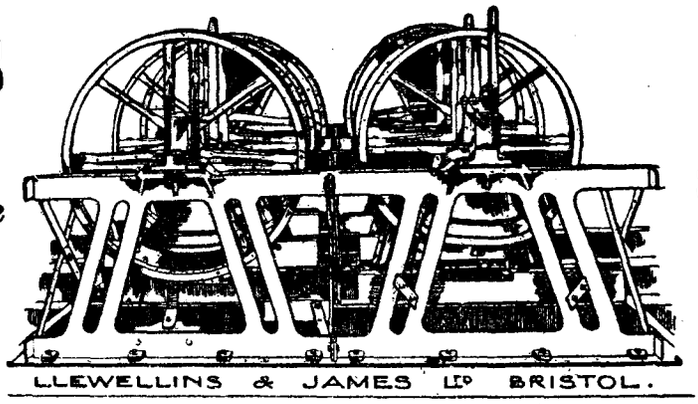

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the south western division of this Association was held at St. Margaret's, Barking, on Saturday, September 30th, and was attended by about thirty members and friends. representing most of the towers in the district. Ringing commenced about 3.30. A short service was held in the church at five o'clock, conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. W. Eisdell, who, in his address, based his remarks on the motto, "Be ye steadfast." The services of the organist and a few choristers rendered great aid to the singing of the hymns. Being the eve of the Harvest Festival the church was very prettily decorated. Service over, an adjournment was made for tea, which had been provided at The Red Lion. The business was next proceeded with, under the chairmanship of the Vicar, supported by the District Master, Mr. G. A. Black. The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the election of officers for the ensuing year took place.

On the proposition of Mr. T. Faulkner, seconded by Mr. J. Bradley, Mr. G. A. Black was unanimously re-elected Master. The Secretary, Mr. T. E. D. Loosemore, intimated his wish to retire, and proposed that Mr. H. Rumens be elected, which was seconded by Mr. G. Faulkner and carried. Several new members were elected. West Ham was selected for the next meeting to be held in January. The district master proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells and conducting the service, also for presiding at the meeting. This was seconded by Mr. S. Hayes and carried with enthusiasm.

The Vicar, in a brief address, suitably replied. Some discussion then ensued on the advisability of encouraging lady bellringers, and views were expressed on both sides of the question. On the conclusion of the meeting the tower was again visited, and touches in all the standard methods attempted.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

The Peak of Derbyshire is always an attraction to Midlanders, especially those who reside for the greater part of their life in towns; and the second quarterly meeting of the M.C.A. was eagerly looked forward to. As it turned out, the weather was not what is generally expected of a September afternoon, a cold wind blowing strongly from the north-west, showing its effect in the overcoats which hung up in the tea-room at The Grouse Inn, Darley. The wind, however, was not sufficiently severe to keep away some forty members who assembled at St. Helen's church and rang the pretty peal of eight there during the afternoon and evening of September 30th.

Committee meeting over, the tea and general meeting were held in the club room, when Mr. J. W. Taylor, vice-President, took the chair. He was supported by the Rev. R. W. Whittington, Rector of Darley, the Rev. A. T. Beeston, of New Mills, the hon. secretary, hon. treasurer, and others, hailing from Burton, Cotgrave, Darley, Derby, Duffield, Hinckley, Long Eaton, Loughborough, Matlock, Ripley, Swanwick, and Wirksworth.

The Secretary, read the minutes of the Melbourne meeting, and also of the last annual meeting held at Derby, which had not been read at Melbourne. These were passed and signed.

The Chairman remarked on the twenty-three peals rung during the past quarter, which, though not of particularly advanced quality, were spread over twenty towers, showing a widespread activity over the whole area of the Association. Mr. Taylor also made a few well chosen remarks concerning lady ringers, and said that there was no reason why they should not undertake ringing on light bells.

Five ringing members, one honorary, and one life member, were admitted, included the Rector of Darley.

Mr. White proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector of Darley for the use of the bells, and welcomed him as a member of the Association. Mr. W. C. Wakley seconded, and it was carried with applause.

The Rev. R. W. Whittington replied, saying that he was hoping soon to qualify as a ringing member. He also offered to show the visitors over the church, which was of great antiquarian interest, there being specimens extant of Saxon, Norman and Perpendicular achitecture.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Taylor for presiding, on the proposition of Mr. W. C. Wakley, seconded by Mr. A. P. Wakley, closed the meeting.

During the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire, Erin and Stedman Triples, Bob, Kent, Double Norwich, Duffield and Superlative Major were rung. The eight bells at Matlock were available for ringing after tea through the kindnese of Mr. J. H. Paulson.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Northern Branch was held on Saturday, September 30th, at the pretty village of Chaddesley Corbett, the Vicar and his good lady giving a hearty welcome to all. Ringers were present from Old Hill, Kidderminster, Brierley Hill, Hartlebury, Rushall, Stourbridge, Clent, Wolverley, Chaddesley Corbett, Selly Oak and the general secretary, Mr. J. R. Newman. Service was held in the church, a short address being given by the Vicar on Bells and Bell Ringing as rung in England and on the Continent. He also impressed on his hearers their duty, that after ringing the bells calling others to church they should take their place in the House of God. During the service Mr. Johnson, of Old Hill, presided at the organ. After the service a splendid tea, provided by the Vicar, and presided over by Mrs. Griffith Williams, was taken of in the Schools. At the business meeting which followed the Vicar was unanimously proposed a honorary member. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Rowley Regis, and resolved to attempt the quarterly peal at Chaddesley Corbett, conductor W. Short. It was proposed by Mr. A. E,

Parsons, seconded by Mr. H. Mason, and supported by Mr. J. R. Newman, that Mr. R. Matthews be re-elected Master, Mr. J. Pigott Central Committee, and Mr. E. J. Dowler Secretary, who remarked that the first year of the Association since the Division was in every way very successful in this branch, and the same could be said of the western and southern branches, although not so well situated as regards railways, etc., as the northern branch.

Mr. Mason moved a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for his hospitality, and Mrs. Griffith Williams for presiding.

The Vicar, in respondiug, said how pleased he was to welcome the Association to Chaddesley Corbett, and hoped he would have the pleasure of doing so again on some future occasion.

Touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

THE CHELMSFORD SOCIETY'S ANNUAL OUTING.

Picture to yourself, courteous reader, a cosy little bedroom in Writtle, near Chelmsford, Essex. It is Saturday morning, September 23rd, and the clock of the old parish church has just tolled the hour of five. There are faint beginnings of life outside as the daylight peeps into our window, for the cock begins to assure us that the night of dreams must now give place to the realities of day. Now and then a workman hurries, with song, to his labour, perhaps for want of thought, or more likely that he instinctlvely knows that to-day he takes from his employer the reward of his week's services.

At my side, sunk in the soft folds of a downy pillow, my bedfellow, Mr. Lewis Green, is still slumbering. That mystic God Morpheus still holds him in tight embrace. We had both taken part in a successful peal the night previously at Writtle, retiring to bed tired, to taste a morsel of death that we might renew life the following morning, when we intended to join the Chelmsford men in their outing to Lavenham, a place my friend had not seen, but heard so much of from others. "What's the time?" he languidly inquired as he awakened. "Time to be dressing," I replied, for we were all to assemble at Chelmsford station by 8 o'clock, and like pilgrims to the Holy Land, to worship at the shrine of Lavenham, and hear again that glorious peal of eight, whose tones charms and captivates the senses.

By 7.55 a.m. we were with the exception of our worthy Secretary and guide, Mr. H. Cooper, ready for a start. Type-written programmes had been furnished each one, so that every item of the day might be easily followed. Leaving Chelmsford at 8.12, Mark's Tey was reached about 9 o'clock. Here unfortunately we came to grief, and so early in the day too. At this station we had to change for the Colne Valley line, and were informed by Bill Bailey that we had to wait an hour for the next train, so having nothing to do, and wishing to beguile a tedious hour, we resorted to a neighbouring "coffee-house." Imagine our predicament when, on making for the station, we were told our train had gone without anyone of us, and not another train for two hours.

Now hurrying on with breathless pace,
Despair was seen on every face;
"Green" changed to "Whight, and Whight to Green,
No sadder sight was ever seen;
Some wish they never had been born,
And vowed that man was made to mourn;
Some blamed the Master, Arthur E,
While others said 'twas Destiny;
Some lit their pipes or munched an apple,
Others preferred a walk to Chappell;
To sum it up, we killed the time,
While I was writing this 'ere rhyme.

We arrived at Lavenham two hours late. Mr. Arthur Symonds was still waiting for us at the station. The bells where already raised and in readiness, and, by shortening our touches from Grandsire to Double Norwich, conducted by Messrs. Lincoln and Edwards, we did not keep the landlord of The Cock waiting us for dinner. Here we found a plentiful spread, and everyone seemed to be cheered by so goodly a sight, for we never saw before so many pies on a table, and wondering at their contents. One of the carvers asking the landlady's daughter what they each contained, bluntly replied "I don't know, you'll see when you cut them open."

And so the pies were opened,
And spoons began to *ring*;
The crusts, as they betokened,
Hid each delicious thing;
Blackberry, bullace, and haw,
Came forth to greet our sight,
Hip, apple, and pumpkin—oh lor!
For Newman, and J, and Whight.

There was such an abundance as to suggest we came the next day to deplete the remains. In the afternoon we again ascended this noble tower, ringing till nearly four o'clock. As we climbed those worn stairs, what thoughts of the past would come to remind us of those we once knew in the prime and vigour of life, now passed away to eternal rest. And the bells—those heavenly symbols of a higher and more perfect life. How their far-oft music seemed to soothe the feelings into a repose upon something better than earth.

Some of us visited the ancient Guild Hall, where is still to be seen the dungeons where many a prisoner suffered in those days of secret cruelty.

At 4.28 p.m. we bid our friends and Lavenham a fond good-bye, and, as we journey on, that noble tower, a triumph of ecclesiastical art and beuuty, fades in the distance.

The train speeds on, and at Chappell Mr. L. Green and I bid our Chelmsford friends good-bye, for the latter are going on to Great Tey to finish the day's programme.

Here must my account end of this pleasant outing, but we have no doubt our brother-strings thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and by this time have forgotten their trouble at Mark's Tey. We wish here to attest our gratitude and esteem for the honour of our invitation, the hospitality of our kind friend Mr. F. Radley, the friendship of such veterans as Messrs. Whight and Newman, the attentions of the Lavenham friends, and the privilege of using the bells, which we hope to hear again. G. F. M.

PETERBOROUGH.—At St. Mary's church, on Sunday morning, September 24th, for Divine Service, 720 Bob Minor (Penning's, 28 bobs and 18 singles). W. Chattle, E. Tilley, H. Traynar, J. Dunthorne, J. Jutson, G. Jutson, conductor.

ST. ALBANS (Herts).—On Sunday, September 24th, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 50 mins. E. Whitbread conductor, J. Chattey, E. Randall, F. Blow, R. E. Hammond, F. Jeffs, H. Hollick, J. Porter,

THE BELLS OF HARVARD COLLEGE.

By Arthur Howard Nichols, M.D., *Boston, U.S.A.*

(*Continued from page* 339.)

"If any Scholar shall be absent from publick worship in the meeting house on either part of the Lord's day, without giving sufficient reason, he shall be fined three shillings. And if bodyly infirmity or any other necessary occasion prevents his attendance on said worship, he shall notifie his tutor, and in his absence ye President, or some other tutor, at the ringing of the first bell, otherwise his absence shall be esteemed groundless.

(Coll. Bk. I. pp. 184–5, chap. 2)."

"Inasmuch as complaints have been made of disorders in ye meeting house, by Scholars going theither before the ringing of the second bell, it is therefore ordered that no undergraduates shall go to ye meeting house on the Lord's day, before ye ringing of the second bell. And whoever shall transgress this law shall be punished by the President or one of the tutors, not exceeding Tw(o) shillings.

(Coll. Bk. I. pp. 184–5, chap. 2)."

"The waiters when the bell tolls at meal time shall receive the plates and victualls at the Kitchen hatch, and carry the same to the severall tables for which they are designed. And none shall receive their commons out of the hall, except in case of sickness, or some weighty occasion. And the senior tutor, or other senior scholar in the hall shall crave a blessing and return thanks. And all the scholars while at their meals, shall sit in their places, and behave themselves, decently and orderly, and whosoever shall be rude or clamourous at such time, or shall go out of the hall before thanks be returned, shall be punished by one of the tutors, not exceeding five shillings.

(Coll. Bk. I, p. 195, chap. 5)."

"The butler shall wait upon the President at the hours for prayer in the hall, for his orders to ring the bell, and also upon the professors for their lectures as usual; he shall likewise ring the bell for commons according to custom, and at five o'clock in ye morning, and at nine at night. And the said buttler for these and other services (to which no particular reward is assign'd), shall be allow'd sixteen be allow'd sixteen pounds per annum, to be paid by the undergraduates, and charged in their quarter's bills. (Coll. Bk. I, p. 200, chap. 7)."

"Ordered that the Treasurer pay Aaron Boardman 20 shill p annum for keeping ye clock in repayr.

(Coll. Bk. III. p. 72)."

"Rules and orders respecting the Steward, Cook, and Butler of Harvard College."

"The butler shall call ye Rector to prayers morning & evening at the set times, and tole and ring ye bell at five of the clock in ye morning and at nine in the evening.

(Coll. Bk. III. p. 88)."

It is to be observed that while the colonists brought from England an attachment for musical bells, they were also accurate in the use of technical words relating to them, many of which, such as gudgeons, baldrick, rowel, brasses, fillet, flight, clapper-clamps, having since become virtually obsolete in this country. Hence their discrimination in the use of the words ring and toll. For instance the bell was rung to give preliminary warning of approaching service, recitation or meals; that is, it was swung so as to describe a complete revolution, backward and forward, with each impact of the clapper, and the interval between the strokes was therefore long.

But to give notice that service or recitation was about to begin, or that meals were about to be served, the bell was tolled, or swung only over a small arc of the circle in such a way as to allow the clapper to fall upon but one side af the sound bow. For deaths and funerals, however, it was customary to mount the belfry and toll the bell once in fifteen seconds by means of a rope hitched to the flight, or lower extremity of the clapper. In many country towns this custom is still kept up.

The second Harvard College, built between 1672 and 1680, was a substantial brick edifice, from the middle of which arose a low but capacious belfry. Inasmuch as this building was designed to take the place of the original College, then ruinous and pulled down in 1680, it is probable that Willet's bell was transferred to the new belfry. Here it is believed to have done service for nearly a century, and later was melted, or at least badly damaged in the disastrous fire of 1764, which destroyed the library, philosophical apparatus, and personal effects of certain students who occupied rooms there. President Holyoke, writing to the General Court, declared the destruction to have been complete and that nothing was saved. A passage from the corporation records of January 13th, 1764, entered but a few days before this fire, furnishes final reference to this second bell:

"The Governor came to town about one o'clock, soon after which all went into the chapel (Holden) at the tolling of the bell, the President and corporation leading."

THIRD BELL.

Massachusetts College, or Hall, was built in 1718-20. On September 5th, 1722, it was voted that Mr. Treasurer be desired to enquire what may be the cost of a bell and clock proper for the College. On June 2nd, 1725, it was voted that the Steward be desired to see the bell for the clock to strike on, and give an account of the charges thereof: and that the care of the clock be committed to him.

(*To be continued.*

BARWELL, LEICESTERSHIRE.

A most enjoyable and successful meeting of clergy and ringers of the Sparkenhoe Deanery was held on Satuday last at Barwell, by the kind invitation of the Rector, the Rev. A. Titley. After some ringing a short service was held, and an address given by the Rev. J. F. Griffiths, on the influence and appreciation of the sound of church bells. A suptuous tea was provided by the Rector and most highly appreciated by the ringers. These were present to the number of fifty or more from Barwell, Hulton, Hirsly, Stanton, Hinckley, Hingham, Stoke Golding and Drayton, and their clergy with them.

A business meeting was opened by the Rev. G. M. Edmonds with some remarks on the relations of clergy and ringers as fellow church workers.

It was then resolved that a Society of church bell ringers be formed for the Sparkenhoe Deanery. This it was understood was to be in no way in opposition to the local branch of the Midland Counties Association, but as a supplement to the work, and a possible feeded to it. The Rev. W. P. Hurrell, R.D., was appointed President, Rev. J. F. Griffiths hon. secretary, and a committee consisting of Messrs. W. Humphrey, E. H. Stoneley, T. Latkin, C. Rowley, C. Briggs, F. Needham, W. Martin.

Those invited from Croft, Peckleton and Witherley were unfortunately unable to attend.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting was held at Blackpool on Saturday, September 30th, when the towers of Lytham, St. Anne's, South Shore, Blackpool, St. John and R.C. were kept going from 10 a.m. till train time by about 150 members and friends from thirty or more towers in the county and district, from Ambleside in the north to Shrewsbury in the south, Burnley and Todmorden in the East, to Blackpool in the west. The service in St. John's was well attended, those present listening to a good ringers' sermon from a ringer in the person of the Rev. C. B. Hulton, Vicar of Worsley, who took for his text—"Be ye also perfect." The Vicar of the parish intoned the prayers. The business meeting was presided over by the Rev. H. J. Elsee (St. George's, Bolton), President. The Committee's report was read and passed. In it was mentioned that they had now 1268 members, and the peal record was 71, a bit below the average. The balance-sheet, which showed a gain of 1s. 3d., and the total worth of the Association of over £100, was passed.

The next item was of a social character, being no less than the presentation of a timepiece which chimed the quarters on four gongs, incased in a mahogany case of the Queen Anne style, and suitably inscribed, to Mr. A. E. Wreaks, who after 23 years as Secretary, resigned on taking up an appointment in Scotland. It was a great disappointment that he could not be there in person,so his son accepted it in his stead.

The next business was appointing a successor to complete his term, when Mr. W. H. Shuker was proposed and accepted. The Vice-president's chair was filled with Mr. S. Brierley, and the other officers were re-elected.

Kendal was chosen as the next place for the annual meeting. The President proposed a vote of thanks to the various authorities for the use of the bells, also the schools of St. John for the tea and meeting, which was responded to by the Rev. N. S. Jeffrey, Vicar. The meeting closed with some going for trains, and others for more ringing. Great credit is due to someone for the way the different ringing-chambers were looked after.

DEATH OF A PARISH CLERK.

The death took place at his residence, Church Lane, Sibsey, on Monday, of Mr. Joseph Mawer, parish clerk, who was one of the oldest, if not actually the oldest, holders of such an office in Lincolnshire. Mr. Mawer, who was born on December 22nd, 1822, was in the church choir for 75 years or more, and was for very many years a bell-ringer. He was the last survivor of one of the finest bands of change-ringers that existed in Lincolnshire in the fifties and sixties, and helped to inaugurate the East Lincolnshire Association. He was a safe ringer and genial companion. In his young days he was an athlete of more than local fame, and a keen cricketer. He was appointed parish clerk in 1871. Deceased leaves a widow, five sons and a daughter.

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It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

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AN APPEAL.

Owing to a motor car accident over two years a o, EDWARD CASH, who is so well known and respected amongst Bellringers, Oddfellows and others, has been in capacitated from work for a long time, and is now in the Salford Royal Hospital. A few friends, desirous of assisting him, have decided to make an APPEAL FOR HELP, and at a meeting held at Swinton, it was decided to get up a Draw for his benefit. Every effort has failed to find the owner of the car. It is sincerely hoped that his many friends will make the matter widely known: and those willing to assist will oblige the committee by doing their utmost for this worthy object, either in soliciting subscriptions or selling tickets.

On behalf of the Committee, James Barratt, chairman, 7, College Croft, Eccles; Harry Chapman, vice-chairman, Plymouth Grove, Manchester; Samuel Wood, treasurer, 44, Crowthorn Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; Charles Cash, 16, Partington Lane, Swinton, Sami. Greenhalgh, 72, Brindle Heath Road, Pendleton, joint secretaries.

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5063 ERIN CINQUES.—By John Carter

1234567890x	1	5	6	7	8
16235478x90	–		s		–
365214		–		s	
241635		–		s	–
154236			–		–
235416		–	–	–	
413526		–	–	–	
521346		–	–	–	
342156		–	–	–	

These seven courses, three times repeated, calling the first course 5, 8, produce—

12345678x90					
453162x					
125364			–	–	–
342561			–	–	–
514263			–	–	–
231465			–	–	–
613425		–	–		
351264		s	–		–
245163			–	–	–
134562			–	–	–
523461			–	–	–
412365			–	–	–

These six courses, twice repeated, produce—

143265					
254361*					
315462			–	–	–
421563			–	–	–
532164			–	–	–
143265			–	–	–
634215		–	–		
453162		s	–		–
125364			–	–	–
342561			–	–	–
514263			–	–	–
231465			–	–	–

Last six courses, twice repeated. Round fifth change last six.

x 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9s, 10, 11, 13, 18.

* 2s, 11s, 12. 13, 17, 18, 19, and 1.

This peal has the 6th twenty courses both in 5ths and 6ths place in the tittums position, and also 20 courses at home for the handstroke home position.

5033 ERIN CATERS.—By the same Author.

123456789	1	4	5	6	7
462513978	–	–	–	–	–
236415			–		–
413625		–	–	–	
632145		–		–	
153462		–	–	–	–
435162			–	–	
623541		–	–		–
514362		–		–	–
351562			–	–	

These last six courses fourteen times repeated, calling the first course 4-5 every part except the first course of the 6th part, call 4s, 7, and the first course of the 11th part, call 1, 3, 5, 6, 10s.

Full extent of the 6th behind the 9th, and the extent of the in-course courses behind the 8th.

The 6th is a treble bell, and twice a 5th bell every three courses after the third course.

5408 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By E. C. Gobey, *Ilkeston.*

23456	1	4	5	6
42635			–	
26435				–
53624	–	–		
26354	–			–
24365		–	–	
43265				–
32465				–
62534	–	–		–
23564	–			
39524	–			
25634	–			
56234				–
63254	–			
34256	–	–	–	
52436	–			–
24536				–
43236				–
32546	–			–
25346				–
42526	–			–
35426				–
54326				–
42356	–			
53246	–			–
32456	–			s

Repeated. Omit the three bobs bracketted in one part, the peal is reduced to 5184.

5040 TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By the same Author.

23456	M	W	H
54326		2	2
36245	1	1	2
32465		1	2
23564	2		–
25634		1	2
36524		2	2
63425	2		2
64225		1	2
25346	1	1	2
23456		1	2

5184 TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

By the same Author.

23456	M	B	W	H
26354	1			1
62453		–	1	2
45623	1	–	2	1
26543			2	2
25463	1	–	2	2

Twice repeated.

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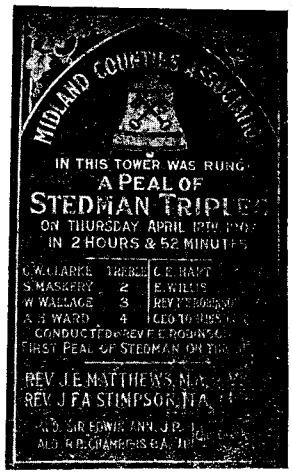

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR,
5024 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

ERNEST BRETT	*Treble.*	J. ARMIGER TROBLOPE ..	5.
H. RANZETTA	2.	FRANK BENNETT	6.
WILLIAM HEWETT	3.	ALFRED W. GRIMES.. ..	7.
FRANK HAIES	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS..	*Tenor.*

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OP TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

GEORGE WHITING	*Treble.*	GEORGE ABLITT	5.
SIDNEY W. PILGRIM.. ..	2.	CHARLES E. FISHER.. ..	6.
ALBERT STAFF	3.	ERNEST E. LANHAM ..	7.
DAVID LEGGETT	4.	WM. LAST	*Tenor.*

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by G. WHITING.

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TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford Treble Bob, and four 720s of Bob Minor. Tenor 20 cwt.

BERTIE TURNER* ..	..*Treble.*	†FREDK. C. M. SKINNER ..	4.
GEORGE SNELLING ..	2.	JOHN SNELLING.. ..	5.
ALBERT BROWN	3.	FREDK. SEAGER	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. SNELLING.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

NORTH SHIELDS, DURHAM.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minute,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOSEPH E, R. KREN	..*Treble.*	THOMAS T. GOFTON	6.
EDWARD A. HERN	2.	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD	7.
GEORGE T. POTTER	3.	JOSEPH A. GOFTON	8.
JOSEPH W. PARKER	4.	ROBERT RICHARDS	9.
JOEL HERN	5.	GEORGE R. POTTER..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, September 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

JOHN J. MAWBY.. ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES KELLER	5.
JAMES GARRATT	.. 2.	WALTER J. GERMAN ..	6.
JAMES T. WARD	3.	WALTER PERKINS	7.
J. HUBERT HORN	4.	*ANDERSON Y. TYLER	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by A. Y. TYLER.

Rung as a farewell to C. Keller, who is leaving for New Zealand. *100th peal on the bells.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

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

ALBERT BROWN* ..	..*Treble.*	EDWIN WHITING	5.
CHARLES BRICE	.. 2.	GEORGE SNELLING	6.
JOHN SNELLING	3.	ERNEST WHITING	7.
FREDK. MANSER	4.	FREDK. BORRETT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

First peal in the method by all. *First peal on eight bells

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

GEORGE GATLAND ..	..*Treble.*	HENRY STALHAM	5.
BENJAMIN BASSETT	2.	*LIONEL SEARS	6.
GEORGE NORRIS	.. 3.	EDWARD LINDUP	7.
JOHN SMART..	.. 4.	BERT CHALLEN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. LINDUP.

*First peal.

WOOBURN, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS, AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, September 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	..*Treble.*	JOHN C. TRUSS	5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ..	2	ROBERT H. YOUNNG ..	6.
FRED HAYES	.. 3.	RICHARD BUCKLAND ..	7.
RALPH COLES	.. 4.	FRANK W. BOXELL ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. PARKER, and Conducted by GEO. F. WILLIAMS.

First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and by the above Guild.

PALGRAVE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs. in A flat.

JOHN SMITH	..*Treble.*	GEORGE ARCHER	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	ERNEST F. POPPY	6.
CHARLES MILLS	.. 3	CLEMENT J. MORE	7.
THOMAS FORD, JUN. ..	.. 4.	JOHN SOUTER	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOHN SOUTER.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DUFFIELD MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

WILLIAM ALDIS	..*Treble.*	RICHARD BALDRY	5.
JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	2.	ALFRED FUNNELL	6.
JOHN ALDIS, SEN.	3.	GEORGE POYNTZ	7.
FREDK. WHITHAM	4.	WILLIAM STEELE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by WM. STEELE.

First peal in the method on the bells, by all the band, and in the county of Norfolk. All the above are members of the local band.

SEAFORD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS'. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOSEPH E. SYKES ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE PIPER	5.
FREDK. H. C. FEARS* ..	2.	HARRY CLARK	6.
BENJAMIN THORP	3.	ROBERT J. DAWE	7.
COLEMAN MORLING	4.	ARTHUR BANKS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by BENJAMIN THORP,

*First peal with a bob bell.

ASHBY FOLVILLE, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ROBERT CHRISTIAN ..	..*Treble.*	R HENRY BARTRAM ..	5.
E. MAURICE ATKINS.. ..	2.	JAMES HARRIS	6.
J. JAMES JACKSON*	3.	*RICHARD MOUNT	7.
T. HENRY HARDY	4.	WILLIAM WILLSON ..	..*Tenor*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

*First peal in the method. Messrs. Christian and Atkins hail from Yarmouth and Cambridge respectively. Rung as a birthday compliment to T. Henry Hardy.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, *in Three Hours and Six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

FREDK. W. BAILEY ..	..*Treble.*	JAMES M. BAILEY	5.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	2.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	6.
LEONARD P. BAILEY ..	3.	NORMAN R. BAILEY.. ..	7.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	4.	FREDK. J. SMITH ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by NORMAN R. BAILEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Norman R. Bailey, it being his first peal as conductor.

SALISBURY, WILTS.—THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, *in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

SIDNEY MACEY	..*Treble.*	GEORGE WILLIAMS	5.
HARRY E. MARSH	2.	HENRY W. WILKES	6.
JOHN S. RUMMING	3.	WILLIAM W GIFFORD ..	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4.	GIDEON WEBB	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

EYNSFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, *in Three Hours,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OE TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt.

REUBEN BALDWIN ..	..*Treble.*	HERBERT J. BLACKWELL..	5.
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ..	2.	ROBERT BRETT-SMITH ..	6.
THOMAS H. COLBURN ..	3.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	7.
SIDNEY R. ROPER	4.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.

First peal of Major as conductor. S Roper was proposed a member of the Association previous to starting.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, *in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN. ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN ALDIS, JON.	5.
WILLIAM STEELE	2.	GEORGE POYNTZ	6.
ALFRED FUNNELL	3.	FREDK J. HOWCHIN.. ..	7.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN.. ..	4.	ALBERT G. WARNES..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by A G. WARNES.

LAMBERHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 1, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

RICHARD B. LAMBERT ..	*Treble.*	JOSEPH A. LAMBERT ..	4.
WILLIAM H. LAMBERT ..	2.	FREDK. J. LAMBERT.. ..	5.
ERNEST C. LAMBERT ..	3.	EDWIN LAMBERT ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDWIN LAMBERT.

First peal of Minor by the ringers of the treble and 4th, the latter being elected a member of the Association previous to starting. It was also a farewell peal to E, C. Lambert, who was leaving the district the following morning. It was also E. Lambert's 500th 720. The above are all brothers; R. Lambert hails from Frant; W. Lambert from Benenden; J. Lambert from Merton, Surrey; the rest from Horsmonden.

WIRKSWORTH, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 2, 1911, *in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

FREDK. TURNER.. ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE BOWMER	5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	2.	WILLIAM FOX	6.
ROBERT M BLACKWALL ..	3.	BENJAMIN GREATOREX ..	7.
FREDK. JOHNSON	4.	BRIAN HILDITCH ..	..*Tenor,*

Conducted by BENJAMIN GREATOREX.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 3, 1911, *in Three Hours and Nine Minnte,*

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL, Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILFRED LLOYD ..	..*Treble.*	SAMUEL WESLEY	5.
CLEMENT GLENN	2.	WILLIAM BIGGIN	6.
JAMES EVINSON	3.	JOHN BROTHWELL	7.
R. WILFRED COLLIER ..	4.	WILLIAM HURST ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Rung on the first anniversary of the dedication of the tower, spire, and bells. Meeting one short for Stedman, the above was substituted, W. Lloyd standing in and succeeding creditably in his first attempt for a peal.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 4, 1911, *in Three Hours and Three Minutes,*

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt.

REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	*Treble.*	WILLIAM FOX	5.
THOMAS WHITE*	2.	*EDWIN BLACKWALL	6.
HENRY GREGORY*	3.	*WILLIAM TAYLOR	7.
JAMES L. WRIGHT*	4.	BENJAMIN GREATOREX ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. and
Conducted by the REV. A. T. BEESTON.

*First peal in the method. First peal of Treble Bob on the bells.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, October 4, 1911, *in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,*

AT EMMANUEL CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM HOBBS* ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST W. MARSH ..	5.
WALTER H. MARSH	2.	HAROLD BENNETT	6.
WILLIAM D. JAMES†.. ..	3.	WILLIAM FORD	7.
JOSEPH WOODLEY	4.	G. HARRY MYERS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM D. JAMES.

*First peal of Major. †First peal of Major as conductor.

PEAL CORRECTION.—In the report of the peal rung at Poole, Dorsetshire, recorded in our last issue, it should have read that this was the first peal on tower bells by a lady in the diocese.

STEDMAN (Doubles & Triples)

FOR BEGINNERS.

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THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

Miscellaneous.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

SAFFFRON WALDEN.—On Tuesday evening, September 19th, at St. Mary's church, a quarte-peal of Stedman Triples, in 40 mins. F. Pitstow conductor, T. R. Dennis, F. J. Pitstow, J. Penning, J. Freeman, E. Pitstow, R. Strong, W. Parish.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION

GEDDINGTON.—On Thursday, September 28th, for the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins. G. Black conductor, C. Cooper, C. Swan, E. Reid, R. Black.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWTON NOTTAGE (Glamorgan).—On Monday evening, September 25th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, 720 Grandsire Doubles. R. Cook, D. Thomes, J. Buckingham, T. Wood conductor, E. Williams, R. Sharp. And 360 Plain Bob. J. Partridge, D. Thomas, J. Buckingham, R. Cook, E. Williams, R. Sharp conductor. Rung on the occasion of the wedding of Miss Susan House and Mr. Jno. A. Thomas, the bride being the daughter of the esteemed sidesman of the church, M. J. House, who entertained the ringers to an excellent supper, a very pleasant evening being spent.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

APPLEDORE.—On Tuesday evening, September 26th, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins. G. Johnson, C. Tribe, A. Johnson, S. H. Hills, E. G. Johnson, F. S. Brown, C. W. Player conductor, F. Mitchell. Rung in honour of the marriage of the eldest daughter of Mr. George Johnson.

DOWNE (Kent).—On Sunday, October 1st, at the church of St. Mary the Virgin, for Divine Service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor. G. W. Evitt, T. H. Colburn, J. W. Browning, T. Groombridge, jun., S. Roper conductor, T. Groombridge, sen.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BEBINGTON (Cheshire).—On Monday, October 2nd, at St. Andrew's church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 45 mins. G. R. Newton, J. W. Bell, E. Breeze, W. Davies. J. Martin, J. Morgan, R. Sperring conductor, J. Allen. Rung after an unsuccessful attempt for Oxford Treble Bob Major.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BASINGSTOKE (Hants).—On Sunday, October 1st, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins. Alice White, H. White conductor, F. Wilson, C. F. Hansford, J. Ward, A. Burgess, J. E. Ballard, H. Knight.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

SANDIACRE.—On Sunday, October 1st, for evening service, being the Harvest Festival, a 720 of Sandiacre Pleasure, being the first 720 in the method ever rung. The method will be fonnd on page 11 No. 15 in the Collection of Legitimate Methods. The following band having rung the first 720 in the method wish to name it "Sandiacre Pleasure." E. W. Tansley, W. Halford, J. Hall, A. Freeman, R. Cox, E. C. Gobey conductor.

ILKESTON.—On Sunday, October 1st, for morning service, 616 Grandsire Triples. J. F. George, E. C. Gobey (composer and conductor), J. Iliffe, S. Burgoyne, E. Poxon, H. Fletcher, H. Harrison, A. T. Baker.

BISHOPS STORTFORD.—On Thursday, September 28th, at St. Michael's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. W. Rickett, F. Bird, T. Newman, H. M. White, F. Mumby, P. Springham, sen., H. J. Tucker composer and conductor, C. Ridgwell. Rung as a farewell compliment to F. Mumby, who is leaving Bishops Stortford, for Boston, Lincolnshire.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday, October 1st, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 26 mins. J. Fenwick, G. Jones, G. Ambrose, J. Allen, F. Hayes. F. Mitchell conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, the ringers tendering their hearty congratulations.

SALISBURY.—On Sunday, October 1st, at the residence of W. W. Gifford, 518 Grandsire Triples, on handbells. Mrs. G. Williams, 1-2; G. Williams conductor, 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; S. Macey, 7-8.

Correspondence.

METHODS.

SIR,—The method published in your valuable paper on September 23rd by Mr. Henry Dains is to be found in "THE BELL NEWS" of September 12th, 1908, page 384. I published that method to explain the argument that I was then writing about; but I do not uphold any method that does not have the complete circuit made with every bell. JOHN CARTER.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

A combined practice was held at the parish church, Aldershot, on Saturday, September 30th, when about 30 members were present from the following towers: Bently, Blackmoor, Guildford, Worplesdon, Puttenham, Farnham, and Aldershot. The methods rang consisted of Grandsire, Plain Bob, Stedman, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury and Oxford Single Bob. Everyone was delighted with the tone and go of the new bells, and let us hope that ere long the two trebles will be added to this musical ring.

ALDERSHOT PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

I should be glad if those who have not returned the subscription lists re the above will kindly do so as early as possible. Next week I hope to forward list for publication of those already returned. C. EDWARDS.

Ridgway Road, Farnham.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.— Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on October 17th; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 31st; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th and 26th; and St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637 — The 274th anniversary dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11th, at The London Tavern. Fenchurch Street, E.C., at 6.30 p m. Tickets 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. F. C. Bailey, C. S. Borden, E. A. Davies. G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes. H. Langdon, E. P. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham. W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, M. A. Wood, or

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The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, October 16th. Tower open from 8 p.m, to 9.15 p.m. Business meeting at 9.30 at the headquarters room, The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, W.C All members should endeavour to attend.

FREDK. J. HARDY, *Hon. Sec.*
34, *Guildford Road, South Lambeth.*

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths—A meeting will be held at St. Mary, Islington, on Saturday, October 21st. Tower open at 4 o'clock, Tea at The Duke, Upper Street, at 5.30. There will be a practice at St. Martin's on Wednesday, October 11th, at 8 o'clock. F. BENNETT, *Hon Sec*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. M. Harvey), at St. John's, Hillingdon, on Saturday, October 14th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be kindly provided by the donor of the bells (J. F. Stillwell, esq). All those intending to be present are requested to notify me not later than the 11th inst, Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.

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The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—The ninth annual grand Bohemian Concert will be held at The Talbot restaurant, London Wall, E.C. Commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, price 6d., reserved seats 1s., which may be obtained from all officers of the society, or from

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Peterborough and District Association.—A district meeting will be held at Yaxley today. Sat.. October 7th. Tea at 7.30 p.m.

F. COOKE, *Sec.*
195, *Gladstone Road, Peterborough.*

The Bedfordshire Association—A quarterly meeting will be held at Woburn today, Sat., October 7th. A. RUST *Hon. Sec.*

The North Notts. Association.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Anston to-Sat., day, October 7th. Tea at 5 p.m.

B. DARLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.—Eastern Division.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Warbleton, to-day, Sat., October 7th. Tea at 5.30.

GEO. H. HOWSE, *Div. Sec.*
"*Kenilworth*," *Latimer Road, Eastbourne.*

The Norwich Diocesan Association—The annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 11th. at Ipswich, For particulars send to secretaries of companies. It is hoped that all the towers in the town will be available. Notice of intention to be present to be sent by October 9th to

C. E. BORRETT, *Secretary.*
10, *Grove Avenue. Norwich.*

The Essex Association.—North-Western District.—Annual meeting at Bishop's Stortford on Saturday, October 14th. Bells at 3.30. Tea at 5.30 sharp, at The Boar's Head. Members 6d., non-members 1s. 6d Will those who intend attending kindly let me know not later than Wednesday, October 11th.

J. F. PENNIMG, *Hon. Sec.*
Fairyville, Saffron Walden.

The Lancashire Association—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will beld at Christ Church. Southport, on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 3.

WALTER HUGHES. *Sec.*
3. *Shrewsbnry Place, Garston.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The annual tea party and social of the above branch will be held on Saturday, October 14th, at Heywood. Tea on tables at 5 o'clock Social at 7 o'clock. The party will be held in the Conservative Club, York Street. Tickets—Gentlemen 1s. 3d.; Ladies 1s. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Scorton on Saturday. October 14th. Further particulats by circular.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.—Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of this district will be held at Charing on Saturday, October 14th. Through the generosity of the Rev. Rendell Carter, tea will be provided to all members intending to attend, who must notify the District Secretary not later than Monday, October 9th. Belfry open at 3.30 Short service at 5.30.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*
71. *Florence Road, Maidstone.*

The Hertfordshire Association.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Graveley, near Stevenage, on Saturday, October 14th. Will all six or five-bell ringers take notice of this meeting especially arranged tor them. Those who can come are requested to inform

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
29, *Bancroft, Hitchin.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Rolleston on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 5. HARRY WAKLEY. *Local Hon. Sec.*

The Ely Diocesan Association.—A district meeting will take place at Newmarket on Saturday, October 14th. The bells of All Saints (8), and St. Mary's (5) will be open after 2 p m. A meat will be supplied at 6d. per head. T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.—Central Division —Next meeting at Lindfield (postponed from September 16th), on Saturday, October 14th. Tower open at 3 Tea at Bent hotel at 5.30. Those intending to be at tea must let me know by Tuesday, October 10th. ROBERT J. DAWE, *Div. Hon. Sec.*
"*Southover*," *Alfriston Road, Seaford.*

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—Eastern Counties Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Spalding on Saturday, October 14th. The bells of the parish church and St Paul's, Fulney, will be available from 11 o'clock. Dinner at The White Hart hotel at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. Service with short address in the parish church at 3.30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*
Pinchbeck, Spalding.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Croston on Saturday, October 21st. Particulars by circular. REV. W. T. BULPIT, W. BENTHAM. } *Hon. Secs,*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden parish church on Saturday, October 28th, Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Stoke Archidiaeonal Association.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Fenton on Saturday, October 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Tea at 6. Service at 7. Please notify Mr E. A. Sherratt, 24, Blurton Road, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent, of how many intend to be present not later than the 11th inst.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The next quaarterly meeting will be held at Aberdare an Saturday, October 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5 o'clock.

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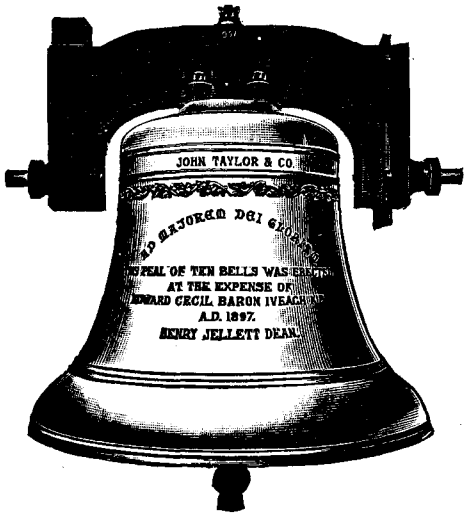

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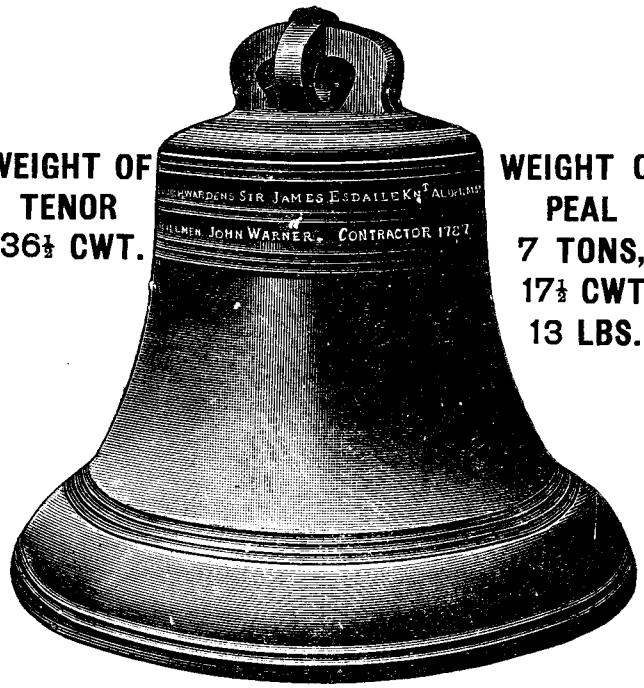

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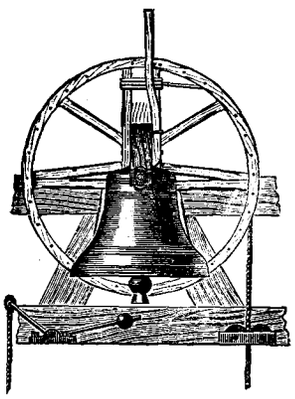

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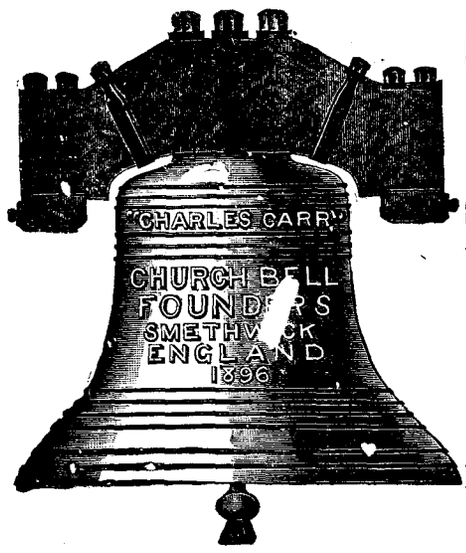

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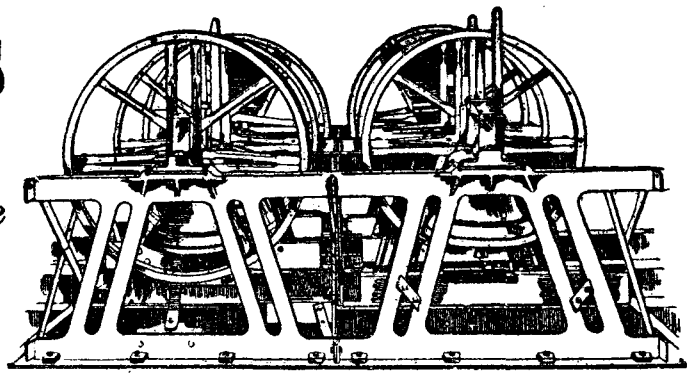

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NEW RING OF TEN BELLS FOR HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

The bells of St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, have been in a dilapidated and unringable condition for some time, a peal not having been rung upon them since November 14th, 1903 (a peal of Stedman Triples, conducted by John Basden). The bells have now been recast and two trebles added to make a peal of ten, the whole peal has been rehung in a new steel and iron frame, the louvres bricked up two-thirds, and a new double floor between the bells and the ringing chamber. The whole of the expense of this splendid work has been borne by J. F. Stilwell, esq., of "Moorecroft," Hillingdon, and the parishioners of Hillingdon with those of neighbouring parishes, and the ringing world generally will be exceedingly grateful to that gentleman for his magnificent generosity. The work has been most successfully carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Bellfounders and Clockmakers, of Croydon.

The Dedication.

On Saturday, October 7th, the new bells were dedicated by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Kensington. A large congregation assembled for the service, which opened with the processional hymn, "We love the place, O God." After the Lord's Prayer and the Responses Psalms cxxii. and cl. were sung, followed by the hymn "When morning gilds the skies." The Bishop, rural dean clergy, churchwardens and ringers then proceeded to the porch, where the dedicatory prayers were offered by the Bishop, at the conclusion of which the Bishop, rural dean and clergy returned to the chancel while a special hymn was sung. His Lordship then delivered a most interesting discourse, basing his remarks upon the text "The Spirit and the Bride said come." After the Blessing the recessional hymn was sung "Now thank we all our God."

The Ringing.

After the dedication service the bells were opened by members of the South and West District of the Middlesex Association, and in the course of the evening touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Treble and Bob Royal were rung. It was then agreed on all sides that the tone and "go" of the bells was magnificent. Unfortunately there is a little too much noise in the belfry, which no doubt will soon be set right. The ringing was conducted by Mr. J. J. Pratt, foreman of the local ringers, and who has been keenly interested in the work of restoration. Miss Pratt also took part in the ringing.

The Tea.

At six o'clock the company, to the number of about thirty, sat down to a substantial tea in the schoolroom, presided over by the Rev. J. H. Wooster (curate). The tea was kindly provided by the donor of the bells, and for which the company beg to teuder their best thanks. The Vicar, the Rev. C. M. Harvey, looked in while the tea was in progress, and addressed a few kindly remarks to those present. Mr. Stilwell also looked in, and met with a hearty reception. He expressed great pleasure at meeting so many ringers, and hoped the bells would be a source of interest and pleasure for years to come, and that they would also be a great benefit to the Middlesex Association. Mr. Stilwell gave an interesting account of how he had been prevailed upon, first, to have a "little" done to the bells, which really amounted to a new frame for ten bells, then recasting of the two old trebles, then two additional trebles to make a peal of ten, and finally to have the whole peal recast.

The Bells.

The bells are in the key of E flat, the weights of which are given below. They are tuned to Canon Simpson's principle, and are undoubtedly a great success. They are the nearest peal of ten to London, so tuned. The original inscriptions have been recast on the new bells, the new tenor being only one pound lighter than the old tenor. The weight of the bells are as follows: Treble, 4 cwt. 0 qrs. 26 lbs.; 2nd, 4 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lbs.; 3rd, 4 cwt. 2 qrs. 16 lbs.; 3rd, 4 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.; 4th, 5 cwt. 0 qrs. 5 lbs.; 5th, 5 cwt. 3 qrs. 4 lbs.; 6th, 6 cwt. 2 qrs. 26 lbs.; 7th, 8 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs.; 8th, 10 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs.: 9th, 15 cwt. 0 qrs. 9 lbs.; Tenor, 21 cwt. 1 qr. 22 lbs.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Congresbury on Saturday, September 30th, when forty members were present from ten towers. A service was held in the parish church at 3.30, the Rev. R. H. Mansell Eyre, Vicar of the parish, officiating, and the Rev. J. A. Dodd, Vicar of Winscombe, giving the address. A meat tea was partaken of in the schoolroom at 4.15, the business meeting being held directly after, the Rev. C. C. Parker, Master of the Association, presiding, being supported by the Revs. R. H. Maunsell Eye and J. A. Dodd, and G. Cavill, J. H. Walters, W. Jennings, and C. E. D. Boutflower, esqs. The minutes were read and duly confirmed, and one honorary and thirty-three performing members were elected. Milverton was selected for the next meeting, which will be held early in December. Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. Eyres for arranging the service and the use of the bells, to the Rev. Dodd for giving the address, and to the Rev. R. H. Robinson (Yatton), for granting the use of his bells. A hearty welcome was also extended to a very old member—Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower, of Bristol—who has been a Master of the Association.

Business over a move was made to the tower, where the fine ring of eight bells, tenor about 38 cwt., were soon set in motion, Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Major being rung on them. During the evening Yatton tower, where the Vicar had kindly granted the use of the bells, was visited, and some touches of Grandsire and Stedman was rung.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. Thompson, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, LEICESTER.

On Thursday evening, October 5th, the church of St. George was completely devastated. The position of St. George's church in close proximity to the outbreak was, during the whole progress of the fire in Queen Street, found to be exceedingly precarious. Huge masses of red hot embers and sparks drifted from the blaze on to the roof of the sacred edifice, and very soon there was a bunch of burning stuff all in one corner of the roof. At eight o'clock a large congregation had assembled in the church for the purpose of taking part in the Harvest Festival, at which the Dean of Lincoln was to have been the special preacher. Members of the congregation said that they noticed the fire about ten minutes to eight, and the reflection became so lurid and alarming that the abandonment of the service was the only thing possible. The choir procession had just formed np in the church at 8 o'clock when the Vicar, the Rev. C. L. Robinson, entered the pulpit, and intimated that in view of the danger from the fire the service would not be proceeded with. He asked the senior members of the choir to remain behind and remove the valuable and portable property in the church, and the application was replied to with considerable effect. The vestments, sanctuary lamps, cross, banners and ornaments were soon all removed to a place of safety by the choirmen and members of the C.E.M.S., and it was well, as it happened, that this step was taken. Once the roof got well alight, St. George's was doomed, and in a few minutes the sacred edifice provided a brilliant display of pyrotechnics. As portions of the roof fell into the aisle, huge showers of sparks were sent into the air and carried away. Many of them settled on the buildings belonging to the Girls' Friendly Society, an adjunct of the church, and set a portion of the roof on fire. This little outbreak was easily quelled, however. Meantime the fire had spread from the roof of the church to the belfry, and the progress of the fire could be easily perceived through the big casement openings. A ring of six by Taylor, of Loughborough, were hung in the belfry, but in the intense heat the mountings soon melted through and the bells gave way.

The interior of the building was soon nothing else but a burning mass, and a scene of hopeless disaster, and the efforts of the firemen had to be directed principally to the saving of the tower and spire. From all the apertures in the tower and spire huge masses of sparks were emitted with a distinct resemblance to a firework display, and yet, even with the intense heat. the spire remained immovable. Up to half-past eleven the nave of the church was like a furnace, and it seemed probable that only the walls would remain.

The roof of St. George's gradually burnt itself out, and fell into the aisles and seats below. At midnight all efforts were concentrated on the tower. Every moment it seemed as though the tower must fall. The whole of the inside of the belfry showed up a brilliant red against the clouds of smoke in the background. Will the tower and spire stand or fall? Would the greatest possible calamity befall the church? The wall had withstood the heat bravely, but the tower and spire, rising high into the sky, was a different matter. The potency of the flames was such that one had to be prepared for the worst. A short period would decide. The flames grew in dimensions, then reached their highest altitude, and slowly but surely diminished. The tower was still standing; the worst had not happened; the handiwork of a former generation had triumphed.

The proximity of the outbreak caused considerable alarm from the outset to the church authorities, and Mr. C. H. Fowler, the steeplekeeper of St. George's, was sent on to the battlements with a whistle which he was instructed to blow immediately the church became endangered. That part of Messrs. Rowley's factory where the fire started is some distance from the church, but the premises extend or extended right up to the churchyard. As the flames devoured more and more of these works, the embers were blown across the intervening distance by the strong wind, and gathered in the gutters. "This," said Mr. Fowler, "caused a small fire, which I could have put out with a bucket of water, but from the battlements it was impossible fo get at it. As soon as I saw this I blew my whistle to notify the watchers below, and pointed out where the danger lay. The small fire was sufficient to melt the lead, and then the flames began to get hold of the woodwork. The fireman came on the scene, but the fire at first could not be seen from below, and it took some time to get on to the roof, with the result that the flames had broken through by the time a hydrant was brought into play." Mr. Fowler added that the pressure of water seemed quite inadequate.

AN OCTAGONAL CHURCH.

The octagonal church of St. Martin's, Stony Middleton, in Derbyshire, is of a curious design. The body of the church is octagonal, with the seats all facing to the centre, The roof is upheld by eight tall pillars at each corner of the octagon, and springing from a deep moulded capital are eight semi-circular arches which support an octagonal superstructure in which are eight semi-circular windows, the roof terminating in a point. There are four round windows in the main walls, and also a large ronnd-headed east window forming a recess in the east octagon. The tower, which is of Norman design, contains three bells. The church is a chapelry to Hathersage, and the present incumbent is the Rev. J. B. Riddlesden.

ALDERSHOT PARISH CHURCH BELLS.

I should be glad if those who have not returned the subscription lists re the above will kindly do so as early as possible. Next week I hope to forward list for publication of those already returned. C. EDWARDS.

Ridgway Road, Farnham.

A STAINED GLASS ROMANCE.—The east window of St. Margaret's, Westminster, wandered for more than two hundred years before reaching its present position, and was the subject of a seven years' lawsuit. Henry VII., for whom it was intended, died before the window arrived from Dordrecht, aud it came into the possession first of the Abbot of Waltham, and then of General Monk. Stained glass was anathema at one time, so the window was buried until the Restoration, when it was brought to light. Refused by Wadham College, it was bought for fifty guineas and erected in a private house, and years later was bought for 400 guineas by the committee charged with the restoration of St. Margaret's, and placed in position in the church. The lawsuit was brought by tbe Registrar against the Dean aud Chapter, on the ground that the window contained superstitious images, but after seven years wrangling the wardens proved victorious.

5152 BOB MAJOR.—By E. Morris, *Leicester.*

23456	W	M	H
42635	–	–	
6342	–		–
2643	–		
4326	–		–
2436			–
3246			–
4632	–		–
53624		–	–
6532			–
3265	–		–
6325			–
2635			–
3526	–		–
2356			–
45236	–	–	–
2453			–
3254	–		

Repeat first six courses omitting M, and substituting S for B last call, then repeat whole. 4–5–6 only in 6th.

5600 DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By Walter Gilbert, *Raunds.*

23456	1	4	6
32654		–	–
26354			–
53624	–		–
36524			–
65324			–
23564	–		–
35264			–
62534	–		–
32465	–	–	–
24365			–
43265			–
62345	–		–
23645			–
36245			–
42635	–		–
32546	–	–	–
24536	–		
43526	–		
25346	S		–
54326	–		
42356	–		
53246	–		–
34256	–		
52436	–		–
32456	S		

Repeated.

5920.—By the same Author.

23456	1	4	5	6
32654		–		–
26354				–
53624	–			–
35524				–
65324				–
23564	–			–
35264				–
62554	–			–
32465	–	–		–
24365				–
43265				–
62345	–			–
23645				–
36245				–
42635	–			–
26435				–
42563			–	
54326			–	
42356	–			
25346	–			
43526	–			–
32546	–			
45236	–			–
53246	–			
34256	–			
52436	–			–
32456S				

Repeated.

5924.—By the same Author.

23456	1	4	5	6
53624	–	–		–
36524				–
65324				–
54326	–	–	–	
43256S				–
32456				–
54236	–			–
42536				–
25436				–
34526	–			–
45326				–
53426				–
24336	–			–
32945			–	
26345				–
43625	–			–
36425				–
24635	–			–
46235				–
62435				–
34265	–			–
42365				–
23465				–

Repeated.

Geddington.—On Thursday, September 28th, for the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins. G. Black conductor, C. Cooper, C. Swan, E. Reid, R. Black.

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THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

AN APPEAL.

Owing to a motor car accident over two years a o, EDWARD CASH, who is so well known and respected amongst Bellringers, Oddfellows and others, has been in capacitated from work for a long time, and is now in the Salford Royal Hospital. A few friends, desirous of assisting him, have decided to make an APPEAL FOR HELP, and at a meeting held at Swinton, it was decided to get up a Draw for his benefit. Every effort has failed to find the owner of the car. It is sincerely hoped that his many friends will make the matter widely known: and those willing to assist will oblige the committee by doing their utmost for this worthy object, either in soliciting subscriptions or selling tickets.

On behalf of the Committee, James Barratt, chairman, 7, College Croft, Eccles; Harry Chapman, vice-chairman, Plymouth Grove, Manchester; Samuel Wood, treasurer, 44, Crowthorn Road, Ashton-under-Lyne; Charles Cash, 16, Partington Lane, Swinton, Saml. Greenhalgh, 72, Brindle Heath Road, Pendleton, joint secretaries.

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	£	s.	d.
Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart.	1	0	0
Rev. C. E. Hulton (Vicar of Worsley)	0	10	0
W. Pole Routh (Reading)	0	10	0
James Brockbank (St. Helen's)	0	10	0
Thomas Yates (Swinton)	0	10	0
Ringers of Holy Trinity Church, Houghton ...	0	10	0
Ringers parish church, Darwin	0	7	6
E. D. Taylor (Loughborough)	0	5	0
Rev. C. P. Kenling and ringers (Todmorden) ...	0	5	0
John Fell (Lytham)	0	2	6
Ringers St. Luke's, Heywood	0	2	6
Mr. Walker (Buxton, Derbyshire)	0	2	6

*** We would again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper should be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the publishers.

THE ROBINSON MEMORIAL FUND.

It will be noticed that the sum in hand is still far short of that which we set out to obtain—£300. This does not however prove that we aimed too high, but it rather tends to show what different methods obtain in the various Guilds and Associations throughout the country. To each Secretary was sent by the committee a number of circular letters varying according to the number of his towers (more could have been sent if they had been asked for) but whereas in some cases the result has been all that could be wished in others the result has been nil. A twelvemonth has now elapsed since the issue of these letters, and we must regretfully conclude that we are not to expect much more from Guilds and Associations as such; our appeal is therefore now through your columns to individual towers and individual ringers and bell lovers, who have not yet contributed, to send a subscription, though it may be a small one, to place a memorial in Drayton church to the late Rev. F. E. Robinson, as a testimony from the ringers of Great Britain and their friends to the work of one who for fifty years was the most remarkable figure in the ringing world, and who in that time did more than anyone else for the true advancement of church bell ringing throughout the British Isles.

CYRIL W. O. JENKYN,
Chairman of the Robinson Memorial Committee.

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PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

A District Meeting of this Association was held at Yaxby on Saturday, October 7th, when by kind permission of the Vicar ringing was indulged in during the afternoon. A short service was held in the church at 4.0 p.m., after which tea was provided at the residence of Mr. Bates, a splendid meat tea being placed before the members. The Vicar said a few appropriate words on bells and bellringing, and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Bates for the use of his room and for the excellent tea. This was heartily accorded.

The members then adjourned to the vestry for the business meeting. The Vicar presided. Eight new members were elected, including the Vicar, the Rev. E. H. Brown, who, in a very able speech, offered his services whenever possible for the advancement of bellringing.

Members were present from Whittlesea (St. Mary's and St. Andrew's), Ramsey, Glinton, Peterborough (St. John's and St. Mary's.) Short touches of Bob Minor, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles were rung during the day. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells and presiding at the meeting.

MAIDENHEAD.—On Sunday evening, October 8th, for Divine Service at All Saints church, Boyn Hill, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 43 mins. J. Eldridge, W. Walker, R. Walker, A. Walker, H. T. Gowlett, P. J. Hardy, G. Martin conductor, H. Jones.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The third quarterly meeting of the Eastern Branch was held at Frieston on Saturday, October 7th, when ringers from Boston, Friskney, Butterwick, Frampton, Fossdyke, Kirton, Skirbeck, Stickney, Wrangle and the local company were present. A short service was held in the church at 4.30. Tea was provided at The Bull and Dog inn, presided over by the Vicar, the Rev. S. Staffurth, the Rev. J. P. Cheales in the vice-chair, supported by the churchwardens, the Rev. Hulbert, Vicar of Frampton, and about thirty ringers and friends. After tea a meeting was held, presided over by the Rev. J. P. Cheales, President of the Association, when several new members were elected, and the Vicar and W. E. Pearson became honorary members. The next meeting was decided to be held at Boston. The members then adjourned to the tower and the bells were kept going till 9 o'clock with touches of Oxford Bob, Canterbury, Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles.

FRIESTON.—On Thursday, October 5th, the Frieston company started for a 5040 of Minor in three methods—Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, but after ringing five 720s of Oxford Bob and Canterbury Pleasure the conductor called "stand," owing to the 5th and 6th bells going so badly. No doubt the peal would have been accomplished but for the bad go of the bells. It would have been a great credit to the band, as two of them only learnt to ring this summer, and had to walk a distance of six miles for practice.

Correspondence.

SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

SIR,—The 5056 by G. Cross, having the 5th and 6th their extent in 6ths, without the 2nd or 3rd being there, in your issue of September 30th, is a reproduction of one composed by me in 1888. The identical figures were published in "THE BELL NEWS" of July 20th, 1889. It was first rung at Burton-on-Trent as New Cambridge Surprise on November 28th, 1889, conducted by Joseph Griffin. Also as Superlative on the handbells at Watford on May 28th, 1910, conducted by G. N. Price.

C. H. HATTERSTEY.

METHODS.

SIR,—Please let me say I have looked up the columns of "THE BELL NEWS" of September 12th, 1908, and on page 384 (not page 384) I find a lead of Triples given as being of a new principle. This is an error, as the treble in it is a plain hunt bell. Upon examining the figures of it I see Mr. Carter has by an oversight compared the plain lead of these Triples with a bob lead of the Doubles. This fact in itself proves that the two methods are no relation to each other at all. If you can spare space I will here give the reverse of these Doubles, so tranposed as to make the 5th or tenor the hunting bell.

120 DOUBLES.

1 2 3 4 5	
2 1 4 3 5	
2 4 1 5 3	
4 2 5 1 3	
4 5 2 3 1	
5 4 2 1 3	
5 2 4 3 1	
2 5 4 1 3	
2 4 5 3 1	
4 2 3 5 1	Bob
2 4 3 1 5	
4 2 1 3 5	
4 1 2 5 3	
1 4 5 2 3	
1 5 4 3 2	
5 1 4 3 2	
5 4 1 3 2	
4 5 1 2 3	
4 1 5 3 2	
1 4 3 5 2	
1 3 4 2 5	

Five times repeated completes the 6-score. Single for bob at any corresponding parts, made as follows:—

4 3 2 5 1	Single for bob.
4 3 2 1 5	

Or if desired the single can be made at the half-way and end as follows, but all the bobs must then be called:—

1 3 2 5 4	Half-way single.
1 3 2 4 5	

It will be seen that while the 5th is the plain hunting bell, the treble returns to her home position every second lead, and the composition simply is bob lead and plain lead. All changes are Doubles, to singles excepted, and no bell lies more than two blows in any place or position in this method. H. DAINS.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

ISLEWORTH.—For the Harvest Festival at the parish church on Wednesday, September 27th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, composed by the late Editor. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom conductor, W. Emmett, T. Beadle, F. G. Goddard, W. New, G. Spencer, H. Beadle. On Thursday, October 5th, for the marriage of Mr. H. P. Coles to Miss Ohlenschlager, of Busch House, Isleworth, 720 Bob Minor. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom conductor, T. Beadle, C. Dell, W. Lidbetter, A. Sheard, G. Spencer, H. Beadle. On Sunday, October 8th, for the morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom, T. Beadle, W. H. Bigg first quarter-peal, G. Spencer conductor, C. Dell, F. G. Goddard, H. Beadle.

LEYTONSTONE.—On Sunday, October 8th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, 720 Chelsea Surprise. W. Theobald, S. Hayes, G. A. Black, G. Dawson, J. Moule, H. Torble conductor. On Monday, October 9th, 720 Lincoln Surprise. W. Doran, S. Hayes, G. A. Black, W. Theobald, G. Dawson, H. Torble conductor.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND. — On Sunday evening, October 8th, at the church of SS. Peter and Paul, for the Harvest Festival, 720 Plain Bob. A. Broome, J. Fenwick, G. A. Jones, J. Allen, J. Broome, F. Mitchell conductor. And 360 Grandsire Minor. J. Avis, J. Fenwick, G. Jones, J. Allen, J. Broome, F. Mitchell conductor.

OLD WARDEN (Beds).—On Sunday morning, September 24th, for the Harvest Festival service, 720 Bob Minor, in 22 mins. T. Wells, W. Newton, F. Blood conductor, A. G. Webb, W. J. Mayes, C. A. Pratt. For evening service several touches, conducted by W. Newton and F. Blood.

POTTON (Beds).—On Thursday evening, for the Harvest Festival, 360 Reverse College Single. F. Carter, W. Inskip, A. Bailey, C. A. Pratt, W. Compton, F. Blood conductor. 360 Single Oxford. F. Carter, W. Inskip, A. Bailey, F. Blood, W. Compton, C. A. Pratt conductor. On Sunday morning, for the Harvest Festival, 720 Reverse College Single and Single Oxford. F. Carter, W. Inskip, A. Bailey, C. A. Pratt, W. Compton, F. Blood conductor. First 720s on this principle by all except the conductor, and on the bells. This is an isolated tower in Berkshire, never visited by the Bedfordshire Association.

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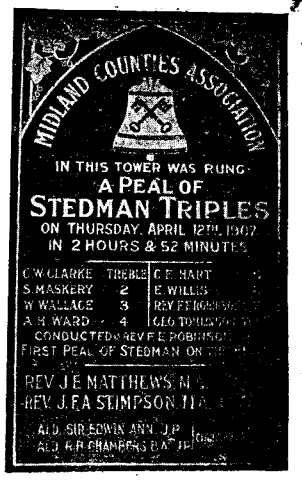

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Four Hours and Six Minutes,

At Southwark Cathedral,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 50 cwt.

Challis F. Winney	..*Treble.*	Charles S. Burden	.. 7.
Edwin Horrex	.. 2.	Thomas H. Taffender	.. 8.
Samuel E. Joyce ..	.. 3.	Henry R. Newton..	.. 9.
Herbert Langdon ..	.. 4.	Albert B. Peck ..	.. 10.
Henry Springall ..	.. 5.	Edward P. O'Meara	.. 11.
William E. Garrard	.. 6.	William T. Cockerill	..*Tenor.*

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and Conducted by William T. Cockerill.

First peal on the bells since their restoration by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, October 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Dunstan, Stepney,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5010 CHANGES.

Tenor 32 cwt.

George R. Holmes	..*Treble.*	Alfred W. Grimes..	.. 6.
Henry Springall ..	.. 2.	Alfred F. Hillier..	.. 7.
Fredk. J. Hardy ..	.. 3.	Emanuel Hall.. ..	.. 8.
Herbert Langdon ..	.. 4.	Thomas Langdon ..	.. 9.
James Scholes	.. 5.	Richard F. Deal ..	..*Tenor.*

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THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, EDMONTON,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 GHANGES. Tenor 17¾ cwt. in F.

HENRY DAINS	..*Treble.*	JOHN T. KENTISH	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER*	2.	WILBY J. HAZELL	6.
GEORGE RADLEY	3.	JAMES PARKER	7.
JOHN H, BENSTEAD	4.	GEORGE A. CABD ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

*First peal of London Surprise as conductress, and first attempt. Rung on the occasion of the opening of the Coronation Hall at Edmonton. The conductress is still in her teens, and is the youngest person of either sex who has successfully essayed to conduct a peal in this method.

THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, WESTMINSTER.

On Saturday, September 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, WESTMINSTER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5019 CHANGES.

Tenor 26 cwt.

WALTER G. MATTHEWS ..	*Treble.*	JAMES E. DAVIS	6.
ARTHUR N. HARDY	2.	ERNEST BRETT	7.
EDWIN F. PIKE†	3.	WILLIAM HEWETT	8.
FRANK HAIRS	4.	ALFRED GRIMES..	9.
FRANK BENNETT..	5.	SAMUEL SOUTHEY ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. R. FARDON, and Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

†First peal of Stedman Caters. This is the first peal on the bells since the rehanging of the tenor by Mears and Stainbank, the "go" being excellent. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. G. Matthews, the ringer of the treble.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

FREDK. G. PERRIN ..	..*Treble.*	FRANK BENNETT	5.
EDWIN F. PIKE*	2.	FRANK J. HAIRS	6.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	3.	JAMES E DAVIS	7.
ALFRED W. GRIMES	4.	HARRY FLANDERS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by F. BENNETT.

*First peal of Cambridge Surprise.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 20 cwt.

JAMES W. DRIVER ..	..*Treble.*	†ERNEST H. COOK	5.
ROBERT HARVEY*	2.	CHARLES F. W. HUNT ..	6.
THOMAS BOLTON*	3.	WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ..	7.
HENRY G. OWEN	4.	*HENRY WHANSLOW ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. W. DRIVER.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

The Provinces.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

HARRY TAYLOR* ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN WYATT	5.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ..	2.	THOMAS A, SHRUBB	6.
ALBERT GOLDSMITH	3.	JOHN HOYLE	7.
WILLIAM COOK	4.	GEORGE COOK	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT,

*First peal. Rang as a farewell peal to H. Taylor who is leaving the parish,

REIGATE, SURREY.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, September 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5053 CHANGES.

Tenor 19 cwt. 3 qrs. 21 lbs.

GEORGE F. HOAD	..*Treble.*	ISAAC EMERY	6.
EDWARD F. COLE	2.	FRANK BENNETT	7.
THOMAS H. COLBURN ..	3.	ROBERT J. DAWE	8.
HENRY F. EWINS	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE. JUN.*	5.	THOS, GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

*First peal of Stedman Caters.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qrs. 12 lbs.

FREDK. ROOPE*	..*Treble.*	ERNEST WHITING	5.
EDWIN WHITING	2.	CHARLES ROOPE	6.
ALFRED SMITH	3.	WILLIAM ROOPE	7.
CHARLES BAKER..	4.	FREDK. BORBETT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by F, ROOPE.

*First peal in the method as conductor.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN DIVISION.)

On Tuesday, October 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

CHARLES F. WHITE..	..*Treble,*	WALTER J. BRETHERTON	5.
JOHN LLOYD*	2,	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD ..	6.
ROBERT MATTHEWS	3	HARRY PRICE	7.
HARRY HILL	4.	CHARLES E. PERKINS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, October 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 9 cwt. in A.

THOMAS SMITH	..*Treble.*	PERCY E. JONES	5.
ALFRED C. FUSSELL.. ..	2.	EDGAR HANCOCK	6.
ALFRED W. LEADER* ..	3.	CHARLES R. LILLEY.. ..	7.
EDWIN HOOPER*	4.	THOMAS SMITH	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal with a bob bell.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob, St. Clements, Double Bob, and Bob Minor.

Tenor 20 cwt,

CLARENCE GOOCH† ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. SEAGER	4.
FREDK. MANSER	2.	JOHN SNELLING..	5.
BERTIE TURNER*	3.	GEORGE SNELLING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

†First peal. *First peal with a bob bell.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WILDE'S VARIATION. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD	*Trebls.*	JOHN FLOWER	5.
CHARLES DRAPER	2.	HENRY GEORGE	6.
HENRY LETTS*	3.	BART MITCHELL	7.
FRED W. HILL	4.	†JOSEPH HAYWOOD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED W. HILL.

*First peal in the method. †First peal.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, October 6, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

THOMAS J. BARBER	*Treble.*	HENRY W. CHANDLER	5.
SYDNEY CARTER	2.	WILLIAM WELLING	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	ERNEST R. GLADMAN	7.
CHARLES W. BELL	4.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal of Oxford on the bells, by all the band, and by the Association.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH (R.C.)

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS WARD	*Treble.*	*GEO. ROBERTS	5.
GEORGE PARSONS	2.	*THOMAS BLOORE	6.
EDWIN STRINGER	3.	BERNARD W. WITCHELL	7.
BERTRAM LEEDHAM*	4.	JACOB SEABOURNE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERNARD W. WITCHELL.

*Proposed members before starting for the peal.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, and two of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

THOMAS H. VALLANCE	*Treble.*	WALTER J. HORTON	4.
GEOFFREY J. STONELEY	2.	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN	5.
EDGAR VALLANCE	3.	E. HARRY STONELEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHILVOCK	*Treble.*	JAMES E. GROVES	5.
JOHN BASS	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
HERBERT KNIGHT	3.	GEORGE PIGOTT	7.
REV. E. V. COX*	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

*First peal in the method, and first in the method on the bells.

LENTON, NOTTS.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 8¾ cwt.

SAMUEL WESLEY	*Treble.*	WILLIAM LAMBERT	7.
ALBERT COPPOCK	2.	ALBERT H. WARE	6.
HERBERT DAY	3.	ERNEST J. OLIVER	7.
J. CHARLES DICKEN	4.	ARTHUR KNIGHTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by A KNIGHTS, and Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

BRIGHTON.—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

JOHN JAY	*Treble.*	GEORGE ADES	6.
ALBERT D. STONE	2.	ROBERT J. DAWE	7.
CHARLES PALMER	3.	KEITH HART	8.
RICHARD W. HOATHER	4.	*BENJAMIN THORP	9.
WILLIAM PALMER	5.	GEORGE BLEACH	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by B. THORP.

*First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor.

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

DICK ILIFFE*	*Treble.*	ARTHUR PETTITT	5.
ERNEST MORRIS	2.	FRED STANIFORTH	6.
LOUIS E. ALLEN	3.	*W. NEAL ADKINSON	7.
FRED H. DEXTER	4.	CHARLES H. FOWLER	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

*First peal in the method. Rung on the anniversary of the marriage of Mr and Mrs. F. Staniforth.

CAYTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. VINCENT,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

REGINALD SCOTT*	*Treble.*	JAMES OSBORN	5.
JOSEPH LORD†	2.	FREDK. W. STOKES	6.
JOHN W. LAKE‡	3.	JOHN CRAGG	7.
ARTHUR MACKEARS	4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. THORPE, and Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

*First peal on eight bells. †First peal of Major. ‡First peal in the method.

LLANBRADACH, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 lb.

CLARENCE O. HOBBS	*Treble.*	FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES	5.
WILLIAM B. BISS	2.	JOHN W. JONES	6.
FRANK MORGAN	3.	SIDNEY DAWE	7.
ARTHUR E. MORGAN	4.	SEYMOUR P. BARKER	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by JOHN W. JONES.

First peal in the method on the bells.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, 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 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN.	..*Treble.*	FREDK. WHITHAM	5.
JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	2.	GEORGE POYNTZ	6.
ALFRED FUNNELL	3.	WILLIAM STEELE	7.
GEORGE SNELLING	4.	JOHN SNELLING	..*Tenor.*

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

TUNSTALL, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-four 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 Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, and Platn Bob.

WILLIAM G. WEBB*	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM J. WALKER	4.
GEORGE H. SPICE	2.	THOMAS JULL	5.
WM. H. B. WILKINS	3.	ALBERT J. DAY	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT J. DAY.

*First peal, and was elected a member previous to starting. Rung on the occasion of the Harvest Festival.

WIDFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 11½ cwt.

HENRY F. COOPER	..*Treble.*	ARTHUR EDWARDS	5.
ALFRED TARBUN, SEN.	2.	HENRY W. KIRTON	6.
FREDK. G. RADLEY	3.	WILLIAM LINCOLN	7.
LEWIS GREEN	4.	ARTHUR HEAD	..*Tenor.*

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and Conducted by WILLIAM LINCOLN.

WOLLASTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN DIVISION.)

On Monday, October 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury, Grandsire, and Plain Bob. Tenor 12½ cwt.

CHARLES E. PERKINS	..*Treble.*	JOHN BASS	4.
HARRY PRICE	2.	WALTER J. BRETHERTON	5.
ROBERT MATTHEWS	3.	CHARLES F. WHITE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. It is also J Bass's 156th peal, and his and the conductor's 150th peal together.

SEAFORD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, LEONARD,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

EDWIN J. PANNETT	..*Treble.*	BENJAMIN THORP	5.
JOSEPH E. SYKES	2.	GEORGE PIPER	6.
FREDK. W. HARDING	3.	ROBERT J. DAWE	7.
J. COLEMAN MORLING	4.	ARTHUR BANKS	..*Tenor,*

Conducted by ROBERT J. DAWE.

B. Thorp hails from Ashton-under-Lyne; J Sykes from Huddersfield.

Handbell Peal.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT 7, THE BROADWAY.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

ALBERT V. INNS	1-2.	DAVID J. NICHOLS	5-6.
EDWARD CHAPMAN	3-4.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT	7-8.

Composed by J. BARKER, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

Umpire—R. Chapman. Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to Mr. A. V. Inns.

Miscellaneous.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD.—On Tuesday, October 3rd, at All Saints church, a quarter-peal of Kent Treble Bob Major. in 49 mins. F. Dedman, A. Chamberlain, F. Vickers, W. Botsford, G. Tomkins, J. Nicholls, G. Bonfield, R. Richardson-Jones conductor. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. D. T. Willis, jun.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL.—On Saturday, October 7th, 720 Cambridge Surprise. *F. Craddock, *R. Scott, R. Richardson, J. W. Lake conductor, J. Osborn, A. Mackears. *First 720 in the method.

NOCTON.—On Tuesday, October 10th, for practice, 720 Cambridge Surprise. W. Willey, J. Semper, E. R. Semper, H. Bowcock, C. Semper, F. W. Stokes conductor.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BROMLEY.—On Wednesday, October 4th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival at the parish church of SS. Peter and Paul, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. A. E. Newick first quarter-peal, I. Emery, G. Durling, A. Bygrove, G. Huxley, S. Marshall first quarter-peal as conductor, A. James, sen., F Sear. On Sunday evening, after service, 504 Stedman Triples. A. Humphrey, A. James, sen., G. Durling, S. Marshall, G. Huxley, H. Blackwell, I. Emery conductor, A. Bygrove. And 240 Grandsire Triples. A. Bygrove, A. E. Newick, H. Blackwell, F. Sear, G. Huxley, A. James, sen., S. Marshall conductor, A. Humphrey.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

RAUNDS.—On Sunday, October 1st, 640 Double Norwich Major. A. Kirk, F. Kirk, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, H. Copperwheat, W. J. Gilbert, F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert conductor. 224 Bob Major. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, W. J. Gilbert, H. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, H. Sharman, F. Kirk conductor. On Sunday, October 8th, 448 Double Norwich Major. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, H. Stubbs, R. Loveday, W. J. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, J. Nickerson, W. Gilbert conductor. And 384 in the same method.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

KIBWORTH (Leicester).—On Sunday, October 8th, for Harvest Festival, 756 Grandsire Triples. J. Buckley, J. Waterfield, E. Morris composer and conductor, D. Iliffe, J. Bolton, W. N. Adkinsan, F. Staniforth, E. Leech. For evening service 504 Grandsire Triples. J. Buckley, J. Waterfield, D. Iliffe, J. T. Taylor, W. N. Adkinson, F. Staniforth, E. Morris conductor, H. Cutler.

STOKE GOLDING.—On Sunday, October 7th, for Evensong at St. Margaret's church, by six members of the Stoke hand, 720 Lonnon Surprise. E. Quinney, E. Vallance, G. Stonelay, W. Horton, T. H. Vallance. E. H. Stoneley conductor.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.-Established 1637.— Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's. Hackney, on October 17th ; at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 31st ; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 26th ; and St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th. St. Magnus at 7.30 ; the others at 8 p.m.

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The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—A quarterly meeting of this Association will be held at St. Clement Danes on Monday, October 16th. Tower open from 8 p.m, to 9.15 p.m. Business meeting at 9.30 at the headquarters room, The Cheshire Cheese, Milford Lane, W.C. All members should endeavour to attend.

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34, *Guildford Road, South Lambeth.*

The London County Association late the St, James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held at St. James, Clerkenwell, on Saturday, October 21st. Bells available from 3.45. Tea will be provided in the vestry at 5.15 at 6d. per head. All members and friends cordially invited.

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The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths —A meeting will be held at St. Mary, Islington, on Saturday, October 21st. Tower open at 4 o'clock, Tea at The Duke, Upper Street, at 5.30. There will be a practice at St. Martin's on Wednesday, October 11th, at 8 o'clock. F. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. M. Harvey), at St. John's. Hillingdon, to-day, Sat,. October 14th. Bells available from 3.30. Tea will be kindly provided by the donor of the bells (J, F. Stillwell, esq). Members are reminded that all outstanding subscriptions should now be paid.

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The Essex Association.—North-Western District.—Annual meeting at Bishop's Stortford to-day, Saturday, October 14th. Bells at 3.30. Tea at 5.30 sharp. at The Boar's Head. Members 6d., non-members 1s. 6d

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The Lancashire Association. — Rochdale Branch.—The annual tea party and social of the above branch will be held to-day, Sat., October 14th, at Heywood. Tea on tables at 5 o'clock. Social at 7 o'clock. The party will be held in the Conservative Club, York Street. Tickets—Gentlemen 1s. 3d.; Ladies 1s. J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association —Liverpool Branch. — A meeting will held at Christ Church, Southport, to-day, Sat., October 14th. Bells ready at 3.

WALTER HUGHES. *See.*
3. *Shrewsbnry Place, Garston.*

The Lancashire Association. — Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Scorton to-day, Saturday. October 14th.

E. R. MARTIN, *Br. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.-Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Eccles to-day, Sat., October 14th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.

W. H. SHUKER, *Br. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.-Maidstone District.—The half-yearly meeting of this district will be held at Charing to-day, Sat., October 14th. Through the generosity of the Rev. Rendell Carter, tea will be provided to all members. Belfry open at 3.30 Short service at 5.30.

G. MOORE, *Dis. Sec.*
71. *Florence Road, Maidstone.*

The Hertfordshire Association.-Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Graveley, near Stevenage, to-day, Sat., October 14th. Will all six or five-bell ringers take notice of this meeting especially arranged tor them. Those who can come are requested to inform

B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
29, *Bancroft, Hitchin.*

The Midland Counties Association.-Burton-on-Trent District. — A ringing meeting will be held at Rolleston to-day, Sat., October 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 5. HARRY WAKLEY. *Local Hon. Sec.*

The Ely Diocesan Association. — A district meeting will take place at Newmarket to-day, Sat., October 14th. The bells of All Saints (8), and St. Mary's (5) will be open after 2 p.m. A meat will be supplied at 6d. per head. T. R. DENNIS, *Gen. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.-Central Division —Next meeting at Lindfield (postponed from September 16th), to-day, Sat., October 14th. Tower open at 3. Tea at Bent hotel at 5.30.

ROBERT J. DAWE, *Div. Hon. Sec.*
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The Llandaff Diocesan Association.-The next quaarterly meeting will be held at Aberdare to-day, Sat , October 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 5 o'clock.

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Stoke Archidiaeonal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Fenton to-day, Sat., October 14th. Bells ready at 3.30. Tea at 6. Service at 7.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, *Hon. Secs.*

The Lincoln Diocesan Guild.—Eastern Counties Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Spalding to-day, Sat., October 14th. The bells of the parish church and St. Paul's, Fulney, will be available from 11 o'clock. Dinner at The White Hart hotel at one o'clock. Tickets 2s. 6d. each. Service with short address in the parish church at 3.30. G. LADD, *Hon. Sec.*
Pinchbeck, Spalding.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild —The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Croston on Saturday, October 21st. Particulars by circular. REV. W. T. BULPIT, W. BENTHAM. *Hon. Secs,*

The Hertfordshire Association - Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, October 28th. Bells available at 4 30. Arrangements will be made for tea. H. EDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association. — Rochdale Branch .—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden parish church on Saturday, October 28th, Bells ready at 3 30 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association —Southern Branch. — The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Fladbury on Saturday, October 28th. Service with an address at 5.30 Business meeting after service. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Monday, October 23rd. Bells (6) available at 4 p.m.

JAMES HEMMING. *Hon. Br. Sec.*
10, *Church Bank. Hampton, Evesham.*

The Kent County Association.-Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Lewisham on Saturday, October 28th. Bells available at 3 30. Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Rev. Canon Hough, Vicar. Tea in the parish church hall at 5.30 p.m., kindly prouided by the Vicar, for those who send their names to me not later than Tuesday. October 24th. Business meeting to follow. the Vicar presiding.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
39, *Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.*

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at St. Laurence, Thanet, on Saturday, October 28th. The tower will be open at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided in the parish room at 5 p m. As this is the first meeting since the restoration of the bells, it is hoped a large number of members will make it convenient to attend.

E. TRENDELL, *Hon Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Associaiion —Western Branch. — The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Dodderhill, Droitwich, on Saturday, October 28th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea provided. Names to be sent in not later than first post 25th inst.

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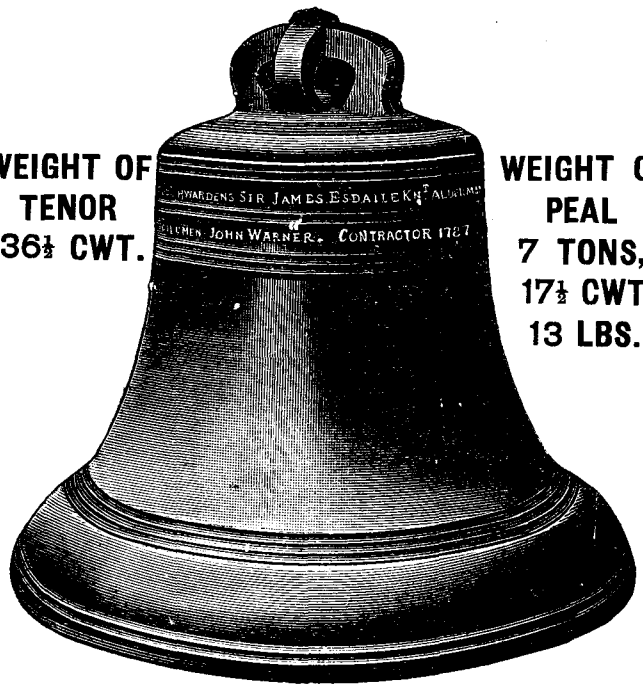

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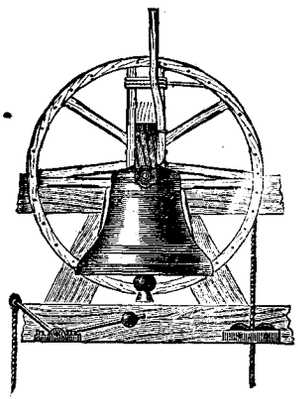

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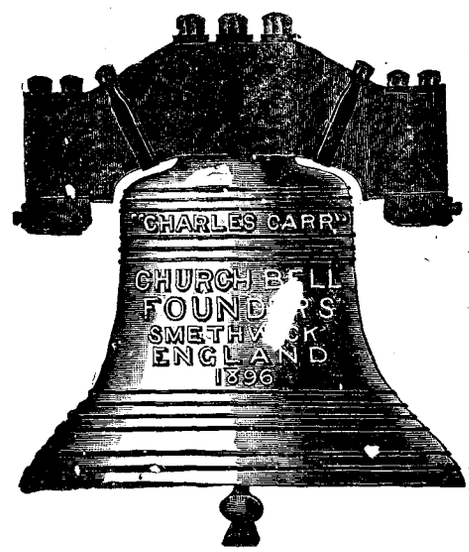

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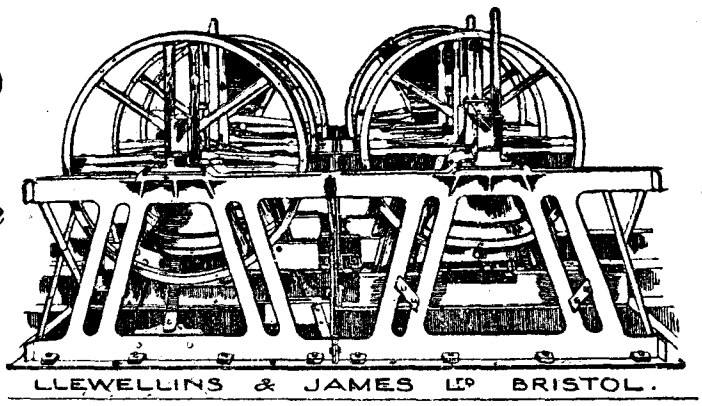

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FRODSHAM BELLS.

It does not seem to be known what bells there were at Frodsham before 1734. In that year a ring of six were cast at the Gloucester foundry, which supplied a good many rings of six in the district. About twenty-five years ago the tower, as well as the rest of the church, was restored, and the bells quarter-turned and rehung in a new timber frame for eight bells. Towards the end of 1910 repairs to the hanging of the six were under consideration, when Mr. Holbrook, of Gashell, who wished to make a thank-offering to the church, offered to give two more bells to complete the octave, to have the old six tuned and put in thorough going order, and also to bear the cost of adapting the clock room for use as a belfry. This made it necessary to alter the position of the clock works, and to put in a plaster ceiling, to modify the sound of the bells. So at the end of July the old six went to Loughborough to go on the lathe, and in the middle of September they came back with the two new bells. The old headstocks have been retained, but with new gudgeons in cast iron bed plates. The old crown staples have been replaced with crown staple bolts, fitted through the bells and stocks. New bearings and pulleys have also been supplied. The two trebles have Messrs. Taylor's new form of canons and iron headstocks. The old six are immensely improved by being tuned on the Simpson principle, and the trebles are of course in perfect tune, and form an excellent splice.

The service of Dedication took place on Monday, October 9th, at 7.0 p.m. After shortened evensong the Ven. Archdeacon of Chester, Master of the Diocesan Guild, gave an address, after which he proceeded with the other clergy to the base of the tower and offered the prayers of Dedication. As the clergy returned to the church, the new bells were rung singly, and then the eight in rounds by the local band. The ringing arrangements were in the hands of the Rev. A. T. Beeston. Owing to a late start an attempt for a peal of Superlative would not go. So a quarter-peal of Stedman was rung by A. Barnes (Reddish), Rev. A. T. Beeston (New Mills), D. Brearley (Bolsterstone), G. R. Newton (Liverpool), H. W. Wilde (Eccleston), E. H. Lewis (conductor, Frodsham), S. Morgan (Pulford), H. Chapman (Pendleton). After some tea, which the churchwardens kindly provided, the local band rang the old six for evening service. After service the visitors rang two courses of Kent. Then with one or two of the local band and Mr. Denison Taylor some Grandsire and Little Bob was rung. The inscriptions on the bells are: Treble—Give thanks to God, 1911; 2nd—Love God Honour the King, 1911; 3rd—Peace and good neighbourhood, A.R., 1734; 4th—Prosperity to this parish, A.R., 1734; 5th—Prosperity to the Church of England, A.R., 1734; 6th—We were all cast at Gloucester by A. Rudhall, 1734; 7th—Wm. Knowles and Thos. Lancaster, Ch-wardens, A.R., 1734; Tenor—I to the church the living call, and to the grave do summon all. The second bell also has a medallion of the King and Queen on the waist. The weight of the tenor is 12 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DEDICATION OF BELLS AT WEST HARTLEPOOL.

On Wednesday, October 11th—the 21st anniversary of the Consecration—the Bishop of Durham dedicated the new tower, clock and bells of St. Aidan's church, West Hartlepool. The tower is built of Grosmont brick and Dunhouse stone, and is 84-ft. high with an inside measurement of 14-ft. square, and consists of porch, ringing chamber, clock chamber, and bell chamber. The eight bells are a very musical ring, with a tenor of 13 cwt., and are by Taylor's, of Loughborough. They are in memory of—Treble, St. Oswald. Given by Mr. J. Beach. 2nd, St. Cuthbert. 3rd, St. Alban. 4th, St. Hilda. 5th, St. George. 6th, St. Aidan. Given by those confirmed 1887–96. 7th, Bishop Westcott. Given by those confirmed 1898–1911. Tenor, Bishop Lightfoot. Given by those confirmed 1898–1911. The clock has been installed, and has the Westminster chimes. There was a crowded congregation at the service, and the Bishop gave an eloquent and appropriate address.

The Vicar, the Rev. V. J. Knowlden, invited the members of the Association to take part in the ceremony and ring the opening touch, and as the Bishop and Clergy descended the tower the bells were raised in peal and a short touch rung. After the Dedication the Vicar kindly entertained the ringers to tea, after which the bells were rung for festal evensong.

Amongst those who took part in the opening and later ringing were Mr. C. L. Routledge, President of the Association, Mr. Chas. Todd, Hon. Secretary, Mr. T. Metcalfe, Hon. Secretary of the Cleveland Association, Rev. B. Jealous, and Messrs. Taylor, Lowrey, Webster, Stephenson, Howcroft, Gofton, R. C. Hudson, R. W. Falconer, J. Baxter, Green, and ringers from Darlington, Stockton, Bishop Auckland and West Hartlepool.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A Quarterly Meeting was held at Aberdare on Saturday last, and was well attended. The bells having been sanctioned for use from three o'clock were soon after that time raised and kept going until five o'clock, the time arranged for the service. The service, which was conducted by the Vicar of the parish, the Rev. C. H. Green, assisted by the Rev. K. O. Carter, was also well attended, and an excellent address was delivered by the latter gentleman. At the conclusion of the service the Vicar led the way to the Memorial Hall, Seymour Street, where he had arranged for the business meeting to be held. On arrival there he welcomed the members to Aberdare, and said he regretted that a previous engagement prevented him from staying to the meeting, but before going away he wished all present to accompany him to the adjoining room and partake of tea. This was readily agreed to, and after a few remarks, and the Vicar thanked for his hospitality, he took his leave. Immediately tea was over the business meeting began, the Rev. K. O. Carter taking the

chair, and he at once called upon the Hon. Secretary to read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were accepted as correct and signed.

Arising out of the minutes the Hon. Secretary explained that he had carried out his instruction as regards St. Fagan's bells, and read the correspondence with the Earl of Plymouth, the noble Earl promising to inquire into the matter, and hoped the rehanging would soon be put in hand.

Instructors reports were next taken, Mr. Dawe reporting progress at Caerphilly, and Mr. Jones on Caerphilly and Llanbradach towers.

Subscriptions were afterwards received. New members were the next item, the Hon. Secretary appealing to the local ringers to join the Association, and it is very grattfying that they decided to do so, but in the first place they would arrange a meeting amongst themselves and then submit the names to the Hon. Secretary of those wishing to join. Aberdare tower is one of the very few towers in the diocese where only call changes are rung, and it is hoped that before long something will be heard of method ringing being practised. The bells are a very good eight by Mears, tenor about 19 cwt.

The best thanks of the Association are here tendered to the leader and the local ringers who did their level best to get everything ready, and as much welcome was accorded the ringers as if the tower was affiliated to the Association.

A letter was read by the Hon. Secretary which he had received from Mr. H. Bradley, of London, appealing for help towards the rehanging of Shoreditch bells, which at present cannot be rung. It was decided to bring the matter forward at the annual meeting.

A vote of thanks to the chairman brought the meeting to a close. The tower was agoin visited, and Stedman Triples rung, thus bringing to a close a very pleasant and useful meeting.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A most successful meeting of the South and West District was held at St. John the Baptist, Hillingdon, on Saturday last. As stated in "THE BELL NEWS" last week, the old peal of eight has been recast, and two trebles added, making a beautiful ring ot ten. When heard from a short distance they are most musical, and are undoubtedly a great credit to the founders, Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. At 4 o'clock the bells were raised and were soon going to touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Treble Bob Royal and Double Norwich on the back eight.

At 6 o'clock an adjournment was made to the schoolroom, where a splendid tea had been provided by the donor of the bells, J. F. Stilwell, esq. The President of the Association (Rev. H. G. Bird), occupied the chair, supported by Mr. J. F. Stilwell, Mr. A. A. Johnston, Rev. J. H. Wooster, and Mr. T. Beadle, District Master. Upwards of eighty members and friends were present, and sixteen choir boys.

The inner man having satisfied, the chairman in an appropriate speech heartily thanked Mr. Stilwell for his kindness in providing tea. and on behalf of the Association thanked him most warmly for providing the old parish church of Hillingdon with such a magnificent peal of bells.

Mr. Stilwell, who had a most enthusiastic reception, spoke of the great pleasure it gave him to see so many ringers present, and trusted the bells would prove to be of good service to the district, and to the Middlesex County Association; and he also hoped as the monthly meetings came round, the members would not forget Hillingdon, assuring them of a hearty welcome at all times. He also made mention of the valuable assistance he had received from Mr. J. J. Pratt.

Mr. A. A. Johnston also addressed the meeting. No expense he stated had been spared by the donor to make the peal a success. The firm on their part had done their very best, and he ventured to hope that this success had been accomplished, and that in the fnture the people of Hillingdon would be able to look back with pleasure on what had been done for them and their old parish church by Mr. Stillwell. He then asked Mr. Stilwell to accept a small present in the shape of a miniature bell engraved with the following inscription: "Cast from the same metal as Hillingdon bells' and presented to J. F. Stilwell, esq., J.P., by the founders, October 7th, 1911."

In accepting the gift the recipient was visibly surprised, and warmly thanked Mr. Johnston, assuring him that he should always treasure it as a valuable memento of the occasion. He then left the meeting amid the cheers and singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow."

The minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed, the following were elected members of tbe Association: Mr. A. A. Johnston (hon. member); Messrs. Joiner, Taylor, nnd Colburn (life members); Rev. J. H. Wooster, and A. C. Fussell (ringing members.

Feltham having been selected for the November meeting the Secretary was instructed to make application for the tower.

On the motion of Mr. J. J. Parker, a vote of thanke to the chairman concluded the meeting. Touches in various methods were afterwards rung on the bells until 9 o'clock. The success of the meeting was very largely due to Mr. Pratt, who worked untiringly for everyone's comfort, and to him the best thanks are due.

THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The general ringing of church bells in Ipswich on Wednesday morning in last week prompted many residents to inquire the reason. Few at first could give an answer, but before the day was over it was widely known that there was being held in the town the annual meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Association. This gathering is held alternately at Norwich and Ipswich, and is primarily for the transaction of business details. But the occasion ie seized by many bands of ringers, and especially rural ones, to test their skill upon the rings of bells to be found in the county town, and many are the touches which the uuinitiated residents are treated to in the course of the day. Many of these enthusiasts, as usual, started their day in this way quite early, but a source of disappointment was the fact that the bells of St. Mary-le-Tower were not available, owing to renovation having been declared necessary. The members had the use of St. Margaret's (8), St. Clement's (6), St. Laurence (5), St. Matthew's (5), St. Nicholas (5), and St. Mary Quay (6). The ringers came from the following places: Diss, Eye, Thornham, Westhorp, Leiston, Bacton, Halesworth, Cotton, Holbrook, Aylsham, Wicham Skeith, Debenham, Thetford, Framlingham, Wetheringsett, Tasburgh, and Aldeburgh.

The usual Divine Service was held at 12.45 at the church of St. Mary-le-Tower, when there was a good congregation. The service—which was in the shortened form now used for some years—was conducted by the Rev. C. L. Kennaway, Rector of Garboldisham, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the Association, and the Rev. R. Gordon Roe, Rector of Leiston. Canon Pigot, Vicar of St. Mary-le-Tower, presided at the harmonium.

An interesting address was given by the Rev. Gordon Roe, who based his remarks upon part of the fourth verse of the 150th Psalm—"Praise him in the cymbals." He said it was difficult to find a text applicable to bellringing, because there was nothing at all in the Bible about bells, with the exception possibly of those which were suspended on the fringe of the vestments of the High Priest. They had to look at a later date in the world's history for the inauguration of bells and bellringing, viz., the 4th century. Bells were evolved in Italy, and in the 6th century they were placed in monasteries and convents. Then they were suspended in a frame and placed in churches at the instance of the cities. They were essentially the product of the Christion age. At the close of the seventh century they came into England. The rev. gentleman said the ringing of the church bells always brought back to one's memory their childhood days more than anything else when visiting their birthplace. Ipswich had changed marvellously since the sixties and the seventies; the whole pace of the life ol the town had greatly quickened, but the old bells were the same. It was a matter for regret, he thought, that they were not rung oftener. He pointed out that the members of that Association, who were bound together in one homogenous body, were churchmen first, and ringers sncond; and ringing ought to bring them in more frequent contact with the Most Holy than it did. In fact he could not help wondering why ringing did not make more people religious than it did. He mentioned with a little pardonable pride, that in his parish they had eight brothers who could ring a bell. He reminded ringers generally that they were helping to sound forth His praise, and stimulating worship in a parish which did not enter the people's hearts enough. It was not worship to simply come and hear "a parson pray and preach"; much more was required.

The annual dinner and business meeting followed in St. Lawrence Hall, over 120 being present. The Rev. C. L. Kennaway presided in the unavoidable absence of the President, Mr. J. Sancroft Holmes. Among those present were the Revs. R. Gordon Roe, J. Holme Pilkington, Canon Pigot, E. C. J. Bowen, H. Drake, W. C. Pearson, W. A. Partridge, Mr. A. Coleman, Mr. J. S. Goldsmith, Mr. C. E. Borrett (secretary).

After the loyal toast, Mr. Coleman proposed "The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese." He thanked the clergy of Ipswich for the use of their bells that day, the Rev. Gordon Roe for his splendid address, and Canon Pigot for arranging the service.

The Rev. Gordon Roe, in response, said their Bishop at present was on newly-trodden ground, but he was tackling the situation with a great deal of zeal, energy, and tact, and had already won golden opinions from those who came in contact with him. The clergy were, as far as in them lay, in the great majority of parishes endeavouring seriously and earnestly to look after the souls of those with whom they were brought in daily contact.

Canon Pigot also responded, observing that they were all pleased to see the members of the Association in Ipswich. No one regretted more than he did that they had been unable to ring the bells of St. Mary-leTower. It was only within the last two or three months that the bells were found to require renovation, and the architect, Mr. J. S. Corder, had assured him there would be a risk in ringing the bells that day. The cost of the renovation would be £65. He proposed "Success to the Norwich Diocesan Association." He was sure the diocese looked upon their Association as a very useful one. He supposed that one day the Norwich diocese would be split into two, and then the Association would have to do the same. But that was still in the future. The clergy heartily wished the Association all the success it richly deserved, and he was glad that the attendance that day was above the average.

The Chairman, in acknowledging the toast, said the Association was going on most satisfactorily, and he trusted it would continue to do so. Mr. Roe had said in his address there were eight brothers at Leiston who could ring. He had jnst told him there were eleven of them, and he (the chairman) hoped they would be able to play a game of cricket when wanted.

Mr. C. E. Borrett, the capable secretary, read the annual report as follows:—

We have pleasure in presenting to the members our thirty-third annual report, and although we have no startling things to put before you, yet what is perhaps more satisfactory, we have to repeat what we have said now for a good many years—that our work has gone steadily on in all directions. There is no appearance of slackness on the part of our members, nor is there any falling off in our general efficiency—in fact, the contrary is the case. Possessing as we do, a long list of members, it is almost inevitable that each year our report has to mention the names of some taken from us by the hand of death. This year two of our honorary members have passed away—the Rev. E. E. Finch, Vicar of Laxfield, and Mr. F. J. Burrage, of Diss—and three performing members—Henry Bowell, of Ipswich, Edward Francis, of Norwich, and Joseph Gower, of Tunstead. These three belonged to that fast diminishing circle of original members of our Society, and we record there removal from our ranks with sincere regret. Our last annual meeting was held at Norwich on October 20th, and was attended by 126 members. The special service was held at St. Peter Mancroft, and the Ven. Archdeacon Westcott gave an ideal address, based on the words of the 150th Psalm. At the meeting following the lunch,

the officers of the Association were all re-elected, and the clergy of the city were thanked for the use of the bells. The January meeting was held at Stradbroke, when fifty members were present, and Fakenham was visited for the Easter meeting, and thirty-one members attended. At this meeting the Secretary then gave notice, in accordance with rule 13, that at the annual meeting he should move an alteration to rule 6. The West Norfolk meeting was held at Downnam Market, 27 members being present. At these meetings 114 new members were added to the Association—a greater number than for some years past. They included new companies at Holbrook and Wingfield and additions to many bands in the Diocese. Our membership at the close of 1910 was 1125, and it is hoped this year will see an increase on even this big total. The balance sheet for 1910 again showed a satisfactory balance. The amount to the credit of the Association was over £6 more than at the end of 1909. This year we hope to do equally well. Our peal performances during the past twelve months were again both interesting and encouraging; In the Council analysis for 1910 we occupy the premier place in the list both for number of peals rung, and for their total point value. We thus repeat our 1905 triumph for the scoring of a "double first" is undoubtedly a triumph, since we are the only Association in the country able to boast of it. During the recent year we have more than held our own, and at the present moment are well ahead of our figures for the corresponding part of 1910. Since our last annual meeting there have been many performances of a noteworthy character, and it is impossible here to mention all of them. The Pulham men are to be congratulated upon scoring the first peal of Bristol Surprise in the Diocese with a resident band. This is supposed to be the most complex method in existence, and we therefore welcome such a peal by our own men. The Ipswich company have added yet another new method to our list by ringing Duffield Major at Henley, and they have also helped us with peals of Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, London Surprise and Stedman Cinques. The Leiston men have also done splendidly, scoring Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge and New Cambridge, and now we are all waiting for them to create an entirely fresh record by ringing a peal in which all the performers are brothers. Members of companies at Palgrave, Diss, Debenham, and Framsden, have been active, and the young companies at St St. John de Sepulchre, Norwich, and Saxlingham, have both placed several peals to their credit. The last-named have quite recently scored the first peal of Duffield in the county of Norfolk. A number of our non-resident life members have scored at St. John's, Waterloo Road, London, a peal of Norfolk Surprise Major—the first by the Association, and the first in the method rung in London. Our six-bell men at Tibenham, Wickham Skeith, Thornham, Blaxhall, Tunstall, and Pettistree, have also enriched our records with some good performances. Two peals were rung in honour of the Coronation at Hevingham and Leiston, and first peals have been rung on the bells at Blo Norton, Buxton, Rockland, Shropham, Watlington and Watton. Before we leave this part of the report we would like to offer our thanks to some of our men who carry on a very valuable work for us—work done quite unobtrusively, and away from the glare of the limelight. We refer to men like Mr. Fitzjohn, of Thetford, and Mr. Lambert, of Halesworth, and others like them. Much of their time is spent in helping on others, and the influence they exert, and the good they do, is perhaps only known to those behind the scenes. We must admit to a feeling of disappointment at the comparatively small amount of restoration work carried out this year in our belfries. We naturally expected in a year of great national rejoicing such as this has been, that our church bells should not be overlooked when schemes of celebrating the Coronation were being considered. And rightly so, for bells are undoubtedly the most lasting memorial a parish can possess. We had hoped that restorations and additions to some of our belfries would be carried out to mark this historical year—but it has not been so. For Barking, Suffolk, Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, has cast a new ring of six, with a tenor of 11 cwt. 1 qr., and hung them in a new steel frame. These bells are to be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese on October 21st. The fine bells at Cretingham have been tuned, and are now being rehung in a new steel frame. At Reymorstone the tower has been strengthened, a steel six bell frame put in, the tenor to the ring of five recast, and the others quarter turned and rehung. An eight bell frame on new beams and floor has been put in at Holme Hale, and the six bells quarter-turned and rehung with new fittings. At Erpingham the roof and floors of the tower have been renewed, and a new six bell oak frame put in. The third bell of this ring of four has been recast and all hung with new fittings. The rings of three at Framlingham Pigot and Roydon have been repairea, and a treble has been added at Chediston, making a ring of six. An important work is to be undertaken almost at once with the bells of the Tower church in this town—Messrs. Day and Son having contracted to put the entire ring in thorough going order again. We offer our thanks to the hon. secs. of the various districts into which the Diocese is divided, for their kind help and work during the past year, and we are again indebted to Mr. G. G. Burton, of Norwich, for his careful auditing of our accounts. As will be gathered from this review, we have cause for thankfulness at our position in the change-ringing world. We have helped to sweep away practically all the abuses which undoubtedly existed in our belfries when this Association was founded, and it must be remembered that abuses were by no means confined to the belfry. We are in the truest sense church workers, and have thoroughly earned the recognition we now receive from those in authority in the Church. Our particular work is beset with difficulties, struggles, and many disappointments, and all we ask is that the fullest sympathy and encouragement may be extended to us by the clergy under whom we serve.

The Rev. J. Holme Pilkington proposed the re-election of the President, the Vice-Presidents, the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, the Secretary, the Auditor, and the Committee. The motion was seconded and carried. Several new members were elected.

The Secretary said Rule 6 had not been enforced, and he moved that it be altered, so that the certificate should be supplied upon application for one shilling a copy. A suggestion that the amount should be sixpence was accepted, and the resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Borrett proposed "The Visitors," and Mr. Goldsmith replied. The chairman brought the proceedings to a close by thanking Mr. W. H. Cook for his excellent catering. The members afterwards dispersed to the various churches and rang touches till late in the afternoon.

Correspondence.

METHODS.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Dains's letter in last week's issue, I give the two methods, the one published September 12th, 1908, and the one published September 23rd, 1911, and should like Mr. Dains to point out more fully the difference between the two. But the methods themselves I do not think are worth the value of the ink I am using. JOHN CARTER.

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WATTON, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 8 cwt. 18 lbs.

ERNEST FISHER .. .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN MUSSELL .. .. .. 4.
HARRY COOK .. .. .. 2.	HERBERT MASON .. .. 5.
HERBERT FISHER .. .. 3.	WM. ADCOCK .. .. ..*Tenor*

Conducted by W. ADCOCK.

OXHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 17, 1911 in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lbs.

GEORGE N. PRICE .. ..*Treble.*	*WILLIAM WARD .. .. .. 5.
THOMAS L. SIMMONS .. 2.	FREDK. WHITE .. .. .. 6.
ARTHUR W. DIX .. .. 3.	HUBERT EDEN .. .. .. 7.
HENRY HODGETTS .. .. 4.	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW ..*Tenor.*

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

*First peal in the method.

Handbell Peal.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, October 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. J. OSBORN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Plain Bob, and two each of Oxford and Kent.

JOHN W. LAKE .. .. 1-2.	RUPERT RICHARDSON .. 3-4.

JAMES OSBORN .. .. 5-6.

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

Witnesses—Mrs. J. Osborn and Miss J. Hollis.

Date Touches

BRADING (Isle of Wight).—On Tuesday, October 11th, for practice at St. Mary's church, a date touch of 1911 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 16 mins. M. Pink, F. Chaffey, E. Squibb, W. Cooper, W. Pain, C. Price, H. Jennings composer and conductor, A. Pain.

Miscellaneous.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

COSELEY.—On Sunday, October 1st, on the occasion of the Farvest Festival, the local company rang at the parish church the following touches: at 7.0 for Early Celebration, 224 Bob Major and 84 Grandsire Triples. At 10.0 for Choral Celebration, 560 and 464 Bob Major. At 5.30 for evensong, 377 and 504 Grandsire Triples, and 210 Oxford Bob Triples and a short touch of Grandsire Triples after service. On Saturday, October 7th, an attempt was made for a peal of Darlaston Bob Triples, but after ringing 1470 in 50 mins. the bells were called round. W. A. Jeavons, A. Blundell, W. Grinsell, S. Pearce, B. Gough, W. Fisher, G. Hughes conductor, R. Dunn. On Sunday, October 8th, fer morning service, and as a birthday compliment to G. Hughes (Wednesbury), 630 Oxford Bob Triples. R. Dunn, L. Barnett, W Grinsell, S. Pearce, J. Roberts, W. Fisher conductor, B. Gough, A. E. Law. For evening service touches of Oxford Bob Triples and Bob Major with the addition of A. Barnett, A. Baker, S. Baker and W. A. Jeavons. On Thursday, October 12th, for practice, 630 Erin Triples. S. Baker, W. Bisher, B. Gough. S. Pearce, J. Goodman, jun., T. Hughes, G. Hughes. conductor, A. E. Law. This is the longest touch in the method on the bells, and by the ringers of 1, 4, 5. Also 336 Bob Major, conducted by J. Goodman, and 210 Oxforp Bob Triples, conducted by W. Fisher.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

COALBROOKDALE —On Wednesday, October 11th, at Holy Trinity Church, 840 Stedman Triples, in 30 mins. J. Hanley, F. S. Downing, H. Bailey, W. Short conductor, J. York, H. Aston, W. Saunders, J. Garbett. Longest length of Stedman in which seven Coalbrookdale ringers have taken part, W. Short being on his round as Instructor to the above Guild.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LINSLADE.—At St. Barnabas church, on Sunday, October 15th, for evening service, 336 Grandsire Triples. W. Bacchus, H. Sear, F. Vickers, W. Jeffs, A. Vickers, T. Best, W. Sear, J. Sear. And 210 Grandsire Triples. Rev. W. S. Mahony, H. Sear, J. Sear, W. Jefts, T. Best, F. Vickers, W. Sear, A. Vickers.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

NEWPORT (Mon).—On Sunday, October 15th, at All Saints church, for morning service. 504 Stedman Triples. A. E. Morgan conductor, F. E. B. Charles, M. Selby, C. Bowen, T. Jones, F. Morgan, J. W. Jones, T. Baiss.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

LONDON.—On Thursday, October 5th, at the church of St. George the Martyr, Southwark, for practice, 1029 Stedman Trtples. R. W. Green, T. H. Taffender conductor, C. H. Hughes, W. Weatherstone, J. Milner, W. Wells, A. D. Barker, T. Walker. Longest length in the method by the treble and 5th.

ALDERSHOT.—On Wednesday evening, October 11th, at the parish church, two 720s of Grandsire Doubles. First 720. W. Fisher, sen., C. Edwards, A. Croucher, J. Hall, H. Kingsland, W. Waterman. Second 720. R. Keeble, W. Fisher, jun., H. Kingsland, C. Edwards, G. Fisher, R. Jonas. Both conducted by C. Edwards. First 720s by local men.

CALVERTON.—On Sunday, Octobor 15th, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minyr. A. Clark, H. C. Edwards, C. W. Clarke conductor, E. Yates, T. C. Tompkins, C. A. Valentine.

STANFORD-LE-HOPE.—On Friday evening, October 13th, some of the Orsett Ringers went over and enjoyed a pull with the Stanford-le-Hope company on their practice night, at the parish church of St. Margaret, and rang a 720 of Bob Minor, in 25 mins. H. Joslin, W. Wade, B. Taylor, W. Taylor, A. Keeling, W. Halls conductor. Also several 120s of Grandsire Doubles and touches of Minor, with the above and following ringers; H. Chinnery, A. Harrod, A. Howell, G. Wilson, H. Ridgwell, A. Wade, T. Birch.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET (Wilts).—On Monday, October 15, at St. Margaret's church, 720 Plain Bob Minor. J. Tuckwell, C. J. Gardiner, G. Lancaster, F. Looker, T. Moulden, R. W. Hyner first 720 as conductor. Also 120 St. Clements, conducted by C. J. Gardiner.

SWINDON.—On Tuesday, October 17th, at Christ Church, 504 Grandsire Triples. J. Tazwell, A. Lawrence conductor, R. W. Hyner, F. Looker first 504, G. W. Townsend, C. J. Gardiner, G. Lancaster, A. E. W. Smith.

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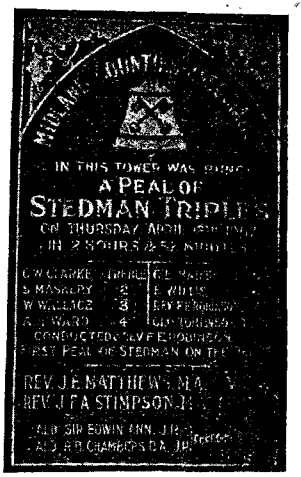

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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION LATE THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY.

On Friday, October 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK, S.E.,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BROOK'S VARIATION. Tenor 15¾ cwt. 7 lbs.

THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. *Treble.*	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD .. 5.
CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES 2,	ARTHUR D. BARKER.. .. 6.
WILLIAM TEUSS.. .. .. 3.	RICHARD F. DEAL .. .. 7.
LOUIS ATTWATER .. .. 4.	FREDK. J. HARDY .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a mark of respect to Mr. Sidney F. Gowlett, a member of the local band, who died on July 31st. The peal could not be previously attempted, the church being under repair.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN, HOLLOWAY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR.
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

ARTHUR HART .. .. ..*Treble.*	ERNEST PYE .. .. .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	REUBEN SANDERS .. .. 6.
WILLIAM PYE .. .. .. 3.	ALBERT W. COLES .. .. 7.
HARRY J. RANEETTA* .. 4.	HARRY FLANDERS .. ..*Tenor.*

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On Tuesday, October 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and 720 each of Oxford Delight, Woodbine, and Bob Minor.

WALTER BRUCE	*Treble.*	GEORGE ARLITT	4
HENRY BURCH	2.	WM. KING	5.
DAVID LEGGETT	3.	CHARLES KING	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. KING.

SHIFNAL, SALOP.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Saturday, October 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN CARTER	*Treble.*	PERCY R. BAKER	5.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN ..	2.	JOHN BRADNEY	6.
ERNEST HYDE*	3.	CHARLES H. WATTS ..	7.
HENRY WEDGE†	4.	*WILLIAM FELTON ..	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 9, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

EDWIN WHITING	*Treble.*	FREDK. BORRETT	5.
CHARLES BRICE	2.	CHARLES ROOPE	6.
CHARLES BAKER	3.	WILLIAM ROOPE	7.
ERNEST WHITING	4.	FREDK. ROOPE*	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. PAGETT and Conducted by EDWIN WHITING.

First peal in the method as conductor.

STAINES, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSGCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, October 10, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM E. BUTLER ..	*Treble.*	WILLIAM WELLING	5
WILLIAM C. PARKER ..	2.	JOHN PRESTON	6.
HERBERT R. STEVENS ..	3.	JOHN PHILIPS	7.
CHARLES R. LILLEY	4.	ALFRED HISCOCK ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal by the tenor-man, who was proposed a member previous to starting.

STANSTED, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

WILLIAM T. PRIOR	*Treble.*	ARTHUR B. WIFFEN	5.
THOMAS JORDAN	2.	HARRY DAWKINS	6.
GEORGE JORDAN	3.	THOMAS J. WATTS	7.
WALTER PRIOR	4.	HENRY J. TUCKER ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by HENRY J. TUCKER.

This is T. Jordan's 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs. in F sharp.

JAMES MOTTS	*Treble.*	ALFRED W. GRIMES	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ..	6.
GEORGE ROWE, JUN.	3.	WILLIAM GRIMES	7.
JAMES BETTS	4.	ROBERT H. BRUNDLE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

BARKSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, October 11, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Double Court, Single Court, and Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

W. E. WOODS	*Treble*	A. PALMER	4.
R. SCOTT	2.	A. MACKEARS	5.
W. WATSON	3.	A. DRURY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. MACKEARS.

First peal by the ringer of the treble. First peal on the bells by the local band. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Scott (aged 15), the band wishing him the usual compliments.

BORDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fefty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS, PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 23 cwt.

WILLIAM J. WOOD	*Treble.*	WILLIAM TASSELL	5.
CHARLES R. MILLWAY ..	2.	RICHARD S. STAINES ..	6.
FREDK. J. STAINES	3.	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	7.
WILLIAM E. PITMAN* ..	4.	JOHN EXCELL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM E. PITMAN.

*First peal as conductor.

GOLDHANGER, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Wednesday, October 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Woodbine, Plain Bob, Double Court, College Single, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM ..	*Treble.*	FREDERICK WHITE	4.
HARRY LEWIS*	2.	GEORGE H. NEVILLE ..	5.
PERCY C. SAYER	3.	ARTHUR APPLETON ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. D. BUCKINGHAM.

*First peal.

DEBENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qrs. 14 lbs. in E.

JAMES MOTTS	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. GROOM	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	WILLIAM GRIMES	6.
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY ..	3.	PETER LAFLIN	7.
ERNEST F. POPPY	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

NORWICH.—THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

(No church mentioned),

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES.

Tenor 10 cwt.

Bertie Fry .. .. ..*Treble.*	George A. Cross 5,
Albert Harvey .. .. 2.	William A. Hempel .. 6.
Frede. J. Cross .. .. 3.	George Mayers .. .. 7.
George A. Sparks .. .. 4.	Ben S. Thompson .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by George H. Cross.

First peal in any method by the ringer of the treble. The conductor has now rung each of these bells to a peal.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE,

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(Northern Branch.)

On Thursday, October 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

William Palmer .. ..*Treble.*	Arthur Chambers .. .. 5.
Charles Dickens .. .. 2.	Samuel Grove .. .. .. 6.
George F. Swann .. .. 3.	James Dowler .. .. .. 7.
John Neal .. .. 4.	John Withers .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. Johnson, and Conducted by Samuel Grove.

BURGESS HILL, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Thursday, October 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Groves's Variation of Parker's Twelve-Part. Tenor 14 cwt.

William Stenning .. ..*Treble.*	James Parsons .. .. .. 5.
John Feist .. .. 2.	Herbert Tomsett .. .. 6.
Thomas Stringer .. .. 3.	Arthur W. Gravett .. 7.
Henry J. Geavett .. .. 4.	William Ashdown .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. W. Gravett.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSGCIATION,

On Thursday, October 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

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

Richard Darlow† .. ..*Treble.*	Bertram Prewett .. .. 5.
Joseph J. Allen .. .. 2.	Frede. White .. .. .. 6.
Francis A. Smith .. .. 3.	*Maurice F. R. Hibbert 7.
Walter S. Inwood .. .. 4.	Robert E. Stavert ..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. Lindoff, and Conducted by Bertram Prewett.

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

BRIDGNORTH, SHROPSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, October 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Grandsire, Plain Bob, and Canterbury Pleasure, and two each of Oxford Bob and College Single. Tenor 12½ cwt.

Sidney Greatwich* ..*Treble.*	William Short .. .. 4.
Wallace F. Roden .. 2.	Walter Hayward 5,
George E. Jones .. .. 3.	George Case .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by George Case.

*First peal. This is W. Short's 550th peal.

BEBINGTON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Wirral Branch.)

On Friday, October 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

R. Williams* .. .. ..*Treble.*	H. E. Hough .. .. .. 5.
W. Edge* .. .. 2.	J. Cliffe .. .. 6.
J. A. Hough .. .. .. 3.	*T. R. Storer .. .. .. 7.
F. Jones .. .. 4.	*J. H. Hough .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by John Carter, and Conducted by H. E. Hough.

*First peal of Triples. First peal of Trlples by a local band.

GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, October 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 14¾ cwt. in F.

Harry Richell .. .. ..*Treble.*	Henry W. Kirton 5
Arthur Edwards .. .. 2.	Henry F. Cooper .. .. 6.
Frede. G. Radley .. .. 3.	William Lincoln .. .. 7.
Lewis Green .. .. .. 4.	Arthur Head .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by York Green, and Conducted by Arthur Edwards.

Arranged and rung as a farewell peal to L. Green on leaving for South Africa, his brother-strings wishing him God-speed.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

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

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OE TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

William Motts .. ..*Treble.*	William P. Garrett .. 5.
Rev. William C. Pearson 2.	Charles J. Sedgley .. 6.
William L. Catchpole .. 3.	James Motts .. .. .. 7.
Lewis W. Wiffen .. .. 4.	Arthur S. Boar .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by Wm. Sottanstall, and Conducted by James Motts.

Rung as a farewell peal to A. S. Boar, who is shortly leaving Ipswich to reside in London. This is his first peal in the method.

HALLOW, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

At the Church of SS. Philip and James,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

In the Kent Variation. Tenor 21½ cwt.

John Morris* .. .. ..*Treble.*	William Page .. .. .. 5.
George Hinton* .. .. 2.	Gordon Checketts .. .. 6.
William C. Jones .. .. 3.	Herbert T. Knowles .. 7.
Abraham Winterton .. 4.	†James R. Newman .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. Reeves, and Conducted by J. R. Newman.

*First peal in the method. †First peal of Treble Bob Major.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Teaor 11½ cwt.

W. Hair* .. ..*Treble.*	†W. W. Worthington .. 5.
W. J. Smith .. .. .. 2.	*D. Cotton .. .. 6.
J. Hough .. .. 3.	*E. W. Beadsmore .. .. 7.
J. H. Swinfield .. .. 4.	L. Bullock .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. J. Tucker, and Conducted by L. Bullock.

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

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN. ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE POYNTZ	5.
FREDK. WHITHAM	2.	WILLIAM ROOPE..	6.
RICHARD BALDRY	3.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	7.
ALFRED FUNNELL	4.	WILLIAM STEELE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. ROBINSON, and Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS, AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM HENLEY* ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES SMITH..	5.
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE†	2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND.. ..	6
WILLIAM WELLING	3.	‡GEORGE ALLDER	7.
CECIL C. MAYNE*	4.	GEORGE MARTIN ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

*First peal of Major. †First peal in the method. ‡First peal with bob bell.

CALVERTON, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 11 cwt,

WALER W. BONHAM	..*Treble.*	CECIL A. VALENTINE	.. 4.
HERBERT C. EDWARDS* ..	2.	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS	.. 5.
EDWIN YATES	3.	CHARLES W. CLARKE	..*Tenor,*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

*First peal in seven methods with a bob bell. Arranged for C. W. Clarke, of Bedford.

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On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11¾ cwt.

RICHARD ASHWORTH ..	..*Treble.*	JAS. BROGDEN TAYLOR ..	5.
ROBERT SANDERSON	2.	FRED HARWOOD..	6.
EDWIN TIMBRELL	3.	WILLIAM MALLINSON ..	7.
WM. T. H. TIMBRELL ..	4.	THOMAS MOUNCEY ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by WM. MALLINSON.

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THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and three 720s of Plain Bob.

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

FREDK. C. LAMBERT	..*Treble.*	HENRY F. COOPER	4.
ARTHUR H. TOOK	2.	JAMES HOWARD	5.
CHARLES MOSS	3.	ALBERT LEE	..*Tenor*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

This is the first peal on the bells since being augmented to six as a Coronation year memorial by the addition of a well-toned treble, supplied by Bowell, of Ipswich, and was rung as a birthday compliment to the respected Vicar, the Rev, A. R. Upcher, M.A. The ringer of the 4th hails from Chelmsford; the rest from Halesworth.

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THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM HORDON ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES W. BIRD	5.
ARTHUR E. PAYNE	2.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT ..	6.
EDWARD CHAPMAN	3.	ALBERT V. INNS	7.
ROBERT F. TURNER	4.	DAVID J. NICHOLS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First peal in the method by all the band, who are all members of the local band. First peal in the method on the bells.

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On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 31 cwt.

FRANK COOK	..*Treble.*	FREDK. JORDAN	5.
RAYMOND GEORGE YOUNG*	2.	JAMES HEMMING	6.
HERBERT JORDAN	3.	HARRY MIDDLETON	7.
THOMAS EDWIN	4.	HENRY JORDAN PHIPPS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY MIDDLETON.

*First peal away from the treble. This was the quarterly peal for the Guild. First peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells. All the above are local men.

SNAITH, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDK. TATE	..*Treble.*	THOMAS SMITH	4.
MARK TATE*	2.	JOHN D. BULLOCK	5.
CHARLES W. KING*	3.	HERBERT LUDKIN ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. LUDKIN.

*First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor in three methods by all the band. First peal on the bells which have lately been rehung by Mr. J. Mallaby, the "go" being excellent.

CHILDSWICKHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

On Saturday, October 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of Plain Bob, Grandsire, and St. Duurtan.

Tenor 12½ cwt. in F.

STEPHEN SMITH.. ..	..*Treble.*	‡GEORGE ELLIS	4.
WALTER JONES†	2.	*HERBERT NEWBURY	5.
ARTHUR S. KEYTE	3.	FRED NEWBURY.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR S. KEYTE.

*First peal. †First peal with a bob bell. ‡First peal on six bells. Rung on the 55th anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. A. Keyte, the much respected grandparents of the conductor. First peal on the bells by the local band.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 31st; at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 26th. St. Magnus at 7.30; the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—The 274th anniversary dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11th, at The London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. F. C. Bailey, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies, G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. F. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, M. A. Wood, or

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held at St. James, Clerkenwell, to-day, Sat., October 21st. Bells available from 3.45. Tea will be provided in the vestry at 5.15 at 6d. per head. All members and friends cordially invited.

WILLIAM J. KEMP, *Hon. Sec.*
177, *Chatsworth Road, N.E.*

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths—A meeting will be held at St. Mary, Islington, to-day, Sat., October 21st. Tower open at 4 o'clock, Tea at The Duke, Upper Street, at 5.30. There will be a practice at St. Martin's on Wednesday, October 11th, at 8 o'clock. F. BENNETT, *Hon. Sec.*

The London County Association, late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—The ninth annual grand Bohemian Concert will be held at The Talbot restaurant, London Wall, E.C. Commence 7.45 p.m. Admission by programme, prioe 6d., reserved seats 1s., which may be obtained from all officers of the society, or fro

FREDK. J. HARDY, *Hon. Sec,*
34, *Guildford Road, South Lambeth.*

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild—The next meeting of this Guild will be held at Croston to-day, Sat., October 21st. Particulars by circular. REV. W. T. BULPIT, W. BENTHAM. } *Hon. Secs,*

Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—The anual festival will take place at Durham on Saturday, 28th. Committee meeting at 12 noon at the Counts hotel. Service in the cathedral at 1 p.m. Dinner at the County hotel at 2 p.m. Will members intending to be present please notify

CHAS. TODD, *Hon. Sec.*
26, *Greenbank Crescent, Darlington.*

The Hertfordshire Association—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden on Saturday, October 28th. Bells available at 4.30. Arrangements will be made for tea. H. EDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden parish church on Saturday, October 28th. Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association—Southern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Fladbury on Saturday, October 28th. Service with an address at 5.30. Business meeting after service. Tea will be provided for those who notify me not later than Monday, October 23rd. Bells (6) available at 4 p.m.

JAMES HEMMING. *Hon. Br. Sec.*
10, *Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.*

The Kent County Association.—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Lewisham on Saturday, October 28th. Bells available at 3 30. Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Rev. Canon Hough, Vicar. Tea in the parish church hall at 5.30 p.m., kindly pronided by the Vicar, for those who send their names to me not later than Tuesday, October 24th. Business meeting to follow, the Vicar presiding.

T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
39, *Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.*

The Kent County Association—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at St. Laurence, Thanet, on Saturday, October 28th. The tower will be open at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided in the parish room at 5 p.m. As this is the first meeting since the restoration of the bells, it is hoped a large number of members will make it convenient to attend.

E. TRENDELL, *Hon Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Associaiion—Western Branch.—The next quarterly meeting of tbis branch will be held at Dodderhill, Droitwich, on Saturday, October 28th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea provided. Names to be sent in not later than first post 25th inst.

H. T. KNOWLES, *Hon. Sec.*
Grove Villa, Howsell Road, Malvern Link.

The Warwickshire Guild.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 28th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea will be arranged if members who intend to be present will let me know by Tuesday, the 24th. Business meeting after tea. REV. C. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
The Parsonage, Shottery.

The Winchester Diocesan Gulld.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wickham on Saturday, October 28th. Bells available during the afternoon. Tea at the parish room at 5 o'clock. Meeting after. Members requiring tea kindly inform me by the 25th. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*
Fareham.

The Hertfordshire Association.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, November 4th. Ringing in the afternoon and evening. Those intending to be present should write before November 1st to REV. B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
29. *Bancroft, Hitchin.*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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2345678 90x

6532478x90 2–5
52364 11 in and 3
35265 7 in and 3
43562 7 in and 3s
24365 7 in and 3s
32465 7 in and 3
43265 7 in and 3
54362 7 in and 3s
25463 7 in and 3s
42563 7 in and 3
34265 7th in and 3s
53462 7 in and 3s
25364 7 in and 3s

Repeat above twelve courses, calling first 7 in and 3 produces—

23564

63425 11 in & 2 and 9 0

43526 0x
33546 11 in and 3
24539 11 in and 3
52436 7 in and 3
23456 11 in and 3
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23456	W	B	M	H
56423		3		
45623				–
64523				–
52643	–			–
65243				–
24653	–			–
62453				–
46253				–
25463	–			–
24563				s
56243	–			–
25643				–
62543				–
54623	–			–
65423				–
42953	–			–
64153				–
26453				–
45293	–			–
42563				s
42356		2	–	–
35426	–			–
43526				–
52436	–			–
45236				–
24536				–
53246	–			–
25346				–
32546				–
54326	–			–
32456	s			–
43256				–

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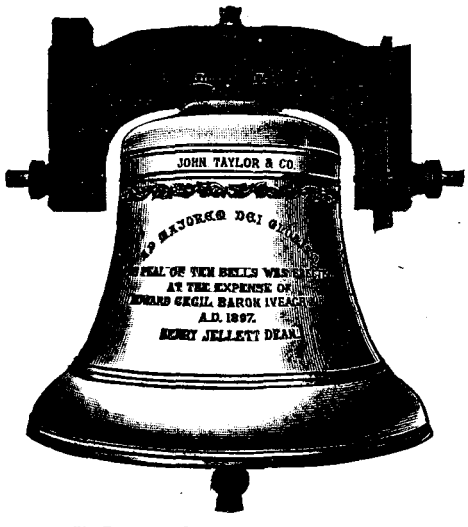

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23456	W	M	H
x36452			
24365	–	–	–
32465			–
46325	–		–
34625			–
23645	–		
56234	–	–	–
25634			–
62534			–
53624	–		–
65324			–
32654	–		–
63254			–
26354			–
52364	–		
36524	–		–
23564	–		

Repeat last eleven courses.

x Bobs at 1, 1, 1, 1. 1, 2.

5 24 BOB MAJOR.

By G. Cross.

23456	W	B	H
45236	–		–)
24536			–}
52436			–)
43526	–		–
43265		I	–
24365			–
36245	–		–
23645			–

Five times repeated. Single halfway and end. Omit bobs braced in any two parts. Bobs at M may be called in 1st course of each part.

Mr. G. Cross, of Norwich, writes:—The peal of Superlative Mr. Hattersley refers to, I wrote giving up all claim to on October 3rd, Mr. Arthur Knights having wrote to me about it. I also give up all claim to the 5024 and 5184 Bob Major by myself in your paper for September 16th to Mr. Gabriel Lindoff. Also to a 5024 Bob Major, all combinations of 4-5-6 in your valuable paper for September 23rd, to Mr. Arthur Knights, of Chesterfield.

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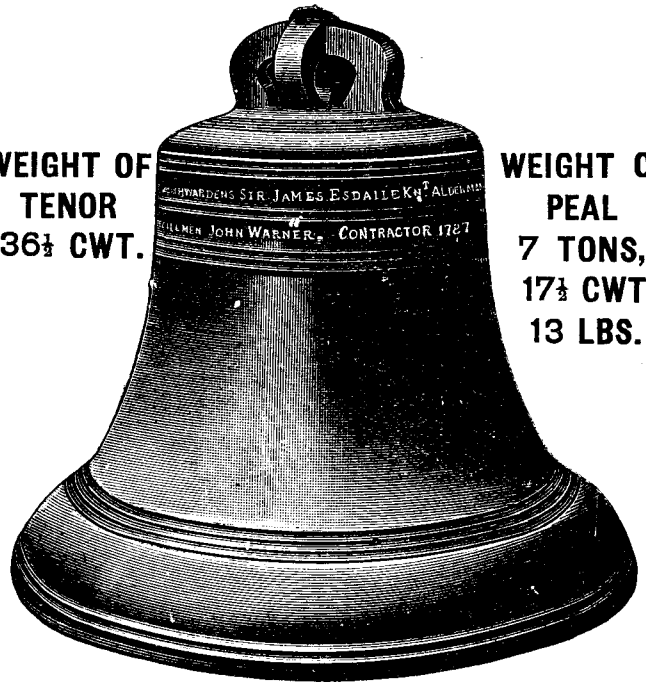

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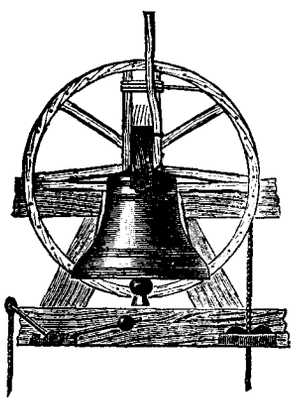

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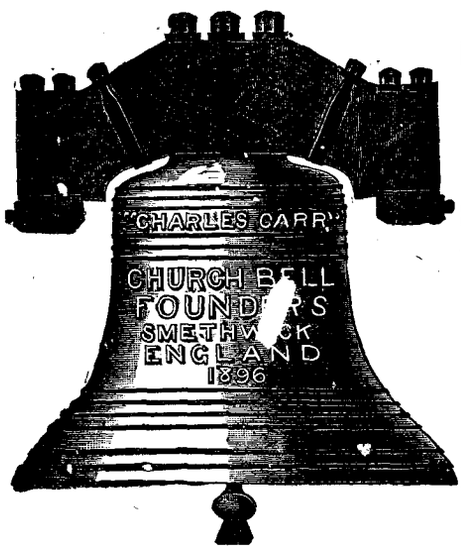

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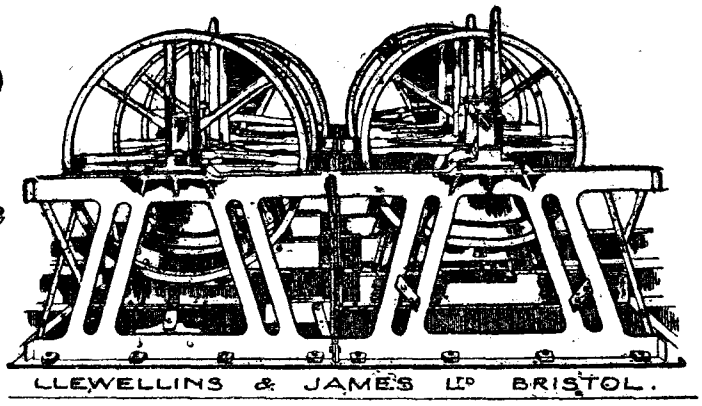

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The bells of St. Michael's church, Bishops Stortford, on Saturday, the 14th inst., announced the presence in the town of members of the North Western branch of the above Association. There were altogether some thirty ringers assembled from Bishops Stortford, Saffron Walden, Harlow, Harlow Common, Braintree and Stansted. A meat tea was served at The Boar's Head, High Street, at which Mr. N. J. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, presided, with Mr. C. H. Howard, of Braintree (Master of the Association) in the vice-chair. The following were nominated for membership: Mr. T. W. Garrard, of Lavenham, as non-resident life member; Messrs. W. Little, of Harlow; G. T. Brace, F. Searle, J. Searle, R. Harvey, R. A. Johns, and W. Pratley of Newport; and W. Wilkinson, of Littlebury, as ringing members, and Mr. B. Grainger, of Newport, as probationer. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Sawbridgeworth. Mr. F. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, who was prevented by illness from being present, was re-elected Master of the district. Mr. J. F. Penning, of Saffron Walden, the hon. secretary, resigned that position, and Mr. Wm. Watts, of Stansted, was elected to the vacancy.

An appeal from the ringers of Shoreditch parish church on behalf of a fund being raised to provide £100 for the repair of the bells was ordered to be placed on the agenda for the meeting of the Association to be held at Kelvedon.

Mr. H. J. Tucker, of Bishops Stortford, announced that owing to the condition of the bells at St. Michael's church, it had been forbidden to ring peals upon them. They were last overhauled in 1820, and there were now holes in the sound bows. It had been estimated that the cost of the repairs would be £200, and he hoped the work would be done before the Association again met at Bishop's Stortford.

Mr. Penning said £80 was also required at Saffron Walden for the bells. He had long envied Bishops Stortford in having a peal of ten, and he thought the time had come when the eight should be increased to ten at Saffron Walden.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. H. T. Lane, Vicar, and Mr. F. Glasscock, churchwarden, and also to Penning for his services as secretary.

The company then repaired to the tower of St. Michael's and rang touches of Cambridge and London Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Stedman Triples and Caters, and Grandsire Triples and Caters, Messrs. C. H. Howard, N. J. Pitstow, H. J. Tucker, W. Watts and G. Jordan being the conductors.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Castle Cary Branch of the above was held at West Lydford, on Saturday, October 21st, when between thirty and forty members were present from the following towers: Bruton Babcary, Barton St. David, Butleigh, Castle Cary, Charlton Ham, Ditcheat, Street, East Lydford, King Weston, and Taunton. A short service was held in the parish church, the Rector, the Rev. W. Paterson, officiating, and the Rev. Moss, of Charlton Ham, giving a most interesting address. After the service the ringers were entertained to tea, very kindly provided in the church room by the Rector and churchwardens, after which the business meeting was held, the Rev. W. Paterson presiding, supported by the President of the branch, Mr. T. G. Vincent, sen., Messrs. M. S. Welchman, C. Kerton (churchwardens), W. Burgess, etc. The Rev. Paterson, before calling on the local secretary (Mr. T. B. Vincent, jun.) to read the minutes of the last meeting, said he wished to say how pleased they were to welcome the ringers to West Lydford that afternoon, stating that sometimes little places like West Lydford were left out, but he was pleased to say such was not the case with them.

Twenty performing members were elected and one tower affiliated to the Association. Batcombe was chosen for the next place of meeting, which will be held early in January. Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. Paterson for arranging the service, and for the use of the bells, and to the churchwardens for their kindness in entertaining the ringers to tea, and to the Rev. Moss for the interesting address given at the service. This concluded the meeting. A move was then made to the tower, and the bells were soon set going, Stedman, Grandsire Doubles and Bob Minor being rung on them.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the northern district of the above Association was held on Saturday last at St. James's, Clerkenwell, which was a very fitting place for a gathering of the kind, as the Society derives its original name from the fact that its first meetings were held there, and in which parish its headquarters remained for some years. It is doubtful whether the ringers who formed the St. James's Society in 1824 thought that it would ever reach the popular stage it has done, and become one of London's leading Associations.

The meeting was fairly well attended, considering the fact that another meeting was being held at a neighbouring tower, and some good touches were rung in various methods. Tea was partaken of in the vestry at 5.15, after which the business meeting was held, Mr. E. A. Young presiding in the absence of Mr. A. D. Barker, the District Master. One new member was elected, and St. Dunstan's, Stepney, was decided upon as the place of the next meeting in December, or, failing that, All Saints, West Ham. After the business meeting a visit was again paid to the tower, the bells being kept going until 8.30.

MISSING RELATIVE.

Walter Hunt, brother to Francis Thomas Hunt, from the parish of Little Glenham, near Wickham Market, Suffolk, last seen at Colchester, Essex, about 1894, would like to know his whereabouts. He is a commercial traveller, and follows the practice of ringing.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

An interesting event took place at Wootton Bassett on Saturday last, when a tablet recording a peal rung in commemoration of the Coronation of His Majesty King George V. was unveiled at the parish church. A special service was held in the afternoon, which was attended by several ringers, together with a number of parishioners. who were interested in the proceedings. The service was fully choral, and the choir under the conductorship of Mr. W. E. Marchant, rendered suitable hymns, Mr. W. T. Baxter being at the organ. It had been the intention of the Rev. C. E. G. Peters, chairman of the Marlborough branch, to give an address, but he was unfortunately unable to be present through indisposition. The Vicar, the Rev. J. E. Stewart Matthias, delivered an appropriate sermon, taking his text from the 14th chapter of Zechariah, 20th verse: "In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, holiness unto the Lord."

At the conclusion the Vicar and choir proceeded to the ringing chamber, where the unveiling ceremony was performed, the Vicar pronouncing the words: "This peal board has been unveiled to the praise and glory of God, and to commemorate the Coronation of King George." The board, which is of polished oak, is of Gothic design, with three panels, and was prepared by one of the local ringers, who had devoted much skill and time in turning out an excellent piece of workmanship. The inscription was executed under the direction of Mr. E. Lansdown, and is worded as follows: "To the glory of God and to commemorate the Coronation of King George, June 22nd, 1911, a peal of Grandsire Triples was rung on these bells in 3 hours and 4 minutes. J. M. Brinkworth, 1; A. Lawrence, 2; R. W. Hyner, 3; O. J. Hunt, 4; L. A. Wilson, 5; H. W. L. Wells, 6; C. J. Gardiner, 7; R. Roberts, 8. Composed by J. Carter, and Conducted by R. W. Hyner. Rev. J. C. Stewart Matthias, Vicar, F. Mundy, H. Bevir, churchwardens."

Then followed a short touch of Grandsire Triples by the same ringers who rang the peal. Through the kindness of the Vicar and churchwardens a capital tea was partaken of at The Angel hotel, the catering of Mrs. Tayler giving every satisfaction. Mr. L. A. Wilson, on behalf of the ringers, thanked the Vicar and churchwardens for their generosity in providing tea, and the Vicar briefly responded. During the evening a well-struck quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung by O. J. Hunt, O. W. Layng, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, L. A. Wilson, H. W. L. Wells, C. J. Gardiner conductor, J. M. Brinkworth.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

The annual meeting of the Eastern Counties branch of the above Guild was held at Spalding on Saturday, October 14th, when ringers attended from Walpole, Long Sutton, Fleet, Moulton, Spalding, Pinchbeck, Surfleet, Gosberton, Donington, Bicker, and Peterborough. A short service with address by the Rev. R. Wade was held in the parish church at 3.30. Dinner was held at The White Hart hotel, presided over by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Bullock, in the absence of the President, the Rev. F. Wayet, through illness. The usual business meeting was held immediateiy after dinner, when the old officers were all re-elected.

Moulton was the place selected to hold the next meeting, the bells there having just been rehung, and a new treble added, making a nice ring of six.

Regret at the absence of the President, and a wish expressed for a speedy recovery to health. During the day touches of Plain Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Norwich, Little Bob Major, Grandsire, Stedman, Double Court Triples, and Bob Minor were rung.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Proposed Memorial to the Late Mr. R. S. Story, Ex-President.

It was decided at a meeting of the above Association at Whitley Bay to raise a fund to commemorate the life-long work of their late President in connection with bells and belfry reform. Not only in the above two dioceses has his influence been felt, bnt we may say over the whole ringing world. For twenty years and more he was President of the Association, and it may be truthfully said that its present prosperity, and excellent position in regard to Diocesan and County Associations, is mainly due to his influence and energy.

The six bells he loved so well (St. Paul's, Whitley Bay), and in which he rang as a Sunday ringer for twenty-six years, are now about to be recast and augmented to a peal of eight. Mr. T. T. Gofton (the leader of the ringers at Whitley), is giving the two extra bells, and the Whitley ringers (mostly Mr. Gofton's brothers), have subscribed £72 towards the recasting of the old six. Some nine years ago Mr. Story himself drew up the scheme which is now being carried out, but lack of funds prevented its furtherance at the time.

In these circumstances it is recognised that the most fitting memorial to our departed President, would be to help in this good work. The cost of recasting one bell will be £22 roughly estimated, and the proportionate cost towards a new frame, £10, making £32 in all.

We would appeal not only to all members of this Association, but also to Mr. Story's many other friends, to support a fund so eminently appropriate to the commemoration of the life of one who spent his best years for the good and welfare of his fellow-men.

The following were appointed to act as a Committee, and subscriptions will be gratefully received by them.

C. L. Routledge (President), 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne; T. T. Gofton, 11, Windsor Road, Monkseaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne: J. E. R. Keen, 88, Hotspur Street, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Subscriptions Already Received.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. C. Todd	0	10	6
Mr. W. Story	1	1	0
Mr. C. L. Routledge	1	1	0
Mr. Joseph Parker	0	5	0
Mr. R. W. Falconer	0	5	0
Mrs. C. L. Routledge	0	5	0

Characteristics of Manchester Men.—They have certainly a decided individuality, these Lancashire folk. The men, indeed, have no peculiarity of dress, but women of the humbler class still adhere frequently to the fashion of wearing the shawl as a snood. All, however, by their broad dialect, by a certain slowness of speech combined with shrewdness of intelligence, by their vigorous frames, notwithstanding mill-work and over-crowded houses, and by their strong, keen faces, are differentiated from the inhabitants of more southern cities, and even from those of Liverpool.

THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

The ringers in this district are anxious that the peal should be made up to twelve at the same time as the other work is being carried out, at an additional cost of about £120.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Burton-on-Trent district was held at Rolleston on Saturday, October 14th. Owing to various causes rather a small number of ringers were present. However those attending enjoyed ringing on the six bells, which are in splendid going order, touches of Doubles and Minor in various methods being rung.

The business meeting was presided over by the Hon. the Rev. L. H. Tyrwhitt, Vicar of the parish. The minutes of the previous meeting having been passed, Horninglow was selected as the place for the next meeting.

On the proposition of Mr. W, C. Wakley, seconded by Mr. Sudale, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for presiding at the meeting.

The Vicar in reply said he was very pleased to be at the meeting, and to allow the members of the Associato use the bells. He was sorry, owing to being away from home, that he had not made arrangements to provide some hospitality for the visitors, but hoped to do so on some future occasion if they would like to hold another meeting at that place.

The business over, the ringers adjourned to the belfry, and kept the bells going until it was time to make tracks for home.

*** We would again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper should be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the publishers.

G. F. M.—Next week.

F. PRICE.—We will write you.

H. A.—We do not think so.

Correspondence.

METHODS.

SIR,—The letter by Mr. John Carter in your last issue is an improvement upon the previous one. While I am sorry for his wasted ink, I will, in order to meet the views of our old friend, here give the in-course changes of the Doubles method in full as follows:—

THE DOUBLES METHOD.

12345		13542		15243	
21435		31452		51423	
24153		34125		54132	
42513		43215		45312	
24531		34251		54321	
42351		43521		45231	
24315		34512		54213	
42135		43152		45123	
41253	BOB	41325	BOB	41532	BOB
14235		14352		14523	
12453		13425		15432	
21543		31245		51342	
25134		32154		53124	
52314		23514		35214	
25341		32541		53241	
52431		23451		35421	
25413		32415		53412	
52143		23145		35142	
51234		21354		31524	
15234		12534		13254	
13542		15243		12345	

Single half-way and end, made as follows. The whole repeated completes the 6-score:—

13254
13245

If desired single for bob can be used at auy corresponding parts, made as follows: 41253
14253

In this 6-score all changes are double, two singles only excepted, and no bell lies more than two blows in any position, which qualities are not to be found in any of the old methods built upon the plain hunt principle. Beyond this its two lead plain course will cause additional bob calling, and this should be interesting to our friends who have five bells only to practise upon. Further, it is doubtful if it will extend to higher numbers of bells to give as good a method as the Doubles.

H. DAINS.

P.S.—Single for bob in my last letter should read—

42351
42315

that is if used in first lead of first part. H. D.

6000 BOB MAJOR.

SIR,—The peal of Bob Major withdrawn by Mr. Price, said to have been composed by Sir A. P. Heywood in 1885, was published in "Church Bells" January 30th, 1885, by me. Was it rung before that date? If so I will withdraw my name.

B. FRANCIS.

TASBURGH (Norfolk).—On Sunday, October 22nd, at St. Mary's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles. J. Duffield, E. Duffield, G. Cross conductor, W. Duffield, F. Copeman. A quarter-peal of Bob Doubles. J. Duffield, E. Duffield, W. Duffield, F. Copeman, G. Cross conductor. Also 224 Bob Major, 120 Bob Minor, and two courses of Oxford Treble Bob Minor on handbells.

BLACKPOOL.

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NOTES ON NEWS.

The bells of St. Saviour's, Southwark (now the Cathedral), having been put in working order, we may look for some revival of the brave days of old when the College Youths and the Cumberlands used to vie with each other for supremacy. The Youths having got the first lead in, have put the famous twelve through a peal of Maximus—the first on the new tenor, and it brings back the memories of Murray Hayes and Jemmy Dwight. The name of another old veteran—Edwin Horrex—is still in evidence, though advancing years cause him quite naturally to get towards the light end, but time was when the name of Teddy Horrex was always associated with the eleventh bell *Tempora Mutander*. May he live long and enjoy his hobby.

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Those peculiar individuals who hold that a girl or a woman should not be allowed to ring in our belfries, would feel very small when they read of Miss Edith Parker's feat in calling a peal of London from an inside bell. No one who has written against the ladies up to now has ever been able to ring a Surprise peal at all. Of course they are in a very small minority as they deserve to be. To oppose a woman because she is a woman, is only done by an imbeclle. Some of the greatest deeds in the world's history were performed by women, and I believe Miss Joan (of Arc) was a female. The only case where a girl ringer ought not to ring or enter the belfry, is when the ascent has to be made up a straight ladder, where the disadvantage of a lady's dress is obvious, but here no girl would want to go. We can depend upon it that a lady has a great deal more sense of decorum than her critics.

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It would be easy to underetand if those who think differently were to oppose on—say, the headgear—I had nearly written it headstock. All the girls I have seen ring, and they are not a few, have rung without hats. Yet one clergyman I know, wants to assert that they ought to wear them. These sort of notions come from the mistaken views of St. Paul regarding women and their position; views which cannot be upheld in the twentieth century. Under the Jewish laws no woman was allowed within the screen of the synagogue, she must not speak, and her hair being her glory, it must be covered. Other times, other manners. We live in a different age, and with the advantage of two thousand years of education. All the religious pictures I have seen have the woman's head uncovered. And there is something else to fear—a most fearsome thing. What should we do if woman actually did decide to wear the collossal structures called hats within the belfry! Perish the thought. We know how pleasant a thing it is to try and board a tramcar when a "perfect dream" or the latest milliner's "creation" hat is in front. Have you ever tried to get to the booking office window for your railway ticket, when one of these gets there first? Under such circumstances it pays you to pay at the other end, or you lose the train and the peal as well.

Girls of bygone days wore hats;
Think of it—the stupid flats!
Styles so simple and so crude
We have hurled to desuetude;
Nowadays upon their heads
Women carry feather-beds,
Footballs, flower-pots, laundry-bags,
Bales of feathers or of rags;
Helmets, pie-plates, butter-tubs,
Jungle growths of trees and shrubs;
Dishpans, saucepans, jardiniers,
Sofa cushions, flights of stairs;
Baskets, green and pink and brown,
Right side up and upside down;
Pyramids and Eiffel towers,
Garden plots of gorgeous flowers;
Buckets, barrels, hives for bees,
Boxes meant for fruit or cheese;
Drying frames with wires and slats;
Anything, in short, but hats!

No, on second thoughts, the lady ringers will be alright if they leave their "headstocks" outside. If not—I have spoken.

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If there is one band more than another who deserve a friendly pat on the back it is the Kettering branch of the Central Northamptonshire Association. The Kettering men have risen right out of the rough round ringers up to the "crack" Surprise bands. Think of it! "Ye man who called ye bobs" in the peal of London Surprise just recorded was the tenor man who "banged the big un behind" or "bumped her" because he could'nt ring changes! But one day, having no conductor, David Nicholls climbed off the tenor box and said "I am coming inside." Right up the ladder he went, with his merry men behind him, through Stedman, Norwich, Superlative and London. Now he is King David! What Kettering has done others can do—if they will. By the way, now that this Association has two London bands in it why not drop the prefix of "Central." Is there any reason why it should not be "The Northamptonshire"?

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Our friend Charles R. Lilley has called a peal at Staines, Middlesex. As there are not two "C. R. Lillies" it must be our old chum "the tiger." He is here, there and everywhere. It would be interesting to know how many towers he has rung in. Mr. James George has held the wanderers' championship belt for some time, but I am under the impression that James Ist. of Rugby, will shortly have to hand over the belt of the ubiquitous to "C.R." of England. JINGLE.

SOLDIERS' BELLS FOR ALDERSHOT PARISH CHURCH.

The Vicar and churchwardens are making an effort to collect sufficient funds, about £70, to provide two treble bells to complete the octave in the above church. If possible, from soldiers connected with Aldershot Garrison in the past or present. Collected by Mr. F. Matthis, Battle, Sussex:—Private W. D. Christian, 3d., Sergt. F. Mathis, 2s., Private W. R. Mathis, 3d., Captain R. G. Raper, 1s., Private A. B. Mepliam, 1d., Private W. Wenham, 5d., Bugle Master J. W. Pepper, 1s., Lieut. Ferris W. Grant, 1s., Corporal W. Meppen, 3d., Private C. J. Botlewell 3d., Q. M. S. J. E. Carter, 6d., C. L. R. Sergt. J. Mathis, 6d., L. C. E. Corpl. H. Hewitt, 6d., Sergt. D. J. Peploe, 6d., Col. Sergt. J. C. Yorke, 6d., Col. Sergt. W. M. Goldsmith, 6d., Private F. Sargent, 3d., Col. H. W. Cafe, 1s. Total 10s. 9d.

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SILVERDALE (Staffs).—On Sunday, October 15th, for Divine Service, two courses of Grandsire Triples. J. E. Groves, 1-2; J. W. Washbrook, jun., 3-4; J. W. Washbrook, 5-6; W. R. Washbrook, 7; H. Washbrook, 8. This is the first time that three pairs of bells have been rung in the tower to a touch.

READING RINGERS AT BASINGSTOKE.

On Saturday, October 21st, the ringers of St. Mary's, Reading spent a very pleasant half day at Basingstoke. The party, about seventeen in number, assembled at Reading station at 1.40, under the leadership of their worthy captain Mr. J. Swain, and arrived at Basingstoke about 2.30. Mr. Henry White and his daughter Miss Alice White were at the station to welcome us and conducted us to the belfry, where we found everything ready. The bells were soon going to a 384 of Superlative Surprise, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, Master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild, and Mr. H. White taking part, both of whom had to take a hasty farewell of the ringers, having to leave for Winchester to take part in a peal. Next came a 336 of Stedman Triples, 416 Double Norwich, 220 Stedman Triples, 336 Double Norwich. Miss Alice White took a rope in 180 Stedman Triples and a course of Kent Treble Bob. The party then adjourned for tea, which was very tastefully laid, the company being the guests of W. Pole Routh, Esq., who presided. After tea a few songs were sung and a recitation given by Mr. J. E. Hern. Another visit then paid to the belfry, and the bells were soon going to a plain course of Superlative Surprise, 420 Stedman Triples, 240 of Double Norwich, and 167 Grandsire Triples, the conducting being shared by Messrs. C. Giles, A. E. Reeves, A. W. Pike, and W. Shepherd. The visitors wish to thank Mr. White for having everything ready, W. Pole Routh, esq., for entertaining them to tea, and the Rector of Basingstoke for allowing the use of the bells.

RINGERS' OUTING.

On the 14th instant six members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford set out for a drive to Tong and Albrighton. The meeting place was Brewood, at the residence of Mr. J. Perry, where light refreshment was kindly provided. The first place of call was Boscobel House, the renowned hiding place of King Charles II. after his defeat at Worcester. All were very interested in this quaint old place, containing as it does abundance of finely carved oak furniture, panelling, etc., together with an engraved marble front fire-place, illustrating the refuge in the famous oak tree while the soldiery were searching beneath for him. A supposed descendant of this identical tree is growing on the same spot as the original, and the visitors took advantage of the opportunity to carry away a few acorns as a memento. Upon arrival at Tong the bells (six) were raised in peal, this being rather a difficult matter, as there is a great length of loose rope. Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob Minor, Grandsire, Stedman and Erin Doubles were nicely tapped off, as well as some Tombstone Surprise with one of the local band standing in. This church is well worth a visit if only to see the richly-carved oak and stone therein. Dickens' "Little Nell" is said to be buried here. The journey was continued to Albrighton, where there is a handy ring of six. Besides various methods, three of the local band were in turn piloted through their first 6-score of Grandsire Doubles. After tea was partaken of at The Shrewsbury Arms, and some handbell ringing indulged in, the party divided, thus ending a pleasant outing.

Miscellaneous.

THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

KEA.—On Thursday, September 14th, for practice at the church of All Hallows, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. E. Ham, W. Davey, A. D. Sowell first quarter-peal, H. Harris, J. Symons conductor, J. Thomas, P. Harfoot, J. Sandercock.

THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

EXETER.—On Sunday, October 15th, 504 Grandsire Triples. W. Webber, C. Carter, F. Davea, F. Gardner, A. Monkley, H. B. Kindersley, J. Moss conductor, A. W. Searle. For practice on October 16th, another 504. F. Davey conductor, C. Carter, A. D. Sowell, J. Vanstone, H. B. Kindersley, J. Moss, J. Vicary, A. Betts. And 504 Stedman Triples. H. B. Kindersley, C. Carter, A. W. Searle, F. Gardner, A. Monkley, J. Moss, F. Davey conductor, W. H. Webber.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

MARSHFIELD (Mon).—On Monday, October 23rd, for practice, 336 Grandsire Triples. T. Pembrikge, J. W. Jones, H. Pitman, H. Edwards, L. Brown conductor, W. Edwards, W. Waters, G. Wiilams. Longest length in the method by all except the ringer of the 2nd.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

BRAINTREE.—For Divine Service at the parish church on Sunday evening, October 21st, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 40 mins. H. Coote. C. H. Howard conductor, F. Webb, H, E. Hammond, W. H. Dyson, F. Eley, J. Collins. W. H. Hammond.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

BRIERLEY HILL.—On Saturday, October 21st. an attempt for a peal of Erin Triples came to grief in the 110th course, owing to the tenor man being unable to keep his bell up any longer owing to its bad going, after ringing 2 hrs. 36 mins. W. Massey, J. Faulkner, H. Hill, A. Greenfield, H. Price, A. Prestidge, A. Davies conductor, J. Massey. All members of the Netherton company.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

BOXLEY.—On Sunday evening, October 22nd, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 720 Grandsire Doubles. A. Pantony. W. Gosling conductor, L. Bowley, W. Hope, W. Kilpartrick, G. Pound. First 720 by A. Pantony and first with a bob bell by L. Bowley.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND. — On Saturday evening, October 21st, 720 Kent Treble Bob, in 25 mins. J. R. Fenwick, R. Constant, G. A. Jones, F. Hayes, G. R. Ambrose, F. M. Mitchell conductor. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. Thos. H. Comer, a Milton ringer, to Miss Ethel M. Waters, daughter of a late ringer. The band tendered their hearty congratulations, presented to the happy couple a coal vase, und were hospitably entertained by the parents of the bride.

THE MIDLAMD COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

MELTON MOWBRAY. — On Saturday, October 21st, in commemoration of Trafalgar Day, an attempt for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal was abandoned after ringing 3400 changes, owing to the indisposition of one of the band. A. Pettitt, L. Allen, F. Dexter composer and conductor, W. Inglesant, G. Cleal, E. Morris, R. Bartram, C. Fowler, E. Reader, J. George. And 380 Stedman Caters.

LEICESTER.—On Sunday, October 23rd, at St. Martin's church, 252 Stedman Triples. G. Holmes, G. Cleal, L. Allen, A. Pettitt, S. Cotto, F. H. Dexter, A. Martin, T. Taylor. In the evening seven courses of Stedman Caters. G. Cleal, A. Pettitt, L. Allen, J. L. Allen, C. H. Fowler, J. Buttery, S. Cotton F. H. Dexter, A. Martin, J. Taylor. And two courses of Triples with G. Gilmore.

BIRMINGHAM —On Sunday, October 22nd, after morning service at St. John's Deritend, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, in 46 mins. S. Coley, A. Scrivens, E. Large, J. Perry, J. Porter, W. Webb, J. Collett, W. Ellis. Composed by James George, and conducted by J. Perry. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Porler. First quarter-peal on these beils for many a long day.

CONGLETON (Cheshire). — Recently, at St. Peter's church, after meeting one short for a peai, 504 Stedman Triples. G. A. Smith, 1: J. W. Washbrook, 2-3; H. Washbrook, 4; J. Darlington, 5; W. R. Washbrook, 6; J. W. Washbrook, jun., 7; T. Shone.

MALDON (Essex).—On Saturday, October 21st, at St. Mary's church, an attempt for a peal came to grief through a change course after ringing 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise. College Exercise, and 96 Woodbine, in 1 hr. 40 mins. E. W. Finch, H. Finch, F. Chalk, A. South, T. Gozzet, H. J. Mansfield conductor.

SPARKBROOK (Birmingham).—On Monday, October 16th, at 130, Walford Road, on handbells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 35 mins. T. Russam, 1-2; J. Carter conductor, 3-4; P. Laflin, 5-6; A. Walker, 7-8. First quarter-peal on handbells by P. Laflin and A. Walker.

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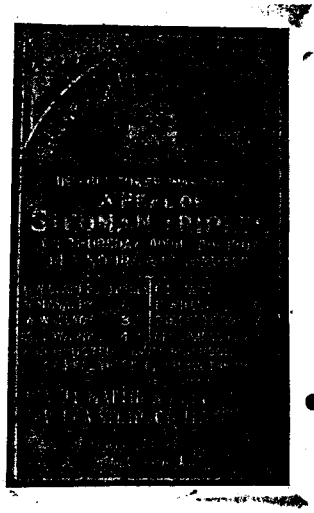

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1911.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL (R.C.) SOCIETY, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.

The twenty-second Annual Meeting of this Society was held on July 11th at the Royal Hall, Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. The Captain, Mr. J. E. Nolan, occupied the chair. There was a good attendance of members and friends. The chairman extended a cordial welcome to the officers and members of the St. Paul's Cathedral (Anglican) Society. Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed, Secretary's report was read and adopted. The balance sheet was presented and showed the society to be in a strong financial position, as after an expenditure during the year of £16 18s. 6d. there remained a credit balance of £16 11s. 3d. Five members of the Society visited Sydney, N. S. Wales (about 600 miles away) the Society generously devoting each man £2 towards his expenses. The trip was made partly as ringing and partly as a pleasure tour, but very little ringing was accomplished. The tower where we expected to do most—St. Mary's (R.C.) Cathedral (a fine peal of eight by Mears and Stainbank) was not available owing to the serious illness of Dean O'Hara, who, although lying sick close by, allowed us to ring for morning service, but the noise of the bells affected him so that, much against his will, he could not allow any attempts for peals. Consequently we had to confine ourselves in one instance to All Saints, Parramatta (a peal of six), and to St. Jude's, Randwick (a peal of eight steel bells). At the former place on Easter Monday we managed a 2760 Grandsire Minor, being three 720s each called differently, and a 600, the conductors being Messrs. J. C. Nolan, R. H. McDonald, C. W. Porter. We also got five 120s of Stedman Doubles, which I understand is the first Stedman rung on the bells. At Randwick we got a 420 of Stedman Triples. In these

touches we were assisted by Messrs. McDonald, Porter and Bames, who at one time were ringers in England. Messrs. McDonald and Porter are members of St. Mary's Society, Sydney, the former being their most respected Captain, while Mr. Bames, who with a Mr. Fitzgerald was also visiting Sydney, are members of St. Paul's company, Melbourne.

Papers dealing with the trip were read by Messrs. E. O'Shea, and E. Bryning, and were much appreciated, as were also "Early ringing reminiscences" by Mr. John Guest (St. Paul's Society). Toasts of the St. Patrick's and St. Paul's Societies were given and responded to with musical honours. Recitations by Messrs. E. Bryning and F. Short, and songs by friends of the members were thoroughly enjoyed.

A short touch of Stedman Triples on the handbells was given by J. E. Nolan, 1-2; J. P. Nolan, 3 4; S. Hallissy, 5-6; M. P. Nolan, 7-8; and also a short touch of Grandsire Triples by Messrs. Fitzgerald, 1-2; Barnes, 3-4; Murray, 5-6; Woollard (St. Paul's Society), 7-8. The Anglo-Australian handbell ringers rendered some very enjoyable musical items, an encore being demanded of them. The hour getting late, a really enjoyable evening was most reluctantly brought to a close, everyone expressing the wish that it may be the forerunner of many more such evenings with profit to the members themselves, and change-ringing generally. H.

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On Thursday, October 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

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REUBEN SANDERS ..	..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
ALBERT D. STONE	2.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
JOHN S. GOLDSMITH.. ..	3.	KEITH HART	8.
CHARLES T. COLES	4.	ERNEST PYE	9.
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EDWIN HORREX.. ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM TRUSS	7.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ..	2.	JOHN THOMAS	8.
HENRY F. SPRINGALL ..	3.	ALFRED B. PECK	9.
RICHARD F. DEAL	4.	THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ..	10.
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GEORGE A. SMITH	..*Treble.*	JAMES E. GROVES	5.
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HARRY WASHBROOK	3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK ..	7.
WALTER R. WASHBROOK..	4.	JOHN DARLINGTON	..*Tenor.*

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THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, October 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY WASHBROOK	..*Treble.*	WALTER WASHBROOK ..	5.
GEORGE A. SMITH	2.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK, JUN.	6.
ARTHUR CLAY	3.	JAMES W. WASHBROOK ..	7.
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A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

RICHARD DARLOW	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM I. OAKLEY ..	5.
HENRY J. RANZETTA* ..	2.	FREDK. EDWARDS	6.
FRANCIS A. SMITH	3.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ..	7.
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ALFRED SHEPPARD	..*Treble.*	OWEN W. PORTER	5.
PERCY W. WITHAM	2.	JESSE HISCOCK	6.
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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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ROLAND POLLARD* ..	..*Treble.*	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ..	5.
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ERNEST STONE*..	3	HARRY ARGYLE	7.
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Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, and one of Double Court. Tenor 6½ cwt.

ARTHUR E. MOORE ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. DEWELL	4.
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Conducted by A. E. MOORE.

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On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

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A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES.

JOSEPH WEST	..*Treble.*	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ..	6.
WILLIAM GOODMAN	2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE	7.
HERBERT SHEPPARD	3.	BENJAMIN GOUGH	8.
THOMAS WATTON	4.	HARRY GOODMAN	9.
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On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

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THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 10½ cwt.

ALFRED H. MARTIN..	..*Treble.*	JAMES T. WARD	5.
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WALTER J. GERMAN.. ..	3.	WALTER PERKINS	7.
ANDERSON Y. TYLER ..	4.	†GEORGE DOWNING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. PEBKINS.

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BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

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Tenor 26 cwt in F.

WILLIAM C. WAKLEY	..*Treble.*	GEORGE BULL	5.
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JOHN H. SWINFIELD	4.	*DAVID L. COTTON ..	..*Tenor.*

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Tenor 21 cwt.

FRED P. HOWCROFT..	..*Treble.*	R. ALDER GOFTON	6.
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JOHN G. HALL	3	*SAMPSON T. WRIGHT ..	8.
JOSEPH E. R. KEEN.. ..	4.	THOMAS METCALFE	9.
THOMAS T. GOFTON	5.	*WILLIAM BROADLEY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. GEORGE, and Conducted by THOMAS T. GOFTON.

*First peal of Stedman Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to R. Alder Gofton.

LUISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 20½ cwt.

ALLAN F. BAILEY* ..	..*Treble.*	NORMAN R. BAILEY.. ..	5.
FREDK. W. BAILEY	2.	ERNEST S. BAILBY	6.
LEONARD P. BAILEY.. ..	3.	CHARLES F. BAILEY ..	7
JAMES M. BAILEY	4.	EDGAR H. BAILEY ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

*First peal; also the 100th peal on the bells, and was rung on the 27th anniversary of the opening. All the above are brothers, and is the first peal of Major ever rung by eight brothers, the younger being on the treble (aged 13), the others ringing in rotation as the ages run, with Edgar on the tenor, being the elder.

GRANTHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 37 cwt.

ERNEST NIDD*	..*Treble.*	†DAVID B OVERTON	5.
HARRY THORPE†	2.	ALBERT C. DARNELL ..	6.
WILLIAM CAWTON	3.	SIDNEY PROCTOR	7.
WILLIAM G. THORPE† ..	4.	*THOMAS H. HALL ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

*First peal. †First peal in the method with a bob bell. First peal as conductor. Rung on the Patronal Festival of the church, and is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band since the year 1881. The ringer of the 3rd took part in the last one rung in that year.

STAPLEFORD, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSGCIATION.

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, College Single, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7½ cwt.

PERCY WEBB*	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM L. DARLOW ..	4.
ALBERT GILBERT	2.	ERNEST BONNETT	5.
ROBERT WILKERSON.. ..	3.	ROBERT G. KING ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ROBERT G. KING.

*Elected a member previous to starting. The treble man hails from Ickleton; the rest are members of the Royston society. First peal on the bells, to which a new treble has been added, and two of the old bells recast, and all rehung by Messrs. Taylor, the "go" and tone reflecting great credit.

SOWTON, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.
(Sowton Branch.)

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Michael and All Angels,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.
Tenor 9 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lbs.

William Howe .. .. ..*Treble.*	Charles Scoble .. .. 4.
Job Gooding .. .. .. 2.	Frank Davey .. .. .. 5.
Harry Reeks .. .. .. 3.	Henry Segar .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by Frank Davey.

First real by all except the conductor.

CHILVERS COTON, WARWICKSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OP TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
In the Kent Variation. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

Harry Argyle .. .. ..*Treble.*	Herbert Cure .. .. .. 5.
E. Harry Stoneley .. 2.	D. Harold Argyle .. .. 6.
Thomas Dicken .. .. 3.	James F. Clarke, jun. .. 7.
Thomas Vallance .. .. 4.	Thomas W. Chapman ..*Tenor.*

Composed by W. Sottanstall, and Conducted by T. W. Chapman.

First peal of Treble Bob on the bells, and rung on Trafalgar Day. Messrs. Stoneley and Vallance hail from Stoke Golding, Leicestershire.

EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.
THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Satruday, October 21, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
At Christ Church,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
In the Kent Variation.

Robert J. Dawe .. ..*Treble.*	Joseph Sharp .. .. .. 5.
Benjamin Thorp .. .. 2.	George Penfold .. .. 6.
Ernest Gower .. .. 3.	Alfred J. Turner .. .. 7.
George H. Howse .. .. 4.	Joseph E. Sykes .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. Reeves, and Conducted by J. E. Sykes.

Rung in honour of Trafalgar Day.

DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-six Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 CHANGES.
Tenor 17 cwt.

George Dawson .. ..*Treble.*	*Albert H. Ward .. .. 6.
Edward C. Gobey* .. .. 2.	John Flower .. .. .. 7.
Neville H. Widdowson* 3.	Ernest J. Oliver .. .. 8.
J. Charles Dicken .. .. 4.	Bart. Mitchell .. .. 9.
Joseph Bailey* .. .. .. 5.	*George Robinson .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by John Carter, and Conduc ted by Albert H. Ward.

First peal in the method as conductor. Rung to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hickling.

NEWHALL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,
At the Parish Church,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Single Oxford, Double Court, Single Court, Bob Minor, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.
Tenor 11 cwt.

John Hough .. .. ..*Treble.*	John H. Swinfield .. .. 4.
Albert P. Wakley .. .. 2.	Herbert Hurdman .. .. 5.
J. James Jackson .. .. 3.	David L. Cotton .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by D. L. Cotton.

First peal of Minor as conductor.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 24, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
At the Church of St. Paulinus,
A PEAL OF ERIN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.
Tenor 12¾ cwt,

William Fletcher .. ..*Treble.*	Percy E. Bex .. .. .. 5.
Reginald Brough .. .. 2.	Edwin Barnett, jun. .. 6.
George Povey .. .. .. 3.	Edwin Barnett, sen. .. 7.
Edward Audsley .. .. 4.	William Floyd .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. Parker, and Conducted by E. Barnett, sen.

First peal in the method by all the band, on the bells, and by the Association.

Handbell Peal.

WISBECH. CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

On Wednesday, October 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Residence of R. Narborough,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720s each called differently.

Herbert Goakes* .. ..*Trrble.*	Walter H. Freeman .. 4.
Thomas Haines* .. .. 2.	*Ralph Narborough .. 5.
Horace Banham* .. .. 3.	Charles Goakes .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by Charles Goakes.

*First peal. First peal of Bob Minor ever rung in Wisbech, and rung at thhe first attempt. This peal was rung on handbells, as the tower bells are unpealable.

PADDINGTON, LONDON, W.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Yorktown District.)

On Thursday, Ootober 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
At 52, Shirland Road,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

George B. Edser .. 1-2.	Arthur F. Shepherd .. 5-6.
William Shepherd .. 3-4.	Fredk. G. Woodiss .. 7-8.

Composed by F. Hopgood, and Conducted by Wm. Shepherd.

Rung after meeting short for Stedman Caters.

BOURNE, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(Southern Branch.)

On Sunday, October 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes,
At the Residence of Mr. J. Osborn,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being 720 of Single Oxford, and two 720s each of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

John W. Lake .. .. 1-2.	Rupert Richardson .. 3-4.
James Osborn .. .. .. 5-6.	

Conducted by John W. Lake.

Witnesses—Mrs. J. Osborn and Miss J. Hollis.

THE PEAL AT CORNHILL.

The peal of Stedman Cinques rung at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on Saturday, October 21st, was the 250th peal by Mr. Edwin Horrex, steeple-keeper at this church. The number is made up as follows: Grandsire Triples 28, Stedman Triples 34, Grandsire Major 2, Kent Treble Bob Major (including three 8000's) 38, Oxford Treble Bob Major 1, Double Norwich Major 7, Superlative Surprise Major 2, Grandsire Caters 17, Stedman Caters (including an 11,000) 14, Kent Treble Bob Royal 24, Oxford Treble Bob Royal 1, Double Norwich Royal 1, Stedman Cinques 35, Kent Treble Bob Maximus 18, Cambridge Surprise Maximus 1. Total 250.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.— Meeting for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on the 31st. WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—The 274th anniversary dinner will be held on Saturday, November 11th, at The London Tavern. Fenchurch Street, E.C., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. F. C. Bailey, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies. G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes. H. Langdon, E. P. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham. W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, M. A. Wood, or
WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The Middlesex County Association and the London Diocesan Guild—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. F. Peploe), on Saturday, November 4th. Bells ready at 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at The Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 9d. each. Will those intending to be present inform me not later than November 1st. Members and friends cordially invited. Outstanding subscriptions should be paid before this meeting.
C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Winchester District.—The annual meeting of the members of this district will be held at Southampton on Saturday, November 11th. St. Michael's tower will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5.15 in St. Michael's parish hall, and business meeting immediately after. Members intending to be present ot tee tea, will oblige by letting me know by Wednesday November 8th.
JAS. W. ELKINS, *Hod. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.—The annual festival will take place at Durham to-day, September 28th. Committee meeting at 12 noon at the County hotel. Service in the cathedral at 1 p.m. Dinner at the County hotel at 2 p.m
CHAS. TODD, *Hon. Sec.*
26, *Greenbank Crescent, Darlington.*

The Hertfordshire Association—Western District.—A meeting will be held at Harpenden to-day, Sat., October 28th. Bells available at 4.30. Arrangements will be made for tea. H. EDEN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association — Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Todmorden parish church to-day, Saturday, October 28th, Bells ready at 3.30 p.m. Meeting at 6 p.m. All ringers welcome. J. H. BASTOW, *Br. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Association—Southern Branch — The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Fladbury to-day, Sat., October 28th. Service with an address at 5.30. Business meeting after service. Bells (6) available at 4 p.m.
JAMES HEMMING. *Hon. Br. Sec.*
10, *Church Bank, Hampton, Evesham.*

The Kent County Association.—Lewisham District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Lewisham to-day, Sat., October 28th. Bells available at 3 30 Service at 5 p.m. with address by the Rev. Canon Hough, Vicar. Tea in the parish church hall at 5.30 p.m., kindly provided by the Vicar. Business meeting follows, the Vicar presiding.
T. GROOMBRIDGE, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
39, *Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.—Guildford Divtrict.—The annual meeting will be held at Guildford on Wednesday, November 8th. 4 p.m.—St. Nicolas (10 bells) available. 5.45.—Service, preacher — Rev. E. C. Hill, Rector of Sbere. 6.30.—Tea at The Star hotel, followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea free to members, 1s to visstors. Please let me know how many you will requlre not later than Saturday, November 4th.
JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
North Street, Guildford.

The Kent County Association.—Canterbury District.—A meeting will be held at St. Laurence, Thanet, to-day, Sat., October 28th. The tower will be open at 3 p.m. Tea will be provided in the parish room at 5 p.m. As this is the first meeting since the restoration of the bells, it is hoped a large number of members will make it convenient to attend.
E. TRENDELL, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*

Worcestershire and Districts Associaiion—Western Branch. — The next quarterly meeting of this branch will be held at Dodderhill, Droitwich, to-day, Sat., October 28th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea provided. Names to be sent in not later than first post 25th inst.
H. T. KNOWLES, *Hon. Sec.*
Grove Villa. Howsell Road, Malvern Link.

The Warwickshire Guild.— A quarterly meeting will be held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 28th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Business meeting after tea.
REV. C. COX, *Hon. Sec.*
The Parsonage, Shottery.

The Winchester Diocesan Gulld.—Portsmouth District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wickham on Saturday. October 28th. Bells available during the afternoon. Tea at the parish room at 5 o'clock. Meeting after.
Fareham. J. W. WHITING, *Dis. Sec.*

The Hertfordshire Association.—Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, Novem ber 4th. Ringing in the afternoon and evening. Those intending to be present should write before November 1st to REV. B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
29. *Bancroft, Hitchin.*

Stoke Archidiaconal Association. — The next monthly meeting will be held at Wolstanton on Saturday, November 4th. Will those who intend to be present please notify Mr. Wm. Fitchford, 30, Orchard Street, Wolstanton, not later than November 1st.
REV. C. E. DONNE, } *Hon. Secs.*
J. JOHNSON, }

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Reddish on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7 to elect a branch secretary. A good meeting requested.
W. H. SHUKER, *Branch Sec,*

The Surrey Association. — Quarterly meeting at Croydon on Saturday, November 11th. Meet at the Bell Foundry at 2.45 p.m. by invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Tea at 5. Ringing after at St. John's and St. Peter's parish churches. Notice to representatives in due course, Will unattached members intending to be present kindly notify me nor later than Monday, November 6th
CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6 30. A good attendance is requested.
J. WATSON. *Branch Sec.*

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

5040 BOB MAJOR.
BY H. PRICE, *Kegworth, Derby.*

23456	W	M	H
64235	–	–	–
26435			–
42635			–
56235		–	–
25634			–
62534			–
45236		–	–
24536			–
42436			–
64523	–	–	–
56423			–
45623			–
62453	–		–
49253			–
24653			–

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UNVEILING OF A PEAL-BOARD.—On Thursday evening, October 19th, a peal-board, recording the first district peal of Double Norwich rung in the city of Nottingham, was unveiled in St. Peter's belfry. The Vicar, the Rev. A. W. Dewick, who shewed a great interest in the event, held a short service in the church previous to the ceremony, and basing his address on the text, "I was glad when they said, We will go into the House of the Lord," interpreted the music of the bells as extending to all who heard them, an invitation and a hearty welcome to come and worship the Lord. After ascending the tower, Mr. J. Hickman in his introductory remarks, spoke at great length on the varying conditions of the belfry, both from a social and scientific standpoint, during his forty-six year's connection with the same. Mrs. Dewick, the wife of the Vicar, then unveiled the board, which is a Gothic one of wood painted black. with gold writing.

The usual thanks and acknowledgments were exchanged, embracing speeches by Mrs. Dewick, the Vicar, Mr. H. R. Cobbin, Mr. W. E. White, and Mr. A. Coppock, the conductor of the peal, who expressed his thanks to both the Vicar of St. Peter's and the Vicar of Beeston for the facilities freely granted for practice, without which the peal could not have been scored.

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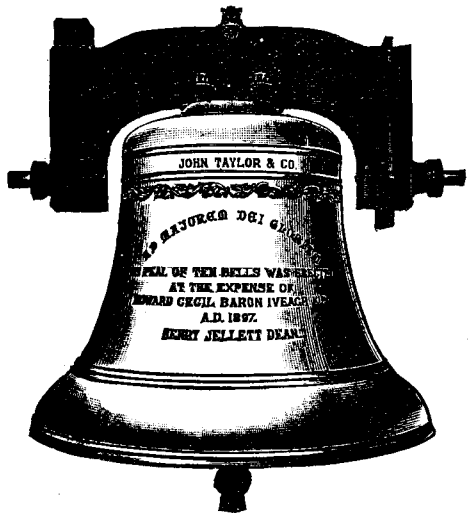

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5088.

23456	M	B	W	H
62534		–	2	2
52364			2	1
52643		–		1
24536		–		
43526	1	–		
32546	1	–		
63425		–	2	2
32654		–		
25346		–		
54326	1	–		
42356	1	–		
24653		–	1	2
45236		–		
53246	1	–		
34256	1	–		
43652		–	1	2
35426		–		
52436	1	–		
23456	1	–		

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23456	W	M	H
x36452			
24365	–	–	–
32465			–
46325	–		–
34625			–
23645	–		
56234	–	–	–
25634			–
62534			–
53624	–		–
65324			–
32654	–		–
63254			–
26354			–
52364	–		
36524	–		–
23564	–		

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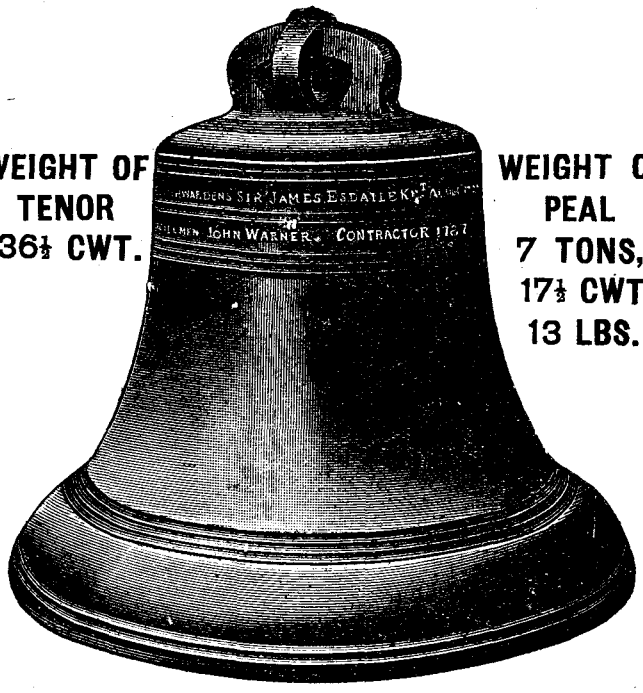

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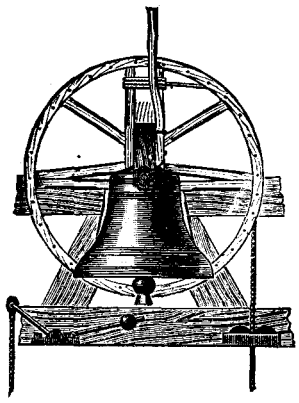

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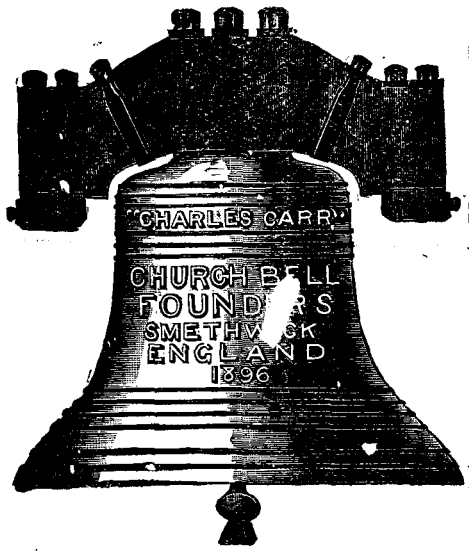

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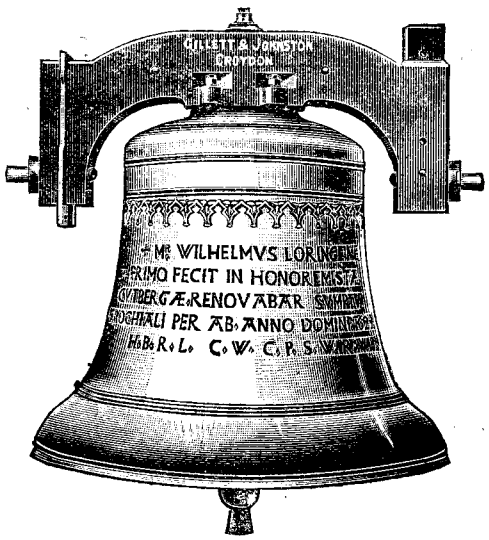

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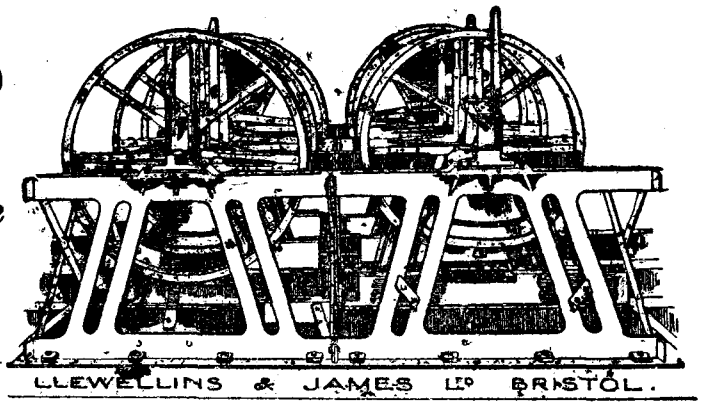

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TETTENHALL, NEAR WOLVERHAMPTON.

DEDICATION OF TWO NEW TREBLES.

On Sunday, October 15th, at the Collegiate Church, two new trebles were dedicated by the Vicar, the Rev. A. R. Harrison, M.A., at the conclusion of the evening service. There was a crowded congregation, and the gift was referred to during the service by the Vicar as a noble and historic gift to a noble and historic church, and also by the Rev. Percival Howard, M.A., the senior curate, who preached a most appropriate sermon for the occasion. He pointed out that Tettenhall church in the year 1604 had a peal of five bells placed in the tower, and remained there until the year 1841, when the five bells were removed, and were succeeded by the peal of six bells which have done duty ever since.

After the singing of the hymn "The strain upraise of joy and praise," the clergy and choir accompanied by the churchwardens (Messrs. Perks and Smith), walked from the chancel to underneath the tower, where the dedication took place, when Mr. Thomas Gilbert offered the gift, which was accepted by the Vicar, who handed it over to the churchwardens. The bells were then dedicated, and the hymn "Now thank we all our God," was sung immediately after the eight bells were rung together for the first time by the local band. Afterwards a touch of Grandsire Triples, conducted by Mr. Rowland Cartwright, of Wombourn, was rung, followed by a touch of Bob Major, conducted by Mr. Herbert Knight, of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampten, and also a touch of Stedman Triples. Ringers were present from Wolverhampton, Blakenhall, and Wombourn. The work has been successfully done by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, the two new bells being in perfect tone with the other six, and are a great credit to the firm, and also to their representative, Mr. George Barker, who hung the bells. The other six bells were cast by Thomas Mears in the year 1841, and now the octave is completed, they are a musical peal, with the tenor weighing 13¼ cwt.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

The third quarterly meeting of the Western Branch of this Association took place on Saturday, October 28th, at Dodderhill, Droitwich. Service was held in the church at 4 p.m., the Vicar giving a short address on the effect of bells upon various people. There were many people he said, who professed to dislike the sound of bells. He thought the real reason was that the sound of bells brought them back from the gaiety of life to its more serious side.

After service tea was provided in the parish room, about thirty members partaking of the same. The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. Twelve new members were proposed and accepted. Worcester was selected as the next place of meeting, to be held on February 3rd or 10th; and the quarterly peal to be attempted at St. Andrew's, Droitwich, conducted by Mr. Checketts. Mr. Page was again re-elected Master. For the Secretaryship there were two nominations—Mr. Ranford (Suckley), and Mr. Edgington (Worcester). After the second round of voting, Mr. Ranford was elected by nine votes to seven, some twelve members refraining fram voting. The Vicar was thanked, on the proposition of Mr. Page, for his very able addtess, for his kindness in providing tea, and presiding at the meeting: also the organist for his services at the organ.

The late Secretary, before the meeting closed, said he thought he was fully entitled to know from what cause or reason he had forfeited their good opinion. He had been a member of the Association for close on 25 years, and had assisted in forming the Society into branches. He had taken up the work of honorary secretary of the branch, and the inevitable disappointments of new work at any time caused difficulties. He was not aware that his services had not been acceptable to the members. He had many failings, but had tried to do his best under all circumstances. He thought the members were lacking in courtesy in not asking him to resign, or giving him some intimation that a change was desirable. His first intimation was when others had been nominated. He felt his possition very keenly.

The Vicar after acknowledging the vote of thanks, said the late Secretary was justly entitled to all he had asked, but as no good would result in prolonging the meeting, he declared it closed.

X. Y. Z.

It chanced that I came upon a writer in the "Suffolk Mercury," whose initials were "X. Y. Z." We sometimes, set ourselves the task of enquiring what there is in a name, and if there be but initials such as "X. Y. Z." we conclude it to be a nom-de-plume, or assumed name. So I set myself a puzzle as to the meaning of "X. Y. Z." X I know to be a sign in algebra for the unknown quantity. But Y. Z. baffled me for some time. At last I settled it. Why, of course, how simple. Y. Z. means "Wise Head." So this journalist, thought I, has a wise head with an unknown quantity of what? Ah, there was the rub! For surely he is brimful of wit and humour, and must have contributed much to the enlightenment of the inhabitants of Ipswich. But how could he be wise in making enemies?

Nobody I presume have any doubt as to the existence of enemies. Sometimes they are not of our own making. But as to the reality of friendship we enter on debateable ground. Goldsmith, in "The Hermit," says:—

> And what is friendship but a name
> A charm that lulls to sleep;
> A shade that follows wealth or fame,
> But leaves the wretch to weep.

So it would appear while we may doubt of the reality of friends, we have not a single authority against the fact that enemies exist. Christ said "Love your enemies." Coufucius, "Give your enemies justice." But that remarkable Italian Sociologist, Machiavel, advised

"Either caress or slay your enemies." Now "X. Y. Z." is evidently of the latter opinion with regard to ringers, and he has already uplifted his sword ready to slay us. We and Socialists are to be exterminated. Look out for yourselves, ye pullers of bits of string—ye noisy ghouls.

It reminded of me of Byron's description of a sardonic man as I read X. Y. Z.'s latest diatribe upon bell-ringers:

> There was a laughing devil in his sneer
> That railed emotions both of rage aod fear:
> And where his frown of hatred darkly fell,
> Hope, withering, fled, and mercy sighed farewell.

There is one consolation, however, in X.Y. Z.'s vituperations. He so often confounds the sublime with the ridiculous, you cannot take him seriously, And I know not whether it be prudent to attach any importance to hts invectives, especially when, in the same journal, the editor has given space to nearly two columns of report of the Norwich Diocesan Association's meeting at Ipswich.

But, as many change-ringers may not have seen or heard of X. Y. Z., and to forewarn and safeguard my friends from his dagger and losing their scalps. I will, with the Editor's permission, and the reader's indulgence, briefly refer to his latest confessions.

After alluding to the Sea Dyaks of Borneo, who have over their mantel-pieces the ornaments of heads of his enemies, he says; "There are eight men whose heads I would have dried and hung over my mantel-piece if only I lived in Borneo, and those are the men who have nearly driven the inhabitants of St. Margaret's mad by ringing the bells the whole day. Eight selfish men, by pulling bits of string, make sufficient noise to make 16,000 people miserable. It is a fiendish enjoyment, and the amusement of ghouls. It frightens little children out of their wits," and I suppose X. Y. Z. has been frightened out of his. Anyhow, be on your guard, ye eight men, lest peradventure he gets your names and addresses, for he is ever on the war-path to find all those who disturb his unknown quantity of vengeance and repose,

Noise undoubtedly is an enemy to intellect, and intellect an enemy of ignorance. We are all liable to condemn that which we do not understand. No ringer woold be so inhuman as to continue ringing where sickness and affliction were known, and as the noise of which X. Y. Z. complains is only occasional, we think he might find larger grievances to employ his talented pen. Apart from his denunciations of bell-ringers, I regard him as one of the most enlightened critics we have, and no writer has done more in Ipswich than he in opening the eyes of the blind. My advice to him is the advice of a certain removal contractor. if your environment is objectionable, "Keep on moving." G. F. M.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Proposed Memorial to the Late Mr. R. S. Story, Ex-President.

It was decided at a meeting of the above Association at Whitley Bay to raise a fund to commemorate the life-long work of their late President in connection with bells and belfry reform. Not only in the above two dioceses has his influence been felt, bnt we may say over the whole ringing world. For twenty years and more he was President of the Association, and it may be truthfully said that its present prosperity, and excellent position in regard to Diocesan and County Associations, is mainly due to his influence and energy.

The six bells he loved so well (St. Paul's, Whitley Bay), and in which he rang as a Sunday ringer for twenty-six years, are now about to be recast and augmented to a peal of eight. Mr. T. T. Gofton (the leader of the ringers at Whitley), is giving the two extra bells, and the Whitley ringers (mostly Mr. Gofton's brothers), have subscribed £72 towards the recasting of the old six. Some nine years ago Mr. Story himself drew up the scheme which is now being carried out, but lack of funds prevented its furtherance at the time.

In these circumstances it is recognised that the most fitting memorial to our departed President, would be to help in this good work. The cost of recasting one bell will be £22 roughly estimated, and the proportionate cost towards a new frame, £10, making £32 in all.

We would appeal not only to all members of this Association, but also to Mr. Story's many other friends, to support a fund so eminently appropriate to the commemoration of the life of one who spent his best years for the good and welfare of his fellow-men.

The following were appointed to act as a Committee, and subscriptions will be gratefully received by them.

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THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter hav done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

*** We would again remind our readers that everything intended for insertion in this paper should be sent direct to the office at Walthamstow, and not to the publishers.

THE PEAL AT OAKHAM.

As may be found on another page, the new bells of this tower were put through a peal of Kent Major on Saturday, October 28th. Although Oakham, the county town of Rutland, had possessed a ring of eight bells for more than an hundred years, no peal had been rung hitherto the restoration. Years ago the idea was formed of fixing up a band, but the conditions were palpably too bad for any chance of success. After the bell restoration, the local men, assisted by the Melton ringers, succeeded in ringing Holt's ten-part, conducted by Mr. R. H. Bartram, and it is recorded upon a neat stone tablet in the belfry. As stated, on October 28th, a mixed band met and rang in 3 hrs. 12 mins. a musical two-part peal of Treble Bob Major, having 4-5-6 only in 6ths place at a course-end. After the peal the company and the local band gathered in the dining room of The George hotel to a splendid repast, provided by the generosity of Mr. Churchwarden Phillips, whose term of office has been fruitful with church improvements. After satisfying the inner man, Mr. W. Willson proposed the health of their benefactor, which was drunk by the company with musical honours, and to which Mr. G. Phillips suitably responded. The social hour was then enlivened by songs by Messrs. Jackson, Baker, Bartram and Hetterley. It may be mentioned that the ringer of the 5th bell—Fred Herbert—when living at Oakham many years ago was taught to ring on the old 5th, and his ambition was to ring a peal standmg in that position. Oakham church is a fine arcbitectural edifice, within and without. It is a landmark for miles around, and its bells are worthy of the church.

BELLFOUNDING OPERATIONS.

During the last month or so Messrs. John Taylor and Co. have erected the following new peals: Middleham, Yorkshire, a peal of eight, tenor 18 cwt.; West Hartlepool, St. Aidan's, eight, tenor 14 cwt.; Llanbradacb, Glam., eight, tenor 10½ cwt.; Launceston, St. Thomas, Cornwall, six, tenor 10½ cwt.; and have also sent a chime of 25 bells (two octaves chromatic) to Appingedam, Holland; a chime of 13 bells (tenor 29 cwt.) to Peterborough, Ontario, Canada; hour and four quarter bells to Hastings Post Office, New Zealand.

The chief works they have in hand at the present time are as follows: New rings—Stratton, Cornwall, a new ring of eight. Miles Platting, Lancs., recast old ring of six into a new ring of eight. New chimes—Carbisdale Castle, Ross-shire, a heavy chime of six. Caius' College, Cambridge, a new chime of five. Pelton, Co. Durham, a new chime of six. Westport Post Office, New Zealand, hour and four quarter bells. Waimate Post Office, N.Z., hour and four quarters. Restorations and additions in hand—Cambridge, St. Mary the Great, rehang the ring of twelve and recast the two trebles. Iddlesleigh, Devon, rehang the old four, recast 2nd, and augment to six. Benefield, Northants, rehang the five and augment to six. Colsterworth, Lincs., rehang the four and augment to six. Waterfoot, Lancs., rehang the ring of six. Roos, Yorkshire, rehang the three and augment to six. Netheravon, Wilts., rehang the five and recast treble and tenor. Barnard Castle. Co. Durham, rehang the ring of eight. Weekley, Northants, rehang the five and augment to six. Atherington, Devon, rehang the ring of six. East Portlemouth, Devon, a new peal of six except the tenor. Bedford, Leigh, Lancs., one hour bell hung for ringing and two quarters.

Miscellaneous.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST CLANDON.—On Sunday, October 24th, for morning service, 720 Plain Bob Minor. C. Savage first 720, H. Blackman, J. Goacher, W. Savage, W. Day, F. Bennett. In the evening 720 Beverley Surprise, with F. Day, 1; the rest as before. Rung half-muffled.

HERSHAM.—On Sunday, October 29th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 1280 changes. G. Edser, sen., F. Shepherd, J. Emery, W. A. Woodrow, F. G. Woodiss, A. Woodrow, A. F. Shepherd, W. Shepherd composer and conductor.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

FULHAM.—On Monday, October 30th, for practice on handbells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters, 1263 changes, composed by C. Charge. L. Attwater, 1-2; A. F. Shepherd, 3-4; W. Shepherd conductor, 5-6; G. B. Edser, 7-8; J. W. Driver, 9-10. Also a course of Double Norwich Major, and one of Kent Treble Bob Royal.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

RAUNDS.—On Sunday, October 15th, 336 Bob Major. H. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, F. Stubbs, R. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, H. Sharman, F. Kirk conductor. 384 Double Norwich. H. Stubbs, F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert conductor, R. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Sharman, H. Copperwheat, F. Kirk. On October 26th, 336 Bob Major. F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, W. J. Cilbert, H. Sharman, A. Kirk, F. Kirk conductor. 252 Kent Major. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, H. Stubbs, K. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Sharman, W. Gilbert conductor, F. Kirk. 168 Grandsire Triples. H. Stubbs, F. Kirk, F. Stubbs, K. Pendered, H. Sharman, W. J. Gilbert, A. Kirk, W. Gilbert conductor. On October 29th, 576 Kent Major. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, H. Sharman, W. J. Gilbert, W. Gilbert conductor, F. Kirk. 252 Bob Triples. A. Kirk, F. Kirk, H. Stubbs, R Pendered, F. Stubbs, W. J. Gilbert conductor, W. Gilbert, A. Fairy.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

WEST LULWORTH.—On Saturday, October 28th, at nhe parish church, 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 47 mins., each 6-score called differently. G. Dovey, Rev. C. A. Phillips, H. Williams, J. Orchard, W. Williams, W. Chaffey. Conductors W. and H. Williams. First quarter-peal on the bells.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATIOM.

NEW CROSS, S.E.—On Tuesday, October 24th, for practice at the residence of Mr. F. Bennett, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes) on handbells, composed by C. Charge. Miss. E. L. Bennett, 1-2; W. Shepherd conductor, 3-4; F. Bennet, 3-6; F. G. Woodiss, 7-8: F. G. Hairs, 9-10. First quarter-peal in the method on handbells by all except the conductor. Miss Bennett is the first ludy to accomplish this performance.

BIRMINGHAM.—At Bishop Kyder's church, on Saturday, Oct. 28th, an attempt for a peal of Bob Major came to grief after ringing 2 hrs. 24 mins. S. Coley, J. Collett, A. Scrivens, E. Large, W. Webb, J. Perry conductor, G. Taylor, J. Porter. The above was to have been a birthday peal for J. Collett.

CANNING TOWN.—On Sunday, October 22nd, for evenidg service at Holy Trinity church, Barking Road, 720 Bob Minor, in 24 mins. J. Waits, C. L. Joyce, first away from the treble, A. Playle, E. Butler, G. Playle conductor, F. Freestone.

HILPERTON, TROWBRIDGE.—Recently, 1440 Bob Minor, in 41 mins. J. T. Dyke, A. H. Harrison, H. Taylor, G. Harding, S. J. Hector, C. W. Bell conductor. And 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 35 mins. G. Harding, A. Harrison, H. Taylor, J. T. Dyke, S. J. Hestor conductor, S. Francis.

MELKSHAM.—Recently, 616 Grandsire Triples. W. Angel, W. Lock, S. J. Hector, A. K. Harrison, J. T. Dyke, R. H. Legge, A. J. West conductor, W. Radford.

MANSFIELD.—On October 18th, the annual service on behalf of the Mansfield and district hospital was held at St. Peter's church. The President, his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, the Mayor and Corporation attended the service. Before the service a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung. J. Witshead, T. Stevens, W. Gosling, sen. conductor, C. Carr, R. Allsopp, G. Hardstaff.

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UNVEILING OF A PEAL TABLET.

On Wednesday evening, October 24th, an interesting ceremony took place in St. Thomas's belfry, Dudley, at the unveiling of a peal tablet presented to the Vicar and churchwardens of this church by the ringers. Among those present were the Rev. A. Gray Maitland, Vicar (President of the Dudley and District Guild), and Mrs. Maitland, Messrs. J. Nichols and J. W. Nayler, churchwardens, Mr. J. M. Wynne (Director of Education), Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Nayler, Miss Maitland, Mr. and Mrs. W. Faulks, Messrs. Harry Mason, S. Reeves, W. Rock Small, John Smith, Albert Prestidge, Harry Price, and a good number of other ringers from the various belfries in the district. Apologies were read from Messrs. C. Bridgwater and J. P. Bill, ex-wardens, and others expressing regret at not being able to be present. The Vicar commenced the proceedings with prayer, and called upon Mr. Samuel Spittle (captain) to give a short address.

Mr. Spittle said: Mr. Vicar, Mrs. Maitland, Ladies and Gentlemen. We have met here this evening for the purpose of unveiling a tablet which records the ringing of two muffled peals, one rung on the death of the late Mr. William Micklewright, sen. the other on the death of the late Mr. William Micklewright, jun., both having been members of the band of ringers belonging to this tower, and both well known to the ringing fraternity through out this district. Of the father it might be said that he was the pioneer of the Art and Science of change-ringing in this tower. He came to Dudley about the year 1851. At that time the ringers here knew nothing about the Art. He soon joined the band, and commenced teaching the younger members the art of ringing changes by method. As a result of his efforts we rang our first peal of Grandsire Triples in November, 1852. This was a muffled peal, and rung on the day the Duke of Wellington was buried. He remained a member of this band until he went to reside at Stafford, where he died. I have no record of the number of peals he rang, for like myself he kept no record in his earlier days. He was an enthusiast in ringing, always willing to instruct young beginners and ready to give a helping hand when needed. The son inherited the love of bellringing and became more illustrious in the Art than his father. He was a safe ringer, a sure conductor, a good composer, and an indefatigable teacher, always pleased with his quick pupils, but never wearying with the dull ones, plodding on until he obtained success. He was the representative of this tower at the Worcestershire Association meetings for many years, and the hon. secretary of St. Thomas's Guild from its formation in 1899 until his death. He rang his first peal in this belfry on July 1st, 1877, and his last peal in this belfry on April 17th, 1909. To shew his zeal and perseverance during that thirty-two years, I may mention that he rang 144 peals, each peal containing over 5040 changes on six, eight, ten and twelve bells. These were rung in seven different methods, and he conducted sixty-three of them. This I consider no mean record. It is to keep alive the memory of these two brother ringers that this tablet has been erected in this belfry. To myself and the older members of this band it will keep green the recollection of happy days spent in their company. To the younger members I trust it will be an incentive to persevere and make themselves proficient in the Art of Change-ringing, that when the sound of these bells goes forth, it may go with credit to those who ring, and pleasure to those who listen, always remembering that the bells are placed in this tower not for our pleasure only, but to the Honour and Glory of God. On behalf of the ringers of this belfry I ask Mrs. Maitland to unveil this tablet, and the Vicar and churchwardens to accept it as a gift from the ringers, to hang in this belfry as the property of the Church so long as it shall endure.

Mrs. Maitland, after a few appropriate sentences, unveiled the tablet.

The Vicar then offered a dedicatory prayer that the tablet now unveiled, and all the other tablets in this part of God's House may not only beautify it, but also add to the greater honour and glory of His Holy Name. He then expressed the pleasure it gave him on his part to accept this present given by the ringers to the church. He thought it such a happy way to shew their love and respect to their departed brethren. It also shewed the true brotherly feelings which existed among the band when they so willingly subscribed in order to place there such a beautiful monument of their affection for those worthy brethren who had gone to their rest. Theirs was a spirit much to be admired and fostered. So long as that spirit existed among them there would be no difficulty in keeping the band together, to go on and fulfil their duties in the future as loyal church-workers, with as much credit to themselves and satisfaction to the authorities of the church as they had done in the past.

Mr. Nichols expressed the great pleasure it gave him to be present and take part in the proceedings. He assured the ringers that so long as he remained in office as churchwarden nothing should be wanting on his part to safeguard not only that beautiful tablet which had been presented that night, but all the others that adorn this belfry. The belfry itself required attention. It was his desire that the interior of the church should receive a thorough cleansing, and he would take care that the belfry was included in the scheme. He should be pleased to do all he could for the comfort of the ringers. They had a proof of that by the installation of the electric light which was used that night for the first time to brighten their proceedings.

Mr. Nayler said it gave him special pleasure to take part in this function. He could endorse all that his co-warden had said with regard to protecting and preserving that which had been presented that night, as well as the others that adorned the belfry. He felt a special pleasure because this tablet was designed as a companion to that which records a peal rung to commemorate his wedding, and is placed opposite to it. Therefore he had a greater interest in seeing that it was properly cared for. He also assured the ringers that all he could do for their comfort in the belfry be should endeavour to do. As a proof thereof, he had that day given an order for a new set of bell ropes, which he saw were sadly needed.

Mr. Harry Mason proposed, and Mr. S. Reeves seconded, a vote of thanks to Mrs. Maitland, which was carried with acclamation. Mrs. Maitland suitably responded.

The Vicar proposed a vote of thanks to the visitors, Mr. Mills, the maker, and Mr. Davies, the painter and decorator of the board, and the ringers, coupling the name of Mr. J. W. Wynne with the vote, who, in responding, expressed the pleasure it gave him to be present, this being his first visit to the belfry.

Mr. W. Rock Small proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for presiding. He wished there were more parsons in the Church where peals of bells existed like the Vicar of Dudley. If there were it would be better for the ringers in the belfry, and make them better church goers. He was sorry to say in many cases the ringers called others to worship and did not go themselves.

Mr. John Smith seconded, and the Vicar suitably responded and pronounced the Benediction, which brought the proceedings to a close. The company remained in the belfry during the ringing of a short touch of Grandsire Caters.

Correspondence.

BOB MAJOR COMPOSITIONS.

SIR,—For several weeks past you have published peals of Bob Major by Messrs. G. Cross and H. Price, and I hope these gentlemen will pardon me pointing out that they can hardly claim these peals as their composition, for none of them possess any original feature. Anyone picking up a volume of "THE BELL NEWS" for the year 1882-3 and onwards can see peals in this method with just the same qualities, and it seems hardly fair to claim variations as original compositions. I should like to have Mr. J. Armiger Trollope's opinion on the matter, for I understand that he spent a great amount of time upon the subject some time ago.

W. SHEPHERD.

SIR,—The peal of Bob Major—5024—published in "THE BELL NEWS" of October 21st last by Mr. G. Cross belongs to me; he simply begins at the sixth course and reverses it. The figures are to be found in the 1895 Appendix, page 64, and was rung at St. Michael's church, Bishops Stortford, on December 26th, 1892, conducted by myself.

H. J. TUCKER.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.-Established 1637.— Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's. Hackney, on November 7th and 21st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 9th and 23rd; at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 14th; and St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th. St. Magnus al 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

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The towers open for ringing will be Southwark Cathedral from 3.30 to 5 o'clock, and St. Magnus, London Bridge, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The Middlesex County Association and the London Diocesan Guild —North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. F. Peploe), on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at The Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 9d. each. Members and friends cordially invited. Outstanding subscriptions should be paid before this meeting.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, *St. John's Road, Walthamstow.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Canon Rivington), at Putney, on Saturday, November 18th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 8d. each in the Mission House at 6 o'clock.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Secs.*
Church Road, Heston.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The next monthly meeting will be held at Wolstanton to-day, Saturday, November 4th.

REV. C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } *Hon. Secs.*

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.-Guildford Divtrict.—The annual meeting will be held at Guildford on Wednesday. November 8th. 4 p.m.—St. Nicolas (10 bells) available. 5.45.—Service, preacher — Rev. E. C. Hill, Rector of Shere. 6.30.—Tea at The Star hotel, followed by business meeting. Tickets for tea free to members, 1s. to visitors. Please let me know how many you will requlre not later than Saturday, November 4th.

JOHN J. JONES, *Hon. Dis. Sec.*
North Street, Guildford.

The Winchester Diocsan Guild.—Winchester District.—The annual meeting of the members of this district will be held at Southampton on Saturday, November 11th. St. Michael's tower will be open during the afternoon and evening. Tea at 5.15 in St. Michael's parish hall, and business meeting immediately after. Members intending to be present ot tee tea, will oblige by letting me know by Wednesday November 8th.

JAS. W. ELKINS, *Hod. Sec.*
20, *Culver Villas, Winchester.*

The Hertfordshire Association.-Northern District.—A meeting will be held at Hitchin to-day, Sat,. November 4th. Ringing in the afteraoon and evening.

REV. B. H. T. DRAKE, *Hon. Sec.*
29, *Bancroft, Hitchin.*

The Lancashire Association.-Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Reddish on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7 to elect a branch secretary. A good meeting requested.

W. H. SHUKER, *Branch Sec,*

The Surrey Association — Quarterly meeting at Croydon on Saturday. November 11th. Meet at the Bell Foundry at 2.45 p.m. by invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. Tea at 5. Ringing after at St. John's and St. Peter's parish churches. Notice to representatives in due course. Will unattached members intending to be present kindly notify me nor later than Monday, November 6th.

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. A good attendance is requested

J. WATSON. *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch —A meeting will be held at Woolton on Saturday, November 11th. Bells ready at 4. WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28th, the Canterbury District of the above Association held a meeting at St. Laurence, Thanet. The tower was opened at 3 p.m., and the Rev. B. Heald was present to welcome the members. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Kent Major, and Double Norwich were attempted. Tea at 5 p.m. was partaken of by 38 members. After tea the election of Mr. J. Freeborn was confirmed, and eight new members were elected, and the tower of St. Stephen's, Canterbury, was accepted into union through the exertions of Mr. E. G. Buesden (district representatlve). The question of holding Divine Service at meetings was introduced by the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, but no decision was taken.

The tower was again visited, and the above-mentioned methods were practised till 9 p.m.

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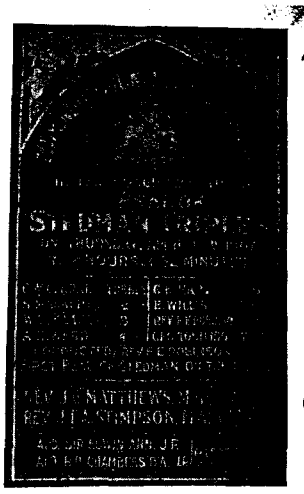

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At Christ Church, Cubitt Town,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

Harold W. Clark*	..*Treble.*	Reuben Sanders	.. .. 5.
Arthur J. Neale†	.. .. 2.	Ernest Pye	.. .. .. 6.
Charles T. Coles	.. .. 3.	Bertram Prewett	.. .. 7.
Albert W. Coles	.. .. 4.	Robert E. Stavert	..*Tenor.*

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, and Conducted by Robert E. Stavert.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Neale.

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

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt..

John H. B. Hesse	..*Treble.*	Harry J. Ranzetta	.. 5.
Frank Hairs	.. .. .. 2.	Frank Bennett	.. .. 6.
Alfred W. Grimes	.. .. 3.	Thomas Langdon	.. .. 7.
J. Armiger Trollope	.. 4.	James E. Davis	..*Tenor.*

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A PEAL OB TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

SID. GOODALL	*Treble.*	J. F. CLAYTON	5.
ED. CRABTREE	2	F. ROBINSON	6.
WM. CLARK	3.	H. DRANSFIELD	7.
A. NORTH*	4.	WM. BENTLEY	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by F. ROBINSON.

*First peal, and was elected a member of the Association,

MALDON, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

EBENEZER W. FINCH	*Treble.*	ALFRED SOUTH	4.
HAROLD FINCH	2.	THOMAS C. GOZZETT	5.
FRED CHALK	3.	HORACE J. MANSFIELD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HORACE J. MANSFIELD.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHUCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

GEORGE RICHARDSON*	*Treble.*	JOSEPH E. SYKES	5.
FRANK S, STURT	2.	BENJAMIN THORP	6.
ALBERT W. WHEALE	3.	ROBERT J. DAWE	7.
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Tenor 12½ cwt.

RALPH COLES	*Treble.*	ARTHUR G. JANES	5.
FRED HAYES	2.	JAMES W. WILKINS	6.
JAMES W. NEIGHBOUR*	3.	ROBERT H. YOUNG	7.
JOHN GRANSBURY	4.	FRANK W. BOXELL	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by FRED HAYES.

*First peal. The above is a five-part peal,

STRADBROKE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 23 cwt. in E flat.

CHARLES MILLS	*Treble.*	JAMES MOTTS	5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	2.	CLEMENT J. MORE	6.
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT	3.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD	7.
JOHN O'NEILL	4.	JOHN SOUTER	*Tenor.*

Composed by WM. SOTTANSTALL, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

HOUGH-ON-THE-HILL, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob and Oxford Treble Bob, two 720s of Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN HOYES	*Treble.*	SIDNEY WHALEY	4.
JOHN H. HAYNES	2.	JOHN W. WOOD	5.
ARTHUR MACKEARS	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

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WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

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ARTHUR RIDYARD	4.	WILLIAM JONES	*Tenor.*

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First peal in the method by all, and first in the method by the above Association.

HINGHAM. NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, October 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 16 cwt.

JOHN ALDIS, JUN.*	*Treble.*	GEORGE MOY	5.
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BERTIE J. HOWCHIN	3.	WILLIAM STEELE	7.
GEORGE HOWCHIN	4.	*GEOREE WHITEHAND	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. J. HOWCHIN.

*First peal in the method. This is the first peal of Triples ever rung on the bells, which have been a peal of eight since 1742.

BINFIELD, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SONNING DEANERY BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Single Oxford, and two each of Plain Bob, and Oxford and Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

JOSEPH WHITE	*Treble.*	ERNEST C, LAMBERT	4.
JAMES NORTH	2.	WILLIAM J. PAICE	5.
JOSEPH RANCE	3.	HARRY BUNGAY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. NORTH.

First peal in four methods by all except the ringer of the 4th, who was elected a member previous to starting.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, October 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury, Newcastle, Carlisle, London, Wells, York and Cambridge. Tenor 17¼ cwt. in E.

FREDERICK DAY	*Treble.*	JOSEPH GOACHER	4.
WILLIAM SAVAGE	2.	WILLIAM DAY	5.
HENRY BLACKMAN	3.	FREDERICK BENNETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDERICK BENNETT.

Rung with the bells half muffled as a mark of respect to the late Earl Onslow, who was interred at Merrow that day.

SEAFORD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S.

COLEMAN J. MORLING	*Treble.*	ROBERT J. DAWE	5.
BENJAMIN THORP	2.	*WILLIAM GREEN	6.
ALFRED J. TURNER	3.	†GEORGE PIPER	7.
JOSEPH E. SYKES	4.	ARTHUR BANKS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. PIPER.

*First peal of Triples. †First peal of Triples as conductor.

PENN, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11 cwt.

JOHN RAY	*Treble.*	GEORGE CLAYBROOK	5.
JOHN BROWN	2.	DANIEL JONES	6.
WILLIAM LAWLEY	3.	ALFRED FALLON	7.
ANDREW JONES	4.	*CHARLES DARBY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. FALLON.

*First peal.

BOLDMERE, WARWICKSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR.

5056 **CHANGES.** Tenor 13 cwt.

HARRY DICKENS*	*Treble.*	GEORGE F. SWANN	5.
JOHN WITHERS	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
ARTHUR CHAMBERS	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
CHARLES DICKENS	4.	JOHN NEAL	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

*First peal in the method. First Surprise peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Neal.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.

REUBEN FLAXMAN	*Treble.*	WILLIAM HENLEY	5.
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	2.	WILLIAM WELLING	9.
JOSEPH J. PARKER	3.	JOSEPH GUTTRIDGE	7.
WILLIAM C. PARKER	4.	WILLIAM RALPH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. WELLING.

OAKHAM, RUTLAND.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 21 cwt.

RICHARD MOUNT	*Treble.*	FRED W. HERBERT	5.
J. JAMES JACKSON	2.	R. HENRY BARTRAM	6.
WALTER WHITE	3	JAMES HARRIS	7.
JAMES HOUGHTON	4.	WILLIAM WILLSON	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM WILLSON.

First peal of Major on the bells, and first in the method rung in the county. The band was afterwards entertained at The George hotel by Mr. G. Phillips, churchwarden, whom the ringers and the local company desire to thank for his kind hospitality.

HALESOWEN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

5184 **CHANGES.** Tenor 19½ cwt.

HARRY LEA	*Treble.*	HARRY PRICE	5.
VICTOR WHITE	2.	ALFRED DAVIES	6.
ALBERT E. PARSONS	3	WILLIAM H. WEBB	7.
WILLIAM BIRD	4.	*ALFRED HACKETT	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by WILLIAM H. WEBB.

First peal in the method as conductor. *First peal in the method. W. Bird rang his last real in 1898 (13 years ago), and A. E. Parsons rung his last peal in 1902 (9 years ago).

BOCKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5152 **CHANGES.** Tenor 18¼ cwt. in F.

PERCY LANGSTON	*Treble.*	JOHN SADLER	5.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	2.	ERNEST NEWMAN	6.
JAMES FLEUTY	3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH	7.
FRANK CLAYDON	4.	DAVID ELLIOTT	*Tenor.*

Composed by YORK GREEN, and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

First peal in the method on the bells.

BALDERTON, NOTTS.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Single Court, and three 720s each of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

ARTHUR TAYLOR*	*Treble.*	WILLIAM G. THORPE	4.
HARRY THORPE†	2.	ALBERT C. DARNELL	5.
DAVID B. OVERTON†	3.	SIDNEY PROCTOR	*Tenor.*

Conducted by SIDNEY PROCTOR.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor. First peal of Minor as conductor The ringer of the treble was elected a member of the Guild before starting. This is tbe first peal on thc bells since they were rehung in 1909.

BUCKNALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OP MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Single, Oxford Bob, Bob Minor, Violet, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

LEONARD CLARKSON*	*Treble.*	JOSEPH PRESTON	4.
JOHN FARRALL†	2.	CHARLES PRESTON	5.
CLEMENT POINTON	3.	DANIEL PRESTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by D. PRESTON.

*First peal. †First peal of Minor with a bob bell.

KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Satruday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 **CHANGES.** Tenor 16½ cwt.

GEORGE HARDY	*Treble.*	CHARLES F. BAILEY	5.
JAMES G. RUMSEY	2.	JAMES M. BAILEY	6.
FREDERICK J. SMITH	3.	NORMAN R. BAILEY	7.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	4.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

First peal of New Cambridge on the bells.

SAMLESBURY, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD-THE-LESS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHARPLES*	..*Treble.*	EDWIN TIMBRELL	5.
JAMES ARMSTRONG	2.	FRDD HARWOOD..	6.
E. ROGER MARTIN	3.	ALBERT E. WOODHOUSE..	7.
WM. T. H. TIMBRELL ..	4.	EDWARD ARMSTRONG	..*Tenor.*

Composed by EDWIN TIMBRELL, and Conducted by E. R. MARTIN.

*First peal.

CRANLEIGH, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(GUILDFORD DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

ALWYN CHARMAN ..	..*Treble.*	†CECIL CHARMAN	5.
HORACE CHARMAN*	2.	THOMAS WORSFOLD	6.
ROBERT WHITTINGTON ..	3.	WILLIAM CHARMAN	7.
HARRY TIDY	4.	†HARRY LEDGER	..*Tenor.*

(No conductor mentioned.)

Rung after meeting short for Bob Major. †First peal. *First peal away from the treble.

FULBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Single Court and Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN W. WOOD.. ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. W. STOKES	4.
JOSEPH LORD	2.	*CHARLES ELSE	5.
GEORGE SCOTT	3.	ARTHUR MECKEARS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR MACKEARS.

*First peal.

GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.

THE BOROUGH OF GLOSSOP ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. in G.

JAMES BUCKLEY.. ..	..*Treble.*	JESSE NEAL	5.
EGMONT T. MALKIN.. ..	2.	ELI GARSIDE	6.
HERBERT BRADLEY	3.	JOSEPH BENTLEY	7.
JOSEPH PEMBERTON	4.	ARTHUR LAWTON ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by T. LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by JOSEPH BENTLEY.

First peal by the ringers of the 4th and 5th ringers. This peal has all the 8-6s and 6-7-8s.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN. ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE POYNTZ	5.
WILLIAM STEELE	2.	RICHARD BALDRY	6.
JOHN F. WILSON	3.	FREDK. WHITHAM	7.
ALFRED FUNNELL	4.	JOHN ALDIS, JUN. ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by WILLIAM STEELE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to J. F. Wilson, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

PATTISHALL, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine. Oxford and Kent.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WALTER W. BONHAM	..*Treble.*	ALBERT J. GREEN	4.
HERBERT C. EDWARDS ..	2.	THOMAS C. TOMPKINS ..	5.
EDWIN YATES	3.	CECIL A. VALENTINE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

First peal on the bells. First peal of Treble Bob by the Association. Messrs. Yates and Tompkins were elected members before starting for the peal. The ringers desire to thank the Vicar, the Rev. G. Gibson, for kindly entertaining them to tea after the peal, and for the use of the bells.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 30, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt.

RICHARD DARLOW ..	..*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
JOSEPH J. ALLEN	2.	*FREDK. EDWARDS	6.
THOMAS R. SCOTT*	3.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ..	7.
FRANCIS A. SMITH	4.	ROBERT E. STAVERT..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS. and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal of Superlative. This is the first peal on the bells by an entirely local band,

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 31, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE BELL FOUNDRY TOWER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HALEY'S VARIATION. Tenor 6½ cwt.

RICHARD LANE	..*Treble.*	W. W. WORTHINGTON ..	5.
JOHN OLDHAM	2.	ERNEST CARTWRIGHT ..	6.
JOHN W. TAYLOR	3.	EDWARD READER	7.
REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY ..	4.	JOSEPH POWELL	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. READER.

The Rev. A. H. F. Boughey hails from Cambridge; W. Worthington from Netherseale; the rest are of the local band.

Handbell Peal.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT 81, NOTTINGHAM ROAD, DERBY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

SAYWELL VICKERS.. ..	1-2.	WALTER WALLACE ..	5-6.
ALBERT H. WARD.. ..	3-4.	JOHN VICKERS, JUN. ..	7-8.

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Referees—Bart Mitchell and John Vickers, sen.

HERSHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(YORK TOWN DISTRICT.)

On Sunday, October 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT "LEYLAND," QUEEN'S ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

FREDK. G. WOODISS ..	1-2.	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD..	5-6.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ..	3-4.	WILLIAM A. WOODROW	7-8.

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by WM. SHEPHERD.

Umpires—R. J. Polley, J. Loveridge, and F. Shepherd.

The following peals were rung by members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild during the Hampshire Ringing Week, October 21st—28th, 1911:—

WINCHESTER, HANTS,

On Saturday, October 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY & ST. SWITHIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 30 cwt. in C sharp.

GEORGE WILLIAMS	..*Treble.*	GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 6.
KEITH HART	.. .. .. 2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	.. 8.
REV. E. BANKES JAMES	.. 4.	RICHARD T. HIBBERT	.. 9.
JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 5.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	..*Tenor.*

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, Bart., and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung on the anniversary of the battle of Trafalgar.

SOBERTON, HANTS.

On Monday, October 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	..*Treble.*	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	.. 5.
HENRY WHITE	.. .. .. 2.	GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 6.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. .. 3.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	.. 7.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 4.	KEITH HART	.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

PRIVETT, HANTS.

On Tuesday, October 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 0 qrs. 15 lbs. in F♯.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	..*Treble.*	JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	.. 6.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	.. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. .. 7.
GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 4.	KEITH HART	.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by GEO. WILLIAMS.

This was the conductor's 8ooth peal.

PETERSFIELD, HANTS.

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

RICHARD BUCKLAND	..*Treble.*	GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 5.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	.. 2.	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 6.
JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	.. 7.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. .. 4.	KEITH HART	.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS,

First Superlative on the bells.

HAVANT, HANTS.

On Wednesday, October 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. FAITH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	..*Treble.*	RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 5.
HENRY WHITE	.. .. .. 2.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	.. 6.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. .. 3.	KEITH HART	.. .. .. 7.
JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 4.	GEORGE MARTIN	.. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

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SOUTHAMPTON.

On Thursday, October 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt. in D.

KEITH HART	.. .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 5.
HENRY WHITE	.. .. .. 2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 6.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	 3	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	.. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 4.	GEORGE MARTIN	.. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

The Rev. J. B. Danbury, Vicar of the parish, met the visitors in the belfry and wished them success.

ROMSEY, HANTS.

On Thursday, October 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST MARY AND ETHELFLEDA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt. 0 qrs. 8 lbs. in D.

KEITH HART	.. .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	.. 5.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 2.	JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 6.
GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 3.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	.. 7.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 4.	REV. C. A. CLEMENTS	..*Tenor*

Conducted by the REV. C. W. O. JENKYN.

This was G. F. Williams's 1ooth peal.

SHERFIELD ENGLISH, HANTS.

On Friday, October 27, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qrs. 1 lb. in E.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	..*Treble.*	JOHN EVANS	.. .. .. 5.
KEITH HART	.. .. .. 2.	GEORGE F. WILLIAMS	.. 6.
GEORGE MARTIN	.. .. 3.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	.. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

First Surprise peal on the bells.

DIBDEN, HANTS.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	..*Treble.*	GEORGE F. MARTIN	.. .. 5.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	.. .. 2.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	.. .. 6.
HENRY WHITE	.. .. .. 3.	KEITH HART	.. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL	.. 4.	No Tenor man given.	

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

First Surprise peal on the bells.

STRATFORD ST. MARGARET (WILTS).—On Sunday, October 29th, at St. Margaret's church, 720 St. Clements. E. Manton, T. Moulden, R. W. Hyner, F. Looker, G. Lancaster, C. J. Gardiner conductor. First 720 in the method on the bells.

SWINDON.—On Sunday, October 29th, at Christ Church, for evening service, 560 Plain Bob Major. O. W. Layng, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, G. W. Townsend, T. Robinson, H. W. L. Wells, R. Thompson, C. J. Gardiner conductor.

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THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, October 21st, a meeting of the above Gutld was held at Croston, about forty members attending. A short service was held, the prayers being read by Canon Howson, Vicar of St. Andrew's, Southport, and a practical address given by the Rev. E. Collier, Vicar of St. James, Birkdale, who spoke of the inscriptions upon the bells of Croston church and gave an explanation of them, the interesting address being listened to with rapt attention.

After service the members adjourned to the Lord Nelson hotel, wbere an excellent tea was provided. At the subsequent business meeting afterwards held, the Rev. E. Collier presided, Canon Howson having to leave early owing to a prior engagement. The chairman stated that the Master (Rev. W. T. Bulpit), had unfortunately met with an accident whilst in London, and was now an inmate of Guy's hospital. A vote of sympathy was carried, and a telegram was dispatched to the Master, expressing a hope that he would soon be restored to health, and be amongst his lads again.

The other business was of a routine character, and the usual vote of thanks brought a pleasant meeting to a close.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

A quarterly meeting of the Guild was held at Nuneaton on Saturday, October 28th, and was attended by about thirty ringers, representing Rugby, Chilvers Coton, Coventry, Berkswell, Stony Stanton, Stoke Golding, Nuneaton, and Strotford-on-Avon. The business meeting was held in the belfry at 6 o'clock, Mr. James George (Master), in the chair. Nine new members were elected, belonging to London, Sutton Coldfield, Stony Stanton, Nuneaton, and Stoke Golding. St. Nicholas, Warwick, was chosen as the place for the next quarterly meeting, or failing that tower, Emscote. The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening to Grandsire, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, and Kent Treble Bob, and Bob Major, and Double Norwich. The thanks of the members are accorded to the Vicar for his permission to use the bells, and also to Mr. Chapman for making the arrangements.

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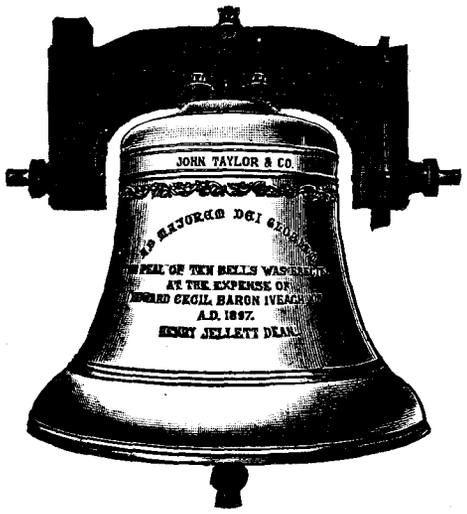

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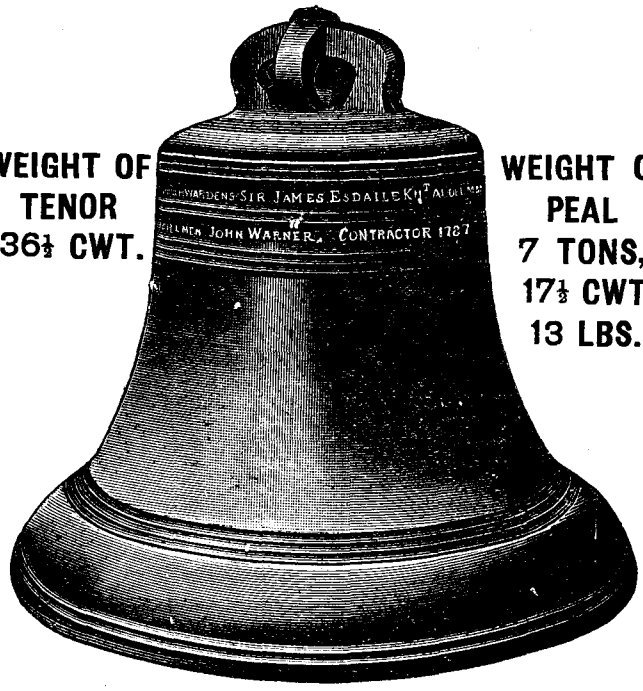

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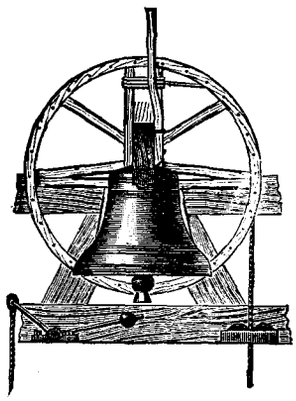

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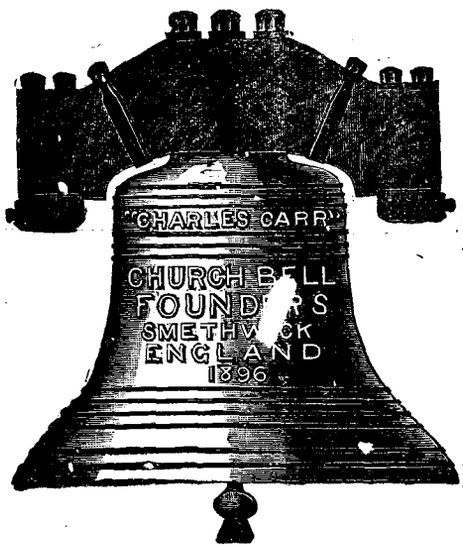

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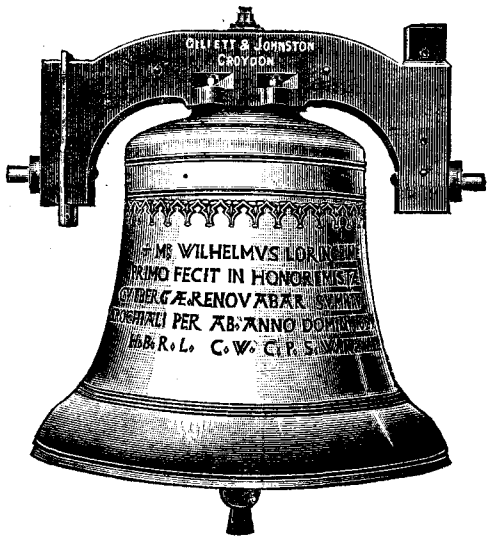

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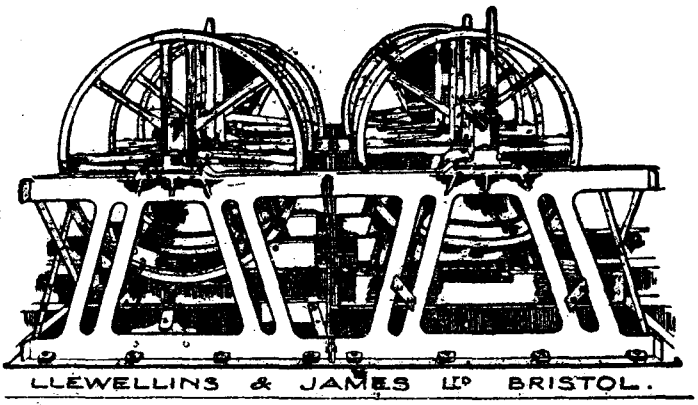

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THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The members of the above Association held their annual festival at Durham on Saturday, October 28th. The day's proceedings commenced with a Committee Meeting at The County hotel at noon, when the usual routine business was transacted. At one o'clock the members attended Divine Service in the Cathedral, occupying places in the chancel. The service was conducted by Minor Canon Dolphin, whilst the address was delivered by the Rev. F. Peacock, M.A., of Holy Trinity, Darlington.

The Rev. F. Peacock based a practical discourse on the text, Hebrews x., verse 25: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together as the custom of some is, but exhorting one another." He spoke of bellringers not only as those who called others to church, but as church-workers themselves, and said there were two thoughts in connection with a festival such as theirs, he would like them to remember. The first was this: If they were genuine and earnest in their work, one thing was quite clear—they would themselves endeavour to be present at the temple of God. This was an assurance that the message they were given from God came right from their hearts, and had sprung up within them because they were Christian men themselves. The second thought was this. The Archbishop of York, in founding the Church of England Men's Society, intended that in that society there should be gathered together all men who were working for God in His Church. It might be that the members of the belfries of the different churches in that diocese had not been specially asked and singled out as church-workers to join that society. But they were workers for God, and if they felt in their hearts they were doing a service for God, they ought to take their part, and become members of the Church of England Men's Society, and do something for the Church as men who had a right to the membership of that great society. If members of belfries became members of the society, he believed it would add a new earnestness and a new stimulus to their work as bellringers.

At two o'clock the members sat down to dinner at The County hotel. Mr. C. L. Routledge (President), occupied the chair, and was supported, amongst others, by the Revs. F. Peacock (Darlington), W. Bothamley (St. Nicholas, Durham), A. Allwork (Whickham), T. H. Perkins (Consett), B. Jealous (Herrington), and Messrs. J. Baxter (vice-president), J. Stuart (vice-president), A. Payne, J. W. Parker, W. H. Porter, R. Stephenson, and C. Todd (Darlington, hon. secretary). Dinner over, the members proceeded to transact the business of the annunl meeting.

After the loyal toasts had been duly honoured, the Secretary submitted the 34th Annual Report. He stated that he regretted to have to record a falling off in many respects, instead of the forward movement which was anticipated at the close of last year. He hoped, however, that it was only a temporary set back, and that at the next meeting they would be able to congratulate themselves on more satisfactory progress. The number of towers affiliated was now 35, showing an increase of one upon last year, Blaydon and Corbridge having joined their ranks, and Sunderland (Holy Trinity) having dropped out. There were 36 new members elected during the year; but they had lost through removals and other causes, 27, leaving a net gain of 9. Financially, there was only a small balance in hand at the end of the year, but arrears was still a big word. In peals and Sunday service ringing the records were below last year, and perhaps this was partly due to the abnormal summer, and to the very unsettled state of the country, which had tended to produce a lack of enthusiasm, without which peals could not be rung, nor good service ringing accomplished. Income during the year had been £39 1s. 1d., as against £46 9s. 10d. for 1910; and the expenditure £40 4s. 7d. against £56 27s. 1½d., leaving a balance in hand of 11s. 8d. Taking into consideration the number of members on the books, the income from subscriptions should be over £30, whereas they had only received £21 18s. for the past year. Twenty-one belfries had made returns this year, being the same as last, Whitley Bay and Stranton coming out, and Jarrow and Tanfield dropping out. The average number of points per belfry had fallen from 606 to 473, and very few six-bell towers had exceeded 10,000 changes in one method. Winlaton were the heaviest sufferers, and they only lost 29 points, and that was through ringing practically nothing but Bob Minor. The three certificates had been won by—1st, St. Ignatius, Sunderland, 1,907 points; 2nd, North Shields, 1,768 points; 3rd, Whitley Bay, 995 points. The number of peals rung during the year was 20, or less than half last year's total. These had been rung in nine methods, and the average points per peal was 19·50. Three of these peals were rung in honour of King George and Queen Mary. The old warrior, Alf Hillier, was head of the list with ten peals to his credit. There had been 10 conductors, and Mr. T. Gofton was again top with six. It was with deep regret that they recorded the death on April 20th, of Mr. R. Story, the late president of the Association. Mr. Story joined the Association in 1879, and held the office of president for 22 years, with great credit to himself and untold benefit to the Association. They also had to record the death of the Rev. W. D. Heelas, of Benwell, who was an hon. member since 1892. Individual belfry reports showed that progress generally was slow, owing to so many ringers leaving their respective districts when they were beginning to be of benefit in Sunday service and peal-ringing. He would like to remark, in conclusion, upon the unfortunate frequency of disputes between ringers and the authorities of the churches. Luckily, in that Association such occurrences were few; but he thought associations such as theirs ought to take a very strong line in these matters. One of their objects was to secure recognition of the church bell ringer as a church-worker, but he thought it only right that the ringer, on his part, should always be ready to acknowledge the authority of the Vicars. It should also be remembered that bells were not put in for the sole use of the ringer, but were part of the church. The report

was adopted, and the hon. secretary complimented on the able manner in which it had been drawn up.

The Rev. A. Allwork then presented framed certificates for Sunday ringing as follows: 1—St. Ignatius, Sunderland: 2—North Shields; 3—Whitley Bay. He expressed his great pleasure at being present that day, and promised a hearty welcome to the members of the Association if ever they came to Whickham.

Mr. Parker (Sunderland), moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Dean and Chapter for the use of the Cathedral for service; to the Rev. W. Bothamley and the Rev. C. R. J. Loxley for the use of the St. Nicholas and St. Oswald belfries; to the Cathedral organist; and to Minor Canon Dolphin for conducting the service. It was a matter of regret they were not able to have the use of the Cathedral bells. The ringers always enjoyed a pull in the Cathedral belfry, and it was very unfortunate that the present state of the tower should have deprived them of so great a pleasure. Still, if they had not had the use of the Caihedral bells, the authorities had very kindly granted them the use of that glorious old Cathedral for their service, and they were greatly indebted to the Dean and Chapter for having done so.

Mr. R. Stephenson (West Hartlepool), seconded, and the vote of thanks was carried with acclamation.

The Rev. W. Bothamley, in responding, said he always granted the use of his church bells with a cheerful heart, because he was proud to think they were valued by those who applied for them. He only wished St. Nicholas' bells were a heavter set, a completer set, and a better hung set. Proceeding, Mr. Bothomley said bellringing was an exclusively English art. He did not think very many people knew that was so. They were repeatedly hearing that they were an inartistic nation, and yet there had never been any glass produced in the world like the glass in the English church windows; there had never been any architecture which could compare with the pure and perfect architecture of their great churches and cathedrals; to his mind there was no modern painting which touched their finest modern paintings; and there was never any nation that could touch the gold thread work of the English nation in olden times. Of the latter they would find one of the finest specimens extant in Durham Cathedral Library. It was also true there was never any other nation who could ring bells like the English; in fact there was no other nation who could ring bells at all. There were bells in their foreign churches and cathedrals, but no means of ringing them such as there was in England. Bellringing was an art invented after the times of the Reformation. Thus it did not spread through tae Roman Catholic branch of the Church, and so it was when they went abroad they saw many fine bells, but they were not hung so that they could be rung as were the Eoglsh bells. They just dangled about in the tower in an aimless sort of way, and were sounded by various ingenious methods.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the officers of the Association for their work during the past year, on the motion of the Rev. B. Jealous, seconded by Mr. Porter.

The following officers were elected for 1911-12. President—Mr. C. L. Routledge; Vice-presidents—Messrs. T. T. Gofton, J. Stuart, A. Pigg, and S. J. Titt: Hon. Secretary—Mr. C. Todd; Hon. Auditor—Mr. R. W. Falconer; Central Council Representatives—Messrs. C. L. Routledge, W. Story, and C. Todd.

The chairman announced that the following had been elected to serve on the sub-committee: Messrs. Potter, Parker, Park, and Dobson. The meetings would be held during 1912 at Whickham on February 17th; West Hartlepool on May 27th; and Corbridge on July 27th.

A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the meeting.

ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, KENNINGTON.

On Saturday, November 4th, the Guild of ringers of the above church met to wish farewell to one of their number (Mr. T. K. Bowes), who is leaving this country for Queensland.

They assembled at 4.30 p.m. at Lambeth parish church, where the bells (by the courtesy of the Vicar, to whom they hereby extend their thanks), were placed at their disposal. Although a bit "flummoxed" at first by the fact that the bells are hung the reverse way to what they are accustomed, they nevertheles succeeded in ringing several courses of Grandsire Triples. Two or three of the Lambeth rfngers then joining in, some more touches were successfully brought home. The bells were lowered about 6 o'clock.

An adjournment was made to The Dover Castle hotel, Westminster Bridge Road, where dinner had been ordered. After watching two of the team make futile jabs at the billiard balls in an effort to reach the 100, the band sat down at 7.15 to a most excellent meal, and did good justice to the fare provided. The chair was taken by Mr. George Wild, the Master, and the vice-chair by Mr. F. J. Jerome. They wish here to place on record their appreciation of the splendid arrangements made for them.

The ball was set rolling soon after dinner by Mr. A. Walton at the piano. His turn was followed by tunes on the handbells by the Crescent Handbell trio (Messrs. G. Wild, A. S. and A. T. Miller), and songs by Messrs. Bowes, Walton, Wyatt, and others. In proposing the toast of the evening, the Master, in a few well-chosen words, expressed the hope that, though the Guild were losing one of their oldest members, Mr. Bowes would be so successful in his new sphere of action, that in a few year's time he would be back among his old friends with a big fortune in the bank.

The toast was given with full musical honours, and Mr. Bowes in his reply thanked the company for the way they had received his name, and for their good wishes, and expressed the hope that he would have made enough in a few year's time to be able to pay the old country and old friends a visit.

More songs and handbell tuues followed, and the singing of "Auld Lang Syne," and the toast of "The King," brought a most enjoyable evening to a close just before 12 o'clock.

Mr. H. Price, of Kegworth, Derby, writes: "Mr. Shepherd says my peals of Bob Major and Bob Royal are not originals, but gives no proof. In the Midland Counties Association Reports there are peals in the method given by Mr. Carter, Mr. Knights, and others, with the 6th its extent home, commencing with the call wrong first lead. I got the 6th the extent home, starting second, third, fourth, or fifth leads, which I consider original, and if it has been got before, I am innocent of it. This is all. I never tamper with, or copy anyone's peals."

CANNING TOWN.—On Sunday, October 22nd, for evenidg service at Holy Trinity church, Barking Road, 720 Bob Minor, in 24 mins. J. Waits, C. L. Joyce, first away from the treble, A. Playle, E. Butler, G. Playle conductor, F. Freestone.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

PROPOSED HELP FOR SHOREDITCH BELL RESTORATION.

At St. Mary's, Islington, on Saturday, October 21st, a very succesful meeting took place, members being present from West Ham, Highgate, Hammersmith, Hornsey, Edmonton, New Cross, Crayford, and Wandsworth. The methods rang were Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Double Norwich, Superlative, Cambridge, and London Surprise Major.

Tea was served at The Duke restaurant, followed by a business meeting. The Master (Mr. J. D. Matthews), occupied the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed, and Mr. R. Brough, of Crayford, was duly elected a member. The next quarterly meeting is proposed to be held at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on the third Saturday in January 1912.

The Societies grand old medal has been photographed, and a copy of it was handed round to members for inspection. It was proposed by Mr. J. Parker, seconded by Mr. E. F. Coles, to have postcards printed, and sent round to all old members throughout the country inviting subscriptions towards the Shoreditch bell fund, to which it is hoped a good response will be made, as this society, it has been said, presented the two trebles, and thus augmented the Shoreditch ring years ago from ten to twelve.

The Master proposed a vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to Mr. J. Barry (steeplekeeper), for having all in readiness. After tea the tower was again visited, and ringing was again kept up till 8 o'clock. A subsequent meeting was held at The King's Head, where a pleasant hour was spent. The proceedings were enlivened by song and chorus, and touches on the handbells, Bob Major, Grandsire, and Stedman being rung, two ladies taking part in this part of the ringing.

COTGRAVE, NOTTS.

On Wednesday, November 1st, the festival of the dedication, a peal-board was unveiled at All Saints' church by Miss Pickin, about 100 parishioners being present.

The Rector gave a short addres, pointing out amongst other things that bellringers were as important a part of parochial machinery as any other church workers, and that the belfry should be treated with the same reverence as the rest of the church.

Special prayers were used, and after the unveiling of the board the Doxology was sung. The peal-board, which is of oak, with eight panels, has been made by one of the local ringers, at the expense of the Rector and churchwardens, whose kindness is highly appreciated. The peals at present recorded on the board are a peal of Bob Minor —the first on the bells—and a peal of Kent Treble Bob Minor, rung with the bells half-muffled to commemorate the death of His Majesty King Edward VII.

MANSFIELD.—On October 18th, the annual service on behalf of the Mansfield and district hospital was held at St. Peter's church. The President, his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, the Mayor and Corporation attended the service. Before the service a 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor was rung. J, Witsbead, T. Stevens, W. Gosling, sen. conductor, C. Carr, R. Allsopp, G. Hardstaff.

MELKSHAM.—Recently, 616 Grandsire Triples. W. Angel, W. Lock, S. J. Hector, A. K. Harrison, J. T. Dyke, R. H. Legge, A. J. West conductor, W. Radford.

THE BELLS OF ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The bells at the Collegiate Church of St. Peter have done duty for more than two centuries. The bell frame being in a dilapidated condition, the church authorities have decided to have the ten bells recast, with a tenor about 35 cwt., and to place a new steel and iron frame in the tower to carry twelve.

The approximate cost to carry out this work will be something like £700. Towards this amount about £550 has already been subscribed and promised.

Collecting cards have already been sent to many of the local towers, and we should be pleased to received any amount subscribed as early as possible. We also appeal to ringers and friends generally to help us to attain this object, as a peal of twelve would be a great acquisition to the town and district.

The order has been placed with Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. Amounts, great and small, will be gratefully acknowledged by Herbert Knight (captain), 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton; Robert Pickering, Hon. Secretary, 104, Beacon Street, Wolverhampton; Rowland Cartwright, Wombourn, Wolverhampton.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

LEICESTER.— On Sunday evening, November 5th, at St. Martin's church, a special touch of 831 Stedman Caters was rung as a farewell to Mr. George Cleal, who is leaving the district to take up a position at Carlow, Ireland. Mr. Cleal has been associated with St. Martin's since he came to Leicester nearly twenty years ago. He has been mainly the cause of both raising the standard of ringing in Leicester and the St. Martin's Society to the premier position it holds to-day in the district. St. Martin's is the only church in Leicester which has no week-night practice, the only practice being on Sunday evening one hour before the service; but any visitor can be certain of a touch of Stedman Caters.

On behalf of the band Mr. Martin thanked Mr. Cleal for his energy in doing so much for them, and wished him success in his new sphere, giving him a small token in appreciation of his services.

Mr. J. Buttery also said a few words, and Mr. C. H. Fowler remarked that St. Martin's loss was Ireland's gain. It might be mentioned that Mr. Cleal rang a pair in the first silent handbell peals of Stedman Triples, Caters and Cinques ever rung, these performances being rung by all Leicester men.

The above touch was rung by Messrs. Cleal, Allen, Jenney, Fowler, Buttery, Cotton, Dexter (conductor), Martin, Taylor. Messrs. Pilmore and Holmes were also present.

RAUNDS.—On Sunday, October 15th, 336 Bob Major. H. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, F. Stubbs, R. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, H. Sharman, F. Kirk conductor. 384 Double Norwich. H. Stubbs, F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert conductor, R. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Sharman, H. Copperwheat, F. Kirk. On October 26th, 336 Bob Major. F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, W. J. Cilbert, H. Sharman, A. Kirk, F. Kirk conduбtor. 252 Kent Major. A. Kirk, F. Stnbbs, H. Stubbs, K. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, H. Sharman, W. Gilbert conductor, F. Kirk. 168 Grandsire Triples. H. Stubbs, F. Kirk, F. Stubbs, K. Pendered, H. Sharman, W. J. Gilbert, A. Kirk. W. Gilbert conductor. On October 29th, 576 Kent Major. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, H. Sharman, W. J. Gilbert, W. Gilbert conductor, F. Kirk. 252 Bob Triples. A. Kirk, F. Kirk, H. Stubbs, R Pendered, F. Stubbs, W. J. Gilbert conductor, W. Gilbert, A. Fairy.

HILPERTON, TROWBRIDGE.—Recently, 1440 Bob Minor, in 41 mins. J. T. Dyke, A. H. Harrison, H. Taylor, G. Harding, S. J. Hector, C. W. Bell conductor. And 1260 Grandsire Doubles, in 35 mins. G. Harding, A. Harrison, H. Taylor, J. T. Dyke, S. J. Hestor conductor, S. Francis.

CENTENARY OF THE FIRST DOUBLE-HANDED HANDBELL PEAL.

"On wedensday Evening October 30th 1811 was rung A peal of 8 handbells at the house of M William Booth Bailey Lane Sheffield A complete peal of Oxford treble bob major 5088 Changes 2 hours and 34 minutes by the four following Artists viz. :—

Treble & 2 Mr William Hudson
3 & 4 M William Booth
5 & 6 M Henery Grayson
7 & Tenor M George Hudson

The Conductor of this peal Mr George Hudson."

The above is copied from an old manuscript book originally the property of Mr. William Booth, and now in the possession of his grandson, Mr. C. H. Hattersley. This was the first handbell peal ever rung with bells retained in hand. In order to carry out the similitude of the original performance as far as possible, inquiries were made with a view to the centenary peal being attempted within the same four walls, but owing to the house being turned into a business concern, this was found to be impracticable. Mr. C. H. Hattereley therefore invited the band to ring at his residence, and it may be interesting to note that the grandfather clock which timed the original peal is in Mr. Hattersley's possession, and was utilised for the same purpose on the present occasion.

CENTENARY HANDBELL PEAL.—SHEFFIELD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, October 30, 1911, *in* 2 *Hours and* 28 *Minutes*,

At the Residence of Mr. C. H. Hattersley, 38, Dover Road,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

JOHN THORPE ...	1-2.	GEORGE LEWIS ...	5-6.
CLEMENT GLENN ...	3-4	SIDNEY F. PALMER	7-8.

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and
Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire—Mr. C. H. Hattersley. First handbell peal in the method by all the band, and first attempt. First handbell peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major in Sheffield since the original above. The ringers of the original peal were members of the St. Peter's Independent Youths; and the ringers of the centenary peal are members of the St. Peter's Amalgamated Society. After the peal the ringers were entertained to supper by Mr. Hattersley, to whom best thanks were accorded for his kind hospitality.

THE FIGURES OF THE CENTENARY PEAL.

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5 3 6 2 4	1	–	2	2
2 5 3 4 6	2		2	2
5 6 3 4 2	1			2
6 5 2 4 3		–	1	2
4 2 5 6 3			2	2
2 4 3 6 5		–	1	2
2 3 6 4 5	1	–	2	2
5 2 4 3 6	2		1	2
5 4 3 2 6	1	–	2	2
2 3 4 5 6			2	2

Contains the 4th and 6th their extent in 5-6, with eleven out of the possible twelve 8-6's. Now rung for the first time.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—SOUTHERN BRANCH.

A quarterly meeting of this Branch was held at Fladbury on a recent Saturday, and was in every way most successful, the following towers being represented: Evesham, Pershore, Cropthorne, Comberton, Hampton, Bretforton, Badsey, etc. Service was held at 5.30, an excellent address being given by the Rev. A. G. Petigrew, taking for his text part of the 19th verse of the 5th chapter of Ephesians. "Singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord."

Tea was provided by the Rector, the Rev. C. J. Hunt, in the parish club room, both the Rector and the Rev. A. G. Petigrew sitting down with the visitors. A business meeting followed, at which the Rector presided, he being proposed and elected an honorary member, as was also the Rev. H. Wilkinson, Vicar of Cropthorne. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Mr. H. Middleton; Secretary, Mr. J. Hemming; on the Central Committee, Mr. F. Jordan. It was decided to make an attempt for the quarterly peal at Cropthorne, the conductor to be Mr. J. Hemming. Blockley was decided on for the next quarterly meeting. On the proposition of Mr. J. Hemming a hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector for presiding and for providing such a splendid tea, to the ladies for attending to their wants, and to the Rev. A. G. Pettigrew for his interesting address. The Rector having briefly replied the meeting concluded. A move was made to the belfry. Cropthorne bells were also available for an hour in the afternoon and evening, and the following methods were rung: Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Canterbury Pleasure Minor, Grandsire, Stedman, Plain Bob and Canterbury Doubles.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A very successful annual meeting of the Lewisham District was held at St. Mary's, Lewisham, on Saturday, October 28th. The bells were raised about 4 p.m. and kept going in various methods till 5 p.m. when a good number attended the service and listened to a very appropriate address by the Rev. Canon Hough (Vicar).

Tea, provided by the Vicar, was served in the parish room hall, to which ninety sat down, and were most kindly attended to by the Vicar and his wife. The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed, three new members were elected, and four elections in towers previous to peals were ratified. St. Nicholals, Deptford, was selected as the place of the next quarterly meeting the fourth Saturday in January, 1912. The district secretary read his annual report, which was adopted. An appeal from the Shoreditch Bell Restoration Committee was read and on the motion of Mr. W. J. Jeffries, seconded by Mr. E. Barnett, sen., it was decided to make a collection in the room, the sum of one guinea being contributed.

Mr. T. Groombridge was re-elected district secretary, and Mr. W. J. Jeffries was re-elected district representative. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for the use of the bells, for his address in church, and for so kindly providing the tea and presiding, brought the meeting to a close. The tower was again visited and various touches brought round, ranging from Grandsire Triples to London Surprise.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Proposed Memorial to the Late Mr. R. S. Story, Ex-President.

It was decided at a meeting of the above Association at Whitley Bay to raise a fund to commemorate the life-long work of their late President in connection with bells and belfry reform. Not only in the above two dioceses has his influence been felt, bnt we may say over the whole ringing world. For twenty years and more he was President of the Association, and it may be truthfully said that its present prosperity, and excellent position in regard to Diocesan and County Associations, is mainly due to his influence and energy.

The six bells he loved so well (St. Paul's, Whitley Bay), and in which he rang as a Sunday ringer for twenty-six years, are now about to be recast and augmented to a peal of eight. Mr. T. T. Gofton (the leader of the ringers at Whitley), is giving the two extra bells, and the Whitley ringers (mostly Mr. Gofton's brothers), have subscribed £72 towards the recasting of the old six. Some nine years ago Mr. Story himself drew up the scheme which is now being carried out, but lack of funds prevented its furtherance at the time.

In these circumstances it is recognised that the most fitting memorial to our departed President, would be to help in this good work. The cost of recasting one bell will be £22 roughly estimated, and the proportionate cost towards a new frame, £10, making £32 in all.

We would appeal not only to all members of this Association, but also to Mr. Story's many other friends, to support a fund so eminently appropriate to the commemoration of the life of one who spent his best years for the good and welfare of his fellow-men.

The following were appointed to act as a Committee, and subscriptions will be gratefully received by them.

C. L. Routledge (President), 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne; T. T. Gofton, 11, Windsor Road, Monkseaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne: J. E. R. Keen, 88, Hotspur Street, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Subscriptions Already Received.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. C. Todd	0	10	6
Mr. W. Story	1	1	0
Mr. C. L. Routledge	1	1	0
Mr. Joseph Parker	0	5	0
Mr. R. W. Falconer	0	5	0
Mrs. C. L. Routledge	0	5	0

PRESENTATION TO A BECKLEY RINGER.

The parishioners of Beckley, East Sussex, have recently lost a highly-valued servant in Mr. Rupert Forbes Bentley, who has taken up a position in the Ilford Aeroplane Works, and at some future date it is quite possible that satisfactory accounts will be recorded of his doings in the intricate art of aviation. Perhaps the church folk of the village will miss him more than any other body, for he was ever ready to render assistance in matters appertaining to the welfare of the grand old church which Beckley residents are so proud of. In February last Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, rehung the fine ring of six in the steeple, and Mr. Bentley, being a ringer, was naturally interested in the restoring of the bells, and did all he could to help in obtaining the necessary money to carry out the work. Since the restoration he has joined the Romney Marsh and District Guild, and although he has not commenced change-ringing, he was very interested in it, and his idea was to affiliate the Beckley tower to the Sussex County Association, so that an instructor could be appointed, and a commencement made this winter. It seems rather a pity he could not have stayed in the parish and seen the foundation stone of change-ringing thoroughly cemented, but, however, there are several more of the Bentley ringers that have an inclination to thrust the call changes aside, and endeavour to learn change-ringing, so while there's life there's hope, and Beckley may yet be in possession of what she has never had before, a company of change-ringers. The church people in the village evidently were of opinion that Mr. Bentley was doing a good work in their midst, for some considerable time ago he had the honour of being elected a sidesman.

Many other offices did Mr. Bentley hold. He was the hon. secretary of the Northian and District Gardening Society. This Society holds an annual show, one of the largest of its kind in the district. and a large race meeting also in conjunction with it. The two branches entail an extensive amount of work, bnt Mr. Bentley, being a good organiser, was thoroughly adapted to attend to the Society's affairs, and during his Secretaryship the institution has been managed remarkably well. In politics Mr. Bentley is an ardent Unionist, and was secretary of the Beckley Conservative and Unionist Association, the members of which regret his departure, for he looked after their interests in a very enthusiastic manner. He held a seat on the Beckley Parish Council, which goes to purport that all classes thought favourably of him. He was a member of the Beckley Men's Social Club, and assisted in many ways to make it a success. Last, but not least, he acted as hon. secretary to the Beckley Coronation Committee, and the celebrations were a great success. This was due, in a large measure, to the wonderful tact and energy of Mr. Bentley.

Considering that Mr. Bentley rendered such excellent service, the inhabitants felt it their duty to show their appreciation before he left the village. The Rector (the Rev. R. Arnold Edgell) and Mrs. Pearson, assisted by others, organised a testimonial, and not only the residents of Beckley, but many at Northian (an adjoining parish) liberally responded to the appeal. The outcome of it was that on Saturday evening, October 21st, the Rector presided over a large meeting held at the parish hall, and in addessing the gathering made special reference to Mr. Bentley's good work, and on behalf of those who had contributed to the testimonial, he handed a silver half-hunter watch to Mr. Bentley, bearing the following inscription: "Rupert Forbes Bentley, with best wishes, from his friends in Beckley and Northian, October, 1911." This, however, was not all. Mrs. Pearson, also on behalf of the snbscribers, presented him with a magnificent writing desk and stylographic pen. Mr. Bentley heartily thanked them for their kindness, and the company dispersed.

Mr. Bentley departs with the best wishes of his many friends in the work he is undertaking. One thing they are certain of. He will be very attentive to his duties and do his utmost to perform them satisfactorily, and who knows what his future may be? We may see him attending ringing meetings, not as the majority of change-ringers do by cycle, but by aeroplane!

Correspondence.

Bob Major Composition.

Sir,—Mr. Shepherd asks me what I think of the peals lately published in your pages. My opinion is that it is absolutely impossible to get an original peal of Bob Major on any of the well known plans. For a couple of hundred years the best men of the Exercise have been working at the method, and it is scarcely likely that there is anything worth having that they have overlooked. The best peals are all published, the inferior ones thrown aside and forgotten. J. A. Trollope.

Mr. Richard F. Deal writes: Re the list of 250 peals by Mr. Edwin Horrex, which I sent you for publication, I regret that I omitted to mention the 15,840 of Kent Treble Bob at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, in the year 1868, in which Mr. Horrex took part. I shall be obliged if you will make a note of this.

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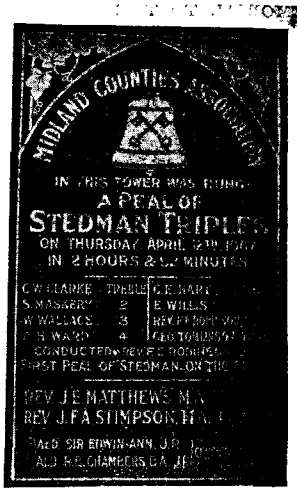

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1911.

SLOUGH, BUCKS.

Slough (Bucks).—On Sunday evening, November 5th, for Divine Service at St. Mary's church, 360 Grandsire Minor by the following members of the Royal Cumberland Youths:—F. Purdue 1, W. Wilder (steeplekeeper), 2, W. H. Fussell 3, R. Flaxman 4, F. V. H. Sinkins 5, E. Harper 6. Rung by request on the back six, the 4th man being the conductor of the first 720 on these bells thirty years ago, the ringers of 1, 2, 3 and 5 having first learnt to ring on them. The tower is the only portion of the original, but modern, brick church now remaining, and the above is probably the last ringing to be recorded on these bells.

The services for this Sunday were held to commemorate the Dedication of the first section of the new parish church opened in 1879, consisting of chancel, organ chamber, vestry, nave, north and south aisles (three bays only), and north and south transepts, costing £12,000.

The second section, only recently commenced (at a cost of £4500) was well on the way towards completion when an anonymous donor presented the Rector with a cheque for £6000 to finish the church complete, which includes a handsome tower and spire, south porch and west front.

HALE MAGNA, LINCOLNSHIRE.

A large chiming clock with one dial is to be placed upon the parish church. The order has been given to Messrs. John Smith and Sons, Midland Clock Works, Derby, who are also making clocks for Fleet and Frieston churches.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. Thompson, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

The Metropolis.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN, E.,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARPENTER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

GEORGE R. SIMMONDS*	*Treble.*	*THOMAS H. HAWKINS	5.
WILLIAM WEATHERSTONE	2.	*GEORGE E. RAWLINGS	6.
EDWARD E. RICHARDS*	3.	GEORGE H. DAYNES	7.
THOMAS F. DEAL	4.	*ARTHUR PAPWORTH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE H. DAYNES.

This is the conductor's 100th peal. *First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. This is the first time this composition has been rung by the above Association.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 31 cwt..

REUBEN SANDERS	*Treble.*	*ALFRED W. GRIMES	6.
ERNEST PYE	2.	ALBERT W. COLES	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	3.	JAMES E. DAVIS	8.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	HARRY FLANDERS	9.
CHARLES T. COLES	5.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed by WILLIAM PYE, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal of Cambridge Royal. First peal in the method on the bells.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD,

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, WOOLWICH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

ARTHUR J. NEALE	*Treble.*	HARRY BECKFORD	5.
JOHN J. LAMB	2.	ISAAC G. SHADE	6.
EDWIN F. PIKE	3.	WILLIAM PYE	7.
HAROLD W. CLARK	4.	ALBERT A. BANGAY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, BARKING.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 22¼ cwt.

WILLIAM G. JACKSON	*Treble.*	GEORGE W. FAULKNER	5.
ALBERT W. BEARD	2.	JAMES NORRIS	6.
ALBERT C. HARDY	3.	CALEB FENN	7.
ROWLAND FENN	4.	REGINALD BLAKE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CALEB FENN.

First peal by the ringers of the treble and 2nd. First peal on eigth bells by the ringer of the tenor.

The Provinces.

SCUNTHORPE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, October 24, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

WM. J. THYNG	*Treble.*	CHARLES H. BIRD	5.
N. SHORT	2.	A. B. MOSS	6.
WM. MILLER	3.	GEO. VAMPLEN	7.
T. P. HOCKWELL*	4.	*H. T. STRICKLAND	*Tenor.*

Conducted by N. SHORT.

*First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal on the bells by a local band.

CHATHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 25 cwt. in E flat.

E. SILLS	*Treble.*	C. NORRIS	5.
J. HUNT	2.	F. BELSEY	6.
G. RIORDAN	3.	S. SHILLOCK	7.
F. RIORDAN	4.	C. MUNGEAM	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. BELSEY.

First peal by the ringers of the treble, 2nd, and 4th. Rung on the eighth anniversary of the Dedication Festival.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRE.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM BIGGIN	*Trebls.*	†CLEMENT GLENN	5.
GEORGE LEWIS	2,	R. WILFRED COLLIER	6.
EDWIN JAMES*	3	WILLIAM DICKINSON	7.
JOHN BROTHWELL	4.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor,*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. E. James, with the good wishes of the band.

BROXBOURNE, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, October 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

WILBY J. HAZELL	*Treble.*	FRANK BENNETT	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER	2,	JOHN H. BENSTEAD	6.
JOHN H. KENTISH	3.	JAMES PARKER	7.
GEORGE RADLEY	4.	GEORGE PAICE	*Tenor.*

Composed by FRANK BENNETT, and Conducted by MISS E. K. PARKER.

First peal in the method on the bells.

HARLOW COMMON, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, October 31, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALEN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12 cwt.

HARRY BOTTRILL	*Treble.*	WALTER TARLING	5.
WALTER HOBBS	2.	JOHN SMITH	6.
HARRY SMALE	3.	JOHN CORDELL	7.
GEORGE DENT	4.	ISAAC CAVILL	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. THORP, and Conducted by ISAAC CAVILL.

Rung on the sixth anniversary of the dedication of the bells.

WREXHAM.—THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION,

On Tuesday, October 31, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5076 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

HARRY MOORE, JUN.	*Treble.*	WILLIAM JONES	6.
GEORGE VAUGHAN	2.	C. R. LILLEY	7.
ED. LLOYD	3.	SAM MEADOWS	8.
JOHN CLUTTON	4.	EDWARD ROWLAND	9.
ROBERT JONES	5.	WM. WILLIAMS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal of Stedman Caters as conductor. C. R. Lilley was proposed a member before starting. Rung as a birthday compliment to Ed. Lloyd.

HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LINDOFF'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

WILLIAM H. HORNEY	*Treble.*	JAMES PARSONS	5.
ERNEST E. BISH	2.	ALFRED TOMSETT	6.
JOHN FEIST	3.	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	7.
HENRY J. GRAVETT	4.	WILLIAM STENNING	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR W. GRAVETT.

LEINTWARDINE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Kent, College Single, Grandsire, Oxford Bob, Canterbury, and two of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE MATTHEWS	*Treble.*	JOHN NEWMAN	4.
HAROLD HUNT	2.	SAMUEL ROBERTS	5.
JOHN EVANS	3.	WILLIAM SHORT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal in six methods by all except the conductor.

MALPAS, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 15 cwt 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

GEORGE PIERCE	*Treble.*	RICHARD JONES	4.
ROBERT SPERRING	2.	JAMES MORGAN	5.
WALTER THOMAS	3.	JAMES V. WRIGHT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES MORGAN.

Rung as a birthday peal to R. Jones, the band wishing him the usual compliments.

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OP GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S 12-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST MARSH*	*Treble.*	THOMAS BURKENSHAW	5.
EDMUND LINDUP	2.	HENRY STALHAM	6.
ELLMAN BROWN	3.	BERT CHALLEN	7.
JOHN BOYD	4.	LIONEL SEARS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. H. STALHAM.

*First peal away from the tenor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 3rd.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OP GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E flat.

THOMAS H. COLBURN	*Treble.*	†CYRIL F. JOHNSTON	6.
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.*	2.	ALFRED TRAPPITT	7.
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	3.	WILLIAM GROVES	8.
WALTER S. WISE	4.	FRANK HOLDER	9.
SIDNEY R. ROPER	5.	CHARLES KIPPEN	*Tenor.*

Composed by the late EDGAR BENNETT, and Conducted by FRANK HOLDER.

*First peal of Grandsire Caters. †First peal of Caters.

EDGWARE, MIDDLESEX.

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

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Oxford, Kent, College Exercise, College Bob IV., Willesden Delight, and Old Oxford modernised.

GEORGE M. KILEY	*Treble.*	HARRY KILEY	4.
GABRIEL CHALKLEY	2.	ALFRED HILL	5.
LAWRENCE B. PORTER*	3.	THOMAS LANGDON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS LANGDON.

*First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal in seven methods by all the band.

WRINGTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 37 cwt. in C sharp.

FRED G. MAY	*Treble.*	HENRY HOWELL	6.
ALBERT STOWELL	2.	JOHN H. B. HESSE	7.
WILLIAM LANSDOWN	3.	JOHN THOMAS	8.
WILLIAM KNIGHT	4.	WILLIAM STOWELL	9.
GEORGE SEWARD	5.	ISAAC LONG	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by F. G. MAY.

This is the first peal on the bells since the adding of the four trebles and the rehanging of the whole peal by Mears and Stainbank. The tone and go of the whole peal, and the evenness of the clappers is perfect. The above peal was also rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector's wife, Mrs. Ashdown.

WRITTLE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt. in F.

JOHN POOLE*	*Treble.*	HARRY RICHELL	5.
HENRY W. KIRTON	2.	ARTHUR EDWARDS	6.
FREDERICK G. RADLEY	3.	ARTHUR HEAD	7.
HARRY SMALE*	4.	†HENRY F. COOPER	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by HENRY F. COOPER.

*First peal in the method. †First peal in the method as conductor. Rang as a welcome to the Rev. Canon Papillon, who was preaching at his old parish for the All Saints Dedication Festival. Also in honour of the christening of a daughter of the conductor.

FARNHAM ROYAL, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt. in F sharp.

HAROLD SKUSE	*Treble.*	JAMES ELDERFIELD	5.
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	2.	*JAMES BLACKMAN	6.
JOSEPH J. PARKER	3.	WILLIAM HENLEY	7.
GEORGE BASDEN	4.	WILLIAM BATEMAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. J. PARKER.

*First peal in the method.

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SWINDON, WILTS.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OP BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

OWEN W. LAYNG ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST BISHOP	.. 5.
ALFRED LAWRENCE ..	.. 2.	*HENRY W. L. WELLS	.. 6.
ROBERT W. HYNER ..	.. 3.	*GEORGE LANCASTER ..	.. 7.
GEORGE W. TOWNSEND ..	4.	CHARLES J. GARDINER	..*Tenor.*

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by C. J. GARDINER.

*First peal in the method.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OR ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

THOMAS WHITE.. ..	..*Treble*	ALFRED WALLACE ..	.. 5.
HUGH GREGORY.. ..	.. 2.	EDWIN BLACKWELL ..	.. 6.
EDWARD ELLIOTT ..	.. 3.	WILLIAM TAYLOR ..	.. 7.
JAMES FEARN	.. 4.	HENRY GREGORY ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. TAYLOR.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST LUBBOCK ..	..*Treble.*	FREDK. BORRETT ..	.. 5.
EDWARD LUBBOCK ..	.. 2.	HENRY ADCOCK ..	.. 6.
FREDK. ROOPE ..	.. 3.	EDWIN WHITING ..	.. 7.
CHARLES ROOPE ..	.. 4.	TOWNSEND ADCOCK ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by DANIEL PRENTICE, and Conducted by EDWIN WHITING.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION,

On Sunday, November 5, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13¾ cwt.

F. W. RICE	..*Treble.*	ALBERT ELLIS	.. 5.
ALBERT HARMAN ..	.. 2.	GEORGE ILLMAN.. ..	.. 6.
JOHN RICE	.. 3.	OLIVER SIPPETTS ..	.. 7.
ALBERT MITCHELL ..	.. 4.	G. W, STOKES	..*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY HALEY, and Conducted by F. W. RICE.

Rung as a farewell peal to G. W. Stokes, who is leaving Crawley for Worthing.

PULFORD, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5036 CHANGES.

Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

EDWARD EDWARDS* ..	..*Treble.*	ROBERT SPERRING ..	.. 5.
HENRY WOODFINE ..	.. 2.	HENRY W. WILDE ..	.. 6.
FREDK. THOMAS.. ..	.. 3.	JAMES MORGAN	.. 7.
GEORGE PIERCE.. ..	.. 4.	RICHARD JONES	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by JAMES MORGAN.

*First peal.

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THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ST. JAMES'S SOCIETY,

On Monday, October 30, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

IN THE BELFRY OF THE NORMAN TOWER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION.

FREDERICK DEWELL* ..	1-2	ARTHUR E. MOORE.. ..	5-6.
HARRY A. TURNER ..	3-4.	*FRANK J. LEVETT.. ..	7-8.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by A. E. MOORE.

Umpires—J. Sparrow and C, Woodcock. *First peal in the method. Also first psal in the method by all residents.

NEW CROSS, S.E.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,

AT 3, MARGARET TERRACE, HARTS LANE,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT	1-2.	FRANE BENNETT	3-6.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD ..	3-4.	FRANE J. HAIRS.. ..	7-8.

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

First peal on handbells by the Association, and by all the band except the ringer of 3-4, and first peal on handbells as conductor. Miss Bennett is but the second lady to score a peal of Bob Major on handbells, and the first to ring 1-2 in the method. Umpire—Fredk. G. Woodiss.

THE HAMPSHIRE TOUR.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The names of the last four men taking part in the peal of Double Norwich at Dibden, Hants., on October 28th are as follows:—George F, Williams, 5; George Martin, 6; George Williams, 7; Keith Hart, Tenor. The Vicar kindly gave the band refreshments after the peal at the Vicarage.

Miscellaneous.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

HERSHAM (Surrey).—On Sunday, November 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Double Norwich Court Bob Major, in 43 mins. G. Edser, sen., J. Emery, F. G. Woodiss, B. Morris, A. Woodrow, A. F. Shepherd, F. Shepherd, W. Shepherd conductor.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

BIRMINGHAM.—At Bishop Ryder's church for evening service, on Hospital Sunday, 1056 Bob Major. S. Coley, A. T. Scrivens, J. Porter, G. W. Taylor, J. T. Perry, W. H. Carrod, W. Webb, J. Collett conductor.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HAGBOURNE.—On Sunday evening, November 5th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins. W. Cox, H. Bishop, W. Napper, J. Butler, T. East conductor, J. S. Napper, J. Dearlove, W. Warwick.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday, November 5th, 720 Plain Bob. J. Avis, J. Fenwick, G. Jones, F. Hayes, J. Allen, F. Mitchell conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Guy Ambrose, a Milton ringer, who was unfortunately unable to attend, the ringers tendering their hearty congratulations, and expressed the hope that their "Guy" would not be burned.

SWINDON.—On Sunday, November 5th, for morning service, 560 Double Norwich. T. Lawrence. A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, R. Thompson, G. W. Townsend, H. W. L. Wells, C. J. Gardiner, E. Bishop conductor. For evening service 864 Double Norwich. A. Lawrence, O. W. Layng, R W. Hyner, G. W. Townsend, T. Robinson, H. W. L. Wells, R. Thompson, C. J. Gardiner conductor.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.— Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's. Hackney, on November 21st; St. Magnns, Lower Thames Street, on the 23rd; at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 14th; and St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637 —The 274th anniversary dinner will be held to-day, Sat., November 11th, at The London Tavern. Fenchurch Street, E.C., at 6.30 p.m. Tickets 4s. each, may be obtained of Messrs. J. F. C. Bailey, C. S. Burden, E. A. Davies. G. R. Fardon, T. Faulkner, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex. A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes. H. Langdon, E. P. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham. W. D. Smith, T. H. Taffender, C. F. Winney, M. A. Wood, or

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The towers open for ringing will be Southwark Cathedral from 3.30 to 5 o'clock, and St. Magnns, London Bridge, from 4 to 6 p m

The London County Association late the **St. James's Soclety** —Established 1824.— A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, November 25th, at St. Marys, Lewisham. Tower open from 4 p.m to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and the London Diocesan Guild —North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate, by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. C. F. Peploe), to-day, Sat., November 11th. Bells ready at 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at The Cherry Tree at 6 o'clock, 9d. each. Members and friends cordially invited. Outstanding subscriptions should be paid before this meeting.

C. T. COLES, *Hon. Sec.*
173, St. John's Road, Walthamstow.

The Middlesex County Association snd London Diocesan Guild —South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Canon Rivington), at Putney, on Saturday, November 18th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 8d. each in the Mission House at 6 o'clock.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Reddish to-day, Sat., November 11th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7 to elect a branch secretary. A good meeting requested.

W. H. SHUKER, *Branch Sec,*

The Surrey Association — Quarterly meeting at Croydon to-day Sat, November 11th Meet at the Bell Foundry at 2.45 p.m. by invitation of Messrs Gillett and Johnston. Tea at 5. Ringing after at St. John's and St. Peter's parish churches. Notice to representatives in due course,

CYRIL F. JOHNSTON, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Colne to-day, Sat., November 11th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6 30. A good attendance is requested

J. WATSON. *Branch Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch —A meeting will be held at Woolton to-day, Sat., November 11th. Bells ready at 4. WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Brentwood on Saturday, November 18th Bells at 4. Short service at 5.30. Tea in the Church House at 6, 6d. to members, 1s. 6d. others. All who wish for tea kindly notify me not later than the first post 15th inst.

HENRY F. COOPER, *Dis. Sec.*

The Lancashise Association.—Rochdale Branch —The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, November 25th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW. *Branch Sec.*

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

JAMES E. DAVIS.—Will Mr. Davis, Hon. Secretary of the St. Margaret's Society, Westminster, send us his address; we have a letter for him.

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5056.

23456	M	B	H
52364		–	2
32654	1	–	1
25346		–	
54326	1	–	
42356	1	–	
25463		–	
25634		–	1
53246		–	
34256	1	–	
45236	1	–	

Repeated.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

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5056.

23456	1	4	5	6
36452	–	–	–	
43265			–	
62345	–			–
23645				–
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64235	–			
32465	–			–
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45362	–	–	–	
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23564	–			–
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34256	–			–
42356				–
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DAGENHAM.—On Sunday evening, November 5th, for Divine Service, 120 Grandsire Doubles. Miss. C. Playle, E. Butler, A. Playle, C. Rochester, G. Playle, G. Hawkins. And 720 College Single, with D. Chaplin in place of C. Piayle. After service 720 Kent Treble Bob, A. Chaplin taking she place of D. Chaplin, and F. Freestone that of E. Hawkins; the rest as before. Conducted by G. Playle.

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An exceedingly pretty wedding was solemnized at the church of St. Lawrence, Hawkurst, Kent, on Saturday. October 14th, the contracting parties being Mr. Thomas Ashenden, sixth son of Mr. Arthur Ashenden, and the late Mrs. Frances Ashenden, of Northam, and Miss Ellen Amelia Pankhurst, third daughter of Mr. George and Mrs. Agnes Pankhurst, of East View, Station Road, Hawkhurst.

The bridegroom at one time resided at Rye, Sussex, and was closely connected with the church in that old Cinque port town being a bellringer, choirman, and member of the choral society. In change-ringing he was of valuable assistance to the Rye society, and possessed three very important factors that many campanologists fail to bring into operation—punctuality, regularity, and perseverance. His work as a choirman was carried out thoroughly, and he was very popular among his fellow choristers. He also also was a regular attendant at the practices of the Rye choral society, and was held in high esteem and regard by the members of that body.

The time came when he had to leave Rye to take up a position at Hawkhurst. The Rye ringers presented him with a silver miniature bell, as a token of their gratitude for his services. His departure was much regretted by the Church folk, for a very reliable member of the laity had been lost, but Rye's loss was Hawkhurst's gain, for he immediately joined the choir to which he still belongs. As regards his ringing, he has had no opportunity of continuing the art at Hawkhurst. However, there is a fine-toned peal of eight bells there, but the local ringers have no inclination to take up change-ringing. In spite of this, he has not altogther been lost sight of, for he attends the monthly meetings of the Romney Marsh and District Guild, of which he is still a member, and pays occasional visits to the Rye tower. He belongs to the Sussex County and Kent County Associations.

The happy ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. Waldebrand-Evans, M.A., and Mr. Adams presided at the organ.

The bride was given away by her father, and carried a splendid bouquet, the gift of the bridegroom. Three bridesmaids attended the function, and carried prayer books, the gifts of the bridegroom. Mr. John Ashenden, brother of the bridegroom, acted as best man.

As the bridal procession left the church, the organist poured forth the strains of the Bridal March from Lohengrin. The organist's presence shows that Mr. Ashenden is very much appreciated in the Hawkhurst choir. Mr. Adams is totally blind, but despite this awful affliction, he plays the organ admirably.

Subsequeutly a reception was held at the bride's parents' residence, the guests numbering nearly thirty, and among whom was Mr. G. Billenness, of Rye, Master of the Romney Marsh and District Guild, which society had decided to start for a peal of Grandsire Triples at Appledore church the previous evening, in honour of the occasion, but could not do so, owing to serious illness near the church.

Later in the day Mr. and Mrs. Ashenden left by train far Folkestone, where the honeymoon was spent. They have now taken up their abode in Hawkhurst, and every ringer who has had the pleasure of making the bridegroom's acquaintance, no doubt wishes the newly-married couple a life of prosperity and happiness.

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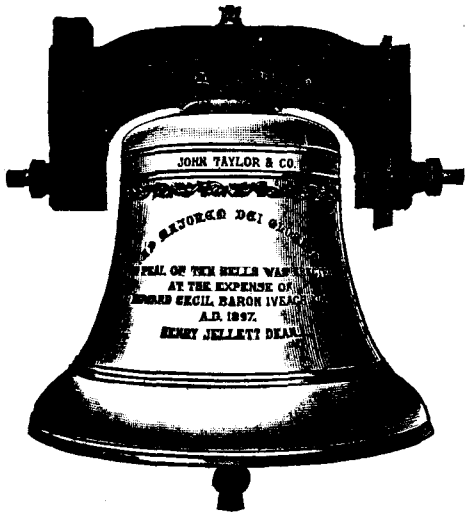

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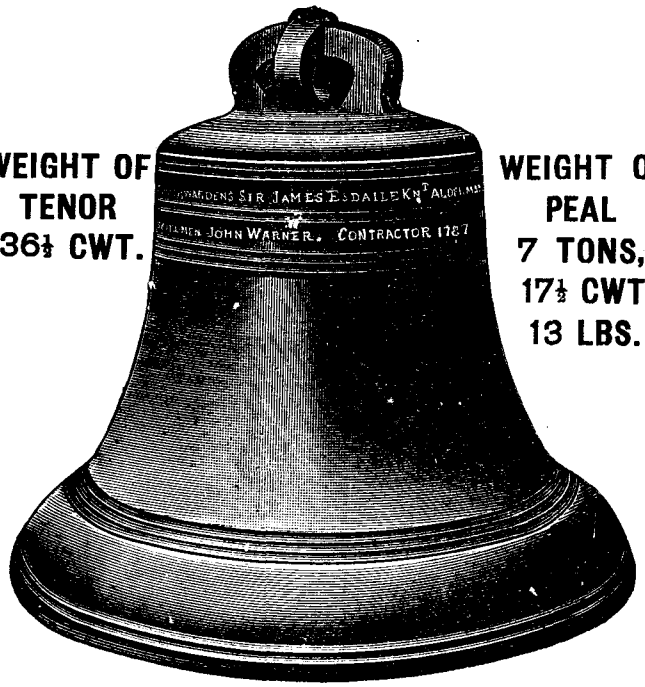

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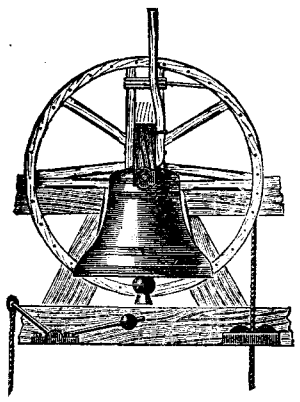

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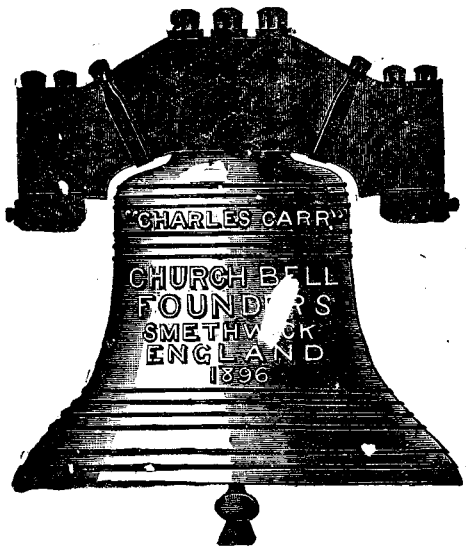

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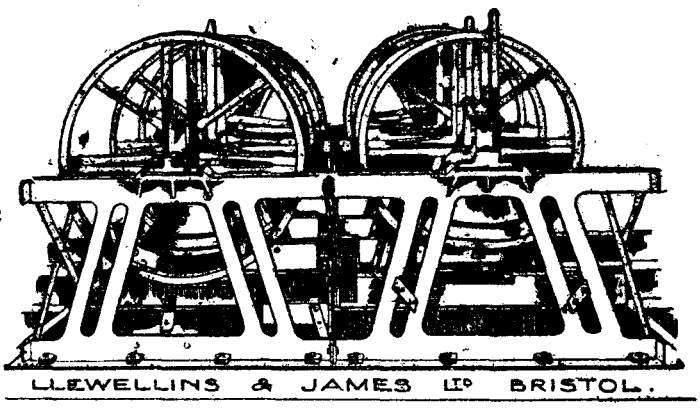

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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting of the Guildford branch of the Winchester Diocesan Guild of Bell-Ringers, which was held on Wednesday, November 8th. Service was held at S. Nicholas' Church, a short address being delivered by the Rev. F. G. Gill (Rector of Shere), who took for his text part of the Ringers' Psalm, "Praise Him upon the loud cymbals." In the course of his interesting address the preacher paid a high compliment to the work done by the Guild, especially in his own parish, by their present Master, the Rev. C. E. Matthews (composer of one of their Festival hymns), who, whilst he was curate at Shere some years ago, was the means of increasing their peal from 6 to 8 and reforming the belfry so that now there was a band of ringers at Shere of whom any parish priest might well be proud.

The Rector of Holy Trinity (the Rev. E. C. Kirwan) presided at the tea at the Star Hotel, and also at the business meeting, until the arrival of General Sir Edmond Elles, who had been detained in London. The Rev. F. Ll. Edwards (Gillingham, Dorset) and Mr. Doick (Pullborough) were elected non-resident life members, and Mr. F. W. Westlake an hon. member, whilst new members were elected from Farnham (3), Clandon (1), Aldershot (2).

Mr. J. J. Jones (hon. secretary) presented the annual report, which stated that the past year had been chiefly remarkable for the phenomenal records of the Holy Trinity, Guildford, band. According to the last diocesan report, the strength of the district showed a falling off of three in the number of hon. members, but a gain of 30 in ordinary members. The figures were: 26 towers affiliated, 43 hon. and 260 ordinary members. The accounts were not complete, but at present there was a balance of about £9 in hand.

The report, which was considered very satisfactory, was adopted, and the officers were re-elected.

The following meetings for the ensuing year were arranged; Feb., Farnham; April, Crondall; July, Cobham; Sept., Chiddingfold; Nov. (annual), Guildford.

The Rev. E. C. Kirwan laid before the members the appeal which had been issued for the restoration of the Holy Trinity bells, and hopes were expressed that the Guild would vote £5 5s. od. at their annual meeting at Winchester in June next.

Sir Edmond Elles signified his willingness to become an hon. member of the Guild.

A smoking concert was subsequently held, songs and hand-bell ringing providing a very pleasant evening.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of this Association was held at St. Michael's Parish Room, West Croydon, and was preceded by the members and a large number of guests (in all over 170) partaking of an excellent tea, kindly provided by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston.

At the outset, Mr. Cyril Johnston proposed, and Dr. A. B. Carpenter seconded, and it was carried by acclamation, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded the vicars and churchwardens of St. John's and St. Peter's Churches for so kindly allowing the use of their bells for the use of the members and their friends.

The Rev. Canon White-Thompson, in returning thanks, offered a cordial welcome to the ringers to Croydon, and hoped they would enjoy their ringing in the towers after the meeting. He regretted having to leave the meeting early, and that he had not been able to be at the Bell Foundry in the afternoon, especially as he understood he would have had the pleasure of meeting his old friend the Rev. G. F. Coleridge.

On the proposition of Dr. Carpenter, the chair was taken by the Rev. A. A. Reeve, Vicar of St. Peter's, who, in returning thanks, said he had received a letter from the Bishop of Croydon regretting his inability to attend the meeting, and sending his greetings to the members.

The Secretary having read the minutes of the previous meeting (which were confirmed), reported that five peals had been rung since the last meeting.

The election of Messrs. Wise and Lover as members was ratified, and Messrs. Harry Taylor (Ashtead), F. Canning and R. Gommo (Cheam), and H. C. Chandler (unattached), were elected performing members, while Mr. Goad (Cheam) was elected an henorary member, and Mr. H. G. Rowe, of Cheshunt, a non-resident life member.

The honorary secretary gave notice that at the next meeting he would, on behalf of the Committee, bring forward a proposition to give effect to the Committee's recommendation, as to the formation of a South Surrey branch, with district secretary and management similar to the arrangements prevailing in other ringing Societies.

Mr. J. A. Lambert (Mitcham) gave notice that at the next meeting he would move for an alteration in rule X., so that it shall read: "otherwise peals shall not be recognised as Association peals," instead of "otherwise peals will not be entitled to entry in the peal book of the Association."

Mr. E. L. Miles desired to thank the members for their response to the appeal on behalf of Mr. Harry Brooker, and asked that any further outstanding amounts might be remitted so that he could close the fund.

Dr. Carpenter proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. Reeve for presiding, to which the Chairman replied.

Hearty cheers were accorded Mr. A. A. Johnston and his family in recognition of the unsparing pains they had taken during the afternoon and at the tea to entertain their many visitors, who had apparently thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Croydon.

The remainder of the evening was given up to some capital ringing at the two towers above named.

The company included a strong representation from all the Association Towers, while we also noticed Mr. J. S. Smith and Mr. Percy Sylvester, Churchwardens at St. Peter's; the Rev. Donald McDonald, Vicar, and Mr. Charles Reading, Churchwarden, Christchurch, Mitcham; Messrs. E. Barnett, senior and junior; F. Bennett, with his daughter; H. C. Chandler, Middlesex Association; James Davis, A. King, Luton; James Parker, and his daughter Miss Edith Parker; J. J. Parker, Farnham Royal; W. T. Elson and G. Watson, St. Leonards.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The members of the Winchester district held their annual meeting at Southampton on Saturday, November 11th. Touches of Double Norwich, Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung on the bells of Holy Rood and St. Michael's Churches during the afternoon and evening. By the kind permission of the Vicar, tea was served in St. Michael's Parish Hall, the Rev. R. Merrick, Vicar of Holy Rood, presiding. There were also present the Rev. E. Banks James, Rev. E. W. Suart (Hursley), Rev. W. B. Colchester (General Secretary of the Guild), and members from Winchester, Twyford, Hursley, Kingsworthy, North Stoneham, Dibden, Southampton, Bishopstoke and Bishop Sutton. At the business meeting which followed, the balance sheet showed receipts £20 10s., and expenditure £7 14s. 5d., leaving a favourable balance of £12 15s. 7d. Mr. Wilfred Andrews and Mr. G. Williams were re-elected to represent the district on the Central Committee, Mr. J. W. Elkins was re-elected district secretary, and Mr. G. Smith, auditor for the district. It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Romsey, on the first Saturday in November, 1912. The Rev. E. K. Browne, of North Stoneham, having expressed his desire to entertain the members at the Vicarage, it was left to the District Secretary to arrange a special meeting to accept his kind invitation. Thanks were accorded to the Vicar of Holy Rood for presiding and for the use of his bells, and to the Rev. J. W. Danbury for the use of St. Michael's bells and the Parish Hall. Apologies were received from the Bishop of Southampton and the Rev. Canon Braithwaite.

At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, at which Messrs. Williams, Andrews, G. Smith, Oxenbury, Hunt, and the District Secretary were present, the Rev. Canon Braithwaite was re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year, and it was decided to hold the first quarterly meeting in 1912, at Alton, to include Froyle, in February; the second at Hursley, in May, and the third at Upham, in September. These meetings are to be held on the first Saturday in each month. It is also intended to arrange meetings at outlying places to increase interest in change ringing. Messrs. C. H. Hattersley, G. Martin, J. Evans, R. Buckland, and the Revs. C. W. O. Jenkyns, Law James, and C. A. Clements having joined the Winchester Guild during the past year, the Secretary was directed to add their names to the Compounding Members' list. Six new members of the Bishop Sutton band were also admitted as probationers, and Mr. J. Neville was advanced from probationer to full member.

As it is desired that, if possible, all bands should be represented at Committee meetings, it was decided that in future the Secretary be empowered to request any member of a band who may be present, to represent the band at that particular meeting, if the duly elected representative is unable to be present and has not sent a deputy. Holy Rood band being desirous of making progress in change ringing, Mr. G. Williams was appointed to give them a course of instruction.

WANTED a Sexton and Church Caretaker for Arklow Protestant Church, Co. Wicklow. Must be a competent change bell-ringer. Also required to make acetylene gas and plant. Wages 30s. per week and good house free.—Apply to A. O. Hood, Estate Office, Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

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Date Touches

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

BRADING.—On Tuesday, October 10tb, for practice, a date touch of Grandsire Triples 1911 changes, in 1 hr. 16 mins. M. Pink, F. Chaffey, E. Squibb, W. Cooper, W. Pain, C. Price, H. Jennings composer and conductor, A. Pain. On Tuesday, October 24tb, 756 Grandsire Triples. For Divine Service on Sunday, October 29th, 672 in the same method, standing as above.

Miscellaneous.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MARDEN (Kent).—On Sunday evening, November 12th, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 42 mins. T. Sone, D. Hodgkin, P. Hodgkin, F. Hodgkin, F. Sharp, G. Hadaway, C. H. Sone conductor, W. Robbins. Rung as a birthday compliment to F. Sharp.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

COSELEY (Staffordshire).—On Thursday, November 9tb, at the parish church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 45 mins. W. Jeavons, A. Baker, L. Barnett, W. Grinsell, R. Dunn, B. Gough, S. Pearce conductor, A. Law. First quarter-peal as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. Joseph Smith, for many years vestry clerk and clerk to the local Council. On Sunday, November 12th, for Mattins, a touch of Grandsire Triples, conducted by S. Baker. For evening service 464 Bob Major, conducted by S. Baker. And 210 Oxford Bob Triples, conducted by W. Fisher. The following toak part: W. Jeavons, L. Barnett, A. Barnett, A. Baker, S. Baker. R. Dunn, W. Fisher, W. Grinsell, J. Roberts S. Pearce, B. Gaugh, and A. Law.

WEDNESBURY.—On Thursday, November 9th, at the parish church, in honour of the mayoralty of Alderman A. Pritchard, 1259 Grandsire Caters in 51 mins. T. Burkitt, T. Hughes, W. Fisher, W. Brittan, A. Blundell, H. Belcher, J. Bates, G. B. Gough, T. Myatt. Great credit is due to J. Bates who is 81 years of age, for the way he rang the 7th through this quarter-peal of Caters. 1260 Erin Triples in 45 mins. T. Hughes, W. Brittan, H. Belcher, B. Gough, W. Fisher, G. Hughes, A. Blundell, T. Myatt. 1360 Bob Major in 55 mins. T. Burkitt, W. E. Brittan, A. Blundell, T. Hughes, H. Belcher, G. Hughes, W. Fisher, B. Gough. 210 Court Bob Triples. W. Smith, W. E. Brittan, H. Belcher, W. Fisher, A. Blundell, G. Hughes, B. Gough, T. Myatt. 420 Stedman Triples. W. Brittan, A. Blundell, H. Belcher, B. Gough, W. Fisher, G. Hughes, W. Smith, T. Myatt. Also an attempt for a touch of Erin Caters, but owing to the rope of the second bell breaking, it came to grief. The ringing was conduGtnd by G. Hughes. Messrs. Fisher and Gough belong to Coseley: Belcher and Smith to Darlaston; the remainder to the parish church. On Sunday morning, November 12th, for Divine Service, touches of Oxford Bob Triples, Bob Major, and Grandsire Triples were rung.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.—On October 8th, at St. Paul's church, 448 Superlative Surprise Major. S. Smith, E. Tingey, W. Tysoe, W. Lightfoot, H. Sharp, H. Harlow, F. Webb, J. Barker conductor. On October 19th, 419 Grandsire Triples. E. White, H. Harlow, Miss E. Steel, J. Barker conductor, H. Sharp, W. Davison, C. Chasty, H. Tysoe. On October 22nd, 940 Bob Royal. D. Thonpson, J. Barker conductor, W. Lightfoot, E. Tingey, J. Church, W. Davison, C. Chasty, H. Shary, H. Harlow, H. Tysoe. On November 5th. 521 Stedman Caters. B. Finding, J. Barker conductor, H. Sharp. C. Mortimer, W. Dightfoot. E. Tingey, C. Chasty, H. Harlow, H. Tysoe, S. Smith. Also 305 Grandsire Caters. On November 12th, 576 Cambridge Surprise Major. J. Church, H. Tysoe, W. Lightfoot, E. Tingey, H. Sharp, H. Harlow, C. Chasty, J. Barker conductor.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

The 274th Anniversary Dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths was held on Saturday, November 11th, at The London Tavern, Fenchurch Street, E.C.. Mr. Alfred B. Peck, Master, occupied the chair, and Mr. E. Davies was in the vice-chair. Nearly 200 were present at the dinner, including Miss Macalpine Leny, of Speldhurst, the Ven. E. E. Holmes, D.D., Archdeacon of London, Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, Lieut. G. Mackinnon, R.N., Mr. W. W. Gifford, (Salisbury), Mr. J. W. Taylor (Loughborough), Mr. C. H. Hattersley (Sheffield), Mr. R. J. Wilkins, Mr. W. Cave and Mr. C. E. Gordon (Bristol), Mr. C. Bowen (Ilfracombe), Mr. J. Thomas and Mr. Dixon (Sheffield), Mr. M. T. Hibbert (Reading), Mr. J. C. Mitchell, also the following leading lights in the ringing world: Messrs. Winney, Newton, Garrard, Dawe, Horrex, Taffender, Langdon, Hughes, Fardon Burden, Faulkner, Hesse, Price, O'Meara, Bayley, Golding, Prime, Smith, Burton, Stebbings, Oxenham, and of course Mr. W. T. Cockerill, the amiable and indefatigable hon. secretary of the Society.

Throughout the afternoon ringing took place by the Youths at Southwark Cathedral and at St. Magnus, London Bridge.

The Master, Mr. A. B. Peck, in proposing the toast "The King," wished His Majesty a safe return from his voyage to India. The toast was musically honoured.

The Master read telegrams regretting inability to be present, and wishing the Society continued success from Speldhurst Rectory, from Captain Mackinnon, of the Bey Imperial Ottoman Navy, and from R. A. Daniell, of Chiswick.

In proposing the toast of "The Church," Mr. A. B. Peck said: The next toast is that of "The Church," and as this is a very important one I feel honoured at being asked to propose it. The Church plays a most vital part in directing our lives—all the greatest events—Baptism, Confirmation, Matrimony and Burial—are connected with the Church. But we as College Youths are further indebted to her, for without the Church this great and ancient Society would not exist, and there would be no such happy gathering as is assembled here to-night. Let us never forget that we ring the bells first and foremost for the service of God, and not for our own gratification (hear hear.) I do ask you all as fellow ringers and churchmen to rally round and endeavour to bind the Church and ourselves still closer than ever together, not only by ringing regularly for service but by attending those services, as do other church workers, for surely we are workers, and being true Britishers should do all in our power to uphold our revered Church; for we know from history that so soon as a nation forsakes her Church the downfall of that nation begins (hear hear.) We all miss our old friend the late Archdeacon of London, Archdeacon Sinclair, and I know everyone here joins with me in deeply regretting his absence, but we are honoured to-night with his successor, and we do welcome most heartily the Ven. Archdeacon Holmes and sincerely hope he will honour us with his presence for many years to come (hear hear.) Our time to-night is limited, and I will therefore ask you now to drink with me to the Church, coupling with it the name of the Ven. the Archdeacon of London (applause).

The Archdeacon of London, the Ven. E. E. Holmes, D.D., in responding, said: My dear fellow church workers, I think I may very honestly call you fellow church workers, because you are every bit as much the Church as I am, and I am quite sure that very few recognise what very hard workers church bell ringers are. I am quite free to own that I never realised it myself until I had for a time a country parish, the parish of Sonning-on-Thames, where we thought ourselves tremendous swells over bellringing. I learnt what hard work bellringing was then in this way. You know that in the valley of the Thames we get it pretty hot on some Sundays in August, and I found that about half of my ringers were men who sang in the choir, and when they came down from the belfry just about when the five minutes' bell began, and came into the vestry to put on their cassock and surplice, I must say they gave very considerable evidence that they had been working as hard as any church workers I ever came across (laughter). I may add something further, that they used to get me into considerable scrapes by always saying "Oh I say, Vicar, give us a couple of minutes law." So we nearly always went into church late, because of the bellringers and the members of the choir being the same. So at all events I learnt what hard church workers bellringers were and are. I just skip a bit of my life and recollect that I learnt a little more what hard work church bell ringing is on my first Sunday in residence at St. Paul's Cathedral. I went up to the belfry on that first Sunday, for I am very interested in bells, and there again when I saw that peal of twelve bells, though I was enormously struck with the ease that habit and skill enable ringers to ring the bells with, one could not help seeing that there was work and work of a nature I am not quite sure that outside laity recognise when they hear the church bells. I also admit that I had the "shine" considerably taken out of me that day at St. Paul's, because you know, I was chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford for something like twenty years—my friend Mr. Coleridge will remember—and we really thought ourselves huge bosses in the diocese of Oxford over bells. We really thought "Todgers could do it," and so we could (laughter.) I think my memory is right in saying that at Kidlington there was a peal of 17,000 rung in 11 hours and 12 minutes. That is something I think really to be proud of, and the bother of it is I was proud of it, till I came to St. Paul's. But now I am so proud of St. Paul's I rather cease to be proud of Oxford, and I am rather up a tree and don't know which love I must turn to, but whether it is Oxford or whether it is London, I am quite sure that as I do my work or try to do my work as a churchman and a loyal English churchman, church bell ringers do their work, if they do it in a right spirit, and they make every bit as much of an offering to God as they are ringing the church bells, I am sure Mr. Coleridge will agree with me, as we clergy make, when we are visiting in our parish, or are conducting the service. We are a real brotherhood together (hear hear), and we really do rather depend upon each other. I know that at Sonning if they ever by mistake, which very rarely happened, rang a peal that was not absolutely perfect, I went into the church feeling all nerves, and therefore the bell ringers had a considerable amount to do with what kind of sermon I preached. Just imagine that; so it is all you fellows faults, if we preach bad sermons; it has nothing to do with us at all. So tomorrow for instance, I shall have to think of this really jolly meeting that we have got here to night, and I shall go away thoroughly cheered by this sense of brotherhood, that we have all got with regard to church bell ringing. Everybody seems to be taking a thoroughly pessimistic view of everybody else, and everything. We are all supposed to be going down hill, and we are all supposed to be at a very low ebb in England. I could'nt help thinking as I was sitting here at dinner to-night that you never hear that bellringing is doing anything but advancing, going on. Personally I don't believe for one moment there is the slightest need for all this pessimism. I suppose I am and I suppose I shall die an optimist. It is possible, of course, to be too much of a optimist, like that delightful American who was always seeing the best of everything, and who fell out of a window about fifteen or sixteen flights up, and as he passed the fourth floor he was heard to call out "all well so far" (laughter). That is carrying optimism rather far, but at the same time, whether it is true or whether it is false, bellringing is going ahead, and you never hear anybody who is saying that we are not doing better in fact than we were. I must say I almost became a pessimist when I told the Master just now what I remembered about Kidlington, and he really depressed me by saying "Oh, but you know that record has been beaten." It is very depressing indeed, but in spite of it all there is progress, and we are going on. Whether electricity is going to do anything with bellringing I do not know; whether the day will come when at St. Paul's Cathedral, Mr. Brown, who looks after me and takes care of me, and keeps me in my place, tells me what to do, and above all what not to do, whether he will press a button, and all our twelve bells will ring a merry peal or not, I do not know whether we have got that to look forward to, but at present wherever one looks, who ever one talks to about bellringing they always say how splendid he is doing and how well it is going on. It is an extraordinary change to come from a little village like Sonning-on-Thames to the centre of all Europe. There, in that little Thames valley, one could'nt help always thinking of the bells "Far away, like bells at evening pealing," and the soft and quiet of it all, and then this heavy clash and clatter that you get if you live in the Chapter House, as the bells of St. Paul's ring out. And then comes the thought

again of what you bellringers from the country, from the Provinces, and from London teach us, that you all ring us the same message, the brotherhood of country and town, the essential necessity in these days of London understanding the country and of the country understanding London, and the one way I honestly believe is by listening to the message that the bells have to teach us, that there is one great central point for everyone of us, and that is, if I may speak gravely for one moment, the one common God in Whose Honour we in London and in the country are all ringing (hear bear.) All things are possible if we believe that, with a right down honest enthusiasm. I have very much pleasure indeed in responding to this toast. I am afraid I have upset the evening rather, but the real truth is before I was asked to come here, I promised I would go off to Tottenham to address a working men's meeting, so I have got to catch a train and go off there. You know we are church workers as well as you (laughter). There is occasionally a little work for an Archdeacon of London to get through, and so I hope that you will not think, if I run away, it is from the slightest want of interest in our meeting, but it is merely to keep an old promise that I made. I would like to thank you very much for inviting me here to-night, and letting me bear my testimony to what I consider the real value to the Church of England of the Church of England bell ringers. May God bless you all (applause.)

(To be continued.)

WRINGTON, SOMERSETSHIRE.

All Saints' Day, 1911, will long be remembered in Wrington as marking the dedication of the four new treble bells to make a peal of ten, and the rehanging and retuning of the old peal of six. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the result leaves nothing to be desired. The bells are hung in two frames of iron. The top frame carries the treble, 3rd, 4th, 6th and 8th, and is mounted on three 12 in. by 6 in. steel girders built into the walls and carried also on stone corbels, and is very efficiently cross-braced; all the castings are of massive proportions, and are very well designed. The bottom frame carries the 2nd, 5th, 7th, 9th and tenor. This frame is naturally much heavier, and is mounted on four steel girders 16 in. by 6 in. built into the walls and also carried on stone corbels, and is very well crossed-braced. All the stocks are of cast iron, and are of improved design; the gudgeons and bearings are all of ample size; the bearing caps are somewhat out of the common, being provided with an extra side to protect the inside of the bearing and gudgeon from dust, and the bearings of the 9th and tenor are provided with syphon feed lubricators; these when filled take four hours to empty themselves, and hold rather more than a large egg cup of castor oil. All the rollers are provided with means of lubrication, and all are fitted with bronze bushes running on turned and ground steel pins. The clapper tops are also provided with easy means of lubrication, special holes being drilled for the purpose on the cross member of the clapper. The whole job is on thorough engineering lines, the go, the tone and the clappering being all that could be desired. A double floor has been provided under the bottom of the bells, and the spaee filled up with silicate of cotton.

The church on the opening day was filled long before the time appointed for the service, 3.0 p.m. The dedication ceremony was performed by the Lord Bishop of the diocese, the clergy present including the Ven. Archdeacon of Bath, the Rev. Preb. Vaughan (rural dean), Rev. G. M. Lambrick, Rev. G. M. Ashdon, Rector of Wrington, donor of the 3rd bell, together with Mrs. Ashdown, Preb. Hayes Robinson, Preb. Gilbert Smith, Rev. R. H. Edwards (Burrington), Rev. C. E. Browne, D.D. (Burcombe), Rev. C. Hartley (Cleeve), Rev. T. Dowling (Weston Super Mare), Rev. J. W. Allcock acted as Bishop's Chaplain. Amongst the large congregation were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wills, donors of the treble and 2nd, Mr. Egerton Harrison, donor of the 4th, Mrs. Richardson, of Langford Court, Mrs. C. L. F. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hesse, Mrs. J. H. B. Hesse, Dr. and Mrs. Bristowe, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Organ, Mr. and Mrs. Bethel, Mr. Phillott (Cheltenham), Mr. W. Baber (Claverham), and Miss Baber, Mrs. and the Misses Biggs, Mr. Boucher (Clevedon), Mrs. H. W. Collins (Haslemere), Miss Christie, Miss Connor, Mr. F. Cole, Mrs. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Goodfellow, Mr. and Mrs. Hewett. Mrs. Hardwick, Mrs. and the Misses Lucas, Mrs. Lock, Miss Organ, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Robinson, Mrs. Tyssen, Mr. and Mrs. Thatcher, Mrs. W. Walters and the Misses Walters, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wood, Mrs. Hamilton. Mr. T. Williams (Blagdon), Mr. and Mrs. Peebles, Mrs. de Courcy Lyons (Combe Down), Mr. and Mrs. Bath (Glastonbury), Mr. Cotgrave, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Gill (Exmouth), Mrs. F. E. Lawder, Mr. William Lane, Mr. Browning, Mr. James Chidgey, Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Wood.

The church was decorated and the service was of a most impressive character, and the musical part reflected great credit upon the choir and organist, Mr. F. P. Wheeldon, F.R.C.O. While the congregation was assembling Mr. Wheeldon played the Grand Solemn March and the Andantino in D Minor. Psalm cl. "O Praise God in His Holiness," was sung to a setting by Stanford, and the appropriate hymn "Lifted high within the steeple" was sung to Smart's beautiful tune. After this the dedication ceremony was performed by the Bishop, who proceeded in procession to the tower. At this point the following ringers proceeded to the tower. F. G. May, W. Towndon, C. H. Gordon, W. Knight. W. Stowell, G. T. Daltry, H. Howell, J. H. B. Hesse, J. Burford, I. Long, and rang a plain course of Stedman Caters, all being members of the Bath and Wells Association. The Lord Bishop gave an appropriate address, and reminded all that both rich and poor had given to this most worthy work. Amongst the ringers present were Mr. and Mrs. Gillingham, Portishead, who both took part in the ringing, Mr. Phillott (Cheltenham), Mr. Shepherd (Wolverhampton), Mr. Coles (Bridgwater), the Messrs. Court, Yatton and others. At 6.0 p.m. a very substantial meat tea was provided for the visiting and local ringers, including all those who had been ringers in the parish in past years, and all were ably waited on by Mrs. Ashdown, Mrs. J. H. B. Hesse, Mrs. Walter Wigan, and Mrs. Vincent Wood. During the evening touches of Stedman Caters, Grandsire Caters and Treble Bob Royal were brought round. The local ringers, Messrs. F. W. Nipper, G. Collins, E. Andow, D. Wood, A. Lane, W. Perry, also took part in the ringing in a most crediable manner. Messrs. Mears and Stainbank were well represented by Mr. Hughes, Mr. A. Hughes, and last, but by no means least, those who hung the bells, Messrs. H Hutchins, J. Thomas, and H. Browning. All the ringers present were unanimous in their praise of the peal and the excellent go and tone and the perfect way in which the bells had been tuned and clappered, all the old bells having been slightly flattened. The front five bells are by Mears and Stainbank, the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th by Bilbie, of Chew Stoke, and the tenor by Mears and Staiubank.

At 9 30 p.m. the brake arrived to take the Bristol company back to Yatton Station. This brought to its close a very happy day and one that will long be remembered by the inhabitants of Wrington parish and that will never be forgotten. J. H. B. H.

Correspondence.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

SIR,—Allow me to point out that Mr. Geo. Cross' peal of Double Norwich in your last issue is false, as the first course repeats with the fifteenth. Would it not be possible to have peals proved before publication? Five minutes is sufficient in a case like this one. So many peals are published and subsequently found to be false, when a few minutes work beforehand would have prevented publication and the consequent annoyance to all concerned. ARTHUR B. CARPENTER.

BOB MAJOR COMPOSITION.

Mr. Price seems to be talking of Bob Royal instead of Bob Major. In your issue of September 30th a 5024 is published which anyone can easily see is upon a plan which has been known to composers for years. It is impossible to get any new plan of peal with the calls W B M H, and Mr. Trollope is quite right when he says that all the best peals are published. Only peals upon a new plan can be called original, but Bob Major is about "worked out." W. SHEPHERD.

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.— Meeting for practice will be held at St. John's. Hackney, on November 21st; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 23rd; and St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th. St. Magnus at 7.30, the others at 8 p.m.

A district meeting will be held at St. Mary, Walthamstow, on December 2nd, at 4 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society—Established 1824.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, November 25th, at St. Marys, Lewisham. Tower open from 4 p.m to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. Canon Rivington), at Putney, to-day, Sat., November 18th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea will be provided at 8d. each in the Mission House at 6 o'clock.

H. C. CHANDLER, *Hon. Sec.*
Church Road, Heston.

The Essex Association.—South-Eastern District.—The annual meeting will be held at Brentwood to-day, Saturday, November 18th. Bells at 4. Short service at 5.30. Tea in the Church House at 6, 6d. to members, 1s. 6d. others. All who wish for tea kindly notify me not later than the first post 15th inst.

HENRY F. COOPER, *Dis. Sec.*

The Lancashise Association.—Rochdale Branch. — The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Milnrow on Saturday, November 25th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW, *Branch Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Horninglow on Saturday, November 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Business meeting at 5.

HARRY WAKLEY, Local Hon. Sec.

Sussex County Association. — Central Division.—Next meeting to be held at Aldrington, on Saturday, November 25th, Tower open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 at The Railway hotel, 6d. each, to those who let me know by Tuesday. November 21st.

ROBERT J. DAWE, Div. Hon. Sec.
Southover, Alfriston Road, Seaford.

Dudley and Districts Guild.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at St. Luke's, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. on Saturday, December 2nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, Hon. Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 9th. Tower open at 3.30. Business meeting 6 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, Hon. Sec.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

VISIT TO MESSRS. GILLETT AND JOHNSTON'S FOUNDRY.—On Saturday last, the members of the above Association and friends, to the number of about 250, visited the Croydon foundry at the invitation of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, and spent a most profitable and interesting afternoon in an inspection of the well equipped bell foundry, clock manufactory, and workshops generally. One of the chief objects of interest was the peal of ten bells the firm has just completed for St. Peter's church, Wolverhampton. With a 34 cwt. tenor, and a total weight of some 6¼ tons, all accurately tuned upon the Simpson principle, the peal was the admiration of all, the rich tone being especially appreciated. The peal was shown fully equipped with all ringing fittings and hung in the steel and iron frame as it will be in the tower. The frame has been constructed for twelve bells, and there is every possibility that the two additional trebles will be added now, and thus complete what will be found a very noble ring of twelve.

A recast peal of six, also complete with fittings and frame, for Durweston church, Dorset, was also shown. This peal has a tenor of 10 cwt., and is being restored by the generosity of Lord Portman.

Other peals under process of restoration were shown, amongst them being those for Bishop Auckland, Crewe, Cheshunt, Barcombe, Beachampton, and Holwell parish churches, whilst the firm reported bell contracts in hand for Beachampton, Greenock, Tarrant Keynston, Egham, and other churches.

In the turret clock department many clocks were shown in various stages of progress. Amongst them we may mention large clocks for South Petherwyn (Cornwall); Littleham (South Devon); Walton-on-the-Hill (Surrey); Tarrant Keynston (Dorset); also a very large "ting-tang" clock for Buenos Ayres with four 9 feet-6 inch dials; and six tower clocks for Brazil. Following the inspection of the works, the company assembled in the foundry, and witnessed the casting of two bells for Holwell church. This proved a most interesting event, and formed a most fitting climax to a most enjoyable afternoon. Amongst those accepting invitations were Canon Wilson, Mr. H. C. Reading, Rev. —. Jebb, Rev. Bainbridge-Hall, Rev. A. Reeve, Rev. G. F. Coleridge, Crowthorne; Rev. E. Greenhill, Walton-on-the Hill: Mr. P. Sylvester, Dr. Carpenter, Mr. J. S. Daniels, Mr. F. Bennett, Mr. C. Dean, Mr. G. Watson St. Leonards, Mr. Gibson, Wolverhampton, and Mr. Holding, Crewe.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A very successful meeting of the Blackburn branch was held at Colne parish church on Saturday, November 11th, the Rector, the Rev. S. P. Duval, presiding, Three new members, two belonging to Colne, and one to St. Peter's, Burnley, were proposed. It was proposed to hold the next branch meeting at St. Peter's, Burnley, on December 11th. A proposition was carried to attempt a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major at Todmorden on December 2nd. Mr. Watson mentioned that this being the birthday of Mr. Heaton, of Colne, he was only voicing the feeling of his brother-ringers in wishing Mr. Heaton many happy returns of the day, having attained his 79th birthday. In supporting this Mr. Redman said that without the presence of Mr. Heaton at the branch meetings, there always seemed to be short of someone.

Mr. Heaton, in replying, said that he had been connected with the Colne bells for sixty years, and that he was glad to be amongst them again, feeling better since his recent illness, and hoped to ring a peal of Stedman Triples with the Blackburn lads soon.

Mr. Redman proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector and wardens for the use of the bells, also the local ringers for having all in perfect order.

After the meeting the bells were kept merrily going to the tune of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major till 9 p.m.

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

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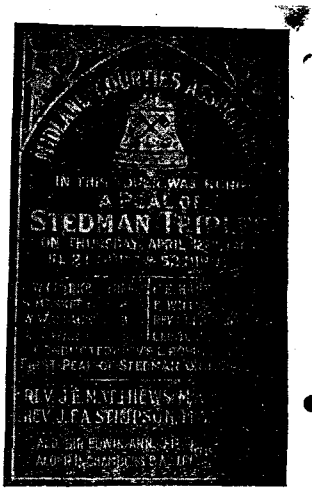

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1911.

The greatest ringing festival in the world is the Annual Dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths. On Saturday last the 274th Anniversary Dinner was held in London, and as will be seen in another column we are giving our readers a full report of the speeches delivered. So important a gathering necessitates a complete chronicle, and the report is year by year read with interest by Ringers all over the world. The gathering last week was quite up to the standard, and there was a representative assembly of the world's greatest ringers. The brotherliness which characterizes meetings of men all interested in the same work was fully manifest. The Archdeacon of London touched the right chord when he declared that ringers are quite as much Church Workers as are the Clergy. Sir Arthur Heywood struck the warning note of the opposition of Ringers to Church Disestablishment. The Rev. G. F. Coleridge was full of anecdotes relating to ringers, and all the speeches were in happy vein. This annual gathering does more than anything we know of to cement the bond of fellowship existing among ringers, and we re-echo the hope expressed by Sir Arthur Heywood that such gatherings may long continue to be held.

THE EDWARD CASH APPEAL.

Will those friends who have kindly had Draw Tickets on behalf of Edward Cash please return money and duplicates to the Secretaries at their earliest convenience, and oblige the committee.—Charles Cash, Samuel Greenhalgh, Secretaries.

The Metropolis.

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

On Wednesday, November 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

FREDERICK DAVIS	*Treble.*	EDWIN F. PIKE	5.
WILLIAM HEWETT	2.	*HENRY J. RANZETTA	6.
FRANK HAIES	3.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	7.
J. ARMIGER TEOLLOPE	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by J. E. DAVIS.

*First peal in the method.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, November 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.

ARTHUR J. NEALE	*Treble.*	HAROLD W. CLARK	5.
REUBEN SANDERS	2.	ROBERT E. STAVERT	6.
THOMAS CRANFIELD	3.	ALBERT W. COLES	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	CHARLES J. CLARK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT W. COLES.

First peal as conductor. Rung on the coming of age of Miss E. E. Neale, daughter of the ringer of the treble. C. J. Clark is home on a visit from Canada.

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

On Friday, November 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15¾ cwt. 7 lbs.

CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES	*Treble.*	JAMES SCHOLES	5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2.	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD	6.
HENRY T. GOWLETT	3.	WILLIAM TRUSS	7.
WALTER G. MATTHEWS	4.	FREDK. J. HARDY	*Tenor.*

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, CLEMENT DANES, STRAND,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5029 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT	*Treble.*	WILLIAM PYE	6.
JOHN J. LAMB	2.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT	7.
WILLIAM J. KEMP	3.	REUBEN SANDERS	8.
ISAAC G. SHADE	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	9
HARRY J. RANZETTA	5.	ALBERT W. COLES	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE RESIDENCE OF MR. RILEY, 9, SOUTH ROAD, NEW NORTH ROAD, N.,

A PEAL OP STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD	1-2.	GEORGE R. PYE	7-8.
WILLIAM PYE	3-4.	ERNEST PYE	9-10.
BERTRAM PREWETT	5-6.	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD	11-12.

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

Umpire—A. W. Coles.

The Provinces.

LEADENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Reverse College Single and Oxford Bob, and three 720s of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt. 9 lbs.

RICHARD W. PORTER	*Treble.*	CHARLES ELSE	4.
CHARLES W. BAINES*	2.	JOSEPH NORTH	5.
CALEB L. SIMCOCK*	3.	GEORGE SCOTT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE SCOTT.

*First peal.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, CHANGES.

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HARRY M. KEBBY	*Treble.*	JOHN PERRY	5.
FREDK. RIDGWELL	2.	GEORGE E. WILSON	6.
EDWARD BENDIX	3.	HENRY T. WILSON	7.
WILLIAM DUDLEY	4.	WILLIAM H. JUDD	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by W. H. JUDD.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mr. Harry Garon, of Prittlewell. This is G. E. Wilson's 50th peal, a list of which appears next week.

TIBENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Netherseale Surprise, Sandiacre Pleasure, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, College Single. and Double Court. Tenor 20 cwt.

CLARENCE GOOCH	*Treble.*	FREDK. MANSER	4.
JOHN SNELLING	2.	GEORGE SNELLING	5.
BERTIE TURNER	3,	FREDK. SEAGER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

SMETHWICK, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE OLD CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TEN-PART.

J. HERBERT BINFIELD	*Treble.*	EDMUND JAS. HYLAND	5.
MISS SARAH PIGOTT	2.	JOSEPH PIGOTT	6.
WALTER PIGOTT	3.	GEORGE PIGOTT	7.
ALFRED THOS. HYLAND	4.	HORACE HOWELL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH PIGOTT.

First peal in the method on the bells, and by all the band.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S SIX-PART (No. 16). Tenor 14 cwt.

JAMES WYATT	*Treble.*	JOHN CRAWFORD	5.
JOHN HOYLE	2.	*RICHARD KENDALL	6.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT	3.	WILLIAM COOK	7.
JOHN WYATT	4.	GEORGE COOK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

*First peal in the method. Rung in honour of the 21st birthday of F. Haseman, jun., son of the verger at the above church.

NOCTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

WALTER WILLEY .. ..*Treble.*	HARVEY BOWCOCK .. .. 4.
JOHN SEMPER .. .. .. 2.	CHARLES SEMPER .. .. 5.
EDWARD R. SEMPER .. 3.	FREDK. W. STOKES .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. W. STOKES.

CRADLEY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent, Oxford, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob, and Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

FREDK. SMITH .. .. ..*Treble.*	DAVID HORNE .. .. .. 4.
ERNEST GIBBS .. .. .. 2.	ARTHUR HADLEY .. .. 5.
CHARLES HORNE .. .. 3.	WILLIAM SHORT.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR HADLEY.

Quickest peal on the bells.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, November 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s; i. Hereward, Double and Single Oxford; ii. Double and Single Court; iii. Double and Single Bob; iv. College Single; v. Sandal and Oxford Treble Bob; vi. Cambridge Surprise; vii. Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

R. HUGH RICHARDSON ..*Treble.*	C. WILLIAM SMITH .. .. 4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES .. 2.	*WILLIAM RICHARDSON .. 5.
REV. C. J. STURTON* .. 3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal in twelve methods.

DIBDEN, HANTS.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S 10-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

HENRY J. MARTIN* .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM CHAMBERS, JUN. 5.
WILLIAM J. RYVES .. .. 2.	WILLIAM RAWLINGS.. .. 6.
GEORGE CLASBY* .. .. 3.	GEORGE WILLIAMS .. .. 7.
HERBERT PAYNE .. .. 4.	JACK CURTIS .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

*First peal. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and tenor belong to the local band.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 8, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN-THE-MARTYR,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JESSE B. TYLER .. ..*Treble.*	REV. C. CAREW COX .. 6.
REV. E. V. COX .. .. 2.	WILLIAM KNIGHT .. .. 7.
GEORGE CONDICK, JUN. .. 3.	THOMAS KING .. .. .. 8.
EDWIN J. RIDLER .. .. 4.	JOHN A. BURFORD .. .. 9.
HARRY BROWNJOHN .. .. 5.	GEORGE SEWARD .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lbs. in A flat.

WILLIAM IRELAND .. ..*Treble.*	THOMAS FORD, JUN. .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. .. 6.
CHARLES MILLS.. .. .. 3.	CLEMENT J. MORE .. .. 7.
JOHN SOUTER .. .. .. 4.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD ..*Tenor.*

Composed by EDGAR WIGHTMAN, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

Rung as a birthday peal for Thomas Ford, jun., who was 16 on November 4th; and it was his 16th peal, and first rung away from home.

CODDENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qrs. 2 lbs. in A flat.

JAMES MOTTS .. .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM IRELAND .. .. 5.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 2.	CLEMENT J. MORE .. .. 6.
CHARLES MILLS .. .. .. 3.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD .. 7.
THOMAS FORD, JUN. .. .. 4.	JOHN SOUTER .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by TOM LOCKWOOD, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

HINGHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

ROBERT E. CHICHESTER ..*Treble.*	GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 5.
FREDK. KNIGHTS .. .. 2.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN.. .. 6.
BERTIE J. HOWCHIN* .. 3.	FREDK. R. BORRETT.. .. 7.
CHARLES E. BORRETT .. 4.	GEORGE WHITEHAND ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. R. BORRETT.

First peal in the method on the bells. *First peal in the method.

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

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

On Thursday, November 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt. in F.

WILLIAM MOTTS .. ..*Treble.*	HENRY C. GILLINGHAM .. 5.
WILLIAM P. GARRETT .. 2.	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY .. 6.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON 3.	JAMES MOTTS .. .. .. 7.
WILLIAM J. NEVARD.. .. 4.	CHARLES CRAPNELL.. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

SPELDHURST, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 10, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE THOMPSON .. ..*Treble.*	GEORGE TURLEY .. .. 5.
HERBERT MARKWELL .. 2.	JAMES MAYNARD .. .. 6.
STEPHEN PERKINS .. .. 3.	CHARLES CHAPMAN .. .. 7.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE.. 4.	WILLIAM LATTER .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by WILLIAM HARRISON, and Conducted by WM. LATTER.

For calling see K.C.A. Report for 1908, peal No. 1296. This is the Rev. F. J. O. Hemore's 170th peal, and was arranged for him as he was visiting Speldhurst rectory at the invitation of Miss Leny, who wished him to pay them another visit before the Rector and Mrs. Mackinnon and Miss Leny leave Speldhurst.

KETTERING, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

DAVID J. NICHOLS	*Treble.*	ARTHUR E. PAYNE	5.
GEORGE FARROW	2.	ALBERT V. INNS	6.
WILLIAM G. MACE	3.	CHARLES W. BIBD	7.
EDWARD CHAPMAN	4.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLS.

First peal and first attempt by Messrs. Farrow and Mace. Fiftieth peal by Messrs. Nicbols and Sawfoot.

KELSALE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 16½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE HARDY	*Treble.*	ERNEST S. BAILEY	5.
JAMES M. BAILEY	2.	FREDK. J. SMITH	6.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	3.	NORMAN R. BAILEY	7.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	4.	EDGAR H. BAILEY	*Tenor*

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

BRADFORD-ON-AVON.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

F. C. RICH*†	*Treble.*	H. W. BROWN	5.
A. K. HARRISON	2.	C. W. BILL	6.
S. J. HECTOR	3.	T. F. KING	7.
G. H. HARDING	4.	†L. P. SMITH, †F. J. MOORE*	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. H. HARDING.

*First peal of Triples. ‡First peal. †Elected members before starting.

LITTLE COMBERTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Plain Bob, and one each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, and Grandsire.

HARRY COLLEY	*Treble.*	FREDK. JORDAN	4.
THOMAS EDWIN	2.	HENRY MIDDLETON	5.
JAMES HEMMING	3.	HERBERT SALISBURY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. SALISBURY.

First peal as conductor. First peal in six methods on the bells. First peal on the bells for fourteen years.

TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

SAMUEL REEVES	*Treble.*	DAN JONES	5.
WILLIAM R. SMALL	2.	JAMES E. GROVES	6.
JOHN CAREER	3.	HERBERT KNIGHT	7.
WILLIAM H. GODDEN	4.	JOHN SMITH	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by JOHN CARTER.

Farther reference next week.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.

THE TOWCESTER AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars Pleasure, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent.

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EDWIN YATES	3.	CECIL A VALENTINE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CECIL A. VALENTINE.

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(MARLBOROUGH BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

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LOUIS A. WILSON	*Treble.*	GEORGE LANCASTER	5.
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ROBERT W, HYNER	3.	ERNEST BISHOP	7.
CHARLES J. GARDINER	4.	W. SAMUEL LAWRENCE	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by ROBERT W. HYNER.

Rung after short for Bob Major. G. Lancaster was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting.

FRODSHAM, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs. in F sharp.

WILLIAM BIBBY	*Treble.*	GEORGE R. NEWTON	5.
EDWIN H. LEWIS	2.	HENRY W. WILDE	6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON	3.	JAMES MORGAN	7.
ROBERT SPERRING	4.	HARRY CHAPMAN	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by E. H. LEWIS.

This is the first on the bells since the addition of two trebles to complete the octave.

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(MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Woobine. St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 6½ cwt.

JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM	*Treble.*	HORACE J. MANSFIELD	4.
GEORGE H. NEVILLE	2.	CHARLES J. MANN	5.
FREDK. WHITE	3.	FRED CHALK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. D. BUCKINGHAM.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE,

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 17 cwt.

ALBERT H. WARD	*Treble.*	J. CHARLES DICEEN	5.
NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON	2.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	6.
ERNEST J. OLIVER	3.	CHARLES E. HART	7.
CHARLES DRAPER	4.	WILLIAM TAYLOR	*Tenor*

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

The band wish to thank the Rector for the use of the bells. *50th peal.

BRANT BROUGHTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 23 cwt. 2 qrs. 26 lbs.

PERCIVAL J. STOKES ..	*Treble.*	*GEORGE SCOTT	4.
FREDK. W. STOKES	2.	JOHN CRAGG	5.
ARTHUR MACKEARS	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. W. STOKES.

First peal in seven methods on the bells. *First peal in seven methods.

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5000 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

ALGERNON P. G. STONE*	*Treble.*	EDWARD I. STONE	6.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD	2.	ALBERT P. WAKLEY ..	7.
HARRY WAKLEY	3.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	8.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY ..	4.	GEORGE ROBINSON	9.
GEORGE BULL	5.	WILLIAM WILLSON ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

*First peal on ten bells. Rung on the occasion of the society's annual outing.

CHEPSTOW, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

JOHN J. JONES	*Treble.*	CHARLES GREEDY	5.
JESSE GILLETT	2.	JOHN BUTLER	6.
JOHN AUSTIN	3.	JOHN W. DAVIES	7.
ARTHUR E. MORGAN	4.	GEORGE CONDICK, SEN.	*Tenor.*

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KINGSLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WERBURGH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of London Scholars' Pleasure, Norwich, Killamarsh Surprize, Violet, Duke of York, Woodbine and Oxford.

EDWARD BRADSHAW ..	*Treble.*	ERNEST TIGWELL	4.
WILLIAM WHEELDON ..	2.	HENRY CARNWELL	5.
JOHN ENOCH WHEELDON	3.	ISAAC MORETON	*Tenor*

Conducted by HENRY CARNWELL.

The above ringers take this opportunity of thanking the local men for their hospitality.

WORCESTER.—On Sunday, November 12th, for Divine Service at St. Helen's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. Hinton, sen., G. Hinton, jun., J. Morris, B. Hill, W. Banks, A. Hill, conductor, W. H. Johnson, J. Hill. First quarter-peal by the ringers of the 2nd and 5th.

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AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob, Grandsire, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob.

Tenor 8 cwt.

WILLIAM POWELL	*Treble.*	ERNEST GIBES	4.
ANDREW LAYTON	2.	*E. W. TURNER	5.
CHARLES LAYTON	3.	GEORGE JORDAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES LAYTON.

*First peal,

SOUTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent, and three of Plain Bob.

Tenor 8½ cwt.

GEORGE PIPES	*Treble.*	ARTHUR KENWORTHY ..	4.
JOHN HALL	2.	THOMAS STIMPSON	5.
JOHN BROOK	3.	FRED WATKINSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by FRED WATKINSON.

Rung in honour of the silver wedding of Mr. W. Booth, one of the local band.

BADSEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17 cwt.

FRANK COOK	*Treble.*	FREDK. JORDAN	5.
HERBERT JORDAN	2.	JAMES HEMMING	6.
FRANK MOSS*	3.	HARRY MIDDLETON	7.
THOMAS EDWIN	4.	†ARTHUR KEYTE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY MIDDLETON.

*First peal. †First peal on eight bells. Quickest peal on the bells. The ringer of the 3rd was proposed a member previous to starting.

Handbell Peal.

CAMBRIDGE.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday, November 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE PRESIDENT'S ROOMS, TRINITY, COLLEGE,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION.

REV. A. H. BOUGHEY ..	1-2.	REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	5-6.
E. MAURICE ATKINS ..	3-4.	REV. B. H. T. DRAKE ..	7-8.

Composed by J. FLEMING, and
Conducted by the REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON.

Umpire—W. D. James. *50th peal, also first peal of Treble Bob in hand.

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CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

Saturday last was a red letter day for the above village, it being the occasion of the dedication (by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese) of the new Coronation Memorial Bell, recently added to complete the peal to six in the old church tower. The new bell was cast and hung by Bowell & Son.

The cost has been defrayed by subscriptions of the parishioners, friends, and ringers of the neighbourhood, and a grant from the funds in the hands of the Vicar and churchwardens, left by the late Misses Tuck. Ringers began to gather at the church by 1 p.m., and from that time till the hour fixed for commencing the service the musical tones of the bells could be heard throughout the country side, many choice touches being rung. Upwards of 60 members of the Norwich Association were present representing the following towers: Norwich, Beccles, Bungay, Ipswich, Southwold, Halesworth, Wenhaston, Wrentham, Chediston, Wissett, Westhal, Rumburgh, Huntingfield, Bramfield, Wingfield, Kelsale, and Saxmundham. The service commenced at 3.30, by which hour the church was crowded, chairs having to be placed in the west end. The special form of service for such occasions was used, the prayers being read by the Vicar, the lesson by the Rev. W. Linton Wilson, and the dedication ceremony impressively performed by the Bishop, after which a short touch was rung by Messrs. Hopson, Lambert, Bowell, Pratt, Crane, and Ruth. Appropriate hymns were sung, including "When morning gilds the skies," "O praise ye the Lord," and "How solemnly the bells ring out," the latter having been composed by Mrs. Upcher. Mr. R. H. Morgan presided at the harmonium. and the choir was augmented by 16 juvenile members of the Halesworth Church Choir, 12 of whom were Church Scouts, and under Scout Supt. Crosby, formed a guard of honour before and after the service.

The Bishop based an excellent address upon Psalm lxxix., 14, "We Thy people will give Thee thanks for ever and ever and show forth Thy praise from generation to generation." He said it was a very real pleasure to him to be present on that great day in their Parish. More than once they had been disappointed in arranging that day, but by the goodness of God it had come and they had met together in His house to praise Him. He acknowledged the kindness of the employers in the parish in allowing their men time off to take part in the Service. In the course of his sermon the Bishop read the following letter which Rev. A. R. Upcher had received from Buckingham Palace on the 8th of Nov.:—"Dear Sir, I am commanded to thank you for your letter of the 6th Nov., giving an account of the Bell erected in the Tower at Chediston Church in celebration of the Coronation, which is to be dedicated by the Bishop of Norwich on Saturday next. I am further commanded to convey to you and the people of Chediston the expression of their Majesties' thanks for the good wishes contained in your letter. Yours very faithfully, STAMFORDHAM." A good collection was taken at the close in aid of the Bell Fund.

After the service the Clergy, Ringers and other friends were entertained to tea in the Schoolroom. Several touches of Treble Bob, Plain, and Grandsire were brought round. The towers of Halesworth and Wissett were also visited.

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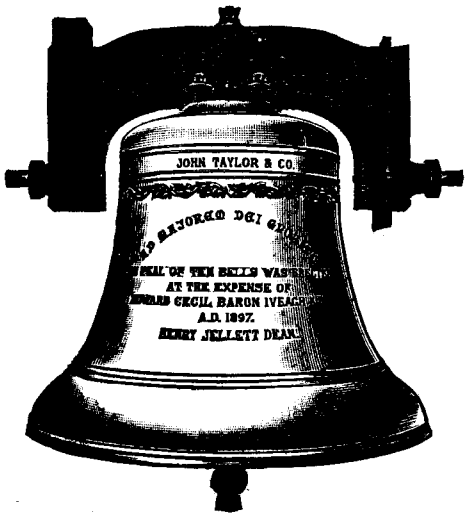

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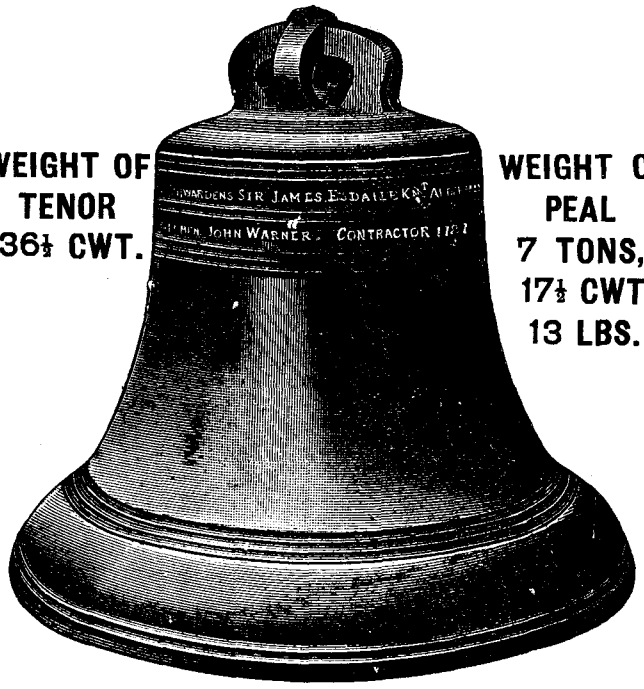

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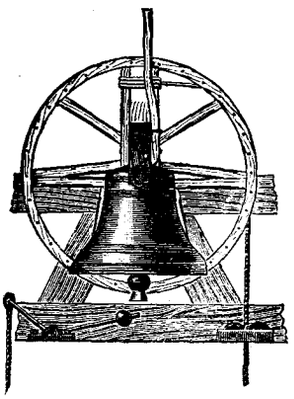

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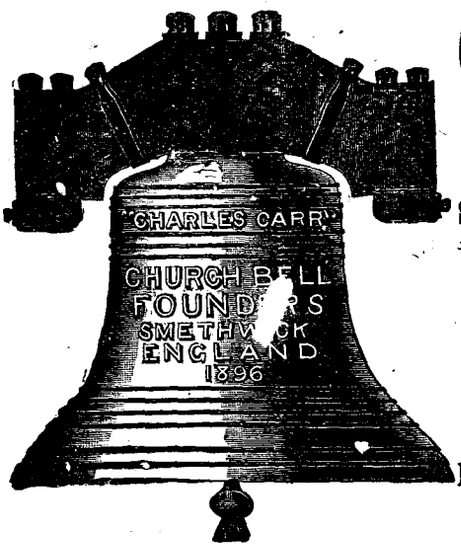

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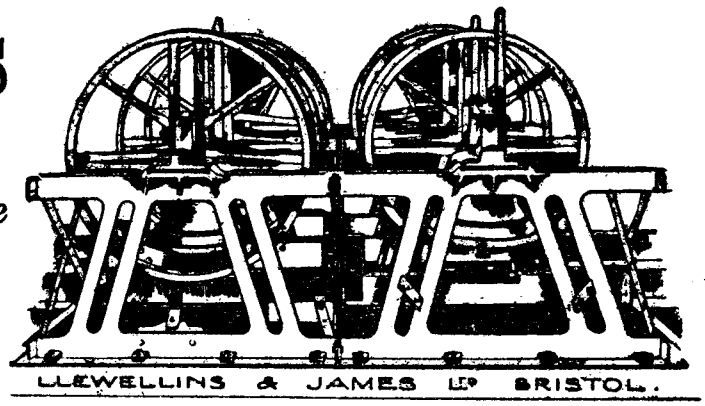

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THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Central Committee was held at the house of the Hon. Secretary, The Precincts. Canterbury, on Saturday, November 18th, the Rev. P. A. L. Clarke, Master of Eastbridge Hospital, and Rector of St. Alphege, Canterbury, in the chair. It was decided to hold the Annual Meeting on Whitsun Monday, May 27th. 1912, at Westerham. Messrs. P. Hodgkin (Headcorn), and Willis (Canterbury), were re-appointed to serve on the Committee for three years. From the Belfry Repairs Fund grants of £5 5s. were made to St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham, £3 3s. to St. John's, Deptford, £3 3s. to All Saints, Eastchurch, and £3 3s. to St. Margaret's, Rainham, to be increased to £5 5s, if the scheme to add two trebles to complete the octave be carried out.

An interesting paper was read by Mr. C. H. Drake (Ospringe), on the subject of "Divine Service at District Meetings." The Committee decided to recommend that, where convenient, a short service should be held on the occasion of District Meetings, and authorised the chairman and Hon. Secretary to draw up a Form of Service for use on such occasions, "to be approved by the Ordinary." The question of an address at the service was left to be settled locally.

After tea short touches of Stedman and Grandsire Caters, a course of Kent Treble Bob Royal, and a course of Superlative were rung on the Cathedral bells.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the South-Eastern District was held at Brentwood on Saturday, November 18th, and those braving the elements included the Rev. H. T. W. Eyre; Secretary, Mr. C. H. Howard, Master, Mr. A. Edwards District Master, Mr. H. F. Cooper, District Secretary, and members from Boreham, Romford, Bentley, and Widford. The bells were set going about 4.30 to Bob Minor. Then a course of Kent Treble Bob Minor and Grandsire Triples, the local steeplekeeper being on the tenor for the first time. A short servico was held, at which part of the Association's form of service was introduced. Tea was served owing to the small number being present, at 131, High Street, eleven sitting down, Mr. C. Howard in the chair. Tea being over the minutes of the Burnham-on-Crouch meeting were passed and signed by the chairman. The retiring officers were unanimously re-elected, and Springfield was selected for the next meeting. This ended the business.

The Rev. H. T. Eyre most heartily thanked the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for the short service he conducted.

Mr. Howard seconded, and suggested the towers of Brentwood, Bentley, South Weald, and later on Shenfield should unite and form a small Association, and meet regularly for united practice. If this could be done he was sure change-ringing would soon become popular in the district.

Mr. Harris, for Brentwood, said he would do all he conld and get his ringers if possible to fall in with the idea Mr. Rainbird, of Bentley, said he had a company who rang Stedman Doubles, and thought this was the only five-bell tower in Essex that could do this. He promised to do all he could towards encouraging the art in the district, and arrange united practices if possible.

Those members who had an early train to catch then adjourned to the tower and rang a 360 of Kent Treble Minor, and with a local ringer on the treble and tenor, a 6-score of Grandsire Doubles was also rung.

SPADE-WORK.

By Wiser Rutherwize.

As a "townie" I know all about spade-work. My little cabbage patch is dotted all over with little bits of green. The missus says that she wont cook-em because they are no good; they're got the fli; but then what do women know about spade-work. I do know something, that is why I am a strong advocate of others getting back to the land. That last phrase must be used only in a single sense, though not individual. What I wish to write about is, not scratching the face of Mother Earth, but digging into the uncultivated ground of the campanastanean art, I have, really I have, done a little spade work—on the land—also I have blunted my spade. cudgled my brains, and blistered my hands in doing spade-work among ringing centres. And, alas. I know how thankless the task is. You spend hours upon hours is a belfry, trying to put the elementary principles of ringing into heads that are oft-times thicker, and much more hollow than the towers in which we ring. Then, when you have thoroughly planted the rudiments of our scientific art into the virgin soil, you are wanted elsewhere. Mr. Peal-Snatcher then steps in, runs the bells into rounds at 5040, gets the praise, while you, poor old spade-worker, are toiling away at other thick skulls.

Again, Mr. Srade-worker wanting to keep his band together for service-ringing, spends weary hours in his own belfry with lashed bells, handbells, open bells (no time for other belles), endeavouring to teach a few young men.

They get on, and wishing to give some little encouragement, he arranges with one or two others, and a peal is rung. Foolish man.

Having seen that there are ssme new peal-ringers, Mr. Conducted-by-Myself comes along, and invariably these young men are lost to old Spade-worker.

Saturdays go first; then Sunday jaunts to other towers, and these young men, instead of becoming Church-workers, become Sabbath-breakers and Church desecrators. The only hope is that these young men will get married, and return to their first love. There are also some cranks who have had the impudence to do some Spade-work in our science. Poor old Stedman was the first noticeable individual to handle the spade. Whether he observed the proper method, or only used the spade on principle, I'm not going to say, but I know that he and his disciples are blamed because big pre-Reformation bells were cast down

to make lighter rings of a greatea number. Lately, I mean since "B.N." has been started, a number of spade workers have been turning up the earth—I mean figures—to shew us what is a dodge, place, B and P block, Q set, until they have set the ordinary individual in the inverted home position, and made him hunt in such a fog that confusion has to him become worse confounded.

Mr. I Composed—it has winked his eye. He has let Mr. Spade-worker be called a crank; but he has got out his composition from the results of the spade-work, and lo! the wreath of laurels fall on Mr. I Composed-It.

My pen runs on. Why! I had nearly written "Give honour to whom honour is due," but that is against all our present moral laws. I had nearly written "Look around." But why should you? Where ignorance is blsss, wisdom only cometh through bitter experience.

You of this age shall not honour your spade-worker, but when the glamour of this age shall be shorn by Father Time, the historian will show how, when, and where the foundations were laid, and to the spade-worker shall belong the glory that is immortal.

"A FAIRY."

See "BELL NEWS" of November 11th, where is given an account of ringing at Raunds, the tenor being rung by A FAIRY.

I hear thee speak of a place called Raunds,
And ask where on earth it can be?
Is it where the brightness of morning dawns
O'er the banks of a silvery sea?

Is it down in the depths of forest afar,
Away from the evils of men,
Where bluebells robe to the evening star,
And moonlight illumines the glen?

Is it where the sweetness of music unite
With the voices of murmuring streams,
Where mermaids dance all the livelong night,
Or is it a region of dreams?

It may be on earth, where temptation doth dwell
(Though surely opinions may vary),
Just imagine your ringing the seventh bell,
While the tenor is rung by A Fairy! G.F.M.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO THE LATE MR. R. S. STORY, EX-PRESIDENT.

It was decided at a meeting of the above Association at Whitley Bay to raise a fund to commemorate the life-long work of their late President in connection with bells and belfry reform. Not only in the above two dioceses has his influence been felt, bnt we may say over the whole ringing world. For twenty years and more he was President of the Association, and it may be truthfully said that its present prosperity, and excellent position in regard to Diocesan and County Associations, is mainly due to his influence and energy.

The six bells he loved so well (St. Paul's, Whitley, Bay), and in which he rang as a Sunday ringer for twenty-six years, are now about to be recast and augmented to a peal of eight. Mr. T. T. Gofton (the leader of the ringers at Whitley), is giving the two extra bells, and the Whitley ringers (mostly Mr. Gofton's brothers), have subscribed £72 towards the recasting of the old six. Some nine years ago Mr. Story himself drew up the scheme which is now being carried out, but lack of funds prevented its furtherance at the time.

In these circumstances it is recognised that the most fitting memorial to our departed President, would be to help in this good work. The cost of recasting one bell will be £22 roughly estimated, and the proportionate cost towards a new frame, £10, making £32 in all.

We would appeal not only to all members of this Association, but also to Mr. Story's many other friends, to support a fund so eminently appropriate to the commemoration of the life of one who spent his best years for the good and welfare of his fellow-men.

The following were appointed to act as a Committee, and subscriptions will be gratefully received by them.

C. L. Routledge (President), 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne; T. T. Gofton, 11, Windsor Road, Monkseaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne: J. E. R. Keen, 88, Hotspur Street, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

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Mrs. C. L. Routledge	0	5	0

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT TIPTON.—(Reported last week).—This peal was Mr. W. R. Small's 100th peal in the method. Stedman Cinques 14, Caters 15, and Triples 71: it was also his 303rd peal on 8, 10, and 12 bells. It was rung on the eve of his 72nd birthday, at the conclnsion of which the whole band, after hearty handshaking, wished him the nsual compliments. It is gratifying to see him in such good health and still able to take his part in ringing a peal. During a social of a few hours, together with a few friends, the handbells were brought into use and courses of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung and several tunes played upon them. Altogether a very pleasant evening was spent. This is the first peal on the bells since rehanging by Messrs. Barwell, of Birmingham.

THE PEAL AT PRITTLEWELL.—(Reported last week).—This was George E. Wilsons's 50th peal, made up as follows: Grandsire Triples 5, conducted 1, Bob Triples 1, Stedman Triples 10, Bob Major 7, Kent Treble Bob Major 10, Double Norwich Major 6, Grandsire Caters 3, Stedman Caters 4, Bob Royal 1, Kent Treble Bob Royal 3.

THE PEAL AT BURTON-ON-TRENT.—A. P. Wakley's 50 peals.—Doubles in 3 methods 1, conducted 1, Oxford Treble Bob Minor 1, in 5 Minor methods 1, conducted 1, 6 methods 1, 7 methods 6, conducted 2, Grandsire Triples 1, conducted 1, Stedman Triples 21, conducted 3, Kent Treble Bob Major 1, Double Norwich Major 2, Duffield Major, 4 conducted 1, Superlative 4, Cambridge 1, New Cambridge 1, London 3, Stedman Caters 2. Total 50, conducted 9.

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THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

ANNIVERSARY DINNER.—(Continued.)

Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart., in proposing the toast "The Ancient Society of College Youths," said: I do not think there are many functions that I am asked to attend, and they are somewhat numerous, that are to me a source of greater pride and satisfaction than in attending the annual dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths (hear hear), and when to that is added the further honour of being asked to propose the toast of the evening I can only say that I take off my hat to you, and I am very grateful. I always look upon the Ancient Society of College Youths—although of course they are by no means the only, by no means the only good, by no means the only hardworking Society in England—yet the two centuries and three quarters or thereabouts that they have existed as a united body have probably done more to keep up the exercise of church bell ringing in this country than anything else that has supported it, and therefore upon this Society lies a peculiar responsibility. I have learned with immense satisfaction from your indefatigable Secretary of the successes of this past year. I suppose that the peal of London on the heavy ring of bells at Bow is one of the greatest performances that has been done by this many performanced Society (hear, hear); and I desire to testify to my sincere admiration of my friend Mr. Newton, who, through that peal, rang the tenor (applause). I have rung London, and I know very well that if I were to select the one method in which I would rather not ring a heavy tenor, that would be it. I would rather ring a tenor through Superlative, as I often have done, with its multitudinous dodging, than I would with those horrid jumpy end dodges in London. You never know were you are. It was a great performance, and I question whether you can put forward a performance that will equal it (hear, hear.) Then there is the Cambridge Maximus at Cornhill. I do not know Cambridge Maximus. Cambridge Major has been enough for me—Mr. James and his methods always do me, when we get beyond that (laughter). Well, I admire very much indeed the performance of such a method on such a fine ring of bells. Then there is a thing which comes nearer home to me, and that is the peal of Treble Bob Maximus on the Southwark bells, because it has been the worry of my life for years past. Mr. Cockerill and I have had many a talk together. I remember once going up into that belfry and getting more filthy than any street trotter in the whole of London looking through those bells, and it is a real gratification to feel that they are put in ringing order now (hear, hear.) They are the most historic peal in London, and I think possibly they are the peal upon which more notable performances have been achieved than any other. However that may be, it is a great thing to have got that ring of bells into thorough going order. Mr. Cockerill tells me further "that the attendance at practices has been most satisfactory, and we have a number of young ringers coming on who appear to be going to do justice to the Art." That is one of the most important things of all, and I feel nothing makes me feel older. I do not know that I feel older in other ways. I can ride as well as ever I could, but at 62 I am beginning to find that there is a whole lot of people I used to look upon as old friends who are beginning to fall away. I do not see them any more. I see a lot of new faces before me, who do not know me, and I do not know them. I wish I did know them all personally, but it makes us older people rather sad to feel it is not so much that we are weaker, or that we cannot eat as good a dinner, or that we do not enjoy life so much, but we do feel that our old friends are gradually retiring to rest, and that the younger ones are coming on—all honour to them, but our pain is that we do not know them as we knew the older ones. Gentlemen, let me for a moment, having looked at the present, look at the past. Let me remind you of the honours that this Society has registered. Let me remind you that you have got to keep up its great honours gained through this long period past, into the future, and that on you young ones it falls to see well that that reputation is in no way impaired. I have been a ringer myself now for exactly fifty years. During, I think, it is twenty-five of which, I have had the honour of being a member of this Society, and I go back to the days when I first began to ring. It was in a church, the church that I weekly worship in now, the parish I live in in Staffordshire. It was a new church and a new ring of bells, only four, and the belfry was about the size of a splash cart. I went up on the opening day as a boy of 12, and saw the ringers at work. I said to the only man that belonged to the parish, because it was a newly formed parish, and there was only one man in the parish who could ring a bell, and he had taken the position of the treble ringer, and the treble ringer in that tower had to sit upon some stone steps about 7 feet above everybody else, and I said to him, George Salter is his name, I said to him, "George may I have a pull?" "You may," he said, "Catch hold." So I caught hold. I had never seen a bell before, they were all set; fortunately the ringing chamber, although it was very small, it was very high, and as I with my lustiness of twelve years old pulled off this bell, I was immediately carried a long way up towards the ceiling (laughter.) I always thought old George played me a rather nasty trick; a rough sort of fellow, but oddly enough he was an extraordinarily handsome man. He was only about 5 feet high, and he had married a middle-aged lady who had defied the united forces of about four parishes. She was extraordinarily handsome herself. George being good looking eventually got her to pair off with him. Talking of handsome wives, I was rather amused last week, while staying on the borders of Yorkshire and Lancashire, a clergyman was telling us of some tales of his parishioners, and he said—"There was a miner, one of my parishioners, the other day, who went to a friend of his one evening. and said—'Joe, can't you lend me a lantern'? and Joe said, 'Lantern, lad, what do you want a lantern for'? He said 'I am going a courting.' 'Why,' be said, 'going a courting are you, I have been a courting, but I never took a lantern.' 'Oh,' the other said, 'I reckon you didn't; I have seen the missus'" (laughter.) That is a digression into old days that I have no business to make, but I want for a moment, if I am not keeping you too long (No). I want to be a bit more serious, and I want to look forward. You know I have done a bit of ringing in my time, but I confess I am rather a defaulter now. I do not have much time for ringing, and I am not sure I should ring very well if I did, but I have rung peals, I have rung 150 odd, I forget how many, but my interest really has always been more, first of all, in the mathematical side of ringing, the composition side, and then in the future of ringing. What is ringing going to bring us to? What are ringers going to be? You heard what the Archdeacon said just now. I often ponder, and I do not want you to think becase you do not see my name anymore in peal records that I am not thinking about ringing, I think about it a great deal. Now the first thing that occurs to me of an important matter in regard to ringing is that we have two ringing papers instead of one. That has exercised me a great deal. "THE BELL NEWS" was a very good paper as far as it went. Now we have got a new paper. Im not quite sure whether it is or is not going to take the "wind out of the sails" of the old one, but at the same time I have got a sort of old affection for "THE BELL NEWS." It has carried us through a great many years at no expense to ourselves, except a penny a week, and I am not at all certain what the result of this competion will be. There was a man went with his wife for a week-end trip, and be came to a country inn, and he said "I want a bit of dinner." The landlord looked at him and said "We bave'nt got much." "What have you got"? "One chop." The man said "Have'nt you got anything for my wife"? (laughter). Well now, I hope it won't be like that with the ring-papers, but I am bound to say that I doubt whether there is sufficient amount of support amongst ringers to run two papers. If there is, well and good, and no doubt the competition will result in an improvement of both papers, but I am a little bit doubtful whether such a comparatively small number of people for newspaper purposes as ringers are—I do not know whether we are 60,000 or whatever we may be—can properly run two papers in our interest. And there is another point which I have not the slightest doubt that a great many of you gentlemen, who are busy men as I am, feel, and that is. it is an intolerable nuisance to have to read through the pages of two papers, which are almost exactly alike, every week in order to be quite sure that we do not miss any important information about ringing, and I should hope that in the future these two papers might possibly coalesce and let us have one really good paper which will have the confidence of the whole Exercise (hear, hear.) A more important matter still; things are very grave

n the outlook of Church matters. I am referring to the probable advent of disestablishment in Wales. People have said to me "Oh, that is politics, and has nothing to do with us." Bless my soul, everything we have in these days is politics. There is nothing that they do not touch. You cannot talk about anything that is not politics; the Government have their finger into every pie. I do not say whether it is good or whether it is bad, but into every pie they have got their finger. Disestablishment is a thing which matters very much indeed to us, because if the Church in Wales is disestablished the Church of England will be disestablished. There is no such thing as the Welsh Church. The Church in Wales is part of the province of Canterbury, and you cannot advance any argument for the disestablishment of the Church in Wales which is not equally applicable afterwards to the disestablishment of the Church of England. Now the point is. what would be the result to ringers if the Church in Wales were disestablished? We are not without regard for our Welsh friends. As a matter of fact it has never been contradicted that the income of the Church of Wales will be reduced by 18s. 6d. in every pound. They leave them 1s. 6d. out of every 20s. I do not know that I am a great believer in ringers being highly paid; I think it is a good plan to have a certain amount of payment, because the ringers are not like a choir. It does'nt matter whether one man or two are away from the choir; it matters very much whether they are away from ringing or not; unless you have some sort of fine you do not get a good attendance, therefore I think a certain amount of paymment is good, but not too much. But I do not see that if the Church Funds are reduced from 2s. to 1s. 6d. there will be any payment at all for ringers, but I do net think that that is the most important matter. All of you know that the Central Council a few years ago, made a long, elaborate, and comprehensive enquiry into the condition of rings of bells throughout the country, and that whereas when the enquiry was initiated, it was believed that there was a very large number of rings that were in a very bad order, yet when that enquiry was concluded, it was realised that things were very much better than we ringers believe them to be, and that there were not so very many peals of bells that were not being fairly well looked after. Now the point I want to put to you is this, that if the Church in Wales is disestablished, there certainly will be no money to keep bells in order at all, and more than that, there may be people who will say, and it won't be for the first time in the history of the Church, that bells are a nuisance. and that they had better be taken down and sold. Now I think that nuisance question — perhaps some of you know better than I do—but I do not think that at the moment there is so much said against the ringing of bells as there was two or three years ago, and I believe that if those of you who have the opportunity will bring before the notice of those responsible for our Church towers the great improvement that can be made both in the music of the bells, and in the relief of those who live near the tower, by bricking up a large part of the belfry windows, I believe you will find that the difficulty will in the long run disappear. I am perfectly certain that the strength of the body of ringers throughout England will never permit ringing to be put on one side simply because it is a nuisance to the community. and I will tell you why. Because if you were to take a census of this country, you would find that almost all the good old-fashioned people of the less affluent classes love bells; love them from the bottom of their heart.and it is only these stuffy old judges and people of that sort who live in Courts, who really object tc them. I grant you there may be some gentlemen who work in offices with the belfry window very nearly opposite them. They are exceptional cases. We must allow that they have some cause for grumbling, but however that may be, I think you may take it as a fact that the country as a whole is more satisfied and less annoyed by bells than it was two or three years ago, and that you may reckon upon the love of bells by the people of England carrying you safely through. But you have got to see that you keep your bells. If we, as church workers, could band ourselves together, there would not be the remotest chance of the Welsh Disesteblishment Bill being passed. Who saved our Church Schools? Not us; the Roman Catholics, because they told the Government that if they did away with the church schools the Government would go out. Well now the Roman Catholics are not so numerous as us by 6 to 1, and if we choose to band ourselves together like they did, and order the Government, we should produce exactly the same affect as they did. But we don't do it. We are all so drawn asunder in different directions, by different church views. We are not under proper orders. We waut our Archbishops to order the Bishops, and we want the Bishops to order us. Let us all work together as one great phalanx, and so let us have it. You won't get it, because you cannot pull together. Unless I am very much mistaken, and unless some extraordinary change comes over this country we shall have the Welsh disestablishment next year. I think it is a serious matter, and we are only an incidental part in it, but we shall most certainly have a serious set back if we have that Church Disestablishment. Another thing, the hard-working Welsh Church Clergy, than whom no men are doing a greater work, will lose practically, not the present men because vested interest are preserved, but all the curates and all the succeeding Vicars will lose the whole of their income. I do not know whether you remember seeing in the "Church Times" some years ago an advertisement to this effect—"Wanted, a strong donkey to do the work of a country clergyman" (laughter). It will want a very strong donkey to do the work of a Welsh clergyman when the Disestablishment Bill is passed, I will tell you that, and unless something comes about that will prevent that shameful perversion of the income given by pious people for church purposes, unless that comes about I do not know quite how we are to see our way through these difficulties. A number of people say "Oh well you know there is always something crops up at the end. Things are never so bad as they seem. There is a way out of most difficulties. People talk a lot beforehand, but when it comes it does'nt much matter. Probably things might be worse." There is an old story of a Cabinet Minister of this country, years ago, who was a great optimist. He always looked on the cheerful side of things, and he was at that time engaged in,—I forget what the Bill was—but it was a Bill that would very severely hit the Church, and a prominent ecclesiastic came to Downing Street, and said "My Lord, you always look on the cheerful side of things; this is a very serious matter, you are going to do the country a great injury," and the Minister said, "Oh, you know, it will all come right in the end. You think it is very bad; not so bad as you think. It might be worse." The ecclesiastic was out of temper, and he said, "My Lord, the devil will come and carry you off." "It might be worse" said the Minister (laughter). The ecclesiastic looked rather astonished and said "how!" He replied "I might perhaps have to carry the devil" (laughter). It is all very well, but I do ask you gentlemen to look forward to that matter from a very serious point of view. It is not the fact that in Wales there is any remissness amongst Church people. It is the fact that the money belongs te the Church. It is the fact that if that money is taken away from the church all church work will suffer, and amongst them our special interest. I ask you at this important gathering, this meeting of the premier ringing society, to bear in miud, and I ask those of you, and there are many who are here from other parts of the country, to carry it into their own districts, that this great Society is pledged by its origin, by its standing, by its long record of honourable work for the Church, to stand up for the Church in these great coming difficulties, and with those views I ask you to drink to the health and long continuance of the Ancient Society of College Youths (applause).

(To be continued.)

THE EDWARD CASH APPEAL.

Will those friends who have kindly had Draw Tickets on behalf of Edward Cash please return money and duplicates to the Secretaries at their earliest convenience, and oblige the committee.—Charles Cash, Samuel Greenhalgh, Secretaries.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meeting for practice will St. Paul's Cathedral on the 28th.

A district meeting will be held at St. Mary, Walthamstow, on December 2nd, at 4 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held to-day, Sat., November 25th, at St. Marys, Lewisham. Tower open from 4 p.m to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. F. A. SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of the above branch will be held at Milnrow to-day, Sat., November 25th. Bells ready at 3.30. Business meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome.

J. H. BASTOW. *Branch Sec.*

The Midland Counties Association.—Burton-on-Trent District.—A ringing meeting will be held at Horninglow to-day, Sat., November 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock Business meeting at 5.

HARRY WAKLEY, Local Hon. Sec.

Sussex County Association.—Central Division.—Next meeting to be held at Aldrington, to-day, Sat., November 25th, Tower open at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30 at The Railway hotel.

ROBERT J. DAWE, Div. Hon. Sec.
Southover, Alfriston Road, Seaford.

Dudley and Districts Guild.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at St. Luke's, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. on Saturday, December 2nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, Hon. Sec.

Salop Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Wem on Saturday, December 2nd. Ringing at the partsh church at 2.45 p.m.

REV. H, B. BECKWITH, Hon. Sec.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Denember 2nd. Belfry open at 4. Tea in the Church Institute at 5.30. Service in church at 7 p.m. Members please notify Mr. S. Churton, 24, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, of their intention to be present on or before November 29th.

REV C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } Hon. Secs.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 9th. Tower open at 3.30. Business meeting 6 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, Hon. Sec.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

IMPERIAL Q. S. MAJOR.

By H. DAINS.

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BOB.

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SINGLE.

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This is the first lead of a plain course of a method in which it will be seen there are four quick sixes in every lead of it, the treble being a quick bell in every alternate six both before and behind, hence the title I place at the head of this letter.

The method is built upon the plain hunt principle, and so is not Stedman. It is upon the lengthening lead plan, and so all compositions of touches and peals will be upon the Treble Bob plan.

Mr. E. M. Atkins, of St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, writes:—"I see there is a mistake in the number of changes in the handbell peal for the Cambridge University Guild reported last week. The changes should have been 5120. The error has arisen through a mistake on page 85 of Snowdon's Treble Bob, part ii., where the number of changes is given as 5088. I think this ought to be pointed out, as I hear this is not the first occasion this error has been made."

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

5280 BOB MAJOR.

By the REV. J. H. PILKINGTON.

23456	5ths	4ths	H
56423	–	–	–
34256	–	–	
56234	–	–	–
42356	–	–	–
63542	–	–	–
25463	–	–	–
63425	–	–	–
54263	–	–	–
32654	–	–	–
46532	–	–	
25346	–	–	

Five times repeated, calling s at H at end of 3rd and 6th parts. First rung at Framlingham, Suffolk, on November 14th, 1911, conducted by G. E. Symonds.

5040 TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By H. PRICE.

23456	M	B	H
32654	2		2
56234		2	2
64235	1		2
45236	1		2
32546		2	2

Repeated.

SUTTON COLDFIELD.—On Sunday, November 18th, for morning service, the parish church ringers rang a quarter-peal of Bob Major. J. Jennings, A. Allsopp, C. Waithman, B. Claydon, T. Bloore (composer), W. Allsopp, G. Roberts, B. Leedham (conductor). Rung in honour for the third time as Mayor, of Councillor T. H. Cartwright, and to shew their appreciation of his kindness to them in the past. It was the first quarter-peal of Major on the bells by a band of all service ringers.

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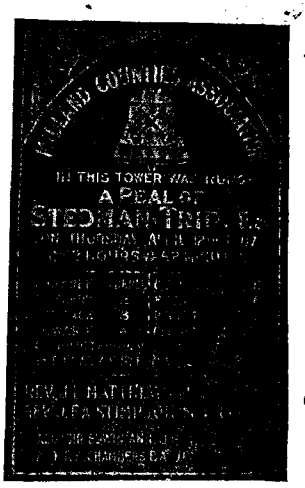

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1911.

THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order. The work will be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

Burton-on-Trent.—On November 9th, in honour of the election of the Marquis of Anglesey as Mayor of the Borough, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 50 mins. J. Hicklin, H. Kendrick, J. Brittain, T. Dicken, W. J. Smith, F. Shepherd, W. W. Worthington conductor, C. A. Beeks. This was Mr. Worthington's first quarter-peal as conductor. His uncle was the first Mayor of Burton in 1878.

The Metropolis.

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

On Wednesday, November 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, ACTON, W.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 14½ cwt.

WALTER G. MATTHEWS	*Treble.*	LOUIS ATTWATER	5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER	2.	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD	6.
HENRY S. ELLIS	3.	*ARTHUR D. BARKER	7.
FREDERICK J. HARDY	4.	RICHARD F. DEAL	*Tenor.*

Composed by O. LANG, and Conducted by THOS. H. TAFFENDER.

*First peal in the method.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Thursday, November 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, DUNSTAN STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5014 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

HENRY SPRINGALL	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. HARDY	6.
WILLIAM TRUSS	2.	THOMAS TAFFENDER	7.
HERBERT LANGDON	3.	EMANUEL HALL	8.
ALFRED GRIMES	4.	THOMAS LANGDON	9.
JAMES SCHOLES	5.	GEORGE BARRELL	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. P. BRADLEY, and Conducted by H. SPRINGALL.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. T. H. Taffender, who was unanimously elected Master of the above society on the 14th inst.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, WALTHAMSTOW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

HARRY FLANDERS	*Treble.*	JAMES C. ADAMS	6.
ALFRED W. GRIMES	2.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
ALBERT W. COLES	3.	*WILLIAM BOTTRILL	8.
CHARLES T. COES	4.	WILLIAM PYE	9.
HENRY J. MAYNARD	5.	FREDERICK C. MAYNARD	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

*First peal of Stedman Caters.

THR ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, FULHAM,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM J. TROUGHTON	*Treble.*	FREDK. G. WOODISS	5.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD	2.	WILLIAM H. HOLLIER	6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD	3.	SEDLEY J. COLLINS	7.
LOUIS ATTWATER	4.	JAMES W. DRIVER	*Tenor.*

Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

First peal in the method on the bells since February 3rd, 1883.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH, SOUTHGATE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt.

GEORGE BESTER	*Treble.*	REUBEN SANDERS	5.
JOHN ARMSTRONG	2.	ALBERT W. COLES	6.
NORMAN A. TOMLINSON	3.	JOHN E. MILLER	7.
ALFRED W. GRIMES	4.	ERNEST MILLER	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by JOHN ARMSTRONG.

This is the conductor,s 150th, and R. Sanders 100th peal for the Association.

The Provinces.

BUCKLEY, FLINTSHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 1, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE DYMENT	*Treble.*	J. T HOPWOOD	5.
WILLIAM LLOYD*	2.	HERBERT JONES	6.
EDWIN PIERCY*	3.	C. R. LILLEY	7.
WILLIAM SHORT	4.	SAMUEL BIRKS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

*First peal.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s. each called differently.

HENRY MARKLOVE	*Treble.*	WALTER POSTON	4.
EDWARD SUMMERS	2.	JOSEPH CARTWRIGHT	5.
FRANK VOYCE	3.	WILLIAM POSTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

PLYMPTON, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAURICE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

WARREN HORNBROOK*	*Treble.*	JOSEPH WOODLEY	5.
ERNEST W. MARSH	2.	WALTER H. MARSH	6.
FRANK HOCKADAY	3.	WILLIAM FORD	7.
WILLIAM RUNDLE	4.	WILLIAM HOBBS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

*First peal.

MALDON, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(MALDON AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Monday, November 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, New London Pleasure, College Exercise, Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

FRED CHALK	*Treble.*	FRED WHITE	4.
HAROLD FINCH	2.	JOHN D. BUCKINGHAM	5.
ALFRED SOUTH	3.	H. J. MANSFIELD	*Tenor.*

Conducted by H. J. MANSFIELD.

SUNBURY, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, November 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

JOHN H. B. HESSE	*Treble.*	THOMAS BEADLE	5.
FREDERICK G. GODDARD	2.	WILLIAM WELLING	6.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD	3.	GEORGE SPENCER	7.
BERTRAM PREWETT	4.	WILLIAM WARNE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

FRAMLINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5280 CHANGES.

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

WILLIAM OESLER	*Treble.*	JOHN SELF	5.
STANLEY BONNEY	2.	WILLIAM BURGESS	6.
E. HOBART SMITH	3.	WILLIAM FLORY	7.
WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN	4.	GEORGE E. SYMONDS	*Tenor.*

Composed by the REV. J. HOLME PILKINGTON, and Conducted by GEORGE E, SYMONDS.

This is supposed to be the first short course peal of Bob Major ever rung. Fignres elsewhere.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 qrs. 25 lbs.

BERTRAM PREWETT	*Treble.*	JOHN J. PRATT	5.
GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	2.	ARTHUR HARDING	6.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	3.	EDGAR HANCOX	7.
ROBERT E. STAVERT	4.	HENRY H. CHANDLER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EDGAR HANCOX.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 14, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 23 cwt. in D.

THOMAS J. SALTER	*Treble.*	C. H. WOODBERRY	5.
GEORGE DAVIES	2.	JOHN WOODBERRY	6.
NOAH DAVIES	3.	JOHN SMITH	7.
ERNEST J. BROOKS	4.	JAMES BENNETT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS J. SALTER.

This is the conductor's 250th peal. First peal by a local band since February 1901.

EPSOM, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 12 cwt.

ROBERT ETHERINGTON*	*Treble.*	JOHN CRAWFORD	5.
ALFRED MANN	2.	THOMAS TUTTE	6.
WILLIAM ROBINSON†	3.	RICHARD KENDALL	7.
WILLIAM H. CORBETT	4.	GEORGE COOK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAN H CORBETT.

*First peal away from the tenor. †First peal with a bob bell.

CHALFONT ST. PETER, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently.

ROBERT H YOUNG*	*Treble.*	GEO. F. WILLIAMS	4.
RICHARD BOLTON	2.	RICHARD BUCKLAND	5.
FREDK. BOLTON	3.	JAMES BLACKMORE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEO. F. WILLIAMS.

Firrst peal of Treble Bob Minor on the bells. *30th peal.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

WILLIAM PALMER	*Treble.*	JOHN CAPP	5.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	2	OLIVER SIPPETTS	6.
ALBERT D. STONE	3.	WILLIAM C. HART	7.
CHARLES PALMER	4.	KEITH HART	*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRR.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION, AND THE ST. PAUL'S SOCIETY, BURTON-ON-TRENT.

On Thursday, November 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 26 cwt.

REGINALD G. STONE*	*Treble.*	GEORGE BULL	5.
GEORGE ROBINSON	2.	EDWARD ISAAC STONE	6.
WILLIAM C. WAKLEY	3.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	7.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY†	4.	JOSEPH H. SWINFIELD	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN,

*First peal of Major. †Fiftieth peal, reference elsewhere.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 20 cwt. in E flat.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY	*Treble.*	EDGAR E. BURGESS	5.
THOMAS DOBLE	2.	*GEORGE H. YENDALL	6.
ALFRED J. WYATT*	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	7.
JOSEPH MADDOCK	4.	EBENEZER PRIDDLE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

*First peal in the method.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, November 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifey-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 13¾ cwt.

HENRY C. CHANDLER*	*Treble.*	JOHN H. B. HESSE	5.
THOMAS J, BARKER*	2.	CHARLES I. EDWARDS	6.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD	3.	*GEORGE A. GLADMAN	7.
CHARLES S. BIRD*	4.	*ERNEST R. GLADMAN	*Tenor.*

Composed by SIR ARTHUR HEYWOOD, BART., and Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the 4th and 6th.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 11½ cwt.

HARRY WAKLEY	*Treble.*	EDWARD I. STONE	5.
WILLIAM J. SMITH	2.	*JOHN HOUGH	6.
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON	3.	JOSEPH GRIFFIN	7.
HERBERT HIRDMAN	4.	JOHN H. SWINFIELD	*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by JOSEPH GRIFFIN.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

BARROWBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 11¾ cwt.

JOHN FEAL*	*Treble.*	ARTHUR MACKEARS	4.
ARTHUR DRURY	2.	ARTHUR PALMER	5.
REGINALD SCOTT	3.	JOSEPH LORD	*Tenor.*

*First peal. Rung as a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. C. C. Nation. First peal on the bells since they were rehung by Messrs. Taylor, the go being splendid.

ALLSELEY, COVENTRY, WARWICKSHIRE,

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one of Bob Minor. Tenor 12 cwt.

EDWARD H. JOHNSON ..	*Treble.*	WILLIAM T. COX	4.
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD ..	2.	FRANK PERVIN	5.
JOSEPH H. WHITE	3	ADOLPHUS ROBERTS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. ROBERTS.

The ringers take this opportunity of thanking Mr. and Mrs. Kettle for their hospitality after the peal.

ROTHERHAM, YORKS.—THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, EASTWOOD,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN H. BROTHWELL* ..	*Treble.*	JAMES COTTERELL	5.
JOHN THORPE	2.	GEORGE NAYLOR	6.
JOSEPH ATKIN	3.	†CLEMENT GLENN	7.
SIDNEY F. PALMER	4	*R. WRIGHT COLLIER..	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells. †First peal in the method as conductor.

SALISBURY, WILTS.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

SIDNEY MACEY*	*Treble.*	ERNEST PYE	5.
GEORGE WILLIAMS	2.	BERTRAM PREWETT	6.
JOHN S. RUMMING*	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	4.	KEITH HART	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 20 cwt. 8 lbs.

DANIEL REDHEAD*	*Treble.*	REGINALD LOVEDAY.. ..	5.
FRANK KIRK	2.	†JAMES NICKERSON	6.
FREDK. STUBBS	3.	WALTER GILBERT	7.
WALTER J. GILBERT ..	4	FRED WILFORD	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by F. WILFORD.

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

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 18 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE.

A PEAL OP MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s; i. Sandal, Oxford, London Scholars Pleasure, and Kingston Treble Bob; ii. Ipswich and Cambridge Surprise; iii. Reverse Hereward, Double and Single Court; iv. Single and Double Bob; v. Hereward, Double and Single Oxford; vi. College Single; vii. Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

R. HUGH RICHARDSON ..	*Treble.*	C. WILLIAM SMITH	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	*WILLIAM RICHARDSON ..	5.
REV. C. J. STURTON* ..	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON ..	*Tenor.*

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THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 23 cwt.

JAMES WARD	*Treble.*	JOHN MAWBY	5.
ALFRED EVERITT	2.	*PEARL INSKIP	6.
FRED CAUSBY	3.	ALFRED H. MARTIN	7.
ANDERSON TYLER	4.	ARTHUR CHAPMAN	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. PRICE, and Conducted by ANDERSON TYLER.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a farewell to the Rev. G. Davidson, who is leaving the parish for Woodford, Northants.

ERDINGTON, WARWICKSHINE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION. Tenor 15 cwt.

BERNARD W. WITCHELL..	*Treble.*	GEO. ROBERTS	5.
JOB A. FENTON, JUN.* ..	2.	THOMAS BLOORE	6.
ALF. J. HESSIAN	3	JOS. B. FENTON	7.
EDWIN STRINGER	4.	GEO. PARSONS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by BERNARD WITCHELL.

*First peal in the method. This peal was arranged by the Ringing-Master, Mr. James George, who unfortunately found at the last moment that he could not attend.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION AND THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OP TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5760 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Surprise, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent, and Oxford Treble Bob and College Bob iv. Tenor 10 cwt.

JAMES CLARKE, JUN. ..	*Treble.*	GEOFFREY J. STONELEY ..	4.
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ..	2.	WALTER J. HORTON ..	5.
EDGAR VALLANCE	3.	E. HARRY STONELEY ..	*Tenor.*

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SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 11 cwt. in G.

SAMUEL PEARCE	*Treble.*	SAMUEL BAKER	5.
ARTHUR BAKER	2.	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ..	6.
WALTER GRINSELL	3.	HORACE BELCHER	7.
ALBERT E. BLUNDELL ..	4.	BENJAMIN GOUGH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Walter Grinsell.

BRIERLEY HILL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14½ cwt.

JOHN C. ADAMS..	*Treble.*	JOHN BASS	5.
HERBERT KNIGHT	2.	GEORGE PIGOTT	6.
GEORGE HUGHES	3.	CHARLES F. WHITE	7.
REV. E. V. COX	4.	ROBERT MATTHEWS	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

WOLVERHAMPPON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 10 cwt.

CHARLES BAYLEY	*Treble.*	GEORGE CLAYBROOK	5.
JOHN BROWN	2.	WILLIAM LAWLEE	6.
DANIEL JONES	3.	ALFRED FALLON..	7.
ANDREW JONES..	4.	CHARLES DAREY..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by A. FALLON.

CHARD, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 24 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ..	*Treble.*	WILLIAM D. WHITE.. ..	5.
THOMAS DOBLE	2.	EDWARD J. WYATT	6.
FRANK MILLARD	3.	JOSEPH MADDOCK	7.
PERCY MERTON	4.	HENRY BOSLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

WINSHAM, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ..	*Treble.*	FRANK MILLARD	5.
THOMAS DOBLE	2.	PERCY MERSON	6.
ERNEST C SPENCER	3.	EDWARD J. WYATT.. ..	7.
JASEPH MADDOCK	4.	WILLIAM D. WHITE	*Tenor.*

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THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22 cwt. 7 lbs. in A flat.

CHALL'S F. WINNEY.. ..	*Treble.*	PERCY MERSON	5.
ERNEST C. SPENCER.. ..	2.	EDWARD J. WYATT	6.
JOSEPH MADDOCK	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	7.
WILLIAM S. DOBLE* ..	4.	THOMAS DOBLE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHALLIS F. WINNEY.

*First peal in the method.

Miscellaneous.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

LLANGATTOCK.—On Thursday, November 16th, for practice, 720 Grandsire Minor, in 26 mins; R. Allbutt, G. Mortimer, N. Allbutt, J. Powell, J. Hammond conductor, G. Hardwick. 360 Minor, with C. Powell a local ringer.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACON OF STAFFORD.

COSELEY.—On Sunday, November 20th, for Matins, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 42 mins. W. A. Jeavons, A. Baker, W. Grinsell, S. Pearce, S. Baker, B. Gough, R. Dunn, A. E. Law. Conducted by Ben. Gough. For Evensong a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, in 40 mins. R. Dunn, S. Pearce, L. Barnett, W. Grinsell. J. Roberts, S, Baker, B. Gough, A. E. Law. Conducted by S. Baker. First 1260 of Oxford Bob by 3rd and 5th men.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

RUGBY.—On Monday, November 20th, eight members of the St. Andrew's Society rang a quarter-peal of London Surprise Major, 1280 changes, in 53 mins. J. George, J. A. Fenton, jun., H. O. White, W. Malins, C. W. Wheeler, A. J. Hessian, J. B. Fenton, J. W. Chandler. Composed by J. A. Fenton, jun., and conducted by J. B. Fenton.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

DOVER.—On Thursday, November 9th, at St. Mary's church, the two following touches were rung in honour of the election of Councillor W. Bromley as Mayor of the Borough. 336 Grandsire Triples. G. Saunders, H. J. Saunders, A. Roberts, C. Turner conductor, W. Corteen, C. R. Millway, H. C. Saywell, J. B. Saunders. 5040 Grandsire Triples. G. Saunders, H. C. Saywell, A. Roberts, C. R. Millway, H. J. Saunders, J. B. Saunders, C. Turner conductor, G. Godfrey. On Sunday evening, November 12th, 504 Grandsire Triples. G. Sannders, C. Turner, A. Roberts, H. J. Saunders, H. C. Saywell, J. B. Saunders, C. R. Millway conductor, Rev. R. W. Reid. On Sunday, November 19th, 504 Grandsire Triyles. J. Sauoders, H. J. Saunders, A. Roberts, H. C. Saywell, C. R. Millway, J. B. Saunders, C. Turner conductor, G. Godfrey. On Monday, November 20th, 504 Grandsire Triples. G. Saunders, C. Turner, A. Roberts, H. C. Saywell conductor, C. R. Millway, J. B. Saunders, H. J. Saunders, Rev. R. W. Reid.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Tuesday evening, November 21st, at the parish church, 720 Kent Treble Bob. J. Avis, F. Mitchell conductor, F. Hayes, A. Constant, R. Constant, A. Martin. First 720 in the method on six by the 4th ringer.

FINCHAMPTON (Norfolk).—On November 3rd, for practice, 720 Oxford Treble Bob and 360 of College Single. W. Smith, A. Bacon. A. Porter, J. Mardell, O. Staines, E. Barker conductor. On Novembsr 17th, 720 Plain Bob. R. Bacon, A. Bacon, W. Smith, J. Mardell, O. Staines, E. Barker conductor.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.

Saturday last was a red letter day for the above village, it being the occasion of the dedication (by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese) of the new Coronation Memorial Bell, recently added to complete the peal to six in the old church tower. The new bell was cast and hung by Bowell & Son.

The cost has been defrayed by subscriptions of the parishioners, friends, and ringers of the neighbourhood, and a grant from the funds in the hands of the Vicar and churchwardens, left by the late Misses Tuck. Ringers began to gather at the church by 1 p.m., and from that time till the hour fixed for commencing the service the musical tones of the bells could be heard throughout the country side, many choice touches being rung. Upwards of 60 members of the Norwich Association were present representing the following towers: Norwich, Beccles, Bungay, Ipswich, Southwold, Halesworth, Wenhaston, Wrentham, Chediston, Wissett, Westhal, Rumburgh, Huntingfield, Bramfield, Wingfield, Kelsale, and Saxmundham. The service commenced at 3.30, by which hour the church was crowded, chairs having to be placed in the west end. The special form of service for such occasions was used, the prayers being read by the Vicar, the lesson by the Rev. W. Linton Wilson, and the dedication ceremony impressively performed by the Bishop, after which a short touch was rung by Messrs. Hopson, Lambert, Bowell, Pratt, Crane, and Ruth. Appropriate hymns were sung, including "When morning gilds the skies," "O praise ye the Lord," and "How solemnly the bells ring out," the latter having been composed by Mrs. Upcher. Mr. R. H. Morgan presided at the harmonium. and the choir was augmented by 16 juvenile members of the Halesworth Church Choir, 12 of whom were Church Scouts, and under Scout Supt. Crosby, formed a guard of honour before and after the service.

The Bishop based an excellent address upon Psalm lxxix., 14, "We Thy people will give Thee thanks for ever and ever and show forth Thy praise from generation to generation." He said it was a very real pleasure to him to be present on that great day in their Parish. More than once they had been disappointed in arranging that day, but by the goodness of God it had come and they had met together in His house to praise Him. He acknowledged the kindness of the employers in the parish in allowing their men time off to take part in the Service. In the course of his sermon the Bishop read the following letter which Rev. A. R. Upcher had received from Buckingham Palace on the 8th of Nov.:—"Dear Sir, I am commanded to thank you for your letter of the 6th Nov., giving an account of the Bell erected in the Tower at Chediston Church in celebration of the Coronation, which is to be dedicated by the Bishop of Norwich on Saturday next. I am further commanded to convey to you and the people of Chediston the expression of their Majesties' thanks for the good wishes contained in your letter. Yours very faithfully, STAMFORDHAM." A good collection was taken at the close in aid of the Bell Fund.

After the service the Clergy, Ringers and other friends were entertained to tea in the Schoolroom. Several touches of Treble Bob, Plain, and Grandsire were brought round. The towers of Halesworth and Wissett were also visited.

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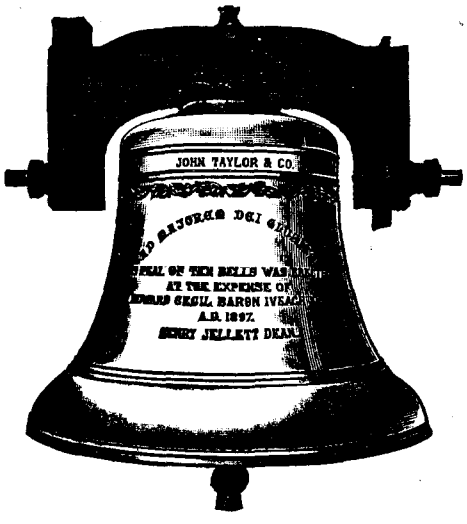

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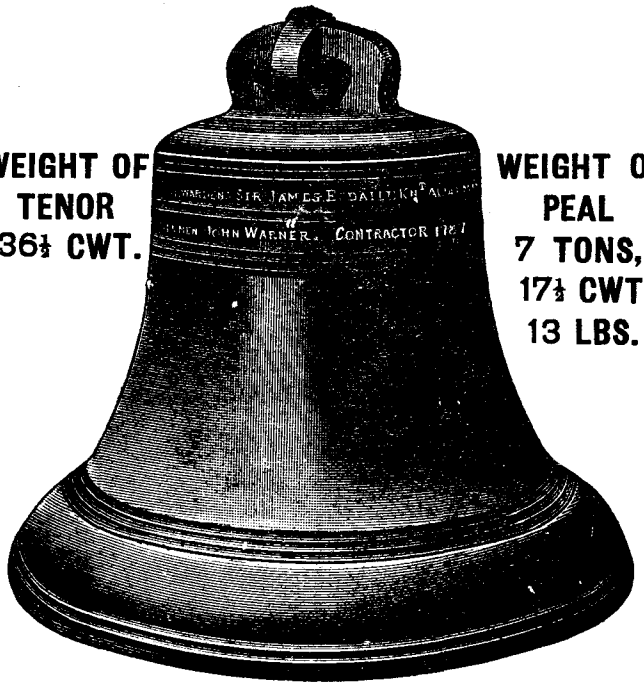

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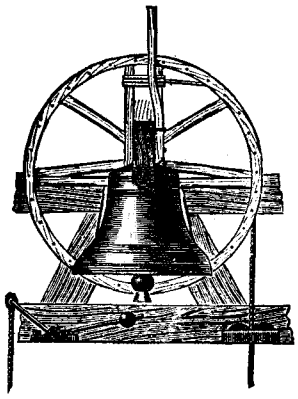

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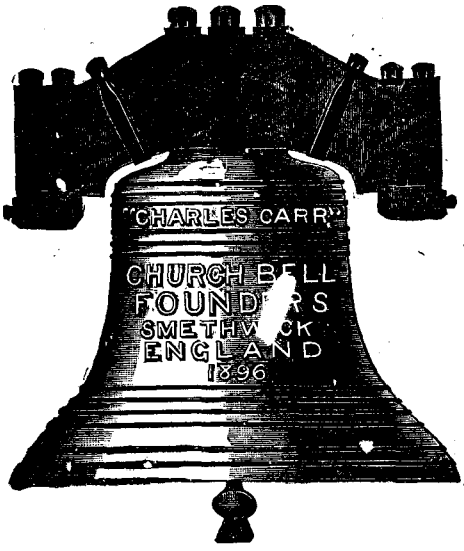

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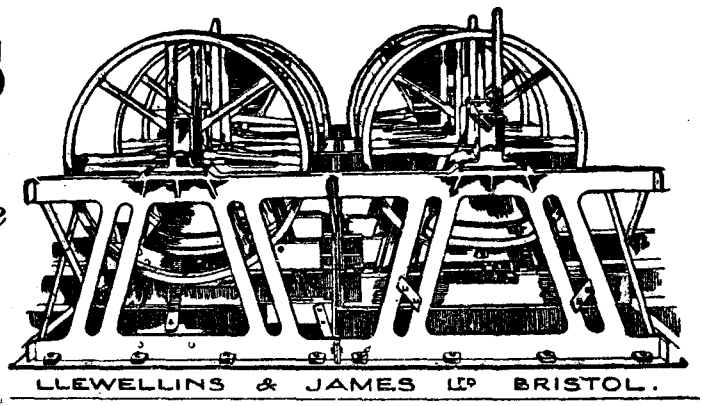

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

Anniversary Dinner.—(Concluded.)

Mr. A. Hughes (Treasurer), in responding, said: For very many years past they had had the pleasure of listening to their worthy Secretary, Mr. Cockerill, respond to that toast, and he would like to say that there was no one better able or more worthy to respond to it than Mr. Cockerill (applause); for he was the worker of the Society (hear hear.) He supposed, however, that having done the bulk of the onerous duties in connection with the arrangement of the Dinner, he had turned over a little of the speaking to the Treasurer. He heartily thanked Sir Arthur Heywood for the many kind things that he had said about the Society. The Society had gone on for over 270 years working in connection with the Church, the finest Institution in the Country. They had a curious feeling to contend with at the present day. The popular feeling was undergoing a sort of revolution. There was a sort of revolutionary craze to upset their old institutions, to upset everything in fact, but he thought the more they realised that any danger assailed the Church, the more they would rally round the Church. He was optimist enough to think that the day was far distant when that feeling would affect the Church. It was a feeling outside the Church at the present time. They had to adapt themselves to the altered circumstances, and if they rallied round the Church they could save it at all events. He was pleased to see so many friends with them that evening especially Miss Leny, who was again supporting the chair. On behalf of the Society and the workers he thanked them heartily for the way in which they had drunk the toast, and he thought they should insist on Mr. Cockerill saying a few words (applause and cries of Cockerill.)

Mr. W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, said: I thought I had got out of this to-night. I thank you most sincerely for the kind things which have been said, and the way that the toast has been received. I may add that several gentlemen have written regretting inability to attend, among them being the Very Rev. the Dean of St. Paul's, the Archdeacon of Southwark, the Archdeacon Sinclair, Canon Bell, of St. Michael's, and the Rev. R. Peek, of St. Magnus. I should have been glad if these gentlemen had been here, but former engagements compelled them to say "no." During the past year twenty-two members had been admitted to the Society. The following peals had been rung: Grandsire Caters 1, Stedman Triples, 3, one on handbells, Stedman Caters 6, Stedman Cinques 1, Treble Bob Major 2, Treble Bob Royal 3, Treble Bob Maximus 1, London Surprise Major 2, Cambridge Maximus 1. Total 20. I hope you have enjoyed the dinner, and I think we had better get on with the next part of the programme (laughter and applause.)

A touch of London Surprise Major was then rung on handbells by A. C. Hardy. C. Fenn, T. Faulkner, and R. Fenn.

Mr. E. A. Davies, vice-chairman, in proposing the toast "The London and Provincial Ringing Societies, said: After the very elaborate and exhaustive speeches you have listened to to-night from the Ven. Archdeacon and Sir Arthur Heywood, I feel some difficulty in proposing the toast which I have to submit to you. It is many years ago since the dinner committee did me the honour of proproposing this toast at an annual dinner held some 25 or 30 years ago, at The Bridge House hotel. When I look back over the years that have intervened since that time, it is most gratifying to one who has taken an interest in ringing all his life to find the headway that ringing has made in this country. Not altogether in the standard of the ringers themselves, but also in the great improvement that has been made to the rings of bells in this country. It is most cheering week after week to take up our ringing paper and to note that here and there you will find peals of bells that have been silent for years through rotten frames and cracked bells, and one thing and the other, that have been thoroughly restored by such firms as Messrs. Taylor, Mears and Stainbank, Warners, Gillett and Johnston and others, which shows that there is a very great and much greater interest taken in the bells of this country now than formerly, and I attribute this to a very great extent to the greater interest that is taken in ringers by the clergy and the churchwardens and others who are in authority over rings of bells. The Clergy and others have, I think, at least grasped the fact that in their ringers they have a band of church workers whose services are not to be despised. They are most loyal, hearty, and earnest church workers if they are properly handled, and the time has come now I think, and has been increasing for some years past, when the Clergy have been found in belfries where they were never seen before, and have assisted the ringers in their work in a measure such as they do that of the choirs of their churches. I am reminded of a meeting of the Essex Association when Dr. Price referred to the ringers in somewhat the same way, and compared the ringers to the drivers and the stokers of our railway trains, who, although they perform a very important part in the locomotion of the train, scarcely anyone ever gave them a thought, whereas the guard and the station master and other officials on the station were always before them, and were acknowledged. I think this has changed now, and ringers certainly are recognised. Most of us, and a great many in this room, I have no doubt, learnt their love of bells and bellringing in their boyhood in their country villages and country towns, and as time went on they joined the county Association in which their town or village was situated, and these Associations in their turn have done very much good in visiting places where perhaps bells were out of repair, or their was no interest taken in change-ringing, and so forwarded the reform of belfries and the repair of bells. My object is to show how the London Societies were formed such as the one of which I have the honour of being a member, principally from their county Associations: men when they grow up find their way to London, and of course their love of bells comes with them, and they make an object of joining one or the other of the Ringing Societies in London; but they find ringing in London a very different thing to what they did in their own home. There they met, as we do in the

town in which I live—Barking—week after week, the same band, we are all a happy family; but when they get to London they have to mix amongst strangers, and instead of living within a stone's throw of a church, if they want to ring on Sunday in the City, they have miles to travel. Many in this room do that now, and that is the difficulty of meeting for ringing in London. It is very much greater than in the country. I am proud to know that within the last few years much has been done to improve the rings of bells in the City. I think that every ring of twelve in the City of London is now ringable with one exception, and that is St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, and even there an effort is being made now to put the bells in a ringing condition. I hope that before we meet again, another year, all this may be accomplished, so that we may say that every peal of twelve bells in the City of London are in thorough ringing order. There are only two peals of ten in the City that I know of, one at St. Magnus and one at All Hallows, Lombard Street. At one church we are permitted to practice, and at the other the bells are very seldom heard. It is with very sincere and hearty wishes that I commend this toast to your notice, and I couple with it the name of our good friend the Rev. G. F. Coleridge (applause).

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge in responding said: I have to thank, first of all, Mr. Davies, for the very kind way in which he has proposed the toast of the London and Provincial Ringing Societies. As there is to be another name coupled specially with the London Societies may I ask your indulgence if I refer simply to Provincial Societies in the few words I have to speak to you. My old friend, the Archdeacon—I call him old friend, because he was present at my ordination nearly twenty-eight years ago as Chaplain to the Bishop of Oxford—spoke just now of a certain pessimistic trend there was in public opinion. He said that some people, although he was not one of them, seemed to think we were on the down grade; well that is absolutely true in my case, because I have had the pleasure of coming here year after year, for many years and I found in the first case I was always put down at the bottom of the list to propose the Visitors, then I was exalted a little higher, and put year after year, till you were dead tired, and dead sick of hearing me respond for the Provincial Societies (No.) Last year I went up another peg, and I had the extreme honour of proposing the toast of the evening, "The Ancient Society of College Youths." Now I am on the down grade again (laughter) and I have to respond to that toast which I have done for so many years, and I only hope that next year if I am called upon, it will be a little later on for the Visitors, and my train will be gone by that time (laughter). As it is, I have to respond to-night for the Provincial Societies, and I am very sorry I cannot bring you the news this time which I brought to you last year, that in the Provinces ten parsons, you will remember, had gathered together and managed to ring for the Ancient Society a peal of Stedman Caters. This year I hoped I might say we had been successful in a peal of Stedman Cinques, but it was not to be. We had a very good shot at it, but when you receive a telegram in the morning of the attempt, saying that one of our most important men was not able to come, you know what it is to put in one who had little or no practice on twelve bells, and so we only rang a little over an hour, but it was not bad ringing. We mean to do it in May (hear hear) we mean to have a shot at it. If I cannot bring you that news from the Provinces I can give you a very good report from the Provinces. We have only to look back at the ringing papers of a week ago, and what do we find? that 56 peals had been rung during the week, two of those by London Societies, good peals, Cambridge and Superlative, and no less than 54 by 17 different provincial societies in one week, and a very good record indeed, and the remarkable part about the record was that one particular Guild, the Winchester Diocesan Guild, had secured no less than eighteen of those peals, nine during a week in Hampshire, and with the exception of three others, two I think on tower bells. and one on handbells, we had the cap put to the whole thing with that marvellous performance of six peals of Stedman Caters on six successive days in six different places by five men of the Guildford band (hear hear). We have present here to-night the conductor, and I am sure we join in heartily congratulating him on that marvellous success (applause.) He is not one to hang fire, you know, and I trust by this time next year we may be able to congratulate him and his band, augmented by one more, on six successive peals of Stedman Cinques on six successive nights (hear hear.) We have heard something from two people already to-night about bellringing sometimes being a bit unpopular. It is unpopular in some plaees; some people don't hold with it. Let me give you a liltle story, may I? It is absolutely true, and you will find it recorded in the minutes of a certain village in North Devon. I won't mention its name, it might hurt some people (laughter) but a Vestry Meeting was held, and it was decided to rehang the bells or to do something about them. Everybody was in favor of it, except one rather crusty man, and these are the exact words which appear in the vestry book of that parish. "Mr. So-and-so said—'I don't hold with ringing,' and he was immediately answered by the churchwarden—'Most pigs don't'" (laughter.) Now how are we to make ringing popular? You may not know that our proceedings are watched with very great interest, and are read about in the ringing press by elderly men who have made a great name ror themselves in the past, but are no longer able to take an active part in ringing. Very shortly after our proceedings were printed last year I received a long letter of twelve pages most beautifully written from my old friend Mr. William Bannister, who was well known in London amongst an older generation. He wrote saying how delighted he was to read of the names of old members being mentioned, Mr. Mat Wood, Mr. Cooter, and others, and then he went on to say a great deal about his early life, and how he, and his band at Woolwich were considered the best "double" ringers of the day. He went on further to join the College Youths, that he might ring Caters and Cinques with them at Bermondsey or St. Saviour's, and how he had to walk eight and ten miles each way to do so; and he went on to tell me about the early struggles of his band. I think if you will allow me to read some of his words, it is an answer to a good many of our young people; it may give them an idea how to make bellringing popular with the people. He writes like this: "At Woolwich we continued to have at least two evenings a week for practice, but as is often the case, we had to contend with complaints from people living near the church of the noise, as they described it, of the bells, when they and their children wanted to go to sleep. Half-pull ringing, as you know, cannot be understood without some training, changes following each other in such quick time, that the untrained ear could not follow them, and in fact set or call-changes were much preferred to the half-pull, as each being several times repeated, people get to recognise them and give them preference. Hence the

difficulty of winning over the public to our view of the Exercise. To get over that difficulty I and my brothers, having some knowledge of music, undertook to try and please them, and having a good peal of twelve handbells started to practice popular airs on them, and soon became sufficiently efficient at it to enable us to take part in the occasional charity concerts held on behalf of the Church charities. After which we had no further complaints against our change-ringing on the church bells." Then he goes on to add—"and we became exceedingly popular with the inhabitants generally (laughter) and amateur musicians in particular. In furtherance of this popularity I and my brother John"—to that brother John there hangs a tale. I well remember him coming down to our little village in Devon to take the note of a new bell, and the village accommodation for sleeping being somewhat meagre he did not mind sleeping that night with our garden boy. The garden boy told me in the morning, he said "I shall never touch tobacco or snuff, I had enongh of it in bed last night" (laughter.) Although that boy is going on for sixty years of age, I have never seen him with a pipe in his mouth or snuft in his nose (laughter). Well, he and his brother John, he says, "set to work to increase our peal of handbells by the construction of a furnace and casting our own, till we had a peai of five and half octaves at chromatic scale, and after a while, by practice, we were able to play marches, polkas, and selections from operas, and soon became one of the most popular of amateur musicians in the district, and our assistance was sought to take part in concerts for charitable and other benevolent concerts that frequently took place in the winter. One of these of special importance took place in the large workshop in Woolwich Arsenal, equipped and prepared for the occasion by the officials, where, with the assistance of other musical instruments we gave an entertainment on behalf of the widows and orphans of soldiers killed in the Crimea War, which realised clear of expenses £192, and from that time we continued our practices, and our services to local charities till I was transferred from Woolwich Arsenal to Devonport Dockyard on promotion." Then he says a great deal more, and goes on about the founding of the Devonshire Guild in conjunction with Col. Trelawny and Col. Troyte and others. It was uphill work in those days. That Devonshire Guild you know was the first of the county Associations which was founded, and it was only last summer that I happened to ringing at the litlle village of Kelly with my old friend Mr. Maitland Kelly and his daughter and his butler, and a few others, and there in front of me was the tablet of the first change-ringing ever done in Devonshire. In grandiloquent lauguage it put forth something of this kind: "Be it remembered that in the tower of this church on such and such a day, I have forgotten what, in the year 1866, the first true and complete three 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles were rung." Well, that was the very first change-ringing ever known in Devonshire. Now look how it goes on. What is done in Devon is done in many another county, and done to far greater perfection. I have made reference to it already, and there we have had increasing and abounding ringing throughout our whole beloved country of England, and I trust for ever Wales as well, in spite of what has been said by Sir Arthur Heywood. I trust that ringers may flourish and abound, and that the practice will increase more and more. It cannot help increasing when you have devoted officers of these Associations, they are always ready to put duty before pleasure in a matter of carrying on the bellringing. Only two days ago, I got a letter from my friend Mr. Jenkyn, the Master of the Oxford Dioeesan Guild, saying that he had been quietly putting aside this Saturday evening that he might be free, and might be able to come here for once in his life to dine with us in our annual meeting here. He said—"I have received notice that there is a small branch meeting at Islip, and as I have not been there, I feel it my duty to go." And so we can think of him doing his duty at the little country village of Islip in Oxfordshire, otherwise he would have been here, and it would have given me the greatest possible pleasure to have sat down and heard him speak in my place. As it is, I thank you very much indeed for the very kind way in which you have received the toast of the Provincial, and I would add the London Societies, and I trust that we may all flourish and abound, that we may do good work each in our several stations throughout the coming year, and when we meet again next year we may look back with happiness and gratitude and thankfulness, that we have beeu enabled to do good work on behalf of God and His Church (applause.)

Mr, A. A. Hughes proposed the toast of "The Visitors," and in doing so said they were always glad to wolcome visitors to their annual festival. They were delighted to see the Archdeacon of London present, and they hoped to have him for very many years to come. Lieutenant George Mackinnon was with them, and they always enjoyed his company. Mr. Taylor was also present, and others too numerous to mention. Dr. Nichols, a member ot the Society, residing at Boston, U,S.A., had written saying that on November 11th when dining, they would be bemoaning their fate at not meeting their friends of the College Youths; they would not be thus delinquent if the ocean did not intervene (applause).

Lieutenant George Mackinnon in responding said fhat he had been very bewildered that evening with Cambridge Magnuses at Grandsires, and he certainly thought the Master should be termed "right worshipful." He was accustomed to respond to the toast of the Navy, but not to that of the visitors. He was not much of a bellringer, and he had not improved since last year. When be was a boy he lived right underneath the church tower at his father's rectory, and the bells ringing about six o'clock in the morning used to wake him up, and although he was supposed to be up, yet he considered them a great nuisance and also the ringers. As the time went on, his aunt, Miss Leny, asked him to several pic-nics to meet her friends the College Youths, and then he began to find out that after all the people who rang bells were jolly good fellows, and so he had thought up to ten days ago when Mr. Cockerill had asked him to reply to a toast, and then his estimation of bellringers went down about 50 per cent. He would like to find fault with Sir Arthur Heywood, who said that most of the people who complained were stuffy old judges, because a short time ago he was attending a public dinner in London where a Judge of His Majesty's Court got ou bis legs, and he bad been there for about three-quarters-of-an-hour, and they were getting awfully sick of it, and very tired, when suddenly a peal of bells rang out, and the Judge said, "I am afraid I must sit down, because I cannot speak against these bells,"and there was no one there who would have said that that peal was a nuisance (laughter). So far as the Navy was concerned, they only touched bells to mark the time; one bell was at half-past twelve in the afternoon, and two bells at one o'clock, and so on up to eight bells. The only time that more than eight bells were rung on the ship's bell was on New Year's Eve, when the youngest officer of the ship was dragged out of his bed willy nilly, and he bad to strike sixteen bells. His first experience was as a boy of 14, when he was dragged out of his bed to go and strike sixteen on the ship's bell to mark the eight bells for the 31st December midnight, and eight bells for tbe 1st January. He was very tired and very sleepy, and he was dragged along in his—he would not say what he had on—he was so sleepy that he struck seventeen, and for the next week the senior midshipman struck him sixteen times every day on a certain place which he would not mention, and he had to count to it so that he should know (laughter). He read an amusing story the other day in an old history book that he had

occasion to study in reference to the Turkish navy at the time of Trafalgar 1805. They could'nt make the Turkish people to understand the names of the different ropes as they called them, braces, and yards, and all that sort of thing; they could'nt make the Turks to understand that, and the only way was to hang a vegetable on each rope, and give orders such as the following: "Haul away the tomato," "Give way to the cucumber," and "Hang the potato," and so on (laughter). He was asked by Mr. Horrex earlier in the evening, what he was going to say, and he did'nt like to tell him, but when he looked at the programme he thought he would say "Love could I only tell Thee (laughter). He wonld like to refer one question to the senior society of bell-ringers of the Empire. While at Gibraltar he was reading up an interesting old history, and it was mentioned that a court martial was held on a sentry in London for having been asleep at his post. and the sentry declared that he had not been asleep because he had heard Big Ben strike thirteen. History went on to say the man was remanded for enquiry, and it was found that his story was correct. It was a most interesting fact, and he would like to know why Big Ben struck thirteen, and thought it was because one of the College Youths was not there to count (laughter). He thanked the company for the way in which the toast had been received (applause).

Mr. E. A. Davies (vice-chairman), said that the Rev. J. W. Eisdale, Vicar of Barking, had accompanied the Barking ringers to the annual festival for a number of years, and he wished to apologise for his absence owing to indisposition.

An excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music was performed. The glees and part songs were sung by the members of the St. George's Glee Union. The handbell solos of Mr. J. Cubitt Smith were a new feature, and thoroughly appreciated. The recitations by Mr. G. R. Boorer, and the singing of Mr. S. Blackmore and Mr. W. Palmer, together with change-ringing on handbells, made up a very enjoyable evening. The accompanist was Mr. H. C. Pennington. Auld Lang Syne brought the evening to a close. The dinner committee were Messrs. J. C. Bayley, C. S. Burden, W. T. Cockerill, E. A. Davies, T. Faulkner, G. R. Fardon, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, A. Hughes, A. A. Hughes, H. Langdon, E. P. O'Meara, H. R. Newton, A. B. Peck. G. N. Price, W. Prime, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith, T, H. Taffender, C. F. Wmney, and M. A. Wood.

THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order. The work will be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

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Date Touches

STOCKPORT.—On Sunday, morning, November 26th, for Divine Service, on the occasion of the Mayor and Corporation visiting officially St. Mary's parish church, a date touch of 1911 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 10 mins. J. Allan G. Clarke, J. H. Mason, Hugh Reynolds, J. A. Gordon, Alfred Gordon, Wm. Gordon, jun. A. S. Gordon, E. Edwards. Composed and conducted by Wm. Gordon, sen., who did not ring. Also at noon, for dismissal, 252 Stedman Triples. J. H. Mason, 1, Wm. Gordon, sen. conductor 2, the rest as before.

Miscellaneous.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

DAGENHAM.—On Sunday, November 25th, for evening service 720 Plain Bob. Miss C. Playle, E. Hawkins, A. Playle, R. Blake, G. Playle conductor, F. Freestone. Miss C. Playle's first 720.

BOTTESFORD.—On Saturday, November 25th, at St. Mary's church, for practice, a half peal, 2520 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 42 mins. T. Rawden, C. Lamb conductor, A. Ward, J. W. Kirton, M. Bend, R. Bend, S. Baker, H. Thorlby. Longest length as conductor. Longest length by A. Ward.

ISLEWORTH.—On Sunday, November 19th, for morning service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. G. A. Ransom, C. Dell, J. Beadle, T. Beadle, H. W. Biggs, F. Goddard, G. Spencer, conductor, H. Beadle. For evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom conductor, T. Beadle, F. Goddard, C. Dell, W. J. New, G. Spencer, A. Sheard. On Sunday, November 26th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins. E. Webb, G. A. Ransom, J. Beadle, C. Dell, T. Beadle, F. Goddard, G. Spencer conductor, H. Beadle.

LECHLADE.—On Sunday, November 26th, at St. Lawrence's church, for evening service, two 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. L. A. Wilson, R. W. Hyner conductor, G. Lancaster, F. Looker, C. J. Gardiner, T. Robinson. And two 6-scores of Stedman Doubles, to which T. Ashton rung the tenor.

LUTON.—On Sunday, November 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 49 mins. J. Shaw, J. Rookwood, B. Wilson, H. Walker, H. Shepherd, W. Payne, A. King conductor, H. Shaw. Rung on Mayor's Sunday, and on the 980th anniversary of the consecration of the church.

MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.—On Sunday afternoon, November 19th, for a service of the Church of England Men's Society, 720 Plain Bob. J. Avis, J. Fenwick, G. Jones, F. Hayes, J. Allsn, F. Mitchell conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect tc the late Mr. C. Burrows Moss, A.R.C O., a member of the above Society, and for the past twenty years Organist at Milton parish church, who died on November 16th. On Sunday evening, November 12th, 720 Oxford Treble Bob. J. Fenwick, G. Ambrose, G. Jones, F. Hayes, F. Mitchell, W. J. Nevard conductor. Mr. Nevard hails from Great Bentley, Essex, and paid a flying visit to Milton.

NUTFIELD.—On Saturday, November 11th, for practice, 720 College Exercise. L. Killick, W. Cheeseman, F. Bashford, T. Leeson, E. Snelling, W. Bashford conductor. Rung with the bells muffled as a last tribute of repect to the late Mr. Walter Hawkins, who was for many years a ringer and choirman at this church.

SWINDON.—At Christ Church, on November 14th, 336 Bob Major. T. Lawrence, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, F. Looker, first 336 of Major, G. Lancaster, G. W. Townsend, L. A. Wilson C. J. Gardiuer conductor. On November 21st, 504 Stedman Triples. A. Lawrence, L. A. Wilson, R. W. Hyner, F. Looker, first touch in the method, G. Lancaster, G. W. Townsend, C. J. Gardiner conductor, A. E. W. Smith.

STRATTON ST. MARGARET.—On November 20th, at St. Margaret's church, 720 Bob Minor. W. H. Day, R. W. Hyner, E. Manton, F. Looker, J. Tuckwell, G. Lancaster conductor.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.-Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 5th and 19th; Southwark Cathedral on the 5th; St. Magnus on the 7th and 21st; and St. Mary-le-Bow on the 12th, The subscription of 1s. 8d. is now due.

A district meeting will be held at St. Mary, Walthamstow, to-day, Sat', December 2nd, at 4 p.m.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
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Dudley and Districts Guild.—The nex quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at St. Luke's, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. tc-day, Sat., December 2nd. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in church at 5 o'clock, with an address by the Vicar. Business meeting afterwards.

HERBERT SHEPPARD, Hon. Sec.

Salop Archidiaconal Association.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Wem to-day, Sat., December 2nd. Ringing at the partsh church at 2.45 p.m.

REV. H, B. BECKWITH, Hon. Sec.

Stoke Archidiaconal Association.—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, Denember 2nd. Belfry open at 4. Tea in the Church Institute at 5.30. Service in church at 7 p.m.

REV C. E. DONNE, J. JOHNSON, } Hon. Secs.

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.-Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wimborne Minster on Saturday, December 9th. Ringing at the Minster from 3.15 to 4.30, and from 6.15 to 7.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, followed by business meeting at Church House at 5. Fuller particulars next week.

C. A. PHILLIPS, Hon. Br. Sec.

The Lancashise Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, December 9th. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending to be present please send word to

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The Lancashire Association. — Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walkden on Saturday, December 9th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.30.

G. PINCOTT, Br. Sec.

Tne Lancashire Associatiou.-Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 16th. Bells available from 3.45 to 7.15, Meeting to follow. Reports ready,

W. W. WOLSTENCROFT, Branch Sec.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—A meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, December 16th. Service in the parish church at 3.30. Meeting in the Church Room at 4 p.m. Tea to follow.

E. E. BURGESS, Hon, Sec.

The Kent County Association.—Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Business meeting 6 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, Hon. Sec.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

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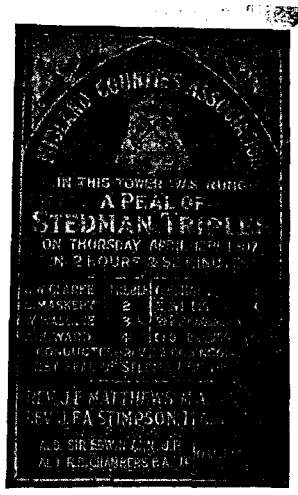

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On Thursday, November 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

ERNEST FISHER	*Treble.*	HERBERT FISHER	4.
HARRY CROOK	2.	EDGAR HUNT	5.
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On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

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A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and one 720 of Double Court. Tenor 16 cwt.

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Being thirty 120s of Grandsire, and twelve 120s of Plain Bob.

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On Tuesday, November 21, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 CHANGES.

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A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

FRANK W. ROMAIN*	*Treble.*	GILBERT NEALE	5.
FREDK. PRECEY	2.	ROBERT P. KNIGHT	9.
CHALLIS F. WINNEY	3.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD	7.
LEONARD HARRIS	4.	ALBERT SOUTHEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

*First peal.

LYTHAM.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(FYLDE BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

C. KERR	*Treble.*	JOHN TIPPING	4.
E. TIPPING	2.	JOHN HARDMAN	5.
D. MCLELLAN	3.	T. ALLANSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN TIPPING,

First 5040 by E. Tipping. First 5040 in Treble Bob methods, and was rung on the eve of the birthday of J. Fell.

BLACKBURN.—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(BLACKBURN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, November 23, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

THOMAS WILSON†	*Treble.*	WILLIAM EDWARD WILSON	5.
WILLIAM BRIGGS	2.	JOHN WATSON	6.
ARTHUR TOMLINSON.. ..	3.	EMMANUEL DUTESON ..	7.
FREDK. HINDLE	4.	JAMES ASHTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by EMMANUEL DUTESON.

†First peal. Rung in honour of Mr. Peter Duteson's birthday, father of the conductor.

SAWBRIDGEWORTH, HERTS.-THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF GREAT ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 25 cwt.

WALTER PRIOR	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SABAN	5.
THOMAS JORDAN..	2.	WALTER TARLING	6.
WILLIAM T. PRIOR	3.	WILLIAM WATTS	7.
ISAAC CAVILL	4.	HENRY J. TUCKER ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM WATTS.

First peal of Stedman on the bells; it is also the quickest peal on the bells. The ringers wish to take the opportunity of thanking the Rev. E. O. Beverley, Vicar, for the use of the bells.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, November 24, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 16¼ cwt.

WILLIAM H. LIDBETTER†	*Treble.*	GEORGE SPENCER	5.
GEORGE A. RANSOM	2.	†WILLIAM J. NEW	6.
CHARLES DELL	3.	FREDERIC GODDARD	5.
THOMAS BEADLE	4.	*HARVEY BEADLE ..	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. J. PARKER, and Conducted by G. A. RANSOM.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor. First peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local local band. This peal is now rung for the first time, and is in six equal parts, and contains 96 calls. Rung as a birthday compliment to the daughter of Mr. G. Spencer.

OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 11 cwt. 2 qrs. 21 lbs.

GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE	*Treble.*	WILLIAM C. PARKER ..	5.
JOSEPH J. PARKER	2.	JOHN PRESTON	6.
WILLIAM HENLEY	3.	*WILLIAM WELLING	7.
ARTHUR BLAKE	4.	JOSEPH GUTTRIDGE ..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. WELLING.

*Fiftieth peal.

MOTTRAM, CHESHIRE.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY.

(THE GLOSSOP CHANGE-RINGERS ASSOCIATSON.)

On Saturday, November 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs. in F.

JAMES BUCKLEY..	*Treble.*	EGMONT T. MALKIN.. ..	5.
THOMAS JACKSON	2	ELI GARSIDE	6.
HERBERT BRADLEY	3.	RICHARD NEWTON	7.
FRANK GARSIDE	4.	JOHN LAWTON	*Tenor.*

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by JAMES BUCKLEY.

CARDINGTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 21 cwt.

HERBERT L. HARLOW ..	*Treble.*	HARRY SEAR	5.
JOHN W. BARKER	2.	ARTHUR CHAPMAN	6.
CHARLES MORTIMER.. ..	3.	WILLIAM MAYES..	7
WILLIAM T. LIGHTFOOT ..	4.	CHARLES W. CLARKE ..	*Tenor*

Composed by G. HUGHES, and Conducted by C. W. CLARKE.

The above method was rung at the express desire of the ringer of the 7th, who was very anxious to again ring a peal in the method.

BELTON, RUTLAND.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

WILLIAM WILLSON	*Treble,*	WALTER WHITE..	4.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY.. ..	2.	R. HENRY BARTRAM ..	5.
J. JAMES JACKSON	3.	*THOMAS SQUIRES ..	*Tenor*

Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

*First peal in seven methods. Rung as a welcome home to Mrs and Miss Gough, who recently presented the church with a new bell toward the ring of six.

BERKELEY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 24 cwt.

OLIVER E. THOMAS ..	*Treble.*	JOHN W. JONES	5
JOHN AUSTIN	2.	THOMAS BALDWYN	6.
JESSE GILLETT	3.	CHARLES L. SADLER.. ..	7.
ARTHUR E. MORGAN.. ..	4.	JOHN W. DAVIS..	*Tenor.*

Composed by CHARLES H. HATLERSLEY, and Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

The tenor has recently been rehung with new headstock and fittings by Llewellins and James, and the go is all that can be deeired.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Bob IV., London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

WALTER J. HORTON	*Treble.*	REV. R. P. FARROW ..	4,
GEOFFREY J. STONELEY ..	2.	EDGAR VALLANCE	5.
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ..	3.	E. HARRY STONELEY..	*Teaor.*

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

The Rev. R. P. Farrow hails from Bardon Hill, Leicestershire.

BOCKING, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 18¾ cwt.

FRANK WEBB	*Treble.*	*EDWARD CLAYDON	5.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	2.	FRANK CLAYDON	6.
JOHN T. BARKER*	3.	WILLIAM GRIMWADE ..	7.
ERNEST NEWMAN	4.	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ..	*Tenor,*

Composed by J. CARTER, and Conducted by A. SHUFFLEBOTHAM.

*First peal of Double Norwich.

WORLE, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

JOHN WHITE	..Treble.	J. BURROWS	4.
ALFRED WHITE	2.	J. WHITE, JUN.	5.
A. B. BADCOCK	3.	FRANK WHITE	..Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN WHITE.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Vicar, the Rev, F. W. Bentley, who died suddenly on November 25th, 1910. This is the first muffled peal rung on the bells. The muffs were supplied by Messrs. T. Doble and Son, Taunton.

KING'S NORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14¼ cwt.

WILLIAM PALMER	..Treble.	*ARTHUR CHAMBERS	5.
FRANK WITHERS	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
CHARLES DICKENS	3.	JAMES DOWLER	7.
GEORGE F. SWANN	4.	JOHN WITHERS	..Tenor.

Composed by CHARLES HENRY HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by SAMUEL GROVE.

Rung on the 83rd birthday of Mr. F. Palmer, for many years steeplekeeper at the above church. It is also A. Chambers' 100th peal, a list of which appears elsewhere.

THORNBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE ST. NICHOLAS GUILD, BRISTOL.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM WHITE	..Treble.	FREDK. OAKHILL	5.
WILLIAM LANSDOWN	2.	GILBERT WILTSHIRE	6.
JAMES J. POOLE	3.	ISAAC LONG	7.
FRED G. MAY	4.	HENRY T. HOWELL	..Tenor.

Composed by FREDK. DENCH, and Conducted by FREDK. G. MAY.

Arranged and rung muffled as a last token of respect for the late Harry E. Howell, who so recently died at Thornbury. First peal of Major by the ringers of the treble and tenor.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

CHARLES FAULKS	..Treble.	WILLIAM GOODMAN	6.
WILLIAM MILLS	2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE	7.
HERBERT SHEPPARD	3.	JOHN GOODMAN, SEN.	8.
HARRY GOODMAN	4.	BENJAMIN GOUGH	9.
THOMAS WATTON	5.	JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.	..Tenor.

Composed by the late W. MICKLEWRIGHT, and Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN, JUN.

This peal is now rung for the first time. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. W. Goodman and Sheppard, the ringers wishing them many happy returns.

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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 14 cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN W. WHITING	..Treble.	GEORGE E. CHAPPELL	5.
LIONEL H. PAGE	2.	HENRY W. WILKES	6.
GEORGE GRAFHAM	3.	EDWIN J. HARDING	7.
SIDNEY CHURCHER	4.	GEORGE WILLIAMS	..Tenor.

Composed by F. BENNETT, and Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

Mr. A. T. King was also present, but insisted on standing out for G. Grafham.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

FREDERICK W. BAILEY*	..Treble.	CHARLES F. BAILEY	5.
ERNEST S. BAILEY	2.	JAMES M. BAILEY	6.
NORMAN R. BAILEY	3.	CHARLES SAMSON	7.
EDGAR H. BAILEY	4.	FREDERICK J. SMITH	..Tenor.

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHAS. F. BAILEY.

*First peal in the method. N. R. Bailey's 100th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. H. Bailey, Secretary of the above Society, the band wishing him many happy returns.

HERTFORD.—THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; TAYLOR'S. Tenor 16 cwt.

REGINALD DORE†	..Treble.	†HERBERT J. GRAY	5.
HERBERT W. MANSFIELD	2.	HENRY G. ROWE	6.
GEORGE SMITH	3.	‡GEORGE GRAY	7.
WILLIAM IRONS	4.	†ALFRED E. AKERS	..Tenor.

Conducted by HENRY GEORGE ROWE.

†First peal. ‡First peal with a bob bell. This is H. G. Rowe's 40th peal as conductor.

ALDERMASTON, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

WALTER A. WEBB*	..Treble.	*CHARLES COX	5.
HENRY TUCKER	2.	ARTHUR W. PIKE	6.
ALBERT E. REEVES	3.	CHARLES GILES	7.
FRANK MARTIN*	4.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN	..Tenor.

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. GILES.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

HUISH, LANGPORT.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Recently, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

T. JEANES*	..Treble.	T. W. CREED	4.
A. WHEADON	2.	*G. LOCK	5.
T. J. LLOYD	3.	*T. VILE	..Tenor.

Conducted by T. J. LLOYD.

*First peal.

STANTON-BY-DALE, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Court, Single Court, Oxford Bob, Woodbine, Oxford, Kent and Plain Bob. Tenor 11¾ cwt.

WILLIAM THORNLEY	*Treble.*	ARTHUR FREEMAN	4.
WILLIAM HALFORD	2.	*ERNEST OLIVER	5.
JOSEPH HALL	3.	EDWARD C. GOBEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

*First peal of Minor. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 4th, his brother-strings wishing him many happy returns.

EWERBY.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,
A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANGES;
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH LORD	*Treble.*	JAMES OSBORN	6.
RUPERT RICHARDSON	2.	JOHN T. HOLMES	7.
FREDE. W. STOKES	3.	ARTHUR MACBEARS	8.
JOHN W. LAKE	4.	WILLIAM DICKINSON	9.
WILLIAM RICHARDSON	5.	REV. H. LAW JAMES	*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

This composition was taken from T. Sibson's MS. First peal of Oxford Royal in the county, and by all the band.

CRAYFORD, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.
Tenor 12¾ cwt.

WILLIAM FLOYD	*Treble.*	RICHARD MORGAN	5.
WILLIAM FLETCHER	2.	FREDERICK FRENCH	6.
GEORGE POVEY	3.	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN.	7.
REGINALD BROUGH	4.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and Conducted by E. BARNETT, SEN.

This is E. Barnett junr's. 150th peal.

BUCKNALL, STAFEORDSHIRE.
STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 25, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Chester, Superlative, Cambridge, Durham, Wells, Lichfield, and Chichester.

LEONARD CLARKSON*	*Treble.*	DANIEL PRESTON	4.
JOSEPH PRESTON*	2.	CHARLES PRESTON	5.
CLEMENT POINTON*	3.	WILLIAM WHEELDON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. WHEELDON.

*First peal of Surprise. Rang at the first attempt.

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WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Sunday, November 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720s of Plain Bob, two of Oxford Bob, and one each of Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire. Tenor 10½ cwt.

RAYMOND YOUNG	*Treble.*	FREDERICK JORDAN	4.
THOMAS EDWIN	2.	JAMES HEMNING	5.
HERBERT JORDAN	3.	HARRY MIDDLETON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES HEMMING.

LONG SUTTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, November 28, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,
A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different 720s. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 16 lbs.

SAMUEL MUMBY	*Treble.*	JOHN W. BURRIDGE	4.
HENRY C. WATTS*	2	HORACE HARRISON	5.
JOHN B. HALLIFAX	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

*First peal.

Handbell Peal.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, November 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Twenty-seven Minutes,
AT 10, GOODALE STREET,
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' FIVE-PART.

ALBERT H. WARD	1-2.	ARTHUR BRAINES	5-6.
WALTER WALLACE	3-4.	CHAS. DRAPER	7-8.

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Referee—Charles E. Hart.

CAMBRIDGE.—THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes,
At 14, Trumpington Street,
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5104 CHANGES.

REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON	1-2.	†REGINALD O. STREET	5-6.
E. MAURICE ATKINS	3-4.	*WILLIAM D. JAMES	7-8.

Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

†First peal away from the tenors. *First peal in hand.

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The method may be shortly described as follows: When the treble is in front, the bells behind go a quick six. When the treble is behind, then the bells in front go a slow six.

In this method the three bells in front work a quick and slow six alternately throughout, while the work of the three bells behind is quick sixes throughout, and the treble being a plain hunt, is a quick bell in all the quick sixes. There is continual dodging in 4-5, with the bells it may be said the wrong way. That is always in each case excepting when the treble is in 4-5 passing up and down, and then there is additional work for all bells as shown between the sectional lines, and that the sixes are disconnected. As there are places made in 4ths at beginning and end of the slow sixes, and the method otherwise being almost full of Stedman, hence the title. But I am not very particular on this point. The remarks as to composition given last week, also holds good for this.

5072 BOB MAJOR.—By H. Price.

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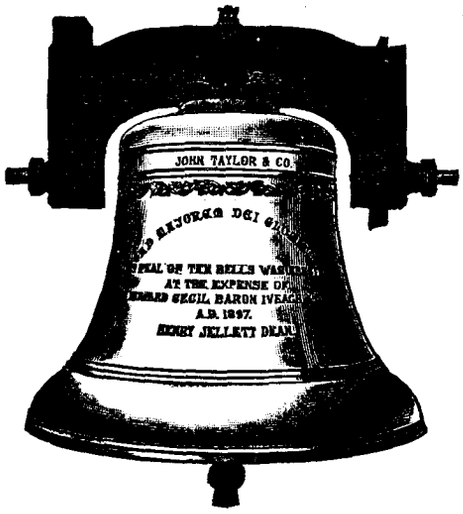

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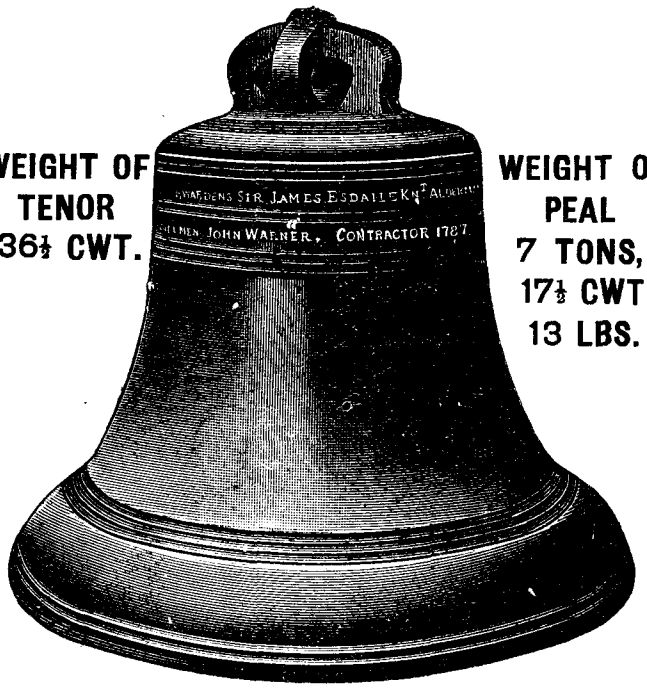

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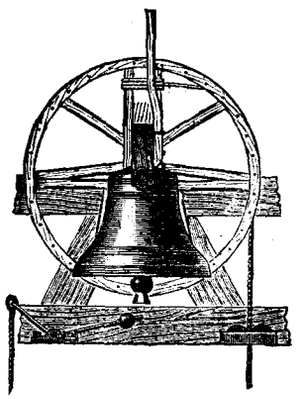

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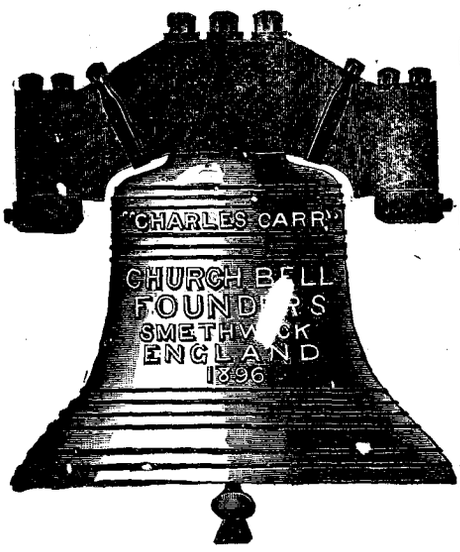

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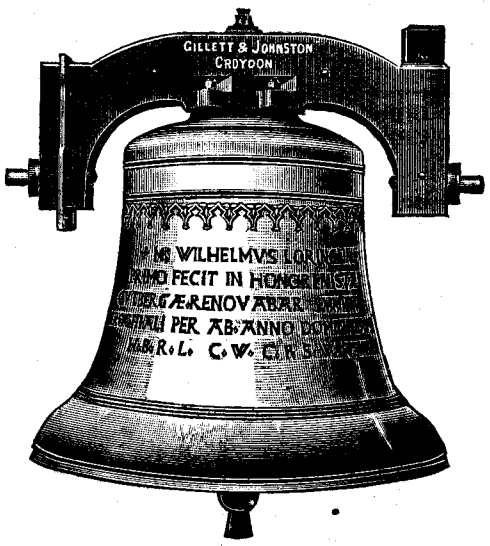

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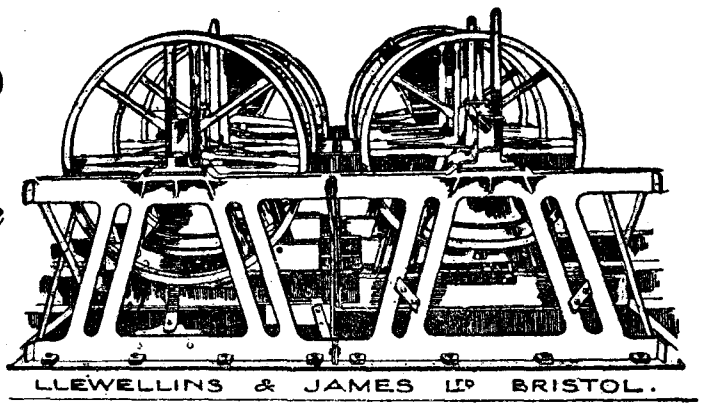

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ABBOTSHAM, DEVON.

Friday last was a day long to be remembered by churchfolk of Abbotsham and district, and especially by the ringers of the Hartland Deanery, of whom bands from Abbotsham (two, the old and the new), Bideford, Buckland Brewer, Parkham (two), Alwington, Wear Gifford, Monkham, Littleham, and Northam, rang merry peals on the rehung bells in the ancient tower of St. Helen's, which were re-opened at a special service by the Bishop of Crediton, Archdeacon Tretusis. The re-hanging of the bells, the reason for which was explained by the Vicar—Rev. R. W. Sealy—is Abbotsham's permanent commemoration of the Coronation, as will be set forth on a brass to be placed in the church, bearing the inscription: "To the Glory of God, in Commemoration of the Coronation of His Majesty King George V., these bells were rehung, November 24th, 1911. R. W. Sealy, Vicar. C. R. F. Hibbert, J. Bale, Churchwardens."

The work of rehanging, with iron cage, new wheels and fittings, and new oak beams and floor, has been carried out by Messrs. Harry Stokes and Son, of Woodbury, in a manner which evoked the public expression of high enconiums by the Vicar. The peal is one of six bells, of which the tenor, weighing about 12 cwt., is a pre-reformation bell, and the 5th is also an old bell, but the remainder are modern. The ringers were entertained to luncheon in the schoolroom: there was also a public tea after the service, the ladies of the parish making excellent arrangements, and in the evening a social gathering, the whole proceedings being entered into with that heartiness and good feeling which is a characteristic of public doings in the parish. It was a bright, keen forenoon, and a large number of friends attended from Bideford and adjoining parishes.

At the close of a capital repast in the schoolroom, the Vicar proposed the toast of "The King and Queen and the rest of the Royal Family," making fitting allusion to their Majesty's journey to India. No doubt they would run considerable risks, and the whole nations were asked that God might be with them on their journey, and bring them safe home again.

The Rev. Prebendary Dimond-Churchward said he had been asked to propose "The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese." They had in their Bishop a man of energy and earnestness, and one who would be found to have a strong wish to unite the Church together in their work. He realised the work they had to do was for the good both for time and eternity of all the people in the diocese. They could not realise too thoroughly how much they ought to show their union; therefore he looked with pleasure upon such occasions as that when clergy and laity met to pull together for the good of the people in the diocese. He coupled with the toast the name of their good Archdeacon the Bishop of Crediton.

The Bishop, in reply, said it was a very great pleasure to find oneself in the company of a body of keen north Devon ringers. They were having that day a high time. They had been changing their modern frame for a steel one, and that was just what the nation had been doing in regard to its shipping. He was afraid the old Devonshire oak would get out of fashion, for they were introducing the Midland steel which was stronger, and what they had done now would no doubt remain for gonerations to come. But the Abbotsham ringers would have to look out, because there was a new tower not a hundred miles away with a new peal of bells, and a band of very vigorous ringers, who might aspire not only to change-ringing, but to scientific ringing. So they would have to see to it that they did not let the younger ringers out-do their older friends. He had the pleasure of listening to scientific ringing for four months of every year every Sunday evening on the Heavitree bells, a most beautiful peal, changing every stroke. They could not expect that country ringers were going to do that. It was not because they had not the intelligence, but because they had not the time. It took time, and if there was a band of ringers at Abbotsham which kept together, they would enjoy their ringing ten-fold more if they aspired a little to the higher class of ringing which prevailed through the Diocesan Guild, a body which was always ready to help, and teach, and shew the way. He was always proud when he heard that North Devon ringers were reaching out to a scientific peal. They once had such a set at Chittlehampton, and the bells opposite at Alwington, were now away being tuned up preparatory to being rehung. All over North Devon it seemed to him ringers were full of life, and were doing their utmost to make the bells sound over the Devonshire hills and valleys, to ring in good time and good tune. He was listening to some of the ringing as he drove up to Abbotsham, and he must say he thought it was very well done, the tune and time and rhythm of the ringing was as good as could be. He hoped they would go on and do their best, for there was nothing that put a brighter happiness into them on a Sunday than to hear the bells ringing on their way to church. He most heartily congratulated them upon what they had done in that parish.

The Vicar, who proposed a vote of thanks to the subscribers, visitors, and local committee, announced amid applause, that the totel cost, about £130, had been entirely met, almost without any asking. They were re-opening the bells not only absolutely free from debt, but would have enough to utilise the old oak that was coming out to make some beautiful furniture or chairs for the church. There must be a good many in the room who remembered that only about twenty-five years ago they had a similar gathering for the putting in of some new bells and an entirely new cage. It did not seem quite long enough for that to have lasted, but they had to take things as they were, and when it was found that the ringers had not a dry thread on them after ringing, it was thought necessary to have the bells rehung, and the work made easier. In thanking those who had subscribed, the Vicar said he had not had to what they called "dun" anybody. A friend made a start with an offer of £10, and he went to a gentleman and told him if he could get a good start, they would raise a fund. He replied, "I will give you £25." That gave them a good send-off, and the rest was easy. The work had been excellently done to time, according to

promise, and he asked the ringers of the Deanery to come, and he was glad to see such a nice response. It was a very great pleasure to him to be able to greet so many ringers, and he hoped they would have a happy and successful day. Mr. Sealy paid a tribute to the Committee who had so efficiently made the arrangements.

Mr. C. S. Carnegie, in the course of a happy reply, was sure he was voicing the feelings of every subscriber when he said it was a great happiness to them to have subscribed to the restoration of the bells of that ancient and interesting Church. But it was also a great happiness to do so out of their respect and regard for the worthy Vicar of the parish. Mr. Sealy had worked hard, and for many years for the welfare not only of that parish but of every institution in the whole of the Bideford district.

Rev. W. W. Arthur (Atherington) appropriately replied for the visitors. He had been there some years, as a very modest ringer, and it was a very great pleasure to him to be allowed to come as a visitor. When his own bells were re-hung he should be pleased to welcome the ringers from Abbotsham.

Mr. Hooper responded on behalf of the Committee and ringers of Abbotsham. Some labour had been entailed, but it was a labour of love. He should like to see an Association in the deanery where ringers could meet and ring in association. Such meetings as that helped to produce good fellowship and kindly feeling, and made one work heart and soul, as churchpeople should, and for the benefit of one and all.

The re-opening service was very largely attended. The surpliced choir was in attendance, and with Mr. Blackmore presiding at the organ, the service opened with the processional hymn, "O God, our help in ages past," followed by evensong to the end of the third collect, special psalms, xxiii., lxxxiv., and the first aud second lessons by the Rev. de Courcy Ireland and the Rev. T. Newton Leeke respectively. During the hymn, "We love the place, O God," the Bishop went to the belfry, afterwards giving the special prayers. Then the ringers rang a short peal, the hymn following, "Hark, on high the joyful music!"

The Bishop, in an address which was listened to with wrapt attention, said: The hearts of all here present are filled with a real thanksgiving to-day. You have been enabled to accomplish a good work and the gratitude of the parishioners is to-day great, and especially towards the chief mover in this work, who has helped you to bring it to such success. There is no part of the Church fabric to which parishioners are so willing to contribute as they are to the Church bells. The bells seem to call out their sympathy, for the bells enter into our social and religions life. They seem to be part of ourselves. And everywhere the bells sound out their music: it touches some chord in the human thought and heart. And so to-day you have been able to bring to a perfect restoration your old Church bells. We have taken them apart now, the new part, the frame, from any common or secular use, and have given them up for the sacred purposes for which they are placed in our towers. These bells will swing and will speak as they swing to the consciences—to the inner thoughts of those who are within reach of their sound.

In the Bible we have not much said about bells, but what is said is very significant. In the 28th Chapter of the book of Exodus we have mention of the sound of the bells. And we know that it was according to God's own order, that it did not originate with ourselves, the thought of placing bells in the House of God, but He Himself has given directions that the sound of bells should be heard. And first of all they were placed on the hem of the robe of God's high priest. He was to wear them when he entered into the most sacred service of their religion, the service on the day of atonement. No one was allowed to see him as he entered, but the sonnd of the bells was a memorial, a reminder to those outside that their High Priest was going into the presence of the Holy God, and as soon as they heard the sonnd of the bells they fell upon their faces and were lost in silent, reverent worship. Aud the bells were to be upon the High Priest "when he goeth in before the Lord, and when he cometh out," and when they heard the sound of the priest receding from the Holy of Holies they disposed themselves for his blessing, and God's High Priest in the Name of God, into whose presence he had been, blessed the people from God himself. And so careful, too, was the Lord Jehovah about it that if the High Priest had ventured to enter in any other way of form, that it would not have been accepted, and the scriptures tell us he would have "died before the Lord." You see, then, that the sound of the bells comes to us as God's own gift, and they are a call to holiness of life. They call, and call truly that the Lord's command to His people was this: "Be ye holy, for I, the Lord thy God am holy," and the worshipping people reflected something of the holiness of God and took it back from their worship, and it was manifest in the holiness of their lives. Now it was not only bells upon the border of the High Priest's garment, but there was fruit as well as bells, and side by side with the bells was placed a pomegranate—a bell and pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, and so on, and the teaching of God in regard to that was this: that the sound of the bells should be not merely an empty sound, not merely bells rung for the pleasure of ringing, with the music fading away in the air, but that the sound should be productive of fruitfulness as well as holiness. And that fruitfulness of life was what God looked for in connection with the sound of the bells. Cowper, the poet, expressed it in this way:

> The golden bells, the priestly vest,
> With rich pomegranate bordered ronnd,
> The needs of holiness expressed,
> And call for fruit as well as sound.

So that when we are sounding the bells to-day let us consecrate our hearts to God; they are meant by God to produce fruitfulness not only in them that sound the bells but in them that hear their tones. Fruitfulness of life must be the result of every restored belfry, and every set of bells erected in our Church towers, and that brings us to think, how can we produce fruitfulness of heart and life while we are sounding the bells?

We know, some of us, that the bells were in old days simply empty sounds. I remember entering a belfry after I was inducted to a living and finding that the belfry was desecrated, and that it was simply a place for drinking, I had a hard time with the bell-ringers. They did not understand me, and yet after a while they became conscious that the bells in our churches were meant for a higher purpose than merely for the amusement of the ringers. I remember in the days of my curacy when a telegram came to the head ringer to say that the bells were to be rung because his horse had won a race, the Vicar going into the belfry with his heart in his month, full of trepidation, knowing that what he might say would not be accepted. For a whole twelve months those bells never sounded again. But after that twelve months, when it became understood by repeated talking of the subject that the bells of a Church were for holy purposes, for bringing forth fruits on the festival days of our Lord, none rose to it more keenly than the bell-ringers that had transgressed in the first instance.

I remember another fact: the bells ringing on Ascension morning and persons asking and wondering what the bells were ringing for. And the bells themselves were telling the story. If I had preached the Ascension of the Lord they would not have cared or listened, but when the bells spoke out the message that that day was the Lord's Coronation day it touched the people with a sense that, after all, the bells are rung out for the Lord and the festivals of the Lord quite as much as they should be rung for any pleasure.

Once more, on a Good Friday, how impossible it was to get the people to understand the Sacredness, the solemnity, the sorrow-for-sin of Good Friday. I have preached about it, but there was no heed given to it, and I said, "Let the bell be tolled from quarter to three to three o'clock." The village was full of holiday people, for it was a Bank Holiday, as you know, with little else in their hearts but self-enjoyment and amusement. Presently the bells sounded from the tower the toll, and people were asking one another, "Who is dead? Who is dead?" They had not heard of any one who had died that day. Then

presently I was able to say, "Jesus, your Lord, died at 3 o'clock to-day." That bell told those people what I could never have told them.

And so then, I say bells that are ordered by God to speak out and send forth their sound have a wonderful influence and power when they are rightly used. And what I plead for with my fellow ringers to-day is to take a high ideal of your office, not to be mere satisfied that you can ring a round peal evenly and so on, but to remember that you have a power to preach the Gospel. And it is a wonderful power when it is used faithfully and sympathetically. So that if on the Lord's birthday or the Lord's resurrection, or the day of His coronation, or the birthday of the Church of Jesus you ring out the bells, it tells the people what they will scarcely listen to by any conversation of what has happened on that day. And I know this: that the Church most be patient with her ringers and very, very sympathetic. You have such sympathy to-day, and to-day is a memorable day for you all for that reason, and while we exercise patience with regard to a higher ideal of ringing than prevailed in the last century, I am certain that we shall have the co-operation of all thoughtful Christian men and Churchmen who are ringers with the clergy especially, one together in this matter.

I want you to see and to know that when you sound those bells in the name of God, that it must produce fruitfulness of thought and heart, fruitfulness of life, fruitfulness of sympathy. Then our Church bells will be in full accordance with our Church life and the blessings of God will be with us all. As one body and one Church we shall all have one aim, that the bells should never give an empty sound, and that they should be filled with the fruitfulness of a Christian, holy life.

The hymn, "In everything give thanks," followed, and after the blessing the impressive service closed with the recessional: "Now thank we all our God."

In the evening a well-attended social gathering was held in the schoolroom, when a varied programme, consisting of dancing and vocal contributions, was most successfully carried through.

Miscellaneous.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION

RAUNDS.—On Sunday, November 19th, 336 Grandsire Triples. F. Kirk. H. Copperwheat, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, F. Stubbs, W. J. Gilbert conductor, A. Fairy. 224 Superlative Surpriso. R. Pendered, F. Stubbs, W. Gilbert, W. J. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, H. Sharman, H. Stubbs, F. Kirk. 224 Kent Treble Bob, standing as before. On November 21st, 252 Stedman Triples. H. Stubbs, F. Stubbs, F. Kirk, W. J. Gilbert, H. Copperwheat, H. Sharman, W. Gilbert conductor, A. Fairy. And 336 Grandsire Triples by the same. On November 26th, 210 Grandsire Triples. H. Stubbs, W. J. Gilbert, R. Pendered, W. Gilbert conductor, H. Copperwheat, F. Kirk, F. Stubbs, A. Fairy. 252 Bob Triples by the same. On November 28th, 210 Grandsire Triples. A. Kirk, F. Stubbs, H. Stubbs, R. Pendered, W. J. Gilbert, F. Kirk, W. Gilbert conductor, A. Fairy. 336 Bob Major. A. Kirk, W. Gilbert conductor, F. Kirk, R. Pendered, H. Copperwheat, W. J. Gilbert, H. Stubbs, F. Stubbs. 224 Superlative Surprise, H. Sharman taking part.

THE ALL SAINTS SOCIETY, FULHAM.

FULHAM.—On Monday, December 4th, for practice on handbells, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1280 changes), in 38 mins. A. F. Shepherd, 1-2; W. Shepherd, 3-4; J. W. Drivor, 5-6; L. Attwater, 7-8. Rung on strictly non-conducted principles.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LITTLE MUNDEN.—On November 29th, in an unsuccessful attempt for a farewell peal to B. Carter, who is leaving the village, 720 each of Duke of York, Woodbine, Oxford Delight, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. A. Carter, B. Carter, F. Williams A. Phillips, A. Woolston, W. H. Lawrence conductor. On December 3rd, for service, 720 Oxford Delight by the same band, conducted by A. Woolston

Correspondence.

"METHODS."

SIR,—I hope my friend Mr. Dains will excuse me if I remind him that the plain lead of his "Doubles" is not original, as it is in "Stedman's Campanology," the 1677 edition of which I have an original copy minus the title page, bound in dark brown leather, containing "The Epistle Dedicatory," and runs to 231 pages. It is just six by four inches in the original binding, with a small piece of pages 189-0 torn out at the top about 1½ inches in length. Also his method turns up again on page 62 of J. Monk's Campanology, dated 1766; also St. Simon's in Hubbard's book comes very near to it, viz., the two methods being identical up to the first nine changes inclusive of the first plain lead. I am not alluding to the calls in producing the 120 changes. I admit they are different: I am alluding strictly to the first plain lead, which I give below for comparison. The plain lead of Non-such is identical with the bob lead of Mr. Dains's method, which I hope he will pardon me for pointing this out to him, as I am not exactly certain whether he claimed his method to be original. P. SADLER.

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41253	41252	41253	41253	41253
14523	14523	14523	14523	14235
15432	15452	15432	14253	12453

1, Doubles, by Henry Dains, first plain lead. 2, Church Doubles, page 128 Stedman's Campanology, 1677. 3, St. Clement's Doubles, page 62 J. D. C. M., 1766. 4, St. Simon's Doubles, Hubbard's Art of Ringing, 1845. 5, Nou-such Doubles, 206 Stedman's Campanology, 1677.

NOTE TO THE WROTHAM PEAL.

This was the first peal on these bells, which were recast and rehung in a new iron H frame, and tuned on Canon Simpson's principle, by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, and rung for the first time on the Coronation day of King George V., and great credit is dne to them f.r the excellent job they have made of it, the go and tone being simply perfection. Mr. R. Goodbourn, although he has seen seventy summers, was fresh enough at the finish of the peal, to start for another. This peal was rung at the third attempt, the first failing in the thirty-fourth course owing to a change-course, the band being T. H. Colburn, Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, W. Pitman, G. B. Selby, E. Barnett. sen., T. Groombridge, jun., T. Groombridge, sen., conductor, R. Goodbourn. The band were met on this occasion, and most hospitably entertained to a spread by Mr. Churchwarden Francis. The second attempt failed in the thirty-second course, through one of the band losing his head, and not doing as he was told. Two courses of Double Norwich was afterwards rung, and the bells lowered. Again Mr. Francis met them, and asked them to accompany him to the hall opposite, where they found the allotment holders dining, and here they had placed before them a hot roast joint, vegetables, plum pudding, jellies, cheese, celery, and ale, a good finish to a bad attempt. The band on this occasion was the same as rang the peal. The band take this opportunity of suitably thanking Mr. Francis for the very kind way in which he entertained them

CHESHUNT, HERTS.

RESTORATION AND TWO NEW TREBLES TO BE ADDED.

The bells of the parish church of St. Mary's have been sadly in need of repair for the past twenty years, but although the attention of the Vicar was drawn to it no steps were taken until the present Vicar, the Rev. C. B. Law, came to reside in the parish. The state and condition of the bells were put before him by Mr. H. G. Rowe, and he at once took the matter in hand, and with the able assistance of the churchwardens decided to get them restored. Tenders were invited, and Messrs. Gillett and Johnston have been given the order. The total cost of the whole work is £400, toward which £366 has been subscribed or promised, and the work has been begun, and it is hoped the bells will be ready for ringing again by the middle of January. The bells are a fine ring of six, tenor 16 cwt., and only one peal has been rung on them, and that was in January, 1902. Full particulars of the date of opening will be announced in this paper later.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

The Marlborough Branch of this Guild, which was started last July, held what proved to be its most successful independent meeting at Caine on Saturday, November 25th. Unfortunately the President of the Branch, the Rev. A. E. G. Peters, was prevented from attending by a severe cold. Soon after three o'clock ringing was commenced at St. Mary's church, bnt owing to the bad go of the bells very little change-ringing could be done with any pleasure. However some good rounds and Grandsire Doubles were rung, and at 4.30 the ringers attended the special service. A stirring address was given by the Rev. E. J. Bodington, who exhorted the ringers to make their message to the people more effective by showing godliness in their own lives and by being in every sense of the word true men. The service euded, the ringers adjourned to the Church House, where twenty-three sat down to an excellent tea. A return was then made to the belfry and more ringing done. Later in the evening some of the party went to Hilmarton and rang two 6-scores of Grandsire and one of Stedman Doubles on these splendid bells. J. Butler, R. W. Hyner, A. L. Wilson, G. Lancaster, C. J. Gardiner, E. Long. This was the first attempt at Stedman on tower bells by the ringer of the treble.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the North Eastern District was held at Maldon on Saturday, December 2nd, and was attended by fifty members from various towers, some travelling a distance of twenty miles. A short form of service adopted by the Association was held in All Saints church previous to the meeting, when an excellent discourse was delivered by the Vicar. Four new ringing members were elected. The District Master (Mr. F. Rudkin) having intimated that he was unable to again serve in that capacity, Mr. D. Elliott, of Coggeshall, was elected to fill that position, the district secretary (Mr. A. Shufflebotham) being re-elected. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Braintree in January. Votes of thanks were accorded the Rev. L. Hughes, Vicar of All Saints, for his excellent address and use of the bells; the Rev. E. L. B. Kevill-Davies, Rector of St. Mary's, for the use of the bells; and the district officers for their services to the Association. The bells of both All Saints (6) and St. Mary's (6) were kept going during the day until 9 p.m., after which the handbells were brought into use until time was called, and thus ended one of the most successful meetings ever held in this district.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The inaugural tea and meeting of the newly-formed Swindon Branch took place on Saturday, December 2nd, and was the most successful gathering in the experience of local ringers. Ringing was indulged in in the afternoon at the parish church tower, and tea followed at Messrs. King's refreshment rooms, no fewer than thirty-six ringers from the district being present. A business meeting was subsequently held, Mr. E. Bishop presiding. At the outset the Chairman explained the reason the meeting had been called, and stated that the new branch had been formed to cover the Archdeaconry of North Wilts. He also announced that an improvement would be effected in the future, as they had decided to hold meetings monthly and to visit each tower in the branch at least once a year and hold a meeting there.

Mr. W. A. Cave (hon. general secretary of the Association) was present, and he explained the rules with regard to the working of the branch. The following officers were elected: President and member of the management committee, Mr. E. Bishop; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. R. W. Hyner. Nine new members from Grittleton were elected and one from Wroughton, this being extremely gratifying. The next meeting was suggested to be held at Chippenham in January. More ringing then took place at the parish church, where Stedman and Double Norwich were rung. The tower at St. Mark's was also visited.

THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order. The work will be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

A PEEP INTO EAST ANGLIA.

The time is nearing when I look forward with interest to cast off for a short time the harness of every day toil, the trivial round, the common talk of each day of the week, and each week of the year, for what is termed my holiday. But with myself, as with so many of us, I have to consider the depth of the purse and the amount of the needful at my disposal before deciding where to go for the little space of time that is termed rest. Usually it is more of a change than a rest, at least in my case it is always so, for being of an active disposition I am anxious to see and get in as much as possible during the short period allotted to me. Where shall I go this year I ask myself. I belong not to the class of those that own motor cars, neither am I in a position to place orders with the aviator; therefore I must be content to use the means common to so many of us, namely, the humble bike, not a motor bike, mark you, but the kind whose only means of locomotion is the strength of the individual astride it. Which way of the old country shall I go, I ask myself again. I've been to the South, I've been to the West, shall I go to the East this year? Yes, I will. But first let me peruse the notices of ringing meetings and see if whilst viewing the country I can also get some ringing. Yes, I see a notice of the annual meeting of the Norwich Association is to be held in Ipswich. To the East I will go, so that's settled. The morning of the short vacation dawns, and I get astride the old trusty for part way and part by train. By evening I find myself in Norwich—the City of Churches as it is so rightly called, for never have I seen a city with so many—what an interesting City it is, and well worth a visit. Into the old Castle, now converted into a well stocked Museum, then down into the old dugeons of the prison. If those walls could speak what a tale of suffering and woe they would tell of at least a thousand years. Now a tour of the City and into some of the churches. The one thing that a visitor cannot fail to notice is that in nearly every case the fabric is in good preservation. But the bells, Ah, I hardly dare tell; they seem to have been forgotten, for with the exception I believe of St. Peter Mancroft, St. John de Sepulchre and St. Michael Coslany are unpealable, and in many cases unringable. A sad state of things, especially from a ringer's point of view. May we hope that it will gradually be remedied, so that not only is the fabric in good condition but the bells also. It is Sunday morning, and I wend my way to the renowned tower of St. Peter Mancroft to hear for the first time the noble ring hanging there, and to get, if possible, a pull on them. I get both, and if this had been my only chance of having any ringing I should feel that to bear that noble ring would have alone been worth my visit, for truly they are a grand and noble ring, and the ringing chamber too is in my opinion perfect both for hearing and handling them. I stay to service as a ringer should, and then another walk round the interesting old City. In the afternoon a visit to the Cathedral, with its lofty and noble spire, the second highest in England—having to take second place to Salisbury. One needs to stand a moment to look at it before they can realise the vastness of its central tower, truly a grand and magnificent work. One great pity is that it does'nt stand upon higher ground, as it does not show itself to the best advantage. What about the bells? Shall I hear a ring of twelve pouring out sonorous tones over the old city? Surely I may expect that. Listen! No, just a poor ring of five. What a poor family of inhabitants for a Cathedral of such grandeur, and so noble a tower. Surely the time must come when an effort will be made to place in that massive campanile a peal worthy of it, for judging from the outside it is strong enough to carry almost any weight. I go to the service, and the singing is beautiful. I pass out, and in the dusk of a late autumn afternoon take a last look at that graceful spire in the gathering haze and dimness, and feel a lifting up in heart to heaven to which it points. For evening service I find myself ringing with the young and enthusiastic band of St. John de Sepulchre, a band of which we shall doubtless hear more later on. The following morning I once more get astride the iron steed for a twenty mile ride to Cromer, to enjoy a few hours by the hungry and encroaching ocean. What numbers of churches I see around me as I wend my way, some near, some far, some almost hidden within their churchyards by the trees surrounding them—

Whilst 'neath those rugged elms and yew trees' shade,
Where heaves the turf in many a mouldering heap;
Each in his narrow cell for ever laid,
The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep.

Others standing up white and black against the sky, but all there for the same purpose, all silent monuments to the christian religion. May the day never dawn when disestablishment shall rob them of their ancient rights and endowments. One is struck by the thought of what a vast field for ringing missionary work lies open throughout our land, for surely hundreds of towers are still strangers to change-ringing. The next move is Ipswich, in readiness for the meeting and to visit some of the neighbouring towers in the meantime. Lavenham is one to which I must go. What a truly magnificent tower and church. I think it is the finest for a village, or small town, which ever it may be termed, that I've ever seen. I was sorry not to hear the bells, especially the famous tenor, so a look round must suffice. I tear myself away and get astride again, and as I wend my way I turn again and again to take a look at that noble pile, as the haze and distance gradually make its view less distinct, and feel the visit has been worth while. I hasten on as darkness threatens to fall before I sight the lights of Ipswich. The last day o' my vacation dawns, and the day of the meeting of the Norwich Association, and I wend my way to St. Margaret's, there to open the day, and met many well known stars of the ringing world—the brothers Motts and some of the Bailey brothers, Messrs. Wiffen, Catchpole, Sedgley, Prentice, Souter, C. E. Borrett and others. So the day wore on and time for leaving arrived, and I trek homewards partly by train and partly by the old trusty, having spent a very happy and enjoyable holiday in East Anglia. L.

AN APPEAL.

A special appeal is being made to all members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to be considerate and subscribe to a fund which has been started in connection with the condition of a brother-ringer, Mr. A. W. Reeves, of 78, Queen's Road, Caversham, Oxon. Besides being unable to follow his daily occupation for the past three years, two of which he has laid on his back suffering from that most dreaded disease Cancer. The time has now arrived when help is needed by all who can show their true sympathy for a brother in distress. Mr. Reeves has been a ringer for over twenty years, and his a member of the above Guild, and those of us who know him and have known him as a ringer, we feel it our bouden duty to bring the case before the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" with the hope that they and others if possible will willingly respond to this call which is made to us in this hour of need. Having been absent from work so long, and only a working man, naturally there has been so little coming in that his wife is at her wits ends to know where to get sufficient for the little extras needed in such an expensive time. Unfortunately Mr. Reeves has fallen into quarter pay from the Friendly Society to which he belongs, and the time is nearly due for him to pay up his quarter's club money to enable him to receive the benefit. Therefore he is almost entirely dependent on the generosity of all who can afford it to stretch out an hand to our worthy brother-ringer who is lying on a bed of sickness from which he can never hope to rise again. Let us help him while he has a little life spared him on this earth. I can assure you this is a most deserving case, and leave it to your brotherly consideration as to whether you will be one and perhaps induce others also to contribute to this fund, however small the donation may be, as it is not the amount which is important (though that is necessary if means will allow), but it is the cheerful giver who is to prove a true friend in a case like this. Trusting there will be many who will come forward with a good heart and give what they can, which will be most gratefully received by A. W. Osborne, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Reading Branch, 17, Dorothy Street, Reading.

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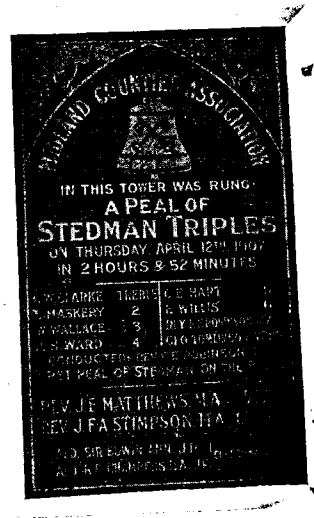

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The Metropolis.

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On Wednesday, November 22, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES.

J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE*	*Treble.*	FRANK BENNETT	5.
GEORGE P. BURTON	2.	*FRANK HAIRS	6.
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Tenor 36½ cwt.

WILLIAM PYE	*Treble.*	JOHN ARMSTRONG	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	2.	REUBEN SANDERS	8.
BERTRAM PREWETT	3.	JAMES E. DAVIS	9.
ISAAC G. SHADE	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	10.
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On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, WEST HAM,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5025 CHANGES.

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

THOMAS FAULKNER ..	..*Treble.*	FRANK C. NEWMAN	6.
GEORGE W. FAULKNER ..	2.	EMMANUEL HALL	7.
HENRY TORBLE	3.	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ..	8.
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HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

FRANK HOLDER.. ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. JOINER.. ..	5.
WILLIAM STATES	2.	WILLIAM GROVES	6.
SIDNEY R. ROPER	3.	WILLIAM S. SMITH	7.
AMOS W. CLARK	4.	JAMES WARWICK ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. S. SMITH.

LLANBRADACH, GLAMORGANSHIRE,

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 18, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 22 lbs.

JAMES SMITH*	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM D. ALLEN.. ..	5.
FREDK. B. STEDMAN† ..	2.	WILLIAM ROBERTS	6.
CHARLES PALEY‡	3.	ALBAN E. SLATTER.. ..	7.
FRANK CHAVE	4.	*a*P.C. JOHN COLES ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by FREDK. B. STEDMAN.

*First peal away from the tenor. †First peal as conductor. ‡First peal away from the treble. *a*First peal.

WOMBOURNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, November 28, 1911 (no time mentioned),

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BENEDICT.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S. Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lbs.

GEORGE SMITH* ..	..*Treble.*	JOSEPH CORNS	5.
THOMAS THORPE	2.	ROWLAND CARTWRIGHT ..	6.
WILLIAM ROGERS	3.	HORACE SADLER	7.
G. HARRY SADLER	4.	*SAMUEL GARDNER ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. CARTWRIGHT.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last tribute of respect to Mr. Henry Deans, a member of the local society, who was interred the previous Saturday. *First peal.

MERTHYR TYDVIL, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 28, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANK CHAVE	..*Treble.*	EDWARD THOMAS	5.
WILLIAM ROBERTS	2.	FREDK. B. STEDMAN ..	6.
WILLIAM D. ALLEN.. ..	3.	ALBAN E. SLATTER	7.
CHARLES PALEY..	4.	JAMES SMITH	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBAN E. SLATTER.

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of the Rev. S. M. Davies, chaplain to the Right Hon. Lord Islington, Hartham, Wilts., and Miss Ruby Ermyne Rees, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aneuryn Rees, Town Clerk of Merthyr Tydvil.

DUNSTER, SOMERSETSHIRE.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 28, 1911, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GEORGE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES'S VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 21 cwt.

C. STRAWBRIDGE ..	..*Treble.*	T. ELLIOTT..	5.
J. HUNT	2.	J. JONES	6.
R. HOLE	3.	G. ATKINS	7.
C. THRUSH	4.	*J. HAYDEN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. ATKINS.

*First peal on eight bells. Rung as a birthday peal to Messrs, Jones and Strawbridge.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.-THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

ROBERT H. YOUNG ..	..*Treble.*	FRANK BOREHAM	5.
GEORGE F. WILLIAMS ..	2.	RALPH H. BIGGS	6.
WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ..	3.	RICHARD BUCKLAND.. ..	7.
FREDK. G. BIGGS	4.	JOHN EVANS	..*Tenor.*

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by G. F. WILLIAMS.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Sandal, College Exercise, Oxford, London Scholars Pleasure, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, and Plain Bob.

Tenor 16 cwt. 2 qrs. 20 lbs, in E.

REV. C. A. CLEMENTS	..*Treble.*	GEORGE R. NEWTON ..	4.
WILLIAM LOWERY	2.	EDWIN H. LEWIS	5.
REV. A. T. BEESTON ..	3.	HENRY W. WILDE ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. H. LEWIS.

COLSTERWORTH, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven 720: i., London Scholars' Pleasure and Sandal Treble Bob; ii., Durham Surprise; iii., York Surprise; iv., London Surprise; v., Cambridge Surprise; vi., Oxford Treble Bob; vii., Kent Treble Bob.

Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON	..*Treble.*	JAMES OSBORN	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	ARTHUR I. HOLMES	5.
JOHN W. LAKE	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

Rung immediately after the de dication of the new treble and tenor by the Lord Bishop of Lincoln.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION,

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 20½ cwt.

HAROLD INCKLE.. ..	..*Treble.*	BART MITCHELL	5.
GEORGE WARD	2.	CHARLES E. HART	6.
ALBERT H. WARD	3.	SAMUEL MASKREY	7.
ERNEST CLARKE..	4.	WALTER WALLACE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WALTER WALLACE.

First peal in the method by all except the cond uctor; also first peal in the method rung in Derby by a local band. Rung on the evening of St. Andrew's Day, and also to celebrate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clarke,

WISSETT, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s each called differently. Tenor 10 cwt.

LIONEL HAMMOND ..	..*Treble.*	HERBERT PRATT	4.
FREDK. C. LAMBERT.. ..	2.	THOMAS CRANE	5.
CHARLES MOSS	3.	JOHN PUNCHARD.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by F. C. LAMBERT.

Rung on the eve of, and to celebraie St. Andrew's Day.

WROTHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, GEORGE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD,S VARIATION. Tenor 20 cwt. 10 lbs.

GEORGE B. SELBY ..	..*Treble.*	CYRIL F. JOHNSTON	5.
REV. F. J. O. HELMORE	2.	EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ..	6.
WILLIAM G. PITMAN ..	3.	THOS. GROOMBRIDGE,, JUN.	7.
EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ..	4.	RICHARD GOODBOURN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

First peal on the bells.

EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 29, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE BELL TOWER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

HARRY J. PHIPPS*	..*Treble.*	THOMAS EDWIN..	6.
RAYMOND YOUNG*	2.	*FREDK. JORDAN	7.
FRANK COOK	3.	*JAMES HEMMING	8.
HERBERT JORDAN*	4.	HARRY MIDDLETON	9.
FRANK MOSS*	5.	†WILLIAM SPIRES ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by H, MIDDLETON.

†Firsf peal. *First peal on ten bells. First peal on ten bells as conductor. First peal of Caters on the bells by a local band, all the above being Sunday Service ringers. Great credit is due to the tenor-man, who rang the tenor at a good pace throughout the peal.

CAVERSHAM, OXON.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, December 1, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

HARRY TUCKER	..*Treble.*	ALBERT D. CULLUM.. ..	5.
HUBERT HATTO..	2.	WILLIAM W. GIFFORD ..	6.
RICHARD T. HIBBERT ..	3.	REV CYRIL JENKYN.. ..	7.
ERNEST W. MENDAY ..	4.	JOSEPH HANDS	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. CYRIL JENKYN.

HODDESDON, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

VICARS'. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

ARTHUR HURN†	..*Treble.*	GEORGE GRAY	5.
GEORGE RADLEY	2.	HENRY G. ROWE	6.
JESSE PUPLETT	3.	WILLIAM SABAN	7.
ARTHUR CAINS	4.	†CHARLIE W. HALFHIDE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HENRY GEORGE ROWE.

*First peal. Rung in honour of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra's birthday; also C. W. Halfhide's. This is the conductor's 60th peal in the method.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt. 8 lbs.

ALFRED KIRK	..*Treble.*	FRANK KIRK	5.
FRED STUBBS	2.	WILLIAM J. GILBERT ..	6.
HENRY STUBBS	3.	JAMES NICKERSON	7.
DANIEL REDHEAD	4.	*WALTER GILBERT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. J. TUCKER, and Conducted by WALLER GILBERT.

*First peal as conductor. Rung with the bells half-muffled to the memory of the late W. V. Newman, a much respected member of the Association.

BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS.

A PEAL OP STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 16¾ cwt.

HENRY STALHAM ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE ADES	5.
JOHN JAY	2.	ARTHUR W. GRAVETT ..	6.
WILLIAM PALMER	3.	KEITH HART	7.
CHARLES PALMER	4.	RICHARD STREDWICK	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

HIGHAM FERRERS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Satuaday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 23 cwt.

ALFRED H. MARTIN..	..*Treble*	GEORGE BROWN	5.
FRED CAUSBY	2.	ARTHUR CHAPMAN	6.
LEWIS CHAPMAN	3	JOHN B. MARTIN	7.
ALFRED EVERITT	4.	HARRY PETTIT	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. B. MARTIN.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late William V. Newman, who was a member of the local company, and who was interred on November 28th at Rushden cemetery.

GRANTHAM.—THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WULFRAM,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 31 cwt.

REV. H. LAW JAMES	..*Treble.*	*ARTHUR MACKEARS	6.
WILLIAM G. THORPE* ..	2.	*ALBERT C. DARNELL ..	7.
RUPERT RICHARDSON ..	3.	*SIDNEY PROCTOR	8.
HARRY THORPE*	4.	WILLIAM DICKINSON.. ..	9.
DAVID B. OVERTON	5.	*THOMAS H. HALL ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by H. JOHNSON. and Conducted by the Rev. H. L. JAMES.

*First peal of Caters. The ringers of the 2nd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 8th, and tenor belong to the local band.

CRANSLEY, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, and two 720s each of Grandsire and Plain Bob. Tenor 12 cwt.

ALBERT E. WYKES ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE HOLLAND	4.
FREDK. C. WOOLLEY ..	2.	DAVID J. NICHOLS	5.
PERCY J. LENTON	3.	HORACE W. SHARMAN	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by D. J, NICHOLS.

First peal in five methods on the bells. Rung on the occasion of the Patronal Festival of the church.

HOLT, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent, and three of Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 7 cwt. 3 qrs. 14 lbs.

CHARLES PRICE	*Treble.*	RICHARD JONES	4.
ROBERT SPERRING	2.	JAMES MORGAN	5.
WALTER THOMAS	3.	JAMES V. WRIGHT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JAMES MORGAN.

First peal of Minor on the bells.

TODMORDEN, LANCASHIRE,

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 23½ cwt.

ARTHUR TOMLINSON	*Treble.*	J. P. FOULDS	5.
LUKE SUTHERS*	2.	*W. CRABTREE	6.
ALFRED BROOKS*	3.	W. MALLINSON	7.
FRED HINDLE	4.	JOHN WATSON	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by WM. MALLINSON.

*First peal in the method,

BROMSGROVE, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 18 cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS	*Treble.*	JAMES R. NEWMAN	5.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK	2.	SAMUEL GROVE	6.
GORDON CHECKETTS	3.	CHARLES F. WHITE	7.
WILLIAM PAGE	4.	WILLIAM SHORT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

Rung after meeting short for Norwich Caters.

SWANSCOMBE, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE HAYES	*Treble.*	WILLIAM HARPER	5.
EDWARD A. G. ALLEN ..	2.	WILLIAM LANE	6.
THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, JUN.	3.	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.	7.
JOHN H. CHESSMAN	4.	ALFRED THOMPSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN.

This peal was arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the above Associatien.

WIDFORD, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5104 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 11½ cwt.

THOMAS LINCOLN	*Treble.*	ALFRED TARBUN	5.
HENRY W. KIRTON	2.	HENRY F. COOPER	6.
FREDK. G. RADLEY	3.	HENRY HEAD	7.
ARTHUR HEAD†	4.	WILLIAM LINCOLN	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by HENRY W. KIRTON.

†Fiftieth peal.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1.

ALBERT H. WARD	*Treble.*	EDWARD C. GOBEY	5.
NEVILLE H. WIDDOWSON	2.	ERNEST J. OLIVER	6.
CHARLES E. HART	3.	BART MITCHELL	7.
J. CHARLES DICKEN	4.	*R. ALLEN HICKTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

*First peal of Stedman.

CRAWLEY, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, December 3, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13½ cwt.

JOHN RICE*	*Treble.*	ALBERT ELLIS	5.
FREDK. W. RICE	2.	*FRANCIS T. HOAD, JUN. ..	6.
ALBERT HARMAN*	3.	ALFRED D. MILLS	7.
ALBERT MITCHELL*	4.	*OLIVER SIPPETTS	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by OLIVER SIPPETTS.

*First peal of Oxford.

BIDDENHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, and Double Oxford.

MISS EVELYN STEEL*	*Treble.*	HERBERT SHARPE	4.
PERCY COOKE	2.	HERBERT L. HARLOW ..	5.
FRANK WEBB	3.	CHARLES W. CLARKE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE.

*First peal of Minor.

HULL (Yorks).—On Sunday, December 3rd, for morning service at Holy Trinity church, 539 Grandsire Caters. C. Jackson conductor, T. Stockdale, A. Naylor, A. G. Waite, G. Dowling, J. Highfield, E. Cutsforth, G. T. Miller, D. W. Brown, J. Chamberlain. For evening service 485 Grandsire Caters. C. Jackson conductor, T. Stockdale, M. Hedges, A. G. Waite, F. Merrison, J. Highfield, E. Cutsforth, G. T. Miller, A. Naylor, J. Chamberlain. A. G. Waite hails from Barnwood, Gloucester.

SWINDON.—On Sunday, December 3rd, for morning service at Christ Church, 546 Granesire Triples. J. M. Brinkworth, O. W. Layng, A. Lawrence conductor, K. W. Hyner, T. Robinson, G. W. Townsend, C. J. Gardiner, D. Jackson. For Men's Service 504 Grandsire Triples. J. M. Brinkworth, J. Tazwell, R. W. Hyner conductor, C. J. Gardiner, G. W. Townsend, H. W. L. Wells, T. Robinson, D. Jackson. For evening service 1008 Stedman Triples. O. W. Layng, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, R. Thompson, G. W. Townsend, O. Norman conductor, C. J. Gardiner, D. Jackson. On December 5th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. *J. Tazwell, A. Lawrence, R. W. Hyner, *F. Looker, *G. Lancaster, G. W. Townsend, C. J. Gardiner conductor, L. A. Wilson. *First quarter-peal in the method.

MARRIAGE.

On December 2nd, at St. Stephen's church, Walthamstow, by the Rev. Thos. Brown, Vicar, George J. McCombie, of 32, Clarendon Road, Leytonstone, to Alice, daughter of Robert K. Knight, of 83, Pembroke Road, Walthamstow.

Notices.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.–Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 19th; St. Magnus on the 21st; and St. Mary-le-Bow on the 12th, The subscription of 1s. 8d. is now due

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—Established 1824.—Northern District.—The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 16th, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields. Bells available from 3.00 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church Room at 4.15, at 6d. per head, for all who notify me by the 15th inst. Ringers welcome.

WILLIAM J. KEMP, Hon. Sec.
177, Chatsworth Road, N.E

The Salisbury Diocesan Guild.–Wimborne Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wimborne Minster to-day, Sat,. December 9th. Ringing at the Minster from 3.15 to 4.30, and from 6.15 to 7.30. Service at 4.30. Tea, followed by business meeting at Church House at 5. Fuller particulars next week.

C. A. PHILLIPS, Hon. Br. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at Garston to-day, Sat, December 9th. Bells ready at 4. Tea at 5.30. Members intending to be present please send word to

WALTER HUGHES, Sec.
3, Sbrewsbnry Place, Garston.

The Lancashire Association. — Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Walkden to-day, Sat., December 9th. Bells ready at 5. Meeting at 7.30.

G. PINCOTT, Br. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.–Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, on Saturday, December 16th. Bells available from 3.45 to 7.15. Meeting to follow. Reports ready,

W. W. WOLSTENCROFT, Branch Sec.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association.—A meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, December 16th. Service in the parish church at 3.30. Meeting in the Church Room at 4 p.m. Tea to follow.

E. E. BURGESS, Hon, Sec.

The Kent County Association —Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Business meeting 6 p.m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will take place at St. Peter's church, Burnley, on Sat., December 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. T. WATSON, Branch Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at St. Barnabas, Shore, Littleboro, on Saturday, December 16th. Bells resdy at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30. All ringers welcome. J. B. BASTOW, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.–Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Bury on Saturday, December 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30.

T. ROLLERSON, Sec.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

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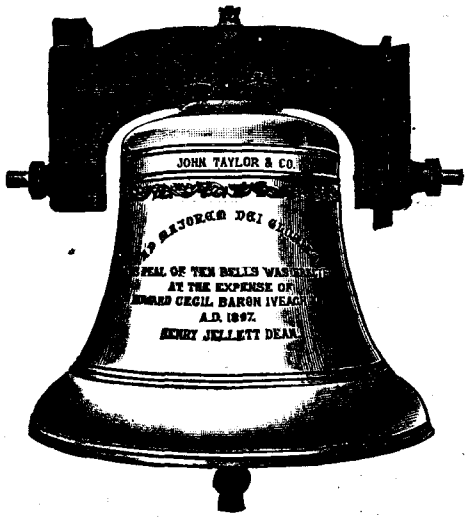

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362451 5 16
361254 16
163452 5 16
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53246	–		–
25346			–
32546			s
43265	–	–	–
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62254	–	–	–
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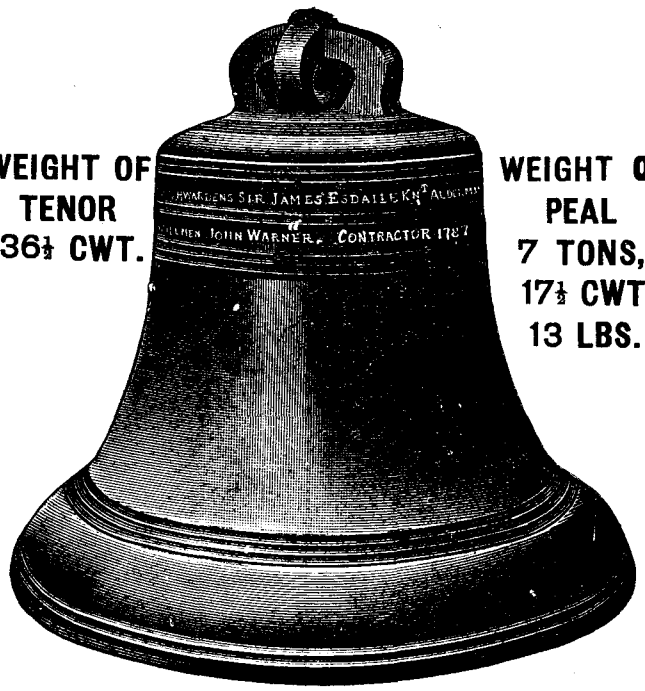

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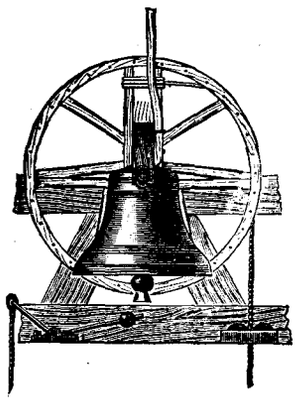

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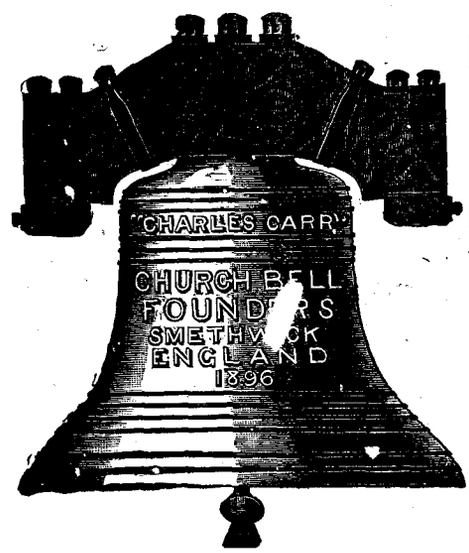

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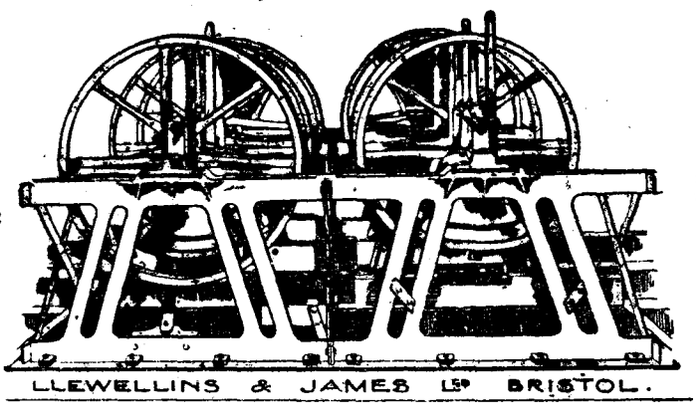

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WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.

The Harrison Memorial church, dedicated to St. Nicholas, was opened wiih solemnic ceremony on a recent Wednesday afternoon. The service was conducted by the Lord Bishop of Chester (the Right Rev. Dr. Jayne), assisted by Archdeacon Maitland Wood (a former Wallasey curate), Archdeacon Barber, the Rev. Canon Sheriff (Stalybridge), the Rural Dean (Rev. Canon W. H. L. Cogswell, D.D.), the Rev. Canon Weatherhead, the Rev. P. Jacob, and the Vicar of the church, the Rev. A. S. Roscamp, M.A. The church and vicarage have been erected by Messrs. Frederic James Harrison and Heath Harrison in memory ot their father and mother, James and Jane Harrison, who lived at "The Laund," Wallasey, from 1857 to 1879, and who, during their residence there, took a most active interest in all that appertained to the welfare and well-being of the village and its inhabitants.

The structure is erected on a "raft" made of Kahn steel rods, embedded in concrete, and resting upon the sand. The ground plan consists of nave, north and south aisles, narthex, chancel, side chapel, clergy and choir vestries, and organ chamber. There are two main entrances on the north and south sides of the church, with special entrance to side chapel. The font is near the narthex. The lighting is by electricity. The seating accomodation is 610.

The peal of six bells are in the key of E., and are hung in iron and steel girder frame, constructed for eight bells, together with all the most modern fittings, and oak double door chiming apparatus, constructed for eight bells, complete with ropes, pulleys, chime hammers, etc. Between noon and the hour of consecretion, the ringers from the old parish church rang a welcome, and after the service a peal of 5040 changes was undertaken by visiting ringers, who pronounced them to be a magnificent peal. Messrs. John Warner and Sons, Ltd., Bell Founders to H.M. King George V., are to be warmly congratulated on the completion of the work.

The first Vicar of St. Nicholas is the Rev. A. S. Roscamp, M.A., eldest son of the Rev. Joseph Roscamp, who for forty years laboured in the ministry in the county of Durham, being first Vicar of Stanley, near Crook, and afterwards Vicar of St. Helen's, Auckland, both large mining centres.

The sacred edifice was crowded, and the Mayor and Mayoress (Dr. and Mrs. John Oldershaw) and Corporation attended. The service was very impressive, and the Rev. T. H. Spinney, Vicar of Newborough, Burton-on-Trent, presided at the organ. The procession in the grounds to the main entrance was headed by the generous donors of the building. The many who could not gain admission were naturally much disappointed, but it had been wisely decided not to allow the aisle to be filled with chairs.

After consecrating various portions of the interior, the Bishop took his place in the pulpit and preached an appropriate sermon from Phillippians i., 11. He spoke of the origin and motive which had led to the founding of that church, and the formation of the new parish. He also referred to the completeness with which the building had been furnished and finished, and of the pious hope of the founders in regard to those who would worship there. The church spoke for itself. A reception wss held at the vicarage, and at the subsequent evensong in the church the pulpit was occupied by Archdeacon Maitland Wood.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

Meeting at Walthamstow.

A successful meeting was held at St. Mary's on Saturday, December 2nd. The tower was open from 4 p.m. to 8.15 p.m., when some well-struck touches in different methods of Triples, Major, Caters and Royal were brought round. At the finish of the ringing the members adjourned to The Nag's Head where the visitors having partaken of light refreshments, kindly provided by the local members, a musical evening was proceeded with, the Master (Mr. T. H. Taffender), presiding, being supported by a good number, including Messrs. Barker, Burden, Coles (2), Coakham, Deal, Hardy, Hughes (2), Langdon, Perrin, Manning, Maynard (2), Rumens, Springall, Smith, and many others. The Master expressed his and the other visitors sympathy with the local company in their loss that day by the death of one of their very old members, Mr. W. Crockford.

The first on the programme was tunes on handbells by Messrs. Smith, and Maynard, jun., which was capitably rendered, followed by Mr. Coakham who sang "Ilford Jail." Mr. A. Coles came forth with "Sailing," and Mr. C. Hughes sang "La La." Next was some Stedman Triples on the handbells by Messrs, Hardy, Taffender, Langdon, and Barker. Mr. Chapman, of the local company, sang "Farmer Giles," and Mr. Hardy also sang "Killarney," and Mr. W. D. Smith gave a jocular song entitled "A Barrel of Pork," and Mr. Rumens "It's nothing to do with me"; Mr. Coakham sang "A Girl says No," and the old time favourite "Powder Monkey Jim," followed by Mr. Barker in swinging style "Fall in and Follow me." Some more Stedman on the handbells, and Mr. W. D. Smith sang "Things they had never done before," and that good old song "The fine old English Gentleman."

The Master thanked the locals for their very warm welcome, and then the company in a very lusty manner sang the National Anthem, which brought a splendid meeting to a close.

MACHEN, NEAR NEWPORT, MON.

The re-opening and dedication of the bells by the Bishop of Llandaff will take place on Saturday, December 16th, at 4 o'clock.

Mr. F. M. Mitchell, of 66, Peacock Street, Gravesend, writes: "Can any reader of "The Bell News" tell me through these columns, a true calling of Bristol Surprise Minor."

DURWESTON, DORSET.

From a transcript in the Record Office dated 1552, it appears there were four "Great Bells" here. In 1887 a treble was added, making five. These were inscribed as follows: (1) Victoria R et I. Jubilee A D. 1887, Llewellins and James, Bristol; (2) † Sancta Maria; (3) Mr. John Prower and Mr. Edward Hart, churchwardens, 1766. T. Bilbie Fecit; (4) Prayse the Lord, 1602, I. W.; (5) Feare God Honour the King, T. B. 1670. Stephen Frampton, William Haytor.

With the exception of the 2nd the whole ring has been recast and a new treble added. The bad "go" of the old ring was brought to the notice of Lord Portman at the last Easter Vestry by the Rector, the Rev. Anderson. It resulted in the bells being rehung in a new steel and iron frame, the greater part of the expense being borne by Lord Portman, who also gave the new bell in memory of his eldest son. It is thus inscribed: "Given by W. H. B. Viscount Portman in memory of his son Edward Wm. B. Portman, 1911. Cast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon."

The dedication took place on Thursday, December 7th, when an excellent address was given by the Bishop of Salisbury from the words—"Why was this waste"? Members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild from various places were present, the bells were raised in peal, Grandsire Doubles, Stedman Doubles and a 720 of Bob Minor were rung, and later in the evening the bells were lowered in peal. Mr. Cyril F. Johnston also took part in the ringing.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston are to be congratulated upon the excellency of their work, and the parish and neighbourhood of Durweston upon possessing such a beautiful ring of bells. The old inscriptions have been reproduced with the addition on each bell of "recast by Gillett and Johnston, Croydon, 1911." The tenor is 10 cwt. 12 lbs. in F sharp. It will be observed that one of the "Great Bells" of 1552 (the present 3rd) still exists.

RINGER'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Remarkable Incident in Yorkshire Belfry.

There was nearly a terrible tragedy in the belfry of the picturesque parish church of Barmboro, a few miles from Doncaster, and a little village within the Doncaster Parliamentary Division, a few days ago. On the afternoon of Saturday, the 2nd inst., Mr. W. Stables, son of the Rector's warden, and who is also one of the ringers, ascended into the tower to muffle the bells in preparation for a memorial service to be held next day in connection with the funeral of Mrs. Hartopp, the lady bountiful of the village. Mr. Stables was accompanied by Mr. W. H. Hartley, eldest son of the Rector of Barmboro. The bells were pulled up, and each of the two young men commenced work. After they had been engaged for a few minutes, Mr. Hartley's attention was attracted by the moan of his companion, and on looking round he was horrified to find his friend pinned by the chest to the cage, The bell upon which he was working, and which weighs half a ton, had fallen towards Mr. Stables and held him there.

The Rector's son at once dashed to the rescue, and with a severe wrench managed to succeed in pulling the bell back just in time to save the life of his companion. Another moment and all would have been over. There were only two two men in the belfry, and had Mr. Hartley's efforts in releasing his companion had failed, it is certain Mr. Stables mest have perished before the Rector's son could have procured additional aid. It is thought that the cause of the accident was the collection of grit in the brasses, which prevented the bell from falling back on the stay where it would have been safe. The bell was thus at the equilibrium, and only required the slightest touch to move it. Had it fallen on the neck or abdomen of the deceased he would have been immediately killed; as it was he was almost dead when liberated, and it was some considerable time before he could be removed to his home. The doctor now reports a more favourable condition of his patient than was expected, and it is hoped no adverse symptoms will intervene.

THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order. The work will be carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the above Guild was held on Saturday, December 2nd, at St. Luke's, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton, where the bells were in readiness at 3 o'clock for the visitors. After several touches in various methods, the Guild service was said in church at 5 o'clock conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Milligan, who also gave an encouraging address to those present from the words—"I magnify mine office." Before commencing his address the Vicar spoke of the pleasure it gave him to welcome the Guild to his church as fellow-workers for the good of the church.

After the service business meeting was held in the vestry, presided over by the Ringing-Master, Mr. Spittle, in the absence of the Vicar, who had to leave on urgent business. It was proposed that the peals not attempted last quarter be attempted during the ensuing quarter, as also were several other peals.

At the conclusion of the meeting a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for conducting the service in church, for his eloquent address, for the use of the tower and bells, and the use of the vestry for holding the meeting in, which was carried unanimously. The best thanks of the meeting were passed to Mr. Spittle for his able and courteous conduct in the chair, to which he suit-

ably responded. It was resolved that the next meeting, which is the annual one, be held at Dudley, the date to be left in the hands of the Hon. Secretary, when it is hoped that every member will make it a special effort to attend.

DEATH OF A ROCHDALE RINGER.

On Saturday, December 2nd, at Shawclough, the death occurred of Mr. Joseph Crossley, aged 62 years. Deceased had been a ringer at All Saints, Hamer, for about fifteen years, and afterwards joined the parish church band, and served most faithfully for fifteen years. The interment took place at the Rochdale cemetery on Wednesday, December 6th, and the deceased was carried to his last resting-place by representatives of the parish church company, the Rev. Mr. Young, Vicar of Hamer, conducting the ceremony. He was a life member of the Lancashire Association. A quarter-peal was rung with the bells fully muffled on Monday, practice night. The bells were also rung on Wednesday as a last token of respect for the deceased.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

Proposed Memorial to the Late Mr. R. S. Story, Ex-President.

It was decided at a meeting of the above Association at Whitley Bay to raise a fund to commemorate the life-long work of their late President in connection with bells and belfry reform. Not only in the above two dioceses has his influence been felt, bnt we may say over the whole ringing world. For twenty years and more he was President of the Association, and it may be truthfully said that its present prosperity, and excellent position in regard to Diocesan and County Associations, is mainly due to his influence and energy.

The six bells he loved so well (St. Paul's, Whitley, Bay), and in which he rang as a Sunday ringer for twenty-six years, are now about to be recast and augmented to a peal of eight. Mr. T. T. Gofton (the leader of the ringers at Whitley), is giving the two extra bells, and the Whitley ringers (mostly Mr. Gofton's brothers), have subscribed £72 towards the recasting of the old six. Some nine years ago Mr. Story himself drew up the scheme which is now being carried out, but lack of funds prevented its furtherance at the time.

In these circumstances it is recognised that the most fitting memorial to our departed President, would be to help in this good work. The cost of recasting one bell will be £22 roughly estimated, and the proportionate cost towards a new frame, £10, making £32 in all.

We would appeal not only to all members of this Association, but also to Mr. Story's many other friends, to support a fund so eminently appropriate to the commemoration of the life of one who spent his best years for the good and welfare of his fellow-men.

The following were appointed to act as a Committee, and subscriptions will be gratefully received by them.

C. L. Routledge (President), 62, Jesmond Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne; T. T. Gofton, 11, Windsor Road, Monkseaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne: J. E. R. Keen, 88, Hotspur Street, Heaton, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Subscriptions Already Received.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. C. Todd	0	10	6
Mr. W. Story	1	1	0
Mr. C. L. Routledge	1	1	0
Mr. Joseph Parker	0	5	0
Mr. R. W. Falconer	0	5	0
Mrs. C. L. Routledge	0	5	0

AN APPEAL.

A special appeal is being made to all members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to be considerate and subscribe to a fund which has been started in connection with the condition of a brother-ringer, Mr. A. W. Reeves, of 78, Queen's Road, Caversham, Oxon. Besides being unable to follow his daily occupation for the past three years, two of which he has laid on his back suffering from that most dreaded disease Cancer. The time has now arrived when help is needed by all who can show their true sympathy for a brother in distress. Mr. Reeves has been a ringer for over twenty years, and his a member of the above Guild, and those of us who know him and have known him as a ringer, we feel it our bouden duty to bring the case before the readers of "The Bell News" with the hope that they and others if possible will willingly respond to this call which is made to us in this hour of need. Having been absent from work so long, and only a working man, naturally there has been so little coming in that his wife is at her wits ends to know where to get sufficient for the little extras needed in such an expensive time. Unfortunately Mr. Reeves has fallen into quarter pay from the Friendly Society to which he belongs, and the time is nearly due for him to pay up his quarter's club money to enable him to receive the benefit. Therefore he is almost entirely dependent on the generosity of all who can afford it to stretch out an hand to our worthy brother-ringer who is lying on a bed of sickness from which he can never hope to rise again. Let us help him while he has a little life spared him on this earth. I can assure you this is a most deserving case, and leave it to your brotherly consideration as to whether you will be one and perhaps induce others also to contribute to this fund, however small the donation may be, as it is not the amount which is important (though that is necessary if means will allow), but it is the cheerful giver who is to prove a true friend in a case like this. Trusting there will be many who will come forward with a good heart and give what they can, which will be most gratefully received by A. W. Osborne, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Reading Branch, 17, Dorothy Street, Reading.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hour and Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Peter,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s of Double Court, two of Single Court, and three of Bob Minor. Tenor 11½ cwt.

F. Shepherd	*Treble*	W. W. Worthington ..	4,
W. J. Smith	2.	J. Hough	5.
H. Hurdman	3.	D. Cotton..	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. Hough.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks. and South Bucks. Branch.)

On Wednesday, December 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt. 3 qrs.

Robert H. Young	*Treble.*	Bertram Prewett	5.
William H. Fussell ..	2.	Ralph H. Biggs	6.
J. Armiger Trollope ..	3.	George Martin	7.
George F. Williams ..	4.	Richard Buckland	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by B. Prewett.

First peal of Superlative on the bells.

DOUBLES.—By HENRY DAINS.

I am much obliged and thank my old friend Sadler for the list of methods he has tabulated, and permit me to say he could have justly added New Doubles to his list, as that belongs to the same family, being almost a double of Reading. In reply to his queries I say "No." The method published in this paper on September 23rd last does not belong to me. What I did with it was to point out the bob places from the methodical places, make a new single and present it to the Exercise in a form befitting an old original method, and hope it may interest our five-bell ringers. This method is the first of four given in the following order: Reading Doubles, Old and New Doubles, and Grandsire Doubles, by Stedman in his Tintintannalogia, published in the year 1668. Therefore the methods mentioned in the list are variations of or offsprings from

READING DOUBLES.

In the composition of original Reading the bob is made at the end of the second lead of each part, and not in the first as I gave it; and this with the single half-way and end gives a three-blow change in 5ths place as follows:—

31245
13254
12354
21534

This single it will be admitted is a blot, and may be some reason why the method has not been brought forward in subsequent ringing works, and was thus allowed to be held up for over 240 years, except for an occasional snap-shot by the curious, to produce such substitutes as St. Simons, etc., which are not real Doubles, containing as they do singles at many treble's lead, if not at all of them.

CAMPANALOGIA, 1677.

This work contains a good variation of Reading, in which the bob is made after the treble has led, instead of before she leads. The figures are as follows, which shows us an early example of method variation:—

12345 } bob
21354 }
23145
32415
23451
32541
23514
32154
31245
13425
14352 } A
41532 }
45123
54213
45231
54321
45312
54132
51423
15243
12534

Five times repeated; single for bob at corresponding positions made thus;

12345
21345

But the bob singles may be made at A at will of conductor.

The method published in "THE BELL NEWS" of October 14th is an endeavour of mine made several years ago to get a 6-score of Original Doubles. As this proved a variation of Reading, knowing there were several Doubles methods in Annable's note-book in the British Museum, I have made a research and found the following interesting example, which is 150 years old.

ANNABLE'S NOTE BOOK.

In this method there is no hunting bell, all bells are in the work, and the work of each bell is different, and it thus presents a new problem to those who like five-bell work, as there is in this six-score quite a different lesson for each one to learn. The title of it is—

ACCIDENT No. 1.

12545
21435
24153 –
42135
41253 –
14235
12453
21543
25134 –
52143
51234 –
15243
12534
21354
23145
32415
34251
43521
45312
54132
51423 –
15432
14523 –
41532
45123
54213
52431 –
25413
24531 –
42513
45231
54321
53412 –
35421
34512
43152
41325 –
14352
13425
31245
32154
23514
25341 –
52314
53241 –
35214
32541
23451
24315
42351 –
43215
34125
31452
13542
15324 –
51342
53124
35142
31524
13524 single
13245

The whole repeated. I have added the single. Also I have put a dash when bobs are made, and thus the 120 changes may be called and so rang, which will be a simpler form of ringing it, and whatever band does this will ring the first 6-score of original Doubles.

Reading Doubles may be found in the reprint of Tintinnalogia, which was published at "THE BELL NEWS" office in the year 1895.

"Harry Burstow," the ancient bell-ringer and song dancer of Horsham, is by no means a stranger to readers of this paper, and there will be many to grieve over the news that when within a few days of completing his eighty-fifth year he is in anything but affluent circumstances. To meet the need thereby created some kindly anonymous friend at Horsham has gathered up the old song singer's reminiscences and put them into book form, and the store of British folk-lore and folk song is the richer for his work. Not for a long while has so wholly sweet and refreshing a book come into the market,

Notices.

The charge or the insertion of notices in this page is one Penny per line (five words may be reckoned to a line). Repetitions at half that price. Notices should come to hand not later than Wednesday morning.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on December 19th; St. Magnus on the 21st. The subscription of 1s. 8d. is now due

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

The Lancashire Association.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall, Manchester, to-day, Sat., December 16th. Bells available from 3.45 to 7.15. Meeting to follow Reports ready,

W. W. WOLSTENCROFT, Branch Sec.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association — A meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, December 16th. Service in the parish church at 3.30. Meeting in the Church Room at 4 p.m. Tea to follow.

E. E. BURGESS, Hon, Sec.

The Kent County Association —Rochester District.—A quarterly meeting of this District will be held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, to-day, Sat., December 16th. Tower open at 3.30. Business meeting 6 p m.

EDWARD A. G. ALLEN, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Blackburn Branch —The next branch meeting will take place at St. Peter's church, Burnley, on Sat., December 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30. T. WATSON, Branch Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Rochdale Branch.—The next meeting of this branch will be held at St Barnabas, Shore, Littleboro, to-day, Sat., December 16th. Bells ready at 3.30. Meeting at 6.30 All ringers welcome. J. B. BASTOW, Hon. Sec.

The Lancashire Association.—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at Bury to-day, Sat., December 16th. Bells ready at 3. Meeting at 6.30.

T. ROLLERSON, Sec.

The Llandaff Diocesan Association.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Woolos, Newport, on Tuesday, December 26th, at 3 o.clock. The bells of St. Woolos and All Saints churches available all the evening.

REV. CONNOP L. PRICE, JOHN W. JONES, } Hon. Secs

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham —Established 1755.—The annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1912 at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, City. Chair to be taken at 8 p.m. Subscriptions, annual and otherwise, are payable at this meeting. The balance-sheet will be presented, and an alteration to Rule 4 proposed, The peal book will be on view.

A. PADDON SMITH, Hon. Sec,
11, Albert Road, Handsworth. Birmingham

Peterborough and District Association.—Proposed meeting at Wisbech cancelled owing to bells being out of repair.

F. T. COOKE, Hon. Sec.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

Any correspondence as regards ringing at Hugglescote, near Leicester, should be addressed to Mr. G. Griffin, North Street, Hugglescote, near Leicester.

DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR.

By E. M. ATKINS.

5344.

23456	1	4	5	6
53624	–	–		–
63425	–		–	
36524	–		–	
65324				–
23564	–			–
35264				–
52364				–
24365	–	–	–	
43265				–
32465				–
25463	–	–	–	
54293				–
42563				–
54326			–	
43526				–
25346	–			–
55246				–
32546				–
45236	–			–
52436				–
24536				–
35426	–			–
54236	s			–
42536				–
25436				–

Repeated.

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TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

By H. PRICE.

5000.

23456	M	W	H
32654	2		2
56234		2	2
52394		1	2
25493	2		2
64525		2	2
63425	2		1
35426	1		2
24536		2	2
25346		1	2
23456		1	2

SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

By C. SEDGLEY.

5024.

23456	B	M	W	H
45236			–	–
52534		–		–
56234				–
26435		–		
26354	–			–
32654				–
32546	–			–
53246				–
24536			–	–
54632		–		
54326	–			–
35426				–
43526				–
52436			–	–
42635		–		
42356	–			–
65324		–	–	–
36524				–
53624				–
63425		–		
63254	–			–
25634			–	–
25346	–			–
34256			–	–
23456				–

Has the 4th and 6th their extents in 6ths place.

WALTHAMSTOW (Essex).—On Sunday, December 10th, at St. Mary's church, for evening service with the bells half-muffled, a touch of Grandsire Triples. After service the whole pull and stand, and a touch of Stedman Triples, the following taking part: Messrs. Coakham, Grimwade, Maynard (4), Adams, Wilkins, Manning, Rumens, and Newman. The conducting was shared between W. Manning and R. Maynard, jun. The above was rung as a mark of respect to the late W. Crockford, for many years a ringer at the above church, who died recently in his 80th year.

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LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

On Tuesday, December 26th, all being well, eight members of the Hertfordshire Association will attempt a long peal of Bristol Surprise (12,000 changes) at Knebworth, starting at mid-day.

ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

The twelve new bells at St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, are to be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Lichfield on Sunday, December 17th, after the morning service. On the following Saturday, December 23rd, the bells will be at the disposal of visitors for general practice from 3 p.m. The Rector has kindly offered to provide tea, and intending visitors are requested to send word to H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, not later than Tuesday, the 19th.

The Metropolis.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 6, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

Ernest Breit .. .. ..*Treble.*	J. Armiger Trollope .. 5.
William J. Nevard .. 2.	Henry J. Ranzetta .. 6.
Frank Bennett .. .. 3.	Alfred W. Grimes .. .. 7.
Frank Hairs .. .. .. 4.	James E. Davis.. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. Hattersley, and Conducted by J. E. Davis.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lbs.

HUBERT EDEN	*Treble.*	*JOHN THOMAS	5.
THOMAS L. SIMMONS	2.	FREDK. W. BRINKLOW	6.
HENRY HODGETTS	3.	GEORGE N. PRICE	7.
CHARLES N. LEMAN	4.	*RICHARD T. HIBBERT	*Tenor.*

Composed by the REV. E. BANKES JAMES, and Conducted by GEORGE N. PRICE.

*First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;
IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 31 cwt.

EDWIN GIBBS	*Treble.*	FREDK. J. HARDY	6.
SAMUEL E. JOYCE	2.	HENRY SPRINGALL	7.
WILLIAM TRUSS	3.	JOHN H. B HESSE	8.
GEORGE FAULKNER	4.	HERBERT LANGDON	9
JAMES SCHOLES	5.	EMMANUEL HALL	*Tenor.*

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

Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Hall, he having completed his 52nd anniversary the day previous.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 9 1911, in Four Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, CORNHILL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES.
Tenor 41 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT	*Treble.*	HARRY FLANDERS	7.
JOHN H. CHEESMAN	2.	KEITH HART	8.
GEORGE R. PYE	3.	ALBERT W. COLES	9
CHARLES T. COLES	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	10.
JOHN S. GOLDSMITH	5.	ERNEST PYE	11.
CHARLES R. LILLEY	6.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed by the late HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by W. PYE.

The Provinces.

FOY, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, November 22, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;
Being seven 720s, each called differently. Tenor 9 cwt.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS	*Treble.*	WALTER POSTON	4.
EDWARD SUMMERS	2.	JOSEPH CARTWRIGHT	5.
FRANK VOYCE	3	WILLIAM POSTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 2, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR,
5120 CHANGES. Tenor 10½ cwt.

FREDK. JONES	*Treble,*	JOHN T. MAWBY	5.
JAMES GARRATT	2.	WALTER J. GERMAN	6.
WALTER PERKINS	3.	ANDERSON Y. TYLER	7.
JAMES T. WARD	4,	J. HUBERT HORN	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. CHARGE, and Conducted by ANDERSON Y. TYLER.

Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late W. V. Newman.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;
IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs. in G.

JOHN ALDIS, SEN.	*Treble.*	JOHN ALDIS, JUN.	5.
REV. R. W. PITT*	2,	ALFRED FUNNELL	6.
JOHN F. WILSON	3.	GEORGE POYNTZ	7.
RICHARD BALDRY	4.	WILLIAM STEELE	*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by WM. STEELE.

*First peal in the method.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK,

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 4, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, London Treble Bob, College Pleasure, College Exercise, London Scholars Pleasure, Woodbine and Oxford.

WILLIAM CLOVER	*Treble.*	GEORGE KEMP	4.
LEONARD LAST	2.	WILLIAM ROSE	5.
ALPHAEUS BERRY	3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLE.

BIRMINGHAM.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday, December 5, 1911, 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.

CHARLES DICKENS	*Treble.*	REV. E. V. COX	7.
FREDK. DICKENS	2.	PERCY LAFLIN	8.
JAMES GEORGE*	3.	SAMUEL GROVE	9.
THOMAS MILLER	4.	JAMES H. SHEPHERD	10.
THOMAS REYNOLDS	5.	JOHN NEAL	11.
ALF. PADDON SMITH	6.	ALBERT WALKER	*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

*490th peal, and 36th of Stedman Cinques. This peal has the full extent of the 6th at home in the tittums position, and ten courses at home in the handstroke home position, with all the 5-6-7-8s, and the treble a 2nds bell throughout The figures will appear later.

ROMFORD, ESSEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 5, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD.

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,
5056 CHANGES. Tenor 17 cwt.

WESLEY WATSON	*Treble.*	ALFRED PYE	5.
ARTHUR CHAPLIN†	2.	HARRY F. DAWKINS	6.
GEORGE H. JAYE	3.	WILLIAM PYE	7.
GEORGE R. PYE	4.	ERNEST PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by GEORGE R. PYE.

†First peal in the method.

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HUNTINGFIELD, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being eighteen 6-scores of Grandsire, and twelve each of Plain Bob and Morning Star.

JOSEPH MOWER	..*Treble.*	ERNEST COOK	3.
RUSSELL RACKHAM	2.	THOMAS CRANE	4.
JOHN PUNCHARD	..*Tenor.*		

DEEPING ST. NICHOLAS, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 6½ cwt.

FREDK. DUFFY* ..	..*Treble.*	*ARTHR ABBOTT	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES ..	2.	WILFRED CREASEY	5.
BERTRED SMITH..	3	RUPERT RICHARDSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

FRANK MORGAN	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM MILLER	6.
CLARENCE HOBBS	2.	SIDNEY DAWE	7.
ARTHUR E. MORGAN.. ..	3.	FRED CHAMBERLAIN	8.
WILLIAM B. BISS	4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY.. ..	9.
EVAN COLES	5.	SEYMOUR R. BAKER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by the late H. JOHNSON, and Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal of Grandsire by all except the ringers of the 4th and 9th. Rung as a birthday compliment to W. B. Biss.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs.

WILLIAM PALMER ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES DICKENS	5.
FRANK WITHERS	2.	JOHN NEAL	6.
SAMUEL GROVE	3.	ARTHUR CHAMBERS	7.
GEORGE F. SWANN	4.	JOHN WITHERS	..*Tenor.*

Composod by H. DAINS, and Conducted by GEORGE F. SWANN.

First peal of Major as conductor. Rung in honour of a Confirmation Service at the sister church of St. Wulston, by the new Bishop of Birmingham, Dr. Wakefield.

PLYMOUTH, DEVON.—THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 35 cwt. in C.

JOHN GLUYAS†	..*Treble.*	FRANK HOCKADAY	6.
GEORGE R. STROUD	2	ERNEST W. MARSH	7.
REGINALD A. H. DOBSON	3	WILLIAM FORD	8.
JOSEPH WOODLEY‡	4	GEORGE PARR	9.
WILLIAM HAMBLYN*.. ..	5.	FRANCIS PURSE	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

*First peal. †First peal on ten bells. ‡First peal of Caters with a bob bell. Rung to commemorate the opening of a Lady Chapel in the above church placed there in memory of the late Ven. Archdeacon Wilkicson, who was Vicar of St. Andrew's.

MAIDENHEAD, BERKS—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, BOYNE HILL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 5040 CHANGES.

ALBERT WALKER ..	..*Treble.*	CHARLES SMITH..	5.
ARTHUR WALKER	2.	GEORGE MARTIN	6.
RICHARD BUCKLAND	3.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN..	7.
LEONARD W. COPSEY† ..	4.	JESSE ELDRIDGE ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and Conducted by G. MARTIN.

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

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5093 CHANGES.

Tenor 22 cwt.

GEORGE H. GUTTERIDGE*	*Treble.*	*HENRY C CHANDLER ..	6.
GEORGE SPENCER	2.	‡JOHN J. PRATT	7.
JOSEPH J. PARKER*	3	†ARTHUR HARDING	8.
FREDK. G. GODDARD ..	4.	HENRY H. CHANDLER ..	9.
EDGAR HANCOX*..	5.	*WILLIAM HONOR ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN ROGERS, and Conducted by JOHN J. PRATT.

*First peal of Caters. †First peal of Caters away from the tenor. ‡First peal of Caters, and first peal of Caters as conductor. First peal on the bells.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

A VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART.

Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs. in E flat.

HARRY PAGE	..*Treble*	THOMAS HAMLIN	5.
GEORGE CROSS	2.	WILLIAM PAGE	6.
JAMES CROSS	3.	GEORGE WINES	7.
TOM PAGE	4.	HENRY CRABBE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

First peal as conductor in the method. First peal of Stedman on the bells and first peal in the method by all the band. First peal in the method by an entirely local band for the Association.

NEWPORT, MONMOUTHSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 8, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN W. JONES	..*Trebls.*	CHARLES GREEDY	5.
FRANCIS E. B. CHARLES..	2.	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	6.
JOHN BULLEN	3.	ARTHUR E. MORGAN ..	7.
FRANK MORGAN	4.	JOHN GODDARD	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR E. MORGAN.

First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of the treble and 6th. First peal as conductor in any method. Arranged for C. R. Lilley, and as a birthday peal for J. W. Jones, steeplekeeper and conductor of this tower.

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BELTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of ten 6-scores of Stedman, four 6-scores of Plain Bob, eighteen 6-scores of St. Dunstan's, and ten 6 scores of Grandsire.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

ARTHUR MACKEARS ..	..*Treble.*	*FRANCIS CRADDOCK ..	.. 3.
REGINALD SCOTT ..	.. 2.	ARTHUR PALMER ..	.. 4
JOSEPH LORD ..	..*Tenor.*		

Conducted by A. MACKEARS.

*First peal. First peal on the bells.

YORK TOWN, SURREY.
THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(YORK TOWN DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

GEORGE MILES ..	..*Treble.*	*FREDERICK C. NYE ..	.. 5.
WILLIAM A. WOODROW ..	2	WILLIAM SHEPHERD..	.. 6.
JOHN MOTH.. ..	.. 3.	CHARLES J. TRICHER	.. 7.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD ..	4.	BAPZILLAI HAWKINS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD.

*First peal.

HELMINGHAM. SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 19¾ cwt.

GEORGE WHITING ..	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM BURGESS ..	.. 5.
ERNEST E. LANHAM ..	.. 2.	JOHN CREASY ..	.. 6.
WILLIAM WIGHTMAN ..	3.	GEORGE WIGHTMAN..	.. 7.
ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN ..	4.	WILLIAM SAWYER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by DR. A. B. CARPENTER, and Conducted by G. WIGHTMAN

First peal in the method by the Association.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OP GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S ONE-PART. Tenor 26 cwt.

STANLEY COLE*.. ..	..*Treble.*	ALBERT WRIGHT ..	.. 5.
WILLIAM HASTINGS ..	.. 2.	FRANK COLE ..	.. 6.
WILLIAM SMITH ..	.. 3.	THOMAS CLISSOLD ..	.. 7.
WILLIAM AVERY ..	.. 4.	HUBERT HANKS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

*First peal.

BENHILTON, SURREY.—THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19¾ cwt. in E.

JOSEPH A. LAMBERT..	..*Treble.*	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT ..	5.
CHARLES DEAN	.. 2.	ALFRED CLAYTON ..	.. 6.
DR. A. B. CARPENTER ..	3	WILLIAM S. SMITH ..	.. 7.
LOUIS ATTWATER ..	.. 4.	FRANK HOLDER ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by F. HOLDER.

WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Thirty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of London Treble Bob, College Pleasure, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford.

LEONARD LAST ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE KEMP ..	.. 4.
WILLIAM CLOVER* ..	.. 2.	WILLIAM ROSE ..	.. 5.
ALPHAEUS BERRY ..	.. 3.	GEORGE CATTERMOLE	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. CATTERMOLE.

*First peal with a bob bell.

BAKEWELL, DERBYSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 17¼ cwt. in E.

EDWARD ELLIOTT ..	..*Treble.*	*HARRY TURNER ..	.. 5.
WALTER WALLACE ..	.. 2.	ALFRED WALLACE ..	.. 6.
THOMAS WHITE ..	.. 3.	WILLIAM TAYLOR ..	.. 7.
LEWIS J. WRIGHT† ..	.. 4.	*WILLIAM HOPKINS ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALFRED WALLACE.

First peal as conductor. *First peal. †First peal with a bob bell.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Bob, Double Court, Single Court, Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

HENRY CUNNINGTON	..*Treble.*	JAMES OSBORN ..	.. 4.
HERBERT A. REED ..	.. 2.	THOMAS L. BAINBRIDGE ..	5.
JOHN W. LAKE ..	.. 3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOHN W. LAKE.

Quickest peal on the bells and was rung as a wedding peal to Mr. Arthur I. Holmes of Edenham, and Miss M. Maze, of Belfast.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 16 cwt.

ROBERT YOUNG ..	..*Treble.*	*WILLIAM HENLEY ..	.. 5.
JOSEPH J. PARKER ..	.. 2.	*JAMES BLACKMORE ..	.. 6.
RICHARD BUCKLAND ..	.. 3.	GEORGE ALLDER ..	.. 7.
GEORGE MARTIN ..	.. 4.	REV. CYRIL JENKYN	..*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by J. J. PARKER.

*First peal of Treble Bob Major.

EARLS COLNE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIEGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

WALTER SADLER ..	..*Treble.*	JOHN SADLER ..	.. 5.
ERNEST NEWMAN ..	.. 2.	FRANK CLAYDON ..	.. 6.
JAMES FLEUTY ..	.. 3.	ERNEST W. BECKWITH ..	7.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	4.	DAVID ELLIOTT ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. and Conducted by DAVID ELLIOTT.

First peal in the method by the ringers of the treble and 2nd; also on the bells.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 20½ cwt. in E.

EDGAR H. BAILEY	*Treble.*	CHARLES SAMSON	5.
REV. W. C. PEARSON	2.	JAMES M. BAILEY	6.
CHARLES F. BAILEY	3.	NORMAN R. BAILEY	7.
FREDK. J. SMITH	4.	ERNEST S. BAILEY	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

Rung as a compliment tc Mr. W. Taylor, of Birchwood House, Leiston, on the eve of his 77th birthday. Mr. Taylor is, and has been for severnl years past, a much respected member of the St. Margaret's society, the band wishing him many happy returns.

HEANOR, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

FABKER'S SIX-PART. Tenor 15½ cwt.

WILLIAM BRYAN	*Treble.*	‡GEORGE BLANCHARD	5.
JOHN HOBBS*	2.	PERCY WALKER	6.
WILLIAM HENSON†	3.	JOHN STIRLAND	7.
ELIJAH WALKER	4.	LEVI FARNSWORTH	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE BLANCHARD.

Rung as a welcome to the new Rector, the Rev. Ashley Corfield. *First peal on eight bells. †First peal. ‡First peal as conductor.

WORTLEY, NEAR SHEFFIELD, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, LEONARD,

A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 12½ cwt.

JOHN DRONFIELD	*Treble.*	JOHN H. BROTHWELL	5.
TOM O'HARA	2.	CLEMENT GLENN	6.
GEORGE F. BRADSHAW	3.	R. WILFRED COLLIER	7.
JAMES EVINSON	4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. HUBBARD, and Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

First peal in the method by the Association, by all the band, and in the county. The compositian is one of Bob Major, doubled by the use of singles.

Handbell Peal.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Two Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

At the Residence of Mr. G. Sanders, 75, Calais Road,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES.

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

CHARLES SANDERS	1-2.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY	3-4.
WILLIAM SHERCLIFF	5-6.

Conducted by A P. WAKLEY.

First peal on handbells by all. First peal by the ringer of the tenors. who was elected a member previous to starting. Rung at the first attempt. Umpire—H. Hurdman.

PEAL CORRECTION.—The peal at Dudley on November 25th was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. William Goodman and Mrs. Herbert Sheppard, not Messrs. Goodman and Sheppard as stated.

Date Touches

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LIVERPOOL.—At the church of St. Mary, Grassendale, on Tuesday, December 12th, a date touch of 1911 Minor in the following methods: 720 Oxford, 360 each of Woodbine and Kent Treble Bob, and 471 changes of Plain Bob, in 1 hr. R. Hurst, R. H. Green, T. Jennion, G. R. Newton conductor, E. Caunce, J. Allen. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. Alfred Williams, of Whitehaven, and Miss Amy Joues, of Grassendale.

Miscellaneous.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

HARWELL.—On Sunday, October 8th, 720 Grandsire Minor. A. R. Bosley, W. Hitchman, R. G. Rice conductor, G. C. Rice, V. R. Hitchman, R. F. Deal. Composed by J. Carter. On Monday, November 27th, 720 Bob Minor. On Wednesday, December 6th, 360 College Single. H. Mulford, W. Hitchman, T. Hughes, G. C. Rice, V. R. Hitchman, R. G. Rice conductor.

DURWESTON.—On Thurseay, December 7th, 720 Bob Minor. F. W. Romaine, S. Macey, F. Precey, J. S. Rumming, R. P. Knight, W, W. Gifford. First 720 on the bells since being erected by Gillett and Johnston.

FARNHAM ROYAL.—On Wednesday, Decemher 6th, after au unsuccessful attempt for a peal of Stedman Triples, which came to grief in the 14th course, 1248 Kent Treble Bob. J. J. Parker, G. H. Guttridge, W. Willing, G. F. Williams conductor, W. Henley, J. Blackmore, R. Young, R. Buckland.

GOOLE.—On Sunday, December 10th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. J. Clarke, D. Carmichael, C. W. King, M. Tute, T. Smith, F. Tate, H. Ludkiu conductor, J. Drake. On Monday, November 27th, 368 Cambridge Surprise Minor. G. Davis, M. Tute, C. W. King, T. Smith, F. Tate, H. Ludkin conductor. On September 24th, a course of Double Norwich. G. Davis, D. Carmichael, J. Clarke, M. Tute, T. Smith, C. W. King, F. Tate, H. Ludkin. This is the first Double Norwich and the longest touch of Cambridge Surprise ever rung by the local company.

LONDON.—On Sunday, November 26th, for evening service at St. Andrew's, Holborn, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. W. Green, first quarter-peal in the method, C. H. Hughes, T. H. Taffender conductor, C. F. Winney, A. D. Barker, F. J. Hardy, R. F. Deal, T. Walker. On Sunday evening December 10th, at St. Mary Magdalene, Holloway, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. A. Riley, A. Hart, A. W. Coles conductor, A. Turner, G. Charge, W. Bottrill, A. Baynes, first quarter-peal in the method, W. Pateman. On Sunday, December 10th, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, for service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Caters. A. Hughes, F. Perrin, F. Davis, W. Matthews, E. F. Pike, J. E. Danis conductor, J. A. Trollope, F. Hairs E. Brett, A. Grimes.

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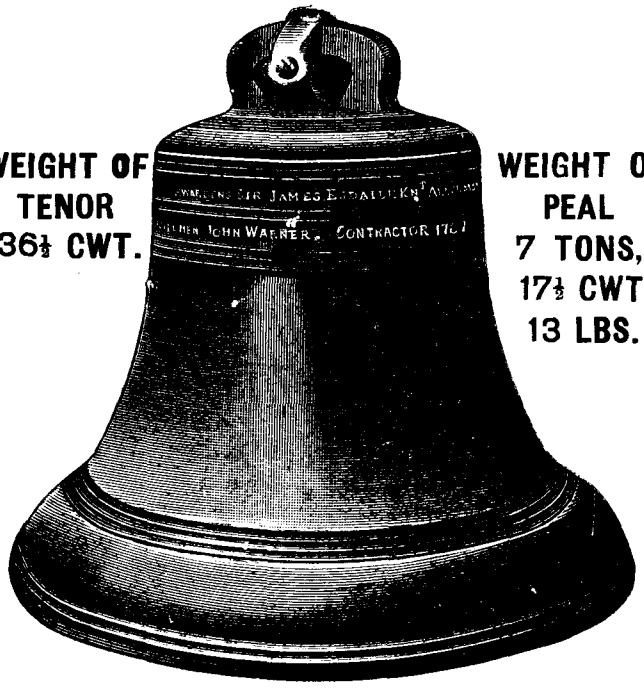

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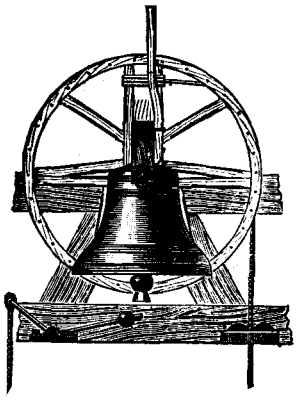

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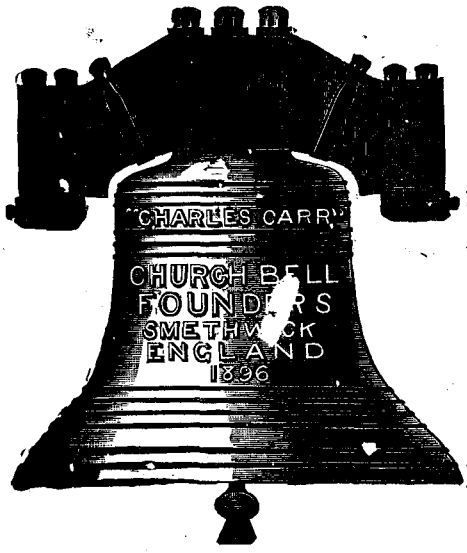

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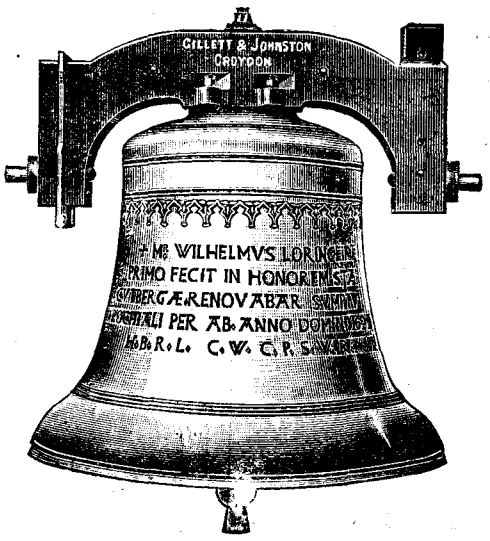

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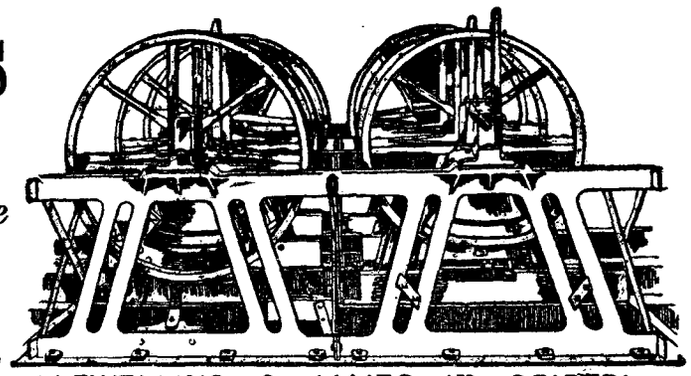

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MACHEN, NEAR NEWPORT, MON.

The dedication service took place on Saturday afternoon of the newly spliced ring of eight bells. Until recently the ring consisted of six bells only, which were hung on an old fashioned framing of oak beams, but being out of order they had not been rung for nearly thirty years. In March last experts reported that the framework was in a most dilapidated and dangerous condition, and the bells were liable to fall at any moment. The bells were accordingly at once taken down. They bore the following inscription:—

1.—My treble voice makes hearts rejoice.
2.—Good ringing might, yields great delight.
3.—Health, peace and plenty to this neighbourhood. Cast by Thos. Bayley, 1768. David Edmunds, churchwarden.
4.—Faith, hope and grace attend this place. David Edmunds, churchwarden. Cast 1768. Thos. Bayley, C. Mears, founders, London. Recast 1856. Rector, Rev. A. Morgan. Churchwardens, Phillip Woodruff, W. Jones.
5.—Public subscription gave us birth, and now we six here joyn in mirth. Cast by Thos. Bayley, 1768. David Edmunds, churchwarden.
6.—"The resonare pieta, more atque voluptas." David Edmunds, churchwarden. Thos. Bayley, founder, Bridgewater, 1768.

A number of the parishioners and others in the diocese who are interested in bellringing took the matter up, with a view to having the bells restored on modern lines, and the Hon. Sec. of the Landaff diocesan wrote suggesting that an effort should be made to increase the ring from six to eight, thus completing the octave.

At a public meeting, held on March 9th, it was unanimously decided to carry out the rehanging, and to add two more bells. The contract was let to Messrs. Llewellins and James, of Bristol, whose specification comprised a new modern frame having a foundation of massive rolled steel joists with webbed ends, over which is a new frame of cast iron sections, braced with steel bars. Each bell is provided with a complete set of mountings of the latest improved design, at a total cost of £183 5s.

The new treble bell, weighing 3cwt. 14lbs., with the inscription: "Praise to the Holiest in the height." Canon C. E. T. Griffith, rector; W. R. Lloyd and Frederick Stratton, churchwardens," cost £38 15s., and a new tenor bell has been provided, weighing 12cwt., with the inscription: "And in the depths be praise." The tenor and treble bells were added by public subscription in 1911, thus completing the ring of eight bells. The cost was £97.

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The total cost was £350 11s. Over £350 has now been collected, and the balance will probably be wiped out in a short time.

The dedication service was performed by the Bishop of Llandaff. The clergy present included the Rev. Canon Griffith (rector of the parish), the Rev. Canon Lister, of St. Marks', Newport, The Rev. Connop Price, rector of Caerphilly, the Rev. A. A. Matthews, vicar of St. Paul's, Newport, the Rev. G. Aubrey Baile, vicar of Nash (Newport), the Rev. S. G. Morgan and the Rev. D. Dudlyke, curates of the parish.

The bell ropes were presented to the Bishop by the churchwardens, Messrs. W. R. Lloyd and F. Stratton, and his Lordship handed them over to the charge of the Rector of the parish.

The hymns, "Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore Him." "Praise my soul the King of Heaven," and "They are lifted to the steeple," were sung during the service by a very large congregation, the church being crowded.

The Bishop congratulated the parishioners on the splendid effort they had made.

After the service, the bells were rung by the ringers of St. Woolos and All Saints' Churches, Newport, under the direction of Mr. J. W. Jones. Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung, and the bells fired several times. The visiting ringers included Mr. A. W. Brighton, London, Mr. Davies, Caerleon, and Mr. Hobbs, Cardiff.

A meat tea was afterwards provided in the Schoolroom for the whole of the ringers present, and included the local newly formed Guild of Ringers.

The tea was presided over by churchwarden F. Stratton and the Hon. Sec. to the Bell Fund, Mr. Newton Wade, who were ably assisted by Mrs. Stratton, Mrs. N. Wade, and the Misses Stratton and McKinnon.

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BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the above Association was held at Milverton on Saturday, Dec. 16th, when the following Towers were represented:—Bridgewater, Ilminster, Milverton, Chipstable, Fitzhead, Taunton St. James and Bishop Hull. A short service was held in the Parish Church, where the Rev. E. F. Fulton, vicar of Milverton, officiated, and gave a very suitable address. The meeting was held in the Church Room (by kind permission of the Vicar), when the Master of the Association, the Rev. C. C. Parker, presided. The minutes were read and duly signed, and about 30 new members were elected. Dulverton was selected as the place for the next meeting.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. Felton for officiating at the service, the use of the Room, and the bells. This concluded the business, and tea being ready, a busy fifteen minutes was spent at the table. This over, a move was made to the belfry, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung.

LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

On Tuesday, December 26th, all being well, eight members of the Hertfordshire Association will attempt a long peal of Bristol Surprise (12,000 changes) at Knebworth, starting at mid-day.

CHRISTMAS JOTTINGS.

(By G. F. M.)

Many of our ringing friends in Essex and the Southern Counties will be glad to hear of the safe arrival of Mr. Lewis Green and family at Woodstock, Capetown, last month. The ringers there, in company with the Rector, gave our friend a very hearty welcome, raising the bells and ringing in honour of his return to Krugerland. There are some people yet living who are not convinced of the rotundity of the earth. Here have I a letter, with Christmas greetings, from the uttermost ends of the earth, where the seasons are the contrary to ours in England. Mr. Green tells me that at Christmas he is dining on lamb at 4d. a pound, with green peas *ad lib.*, strawberries, and other delicacies, while here in England we have nothing but cabbages and root crops, with roast beef and plum pudding, to cheer us in the land of darkness he has left behind. Mr. Green is not only a good ringer, but a clever architect, having rapidly built himself a nice little fortune in South Africa. It is very few working men ringers who achieve that. The scoring of thousands of peals drops flat in comparison to the scoring of a competency. Fortunate are they, too, who dodge our wintry skies at Christmas, and, like our friend, enjoy two summers in succession. While we are shivering at the fireside in England, Mr. Green, attired in pyjamas, is revelling with his family and friends among peach and apple blossoms, drinking ambrosial wines, and culling sweet and variegated flowers from the borders of their vineries. Talk about Paradise on earth! What is better than a perpetual summer, or spring, where everlasting beauties abide, never to fade. But some of us were glad of a change last summer in England, and so a great many of us struck work for less hours and more wages. Then we had a veritable war with flies and wasps. Nothing like that in South Africa. There they have hornets and snakes, and sleep with perforated zinc over their mouths.

Once upon a time it was the privilege of ringers to beat he bounds of their parishes, and beseech each smiling parishioner to give them a Christmas-box. In these degenerate days, we approach the portals of the rich man's palace with fear and trembling, hesitating to pass that kindly caution, "Beware of the dog." The postman alone now stands on his dignity, and, with an air of righteousness in his demand, takes his box as his just and lawful dues. And why? Be it remembered we scarcely ever refuse where our own interests are involved. Suppose a love letter, or other valuable document, should not be delivered, the postman is responsible. As to the bell ringers, well, some will give us a Christmas-box if we promise not to ring again. I shall never forget my last experience of begging Christmas-boxes for the ringers. There were only two of us, and in the dark December evenings, when we made back-calls, we looked like two suspects, with caps reaching over our mouths, and my friend carried a pipe in his mouth notwithstanding all my admonitions to the contrary. Yes, Christmas was Christmas when I was a lad. You would see the parish clerk, with his bundles of holly and mistletoe, waiting on the parishioners one or two days before the great festival arrived. He had only to hand his rosy-clustered prickles to the servant, and all went "merry as a village bell," Port and sherry, nut-brown ale, and short cakes, lit up the spirit of his dreams. At night the sexton would return home heavy-laden (not with holly berries) with little golden discs and abundance of silver coins of the realm. What if he appeared somewhat elated as he met the town crier, who had been on the same errand as first bell ringer of the town. Could they not well wish every one a right merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

It is, I believe, the prerogative of young people to make love, and the old to relate stories. And so I am reminded of a Christmas far away in the dim past. I was then an errand boy to a rising doctor and physician. I might have eventually taken up his business had I behaved myself, but received my discharge in being too honest in my prescriptions, whereby his patients soon recovered, and thus reduced my master's revenue. My first Christmas with him was full of experience. "Boy," said he to me on Christmas-eve, "fail not at your peril to be here at business on Boxing-day, for the week after Christmas is the busiest one of the year. You remember how busy we were in the autumn—just after the sea-side holidays? Christmas brings us a lot of grist to the mill." Boxing-day came. Gradually messages and patients arrived. Calling me aside, my master said, "I think you are now sufficiently conversant with simple remedies for disorders of the stomach as to warrant my leaving you in charge while I attend more urgent cases. There is the magnesia, salts, senna, and other things necessary for slight cases, which you will easily distinguish by the several symptoms my patients disclose to yon. Look well to their tongues—what language they have, as well as the colour of them, and have a care to my reputation." My master had not long been gone before I felt the weight of my duties bearing heavily upon me. With an air of gravity and learning I examined their tongues, listening to their tales of woe. Every now and then the door opened by people asking for a Christmas box. There were the waits, the bellringers, the newsboy, postman, and many others who I told to call again. Gradually the day wore away, and it was late when my master returned. My sagacity enabled me in his absence to discover the more serious cases, and many patients were still awaiting him for relief, as well as myself. The following weeks our hands were full, till at last my master and I breathed freely once more: yet I never heard the results of my decoctions on that Boxing Day, though I learned for the first time the folly of spending too merry a Christmas, and expecting a Happy New Year.

Last Christmas occurred the opening of a new peal of six by the Loughton change-ringers, at Chilwell Row, Essex. The bells are an ornament to the parish, and highly creditable to the firm of Mears and Stainbank. The selected band to be instructed included men who had never before handled a bell-rope, and, as may be expected, where the instructor is single handed, proved "a slow six" for several months. They are now able to strike well, and can manage the extent of four with 5, 6, covering, as well as going through a lead of Plain Bob Minor by changing two bells at each call. This method appears to them rather intricate, having the tenor down to lead, with the treble behind, which they term, "Chigwell Row Surprise." The Rector has six bells, and six sons, and is desirous of them becoming ringers. Granting the accomplishment of such, how will this stand as a record? Be it understood, the Rector has not six daughters, as well as six sons. To teach six fair daughters of Mother Eve the art of change-ringing might prove disastrous to the nerves of a hyper-sensitive instructor. Only one young lady at present has graced our magic circle, and I note has just

scored her first 720 at Dagenham, where the presence of ladies in the belfry was held to be unseemly. I take off my hat to Miss Playle for her courage, but would at the same time just whisper in her ear—

"What will the locum tenens say
When he comes again your way
Next season?

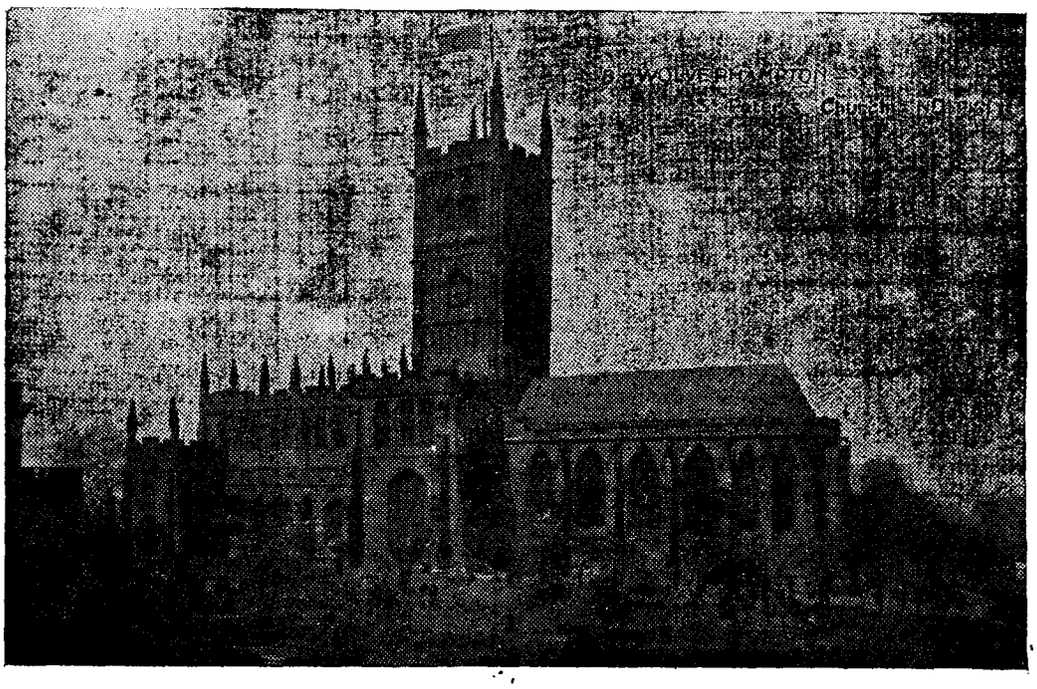
To find you ringing with the chaps—
He'rr lose all self-control, and praps
His reason."

ILKESTON.—On Sunday, December 10th, being the anniversary of the opening of the tower and bells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung for evening service, in 46 mins. A. J. Baker, J. H. Iliffe, J. Hutton, S. Burgoyne, E. Poxon, H. Fletcher, E. C. Gobey conductor, J. F. George. Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood. This is the first quarter-peal of Stedman in Ilkeston rung entirely by a local band, and the first quarter-peal of Stedman on the bells since they were recast in 1910.

STANTON-BY-DALE.—On Sunday, December 3rd, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Minor, being 540 of Oxford Bob and a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. W. H. Henry, first quarter-peal, W. Halford, J. Hall, E. Scattergood, W. Thornley, C. E. Gobey conductor.

THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order.



ST. PETER'S, WOLVERHAMPTON.

On Sunday, December 17th, there was dedicated a new ring of twelve bells by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon. The "go" and tone of them were greatly admired by all who heard and rang them. The dedication took place following a sermon by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Stafford. The clergy who took part in the service were the Revs. W. Caldicott Ridding, R. L. Hodson, and A. Penny (Rector), who announced that owing to the generosity of the donor of the two bells to make up the ring of twelve, and who wishes to remain anonymous, a sum of £200 has been received, which meant that the bells were opened free from debt.

A large number of ringers turned up for the opening, and Stedman Cinques, Kent Treble Bob Maximus, Double Norwich, etc. was rung. The tenor is 33 cwt. 0 qrs. 21 lbs., the total weight of the twelve bells being 132 cwt. 2 qrs. 8 lbs.

The bells are tuned on the five-tone Simpson principle, and one great point is that the small bells can be heard distinctly when dodging among the large ones, or when out among themselves.

Obituary.

JOHN BASDEN.

The death of Mr. J. Basden, late Master of the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild, occurred at his residence, 2, Oaklands Road, Hanwell, on Wednesday, December 13th, in his 54th year, a ter a protracted illness.

The deceased, who was always prominent in the art of change ringing in West Middlesex, was mainly instrumental in forming a Guild for that part of the county.

He, together with Messrs. T. Beadle, A. H. Taber, E. J. Walsom, and a few local enthusiasts, met at Isleworth early in 1894, and formed what was subsequently known as the South and West Middlesex Guild. Mr. Basden was elected Master, and under his able tuition the Guild made good progress.

With the amalgamation of the Guild and the Middlesex Association in 1897, the deceased was unanimously elected Master, and from then until illness overtook him at the end of 1907, he carried out his duties with a cheerfulness and tact that gained for him the esteem and respect of all those who came into contact with him. By his illness, the Associatien (more especially the South and West District with which he was more intimately connected) lost not only a courteous and kindly official, but also a valuable friend.

The deceased had rung 74 peals for the Middlesex Association, 51 of which he conducted. His first peal (Grandsire Triples) was rung at Isleworth, on August 6th, 1894, and his last (Stedman Triples) at Hounslow, on Sept. 28th, 1907, both of which he conducted.

The interment took place on Monday, December 18th, at Greenford Cemetery, when the following members attended the graveside to pay their tribute of respect to an old comrade:—Messrs. T. Beadle (District Master), H. C. Chandler (Hon. Sec.), E. J. Walsom, A. H. Taber, E. Harris, J. J. Pratt, F. G. Goddard, G. A. Ransom, G. Spencer and W. H. Lidbetter.

In the evening, the local band at St. Leonards' Parish Church, Heston, rang the bells fully muffled, as a last token of respect to the late Master. A quarter peal was attampted, but came to grief.

JAMES JOYCE.

On Wednesday, December 6th, the death occurred of the above-named ringer, aged 58 years. Deceased was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and was steeple-keeper at the Church of All Hallows', Barking Tower Hill, for 15 years, and much respected in the East End. The interment took place on Tuesday, December 12th, at the Ilford Cemetery on the same evening. The following members of the above Society rang the usual whole pull and stand, followed by a touch of Stedman Triples:—H. Springall, A. Peck, J. Scholes, A. Hardy, S. Joyce, E. Hall, H. Langdon, G. Barrell.

NOTES TO PEALS.

THE PEAL AT ROLVENDEN.—This was rung as a welcome to the Rev. Lynn Fryer, who comes from Delsey, near Rochester. The rev. gentleman was inducted incumbent on the same day by the Archdeacon of Maidstone. The change-ringers of the district are exceedingly sorry that his predecessor (the Rev. Drabble) felt it his duty, owing to advanced years, to resign the Vicarship, for the rev. gentleman was of a good disposition, and always granted permission for peals, practices and meetings to take place at Rolvenden, when applications were made. The campanologists look forward to receiving the same privileges under the new vicar. The Rev. Drabble has gone to reside at Woking, Surrey. A ringing tour was held in August last in Kent, and the visitors complained bitterly of the bad running of Rolvenden bells. They will be pleased to know that Mr. F. G. Burden has thoroughly overhauled the peal, and the "go" is excellent now. All that was necessary was the bolts had to be tightened, the cause of the trouble being the dry summer. Evidently there was not so much the matter with the bells as the visitors imagined, and Mr. Burden is to be highly thanked and congratulated for attending to the matter, for in time it would have become serious.

THE PEAL AT LUTTERWORTH.—This was the first peal by the ringers of the 2nd, 5th, 6th and tenor, who belong to the local band, and is the first to be rung by a resident who has learned his change-ringing at Lutterworth. The peal was attempted on the two previous Saturdays—on the first occasion it came to grief after ringing two hours, and on the second a change course occurred in the last 200 changes. The ringers of the treble, 3rd, 4th and 7th, hail from Rugby, and wish to take this opportunity of thanking the local ringers for kindly entertaining them after the peal, and also after the two previous attempts.

THE PEAL AT DUDLEY.—At the conclusion of the peal at Dudley, on Saturday, December 16th, an adjournment was made to The Griffin hotel, Stone Street, where a pleasing presentation took place by the senior member of the St. Thomas' Society, Mr. John Mills, on behalf of the St. Thomas's ringers, of a gold-mounted umbrella, which bore the following inscription:—"Presented to Mr. S. Spittle, by the Dudley Bellringers. Dec. 16th, 1911." In making the presentation, Mr. Mills spoke of the pleasure it gave him of being asked to make the presentation on behalf of his fellow ringers in appreciation of the many services and kindnesses they have received at the hands of Mr. Spittle, both inside and outside of the belfry. After a few congratulatory remarks by Mr. Mills and others, Mr. Spittle rose to thank them for their kindness in making him a present, which quite took him by surprise, and said how glad it was for him to be able to be of any service to his band of ringers, especially to the younger members of the band. At the conclusion of his remarks, the company present rose and drank to his health, and wished him every good wish that he may be spared in health and strength, that he may continue to be their Master for many a year to come.

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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, December 16th, and is believed to be the first ever held at this tower. Ringing commenced at 3 45, and the bells were kept going in the various methods, including Erin Triples, Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich. Tea was provided in the Church House at 5.15, after which the business meeting was held, the District Master (Mr. A. D. Barker, presiding. Mr. E. A. Young was elected to audit the accounts of the district, and two new members were also elected. St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, was chosen as the place for the annual district meeting on January 20th, and failing that St. Sepulchre's, Holborn.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 16th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. Members were present from Sheerness, Queenborough Tunstall, Hartlip, Upchurch. Chatham, Gillingham, Rochester, and the local ringers, numbering twenty in all. The bells were kept going in various methods including Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and Superlatice Surprise. The business meeting was held in the belfry at 6.15 p.m. Mr. W. H. Wilkins, of Sheerness, was elected as chairman. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Two new members of the Gravesend band were admitted into the Association. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Borden in March 1912. A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar of Newington (Rev. P. L. Hunt), for the use of the tower and bells; also to the Vicar of Hartlip (Rev. J. S. McMillan), for his bells.

After the meeting eight members from the Rochester part of the district walked over to Hartlip, where some touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman were rung. The bells were lowered in peal, at 9.15 p.m., when the party made for home.

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On a recent Saturday afternoon a meeting was held in the schoolroom by several members of the Bedfordshire Association from Bedford, Elstow, Sandy, Clifton, Biggleswade, etc., with the local band, in order to form a branch of the Association for North Bedfordshire. The Vicar (Rev. A. Long), kindly took the chair at the meeting, when the following were elected to start the branch: The Potton society (en bloc), consisting of seven members with two members from Sandy, and one probationer, and F. Blood (Biggleswade). The following officers were also elected: President–Rev. A, Long (Vicar of Potton); Secretary—Mr. F. Blood (Biggleswade); Committee Mr. A. Bailey (Potton), and Mr. W. Deacon (Sandy).

After tea, which was kindly provided by the Vicar of Potton, the members adjourned to the tower, where ringing was indulged in, several Minor methods being rung, until train time arrived, when after a unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his kindness in granting the the gse of the bells, and also the use of the schoolroom for the meeting, the ringers dispersed to their several destinations.

The following were the ringers who attended: Mr. Harlow and Miss Steele (Bedford): W. Deacon, G. Jefferies, and T. Kendall (Sandy); C. A. Pratt (Clifton); F. Blood (Biggleswade), and the members of the Potton society. This was the first time a lady ringer has visited these parts, and taken an active part in the ringing. Now that a local branch of the Bedfordshire Association has besn formed, it is hoped that the Vicars of all the parishes oi this district will lend the movement their support.

HARBORNE.—On Sunday, December 10th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples. J. Such, J. Tilley, H. Pratt, W. Beacham, H. Grosvenor conductor, G. Hitchman, J. Cartwright, E. Grice.

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The Bedfordshire Association.–Quarterly meeting at Dunstable on Saturday, January 6th. A. RUST. *Hon, Sec.*

Peterborough and District Association.–Proposed meeting at Wisbech cancelled owing to bells being out of repair.

F. T. COOKE, Hon. Sec.

Notice.—Any correspondence as regards ringing at St. Lawrence's church, Long Eaton, should be addressed to the Secretary—N. H. Widdowson, 13, Recreation Street, Long Eaton.

NOTE TO PEAL

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The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 7, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,
A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR,
5088 **CHANGES.** Tenor 24 cwt.

WILLIAM J. NEVARD	*Treble.*	JOHN T. KENTISH	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER	2.	GEORGE A. CARD	6.
JOHN THOMAS	3.	JAMES PARKER	7.
CHARLES W. BIRD	4.	GEORGE PAICE	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK, and
Conducted by MISS E. K. PARKER.

C. W. Bird hails from Kettering.

A DIAGRAM OF UNION TRIPLES (1893), may be had gratis, on application by letter to W. H. THOMPSON, 5, Sillwood Street, Brighton, to whom the unsold remainder has been returned by the publishers.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, BARKING,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 22¼ cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY	*Treble.*	THOMAS FAULKNER	5.
WILLIAM T. COCKERILL	2.	ALBERT C. HARDY	6.
WILLIAM H. HOTTEN*	3.	RICHARD F. DEAL	7.
GEORGE W. FAULKNER	4.	CHARLES S. BURDEN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

*First peal in the method.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Thirty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SEPULCHRE, HOLBORN.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 31 cwt.

REUBEN SANDERS	*Treble.*	ALBERT W. COLES	6.
BERTRAM PREWETT	2.	JAMES E. DAVIS	7.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	ERNEST PYE	8.
CHARLES T. COLES	4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES	9.
GEORGE R. PYE	5.	WILLIAM PYE	*Tenor.*

Composed and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

The above is the conductor's 10ooth peal, and A. W. Grimes' 100th The band wish through the medium of this paper to thank the Vicar. the Rev. E. Rogers, for the nse of the bells.

The Provinces.

ROTHWELL, NORTHANTS,

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES. Tenor 23 cwt.

ALFRED KNIGHT	*Treble.*	ARTHUR E. PAYNE	5.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN	2	CHARLES W. BIRD	6.
WILLIAM D. JAMES	3.	FREDK W. SAWFOOT	7.
E. MAURICE ATKINS	4.	DAVID J. NICHOLLS	*Tenor.*

Composed by E. M. ATKINS, and Conducted by DAVID J. NICHOLLS.

RUSHTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 11, 1911, in Two Honrs and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

E. MAURICE ATKINS	*Treble.*	DAVID J. NICHOLLS	4.
CHARLES W. BIRD	2.	*WILLIAM D. JAMES	5.
J. EDWARD CHAPMAN	3.	FREDK. W. SAWFOOT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

*First peal in seven methods.

DERBY.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 11, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

Tenor 11 cwt. 1 qr, 14 lbs.

WM. DAVIES*	*Treble.*	J. PAGETT	5.
J. HAYNES†	2.	L. LOMAS	6.
GEO. TOMLINSON	3.	R. G. BASSON	7.
J. W. GLEW	4.	FRED FOSTER	*Tenor.*

Composed by J. CARTER, aod Conducted by GEO. TOMLINSON.

*First peal. †Fsrst peal with a bob bell. First peal as conductor. The ringer of the treble was elected a member of the above Association previous to starting.

ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

BERNARD J. SADDINGTON	*Treble.*	WILLIAM C. LEWIS	4.
WALTER T. WILSON	2.	*WILLIAM D. JAMES	5.
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY	3.	E. MAURICE ATKINS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by W. D. JAMES.

*First peal of Minor as conductor.

NEW BUCKENHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of College Exercise, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Court, College Single, Oxford Bob and Bob Minor.

Tenor 12 cwt.

CLARENCE GOOCH	*Treble.*	GEORGE SNELLING	4.
FREDK. MANSEE	2.	JOHN SNELLING	5.
BERTIE TURNER	3.	FREDK. SEAGER	*Tener.*

Conducted by F. MANSER.

First peal on the bells.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt. 2 qrs. 10 lbs.

HEBBERT BAILEY	*Treble.*	JAMES YORK	5.
GEORGE J. TAYLOR	2.	FRANK S. DOWNING	6.
E. R. TREVOR CORBETT	3.	WM. SAUNDERS	7.
ALBERT WOODVINE*	4.	HAROLD ASTON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WM. SAUNDERS.

Rung with the bells muffled as a token of respect to Mrs. O'Brien and Mr. W. G. Morris. The former was interred at Holy Trinity church, and the latter at the Society of Friends burial ground, Coalbrookdale, on the above date. First muffled peal on the bells, and by all the band. *First peal on eight bells.

WORKSOP, NOTTS.

THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

CHRISTOPHER E. PECK*	*Treble.*	HERBERT HAIGH	5.
HARRY H. CARTWRIGHT*	2,	*THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW	6.
CORNELIUS HUDSON*	3.	*THOMAS WILSON	7.
ALBERT JOHNSON*	4.	*FREDK. HIND	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HERBERT HAIGH.

*First peal. This is the first peal ever rung by a Worksop company, and the first on the bells since the restoration. Rung to commemorate the marriage of Sir John Robinson, of Worksop Manor, with Miss Eveline Alderson, elder daughter of the late Mr. D. Alderson, of Park House, Worksop, which took place on December 12th, at Holy Trinity church, Sloane Street. It was also a birthday peal to the ringer of the tenor, the ringers wishing him many happy returns.

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BIRCHINGTON. KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 9 cwt.

BEN REED	*Treble.*	RICHARD SUTTON	5.
GEORGE WILLSHIRE	2.	WILLIAM WENBAN	6.
ALBERT H. SAYER	3.	HENRY J. LARKINS	7.
ERNEST WILSON	4.	ALBERT GOLDER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by G. WILLSHIRE.

Rung to celebrate the Coronation Durbar.

ILKESTON. DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1. Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lbs.

JOSEPH H. ILIFFE*	*Treble.*	HENRY FLETCHER	5.
CECIL J. BAKER*	2.	HENRY HARRISON	6.
ALBERT H. WARD	3.	EDWARD D. GOBEY	7.
NEVILLE WIDDOWSON	4.	ALFRED T. BAKER	*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. C. GOBEY.

*First peal of Stedman. First peal of Stedman as conductor. First peal of Stedman on the bell, since being recast by Messrs. Taylor, the go and tone being excellent. Rung to commemorate the first anniversary of the opening of the bells, 1910.

WOLSTANTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 14 cwt.

ARNOLD AUSTIN*	*Treble.*	WILLIAM FITCHFORD, SEN.	5.
WILLIAM H. FITCHFORD†	2.	JOHN MORLEY	6.
WILLIAM ALLMAN*	3.	CHARLES MORLEY	7.
HARRY ROBERTS	4.	THOMAS HARLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. MORLEY.

*First peal. †First peal with bob bell; aged 15.

ROLVENDENDEN, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 12, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART. Tenor 16 cwt.

EDGAR BUBDEN	*Treble.*	WILLIAM H. LAMBERT	5.
ALFRED JOHNSON	2.	GEORGE BILLENNESS	6.
ROBERT EDWARDS	3.	CHARLES TRIBE	7.
FREDERICK G. BURDEN	4.	ALFRED BLACKMAN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by GEORGE BILLENNESS.

Reference elsewhere.

TAMWORTH, STAFFORDSHIRE.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Wednesday, December 13, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDITHA,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor 22½ cwt.

WILLIAM CHAPMAN	*Treble.*	JOSEPH H. CHAPMAN	5.
JOSEPH W. TIMMS	2.	ALFRED CHAPLIN	6.
CHARLES CHAPMAN	3.	ALBERT E. YOUNG	7.
ARTHUR J. MARKS	4.	JAMES PRATT	*Tenor.*

Conducted by JOSEPH W. TIMMS.

DONINGTON-IN-HOLLAND, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Thursday, December 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND HOLYROOD,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720s each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, and three of Plain Bob. Tenor 15 cwt.

CYRIL G. WOODS*	*Treble.*	HERBERT WOODS	4.
JOHN T. STAPLES	2.	*JOSEPH FOVARGUE	5.
JOHN H. STAFFORD	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by RUPERT RICHARDSON.

*First peal. First peal in three methods by all except the conductor.

ALDENHAM. HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, December 15, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

JOSEPH J. ALLEN	*Treble.*	BERTRAM PREWETT	5.
WALTER S. INWOOD†	2.	FREDK. EDWARDS	6.
WALTER SEELEY†	3.	WILLIAM HEWITT	7.
FRANCIS A. SMITH	4.	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT	*Tenor.*

Composed by H. W. HALEY, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal in the method.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(STOCKPORT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELISABETH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

WILDE,S VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

THOMAS JACKSON	*Treble.*	*WILLIAN JACKSON	5.
HIRAM MEAKIN	2.	ALFRED BARNES	6.
REV. A. T. BEESTON	3.	GEORGE D. WARBURTON	7.
HAROLD JACKSON*	4.	GEORGE MARSHALL	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HAROLD JACKSON.

*First peal in the method. †First peal as conductor.

LUTTERWORTH. LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, December 4, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

LINDOFF'S FIVE-PART. Tenor 13 cwt.

JOSEPH B. FENTON	*Treble.*	*FREDE. J. HEEBERT	5.
PETER ROURKE*	2.	*WALTER WILLIAMS	6.
JOSEPH A. FENTON	3.	WALTER MADINS	7.
ALFRED J. HESSIAN	4.	*WALTER G. TILCOCK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by WALTER MALINS.

*First peal. †First peal in the method. First peal as conductor on tower bells. Further reference elsewhere.

ST. ALBANS, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720s, each called differently.

T. J. HALL	*Treble.*	R. CHALKLEY	4.
C. WALKLATE	2.	E. HUNT	5.
J. MALYAN	3.	F. JEFFS	*Tenor.*

Conducted by J. MALYAN.

This is believed to be the first peal on the bells. First peal by the ringers of the 2nd and 5th.

BRIGHTON. SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 16¾ cwt.

RICHARD HOATHER ..	..*Treble.*	GEORGE ADES	6.
CHARLES PALMER	2.	JOHN CAPP	6.
WILLIAM PALMER	3.	ALBERT D. STONE	7.
HERBERT RANN	4.	KEITH HART	8.
WILLIAM C. HART	5.	JOHN JAY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

NETHERSEALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OP STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'S. Tenor 11½ cwt.

W. W. WORTHINGTON	..*Treble*	J. H. SWINFIELD	5.
J. OLDHAM	2.	C. DRAPER	6.
W. J. SMITH	3.	E. READER..	7.
J. W. TAYLOR	4.	F. SHEPHERD ..	....*Tenor.*

Conducted by E. READER.

ALBURGH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES.

Tenor 12 cwt. in G.

FREDERICK BORRETT	..*Treble.*	GEORGE BAXTER	5.
CHARLES BAKER	2.	*ERNEST WHITING	6.
CLAYTON PARNELL	3.	ERNEST LINCOLN	7.
WALTER MOBES..	4.	FREDERICK SMITH ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD, and Conducted by F. BORRETT.

*First peal in the method,

PRESTON, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

(SUDBURY DISTRICT.)

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Woodbine, and two each of New London, Oxford and Kent.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS	..*Treble.*	*FREDERICK POULSON ..	4.
CHARLES VARO	2.	ARTHUR SYMONDS	5.
HARRY CRICE*	3.	ROBT. JOHN POULSON	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

*First peal.

NORTON, DERBYSHIRB.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR.

5184 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt.

SAM THOMAS	..*Treble.*	FRANCIS WARD	5.
ARCHIE BREARLEY	2.	WILFRED R. COLLIER ..	6.
GEORGE LEWIS	3.	WALTER ALLWOOD	7.
DAVID BREARLEY	4.	WILLIAM BIGGIN ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. CRAVEN, and Conducted by GEORGE LEWIS.

First peal in the method as conductor.

READING, BERKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(READING BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5024 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

WALTER A. WEBB ..	..*Treble.*	ARTHUR W. PIKE	5.
CHARLES GILES..	2.	REV. C. W. O. JENKYN ..	6.
FRANE MARTIN	3.	*ALFRED WATMORE	7.
AMBROSE W. OSBORNE ..	4.	CHARLES R. LILLEY ..	..*Tenor,*

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal in the method. Rung as a welcome to the Rev. Fitzwilliam J. C. Gillmor to the parish of St. Giles, being inducted by the Lord Bishop of Oxford on Friday, December 15th.

HARBORNE, STAFFORDSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST, PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BIDDLESTONE'S 12-PART. Tenor 12 cwt.

JAMES SUCH	..*Treble.*	HENRY GROSVENOR	5.
J. WILLIAM TILLEY.. ..	2.	ALBERT BEACHAM	6.
TOM GIBBS	3.	†ALLEN J. CARTWRIGHT ..	7.
HAROLD PRATT..	4.	GEORGE HITCHMAN ..	..*Tenor.*

Conducted by HENRY GROSVENOR.

†First peal with a bob bell. All the above are members of the local company.

LIVERSEDGE, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF ROSE OF ENGLAND TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES. Tenor 15 cwt.

SID. GOODALL	..*Treble.*	H. DRANSFIELD..	5.
ED. CRABTREE	2.	W. THOMAS	6.
W. CLARK	3.	F. ROBINSON	7.
F. CLAYTON..	4.	W. BREARLEY	..*Tenor.*

Composed by J. BARKER, and Conducted by F. ROBINSON.

The first peal in this method was rung on these bells on January 12th, 1857.

MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD AND THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE, SOCIETY.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5312 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 15 cwt.

ISAAC SIDEBOTHAM ..	..*Treble.*	ISAAC SCHOFIELD	5.
FRANK HALL	2.	JOHN HARROP	6.
ROBERT WALKER	3.	JOSEPH GODDARD	7.
SAMUEL STOTT	4.	CHARLES H. MARSLAND	..*Tenor*

Composed by E. TIMERELL, and Conducted by I. SIDEBOTHAM.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, December 18, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR,

5056 CHANGES. Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lbs.

FREDERICK ROOPE* ..	..*Treble.*	ERNEST WHITING	5.
EDWIN WHITING	2.	FREDERICK BORRETT ..	6.
CHARLES BAKER..	3.	WILLIAM ROOPE	7.
CHARLES ROOPE	4.	CHARLES BRICE	..*Tenor*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by F. ROOPE.

*First peal in the method as conductor.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANGES.

JOSEPH WEST	..*Treble.*	WILLIAM GOODMAN	6.
GILBERT GUEST*	2.	SAMUEL SPITTLE	7.
HERBERT SHEPPARD	3	BENJAMIN GOUGH	8.
JOHN GOODMAN, JUN. ..	4.	HARRY GOODMAN	9.
THOMAS WATION	5	CHARLES FAULKS ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by the late WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT, and Conducted by S SPITTLE.

*Fistr peal of Grandsire Caters. Arranged and rang as a birthday compliment to the Master of the above Guild (Mr. Spittle), on attaining his 75th birthday, the band wishing him the usual good wishes that he may be spared in health and strength, and that he may still continue to be their Master for many years to come.

HORLEY, SURREY.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, December 17, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

FREDK. W. RICE ..	..*Trebls.*	ALFRED D. MILLS	5.
OLIVER SIPPETTS	2	GEORGE ILLMAN	6.
ALBERT E. MITCHELL ..	3.	FRANCIS T. HOAD, JUN. ..	7.
ALBERT HARMAN	4.	ALBERT ELLISS.. ..	..*Tenor.*

Composed by F. DENCH, and Conducted by FREDK. W. RICE.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor and ringer of the 7th.

Handbell Peal.

PADDINGTON, LONDON, W.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, December 14, 1911, in Two Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

AT 52, SHIRLAND ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT 1-2.		GEORGE B. EDSER ..	5-6.
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD .. 3-4.		WILLIAM SHEPHERD ..	7-8.

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, and Conducted by W. SHEPHERD.

Rung after meeting short for Grandsire Caters

Miscellaneous.

THE NORTH NOTTS. ASSOCIATION.

WORKSOP.—On Sunday evening, December 3rd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. F. Hind, H. H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson, H. Haigh conductor, T. Bartholomew, T. Wilson, C. E. Peck. First quarter-peal away from the tenor by F. Hind. On Sunday morning, December 10th, 504 Grandsire Triples. F, Hind, H. H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson conductor, W. Roberts, C. E. Peck, H. Haigh, E. Clarke. Longest touch as conductor, and by the tenor man.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CRANLEIGH.—On Saturday, December 16th, in an attempt for a peal, 2060 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 10 mins. Mrs. R. W. Whittington, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Denyer, H. Tidy, A. A. Charman, W. Charman conductor, H. Ledger. 1080 Bob Major. Mrs. R. Whittington, W. Streeter, W. Denyer, H. Tidy, A. Charman, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor. Longest length in the method by the ringers of treble and 3rd. On Sunday, December 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1266 changes), in 46 mins. Mrs. R. Whittington, W. Streeter, A. Charman, H. Tidy, C. Charman, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor. First quarter-peal of Major by the ringers of treble and 5th.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING.—On Friday, December 15th, at St. Giles' church, 840 Stedman Triples. L. Osborn, Miss E. Goodship, H. Osborne, A. T. Reeves, F. Wade, F. Griffin, A. W. Osborne conductor, A. Durman. Also 168 in the same method, conducted by Miss F. Goodship. And 160 Bob Major, conducted by F. Griffin. Rung on the occasion of the induction of the Rev. Fitzwilliam J. C. Gillmor to the above church by the Lord Bishop of Oxford.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HOUNSLOW.—On Thursday, December 14th, at St. Paul's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples,. W. Watson, G. A. Ransom conductor, C. Bird, T. Chave, T. Beadle, E. Gladman, G. Spencer, H Beadle.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PULHAM MARKET.—On Sunday, December 17th, for morning service, 720 Double Norwich Major. A. Roope conductor, C. Baker, A. Smith, R. Whiting, J. Allen, F. Roope, C. Roope, F. Borrett. For evening service 736 Superlative Surprise. F. Roope conductor, C. Baker, C. Roope, J. Allen. W. Roope, A. A. Smith, A. Roope, F. Borrett.

CROYDON.—For practice on handbells 1260 Grandsire Triples. T. Groombridge, jun., 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; A. J. Perkins conductor, 5-6; A. W. Clark, 7-8. First quarter-peal in hand by the ringers of 1-2 and 7-8. Also 518, T. Colburn ringing 7-8.

GOOLE.—On Monday, December 19th, 720 Caambridge Surprise Minor. G. Davis, M. Tate, C. W. King, T. Smith, F. Tate H. Ludkin conductor, J. Duke. First 720 in the method by all the band and on the bells.

LONG EATON.—On Sunday, December 17th, for evening service at St. Lawrence's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief in the last course. Miss M. E. Woolley, J. Harrison, A. Hickton, N. H. Widdowson, J. Bailey, J. Andrews, T. R. Hensher conductor, T. Hutchinson.

AN APPEAL.

A special appeal is being made to all members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to be considerate and subscribe to a fund which has been started in connection with the condition of a brotherringer, Mr. A. W. Reeves, of 78, Queen's Road, Caversham, Oxon. Besides being unable to follow his daily occupation for the past three years, two of which he has laid on his back suffering from that most dreaded disease Cancer. The time has now arrived when help is needed by all who can show their true sympathy for a brother in distress. Mr. Reeves has been a ringer for over twenty years, and his a member of the above Guild, and those of us who know him and have known him as a ringer, we feel it our bouden duty to bring the case before the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" with the hope that they and others if possible will willingly respond to this call which is made to us in this hour of need. Having been absent from work so long, and only a working man, naturally there has been so little coming in that his wife is at her wits ends to know where to get sufficient for the little extras needed in such an expensive time. Unfortunately Mr. Reeves has fallen into quarter pay from the Friendly Society to which be belongs, and the time is nearly due for him to pay up his quarter's club money to enable him to receive the benefit. Therefore he is almost entirely dependent on the generosity of all who can afford it to stretch out an hand to our worthy brotber-ringer who is lying on a bed of sickness from which he can never hope to rise again. Let us help him while he has a little life spared him on this earth. I can assure you this is a most deserving case, and leave it to yonr brotherly consideration as to whether you will be one and perhaps induce others also to contribute to this fund, however small the donation may be, as it is not the amount which is important (though that is necessary if means will allow), but it is the cheerful giver who is to prove a true friend in a case like this. Trusting there will be many who will come forward with a good heart and give what they can, which will be most gratefully received by A. W. Osborne, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Reading Branch, 17, Dorothy Street, Reading.

THE LATE MR. H. SNOWDEN WARD.

A distinct feeling of gloom has been cast over the district by the announcement of the death of the above-named gentleman, who died at New York on the 7th inst., after a rare operation, performed to drain the system of pneumonia germs. He was found unconscious in bed on the previous Tuesday, an hour after which he was due to deliver a lecture on "Dickens in America." Mrs. Snowden was at his bedside when he died. The deceased was a famous Anglo-American authority on photography, and the loss of so cultured a gentleman will be felt here severely, more particularly by those who enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance, and his friends and admirers were legion. Behind his scholarly attainments he carried a very large heart, and his amiable disposition was the source of general comment and admiration. Locally, it will be difficult to fill his place, as in everything connected with the welfare of the village he was always ready to lend a helping hand, and his purse for any deserving object was never sought in vain. Connected himself with the legion of Frontiersman, with whom he annually went into camp, he took a great interest in the local lads' brigade and Boy Scouts. and only recently provided them with a rifle range at his residence at "Falklands." But it is the local band of bellringers by whom he will be most missed, as he was a great admirer and supporter of campanology. In the belfry of St. Mary's church may be seen a fine peal-board presented by him, and unveiled by the Ven. Archdeacon of Tonbridge on May 11th, 1900, in commemoration of a peal of Grandsire Triples, the names of the successful local band, also the clergy and churchwardens being inscribed. The previous record of this fine achievement, dates back to 1854, a period of fifty-four years having elapsed. The last local function at which Mr. Snowdon Ward was present was the planting of the Coronation oak in the Cemetery Grounds, an occasion which his unbounded loyalty would not allow him to miss.

The late H. Snowden Ward, Esq., was also keenly interested in ringers and ringing, and it was through his advice the Hadlow ringers joined the Kent County Association, and received instruction in change-ringing with very good results. A few years ago, when the condition of the bells and frame was such that ringing had to cease, and the authorities despaired of ever raising the funds to do the necessary repairs, it was Mr. Wardle who came forward and threw himself heartily into the trouble, and by his energy and tact infused a general interest in the matter, with the result that the money was speedily raised to carry out the necessary repairs.

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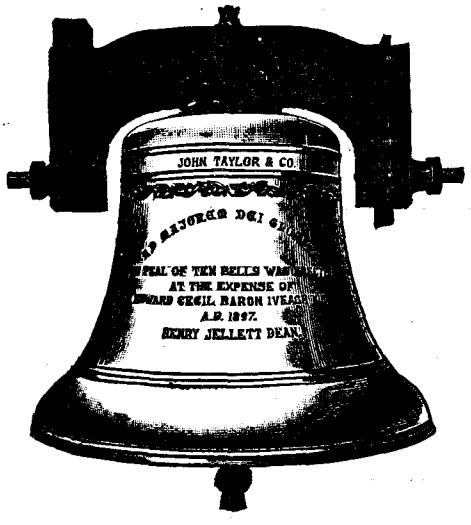

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Mr. W. Shepherd, of "Leyland," Queen's Road, Hersham, Walton-on-Thames, writes:—The two peals of Bob Major published in your issues of December 9th and 16th, by Mr. Gilbert, are both the composition of the late J. R. Pritchard, the only difference being the addition of four singles. With regard to the latter peal, perhaps Mr. Gilbert can explain how it is he gets "in course," course-ends after the use of one single, for according to the calling published the bells should be out of course instead of in course. The 5024 of Double Norwich, by G. Cross, published on December 9th, is false, for even some of the course ends repeat with one another.

Mr. H. J. Tucker writes:—The peal of Bob Major published in "THE BELL NEWS" of December 9th, and again December 16th, by Mr. W. Gilbert, is an old composition, and was rung at the church of All Saints, Great Marlow, Bucks, on Saturday, Sept. 29th, 1894, conducted by Mr. John C. Truss, junr., as my composition.

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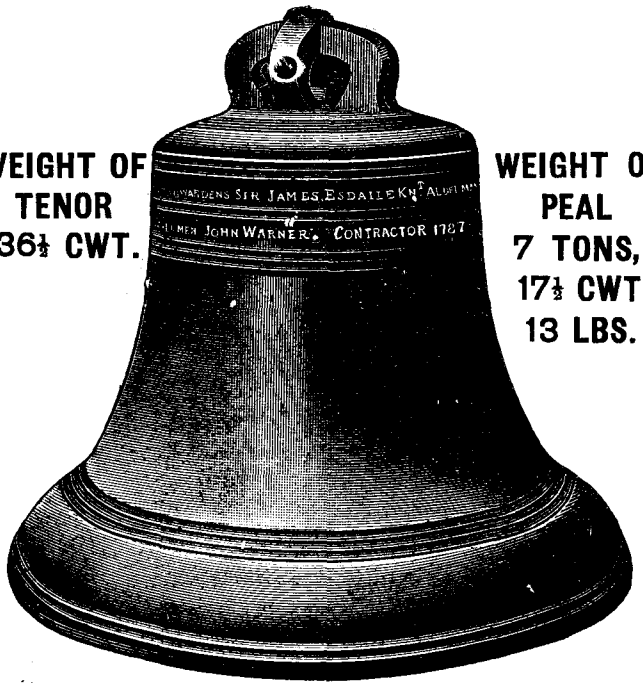

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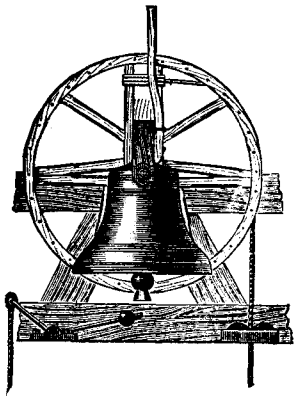

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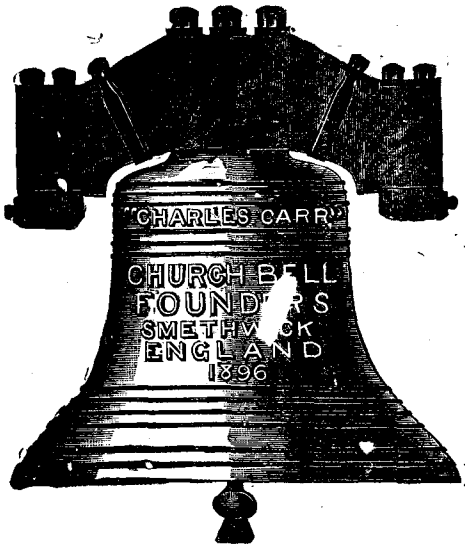

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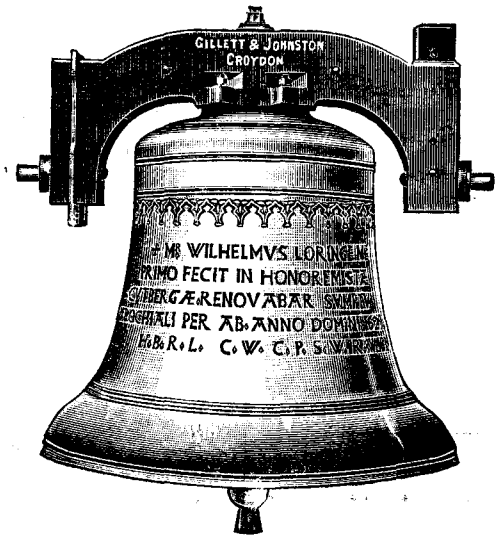

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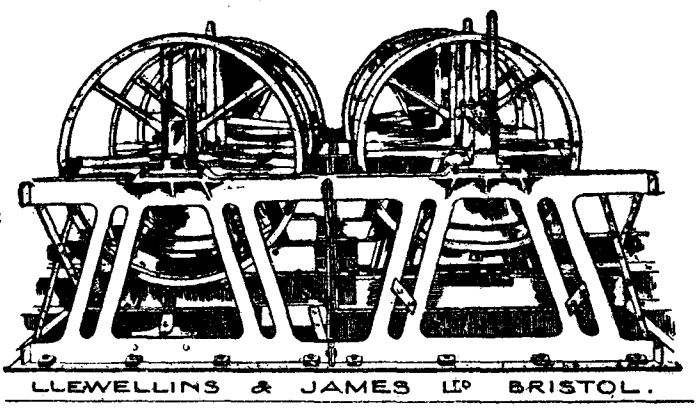

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THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting was held at St. Woolo's, Newport, on Tuesday, December 26th, a large number of members being present. Early in the afternoon the bells were raised and rung until 3 o'clock, at which time the service began in the parish church, being conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. D. H. Griffiths, and the Rev. John Phillips. The Vicar gave a very able address, basing his remarks chiefly on bellringers as churchworkers.

After the service the business meeting was held in the Waters Lane Mission Room, the Rev. John Phillips taking the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the officers for the ensuing were next elected as follows: Mr. R. Evans (Bridgend), Master; The Rev. Connop Price and J. W. Jones, Hon. Secs.; Messrs. Hobbs and Morgan, Auditors. A discussion next took place re committee meetings, and it was decided that these should be held on the same day as the quarterly meetings are held, one hour before. Cardiff was chosen as the place for the next Annual Meeting. Magor was chosen as the place for the next Monmouthshire quarterly meeting, and Llanbradach as the place for the next Glamorganshire quarterly meeting. The appeal for help towards the rehanging of Shoreditch bells was then discussed. Nothing was voted from the Association funds, but a collection was made in the room, resulting in a small amount being obtained. The proposed rehanging of Peterstone bells, near Newport, was next discussed, and it was decided to grant £2 from the funds. It was decided that in future the financial year should end on October 31st, to enable the balance sheet to be prepared and presented at the annual meeting, which is always held on December 26th. It was next decided that the Committee should meet to obtain particulars with a view that an annual report be printed. This to be decided at the next aunual meeting. A vote of condolence was passed with the Vicar of Monmouth in his bereavement by the loss of his only son. New members were next elected, and included the whole of the newly-formed band at Machen, Mr. Jones volunteering his services as instructor to this tower. Instructor's reports followed, progress being reported at Radyr, Caerphilly and Llanbradach. The question of the amalgamation of the West Wales Association with this Association was then discussed, and it was unanimously considered to be unworkable. Subscriptions were then taken, and after the usual votes of thanks the meeting closed.

An excellent meat tea was provided by the Vicar and churchwardens for everyone present at Bland's restaurant, which was much appreciated. The bells of both St. Woolo's and All Saints churches were kept going in the evening, Grandsire, Plain Bob and Stedman being rung.

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THE BELLS OF ST. MATTHEW'S, UPPER CLAPTON.

It was found necessary, some months back, to cease ringing these bells on account of the great movement of the frame, which naturally endangered the fabric of the tower. It is now decided to have the frame strengthened with wrought steel angles and bolts in the joints, and the whole eight bells rehung in new fittings. It is also proposed, owing to the numerous complaints hitherto received, to take some step to prevent the sound crashing down upon the immediate neighbourhood, and thus allow more peal attempts to be made than has previously been possible. The device used, however, depends upon the money available, and an appeal is made to ringers generally for contributions towards the Restoration Fund. An appeal is also being made to the parishioners, but, unfortunately, there is coupled with this an appeal for £600 to repair the organ, and this will, of course, make it a much harder matter to get the money for the bells than would otherwise have been the case. Contributions, however small, will be gratefully received, and should be sent to the Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Dawson, St. Matthew's Vicarage, Upper Clapton, N.E., who is taking a great interest in getting the bells put into ringing order.

THERFIELD, HERTS.

The parish church, which was rebuilt by the late Rev. J. G. Hale in 1878, has now been completed by the building of the tower. The six ancient bells, two of which had to be recast, have been hung for chiming, after a silence of more than forty years. On December 14th the Bishop of Colchester conducted a service of Dedication, at which the parishioners were present in large numbers, together with several clergy and other friends from the neighbourhood. The work has cost £940, of which nearly £100 has still to be raised.

WORCESTER AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

Wolverley.—On Sunday, December 24th, 180 Grandsire Doubles. G. Head, F. Shaw, L. Smith, H. Martin, E. Jones, A. Morris. On Christmas Day, 240 Grandsire Doubles. F. Shaw, H. Martin, L. Smith, W. Porter, E. Jones, A. Morris. The above touches were rang as a farewell to Mr. E. Jones, who sailed for Australia on December 28th, his fellow-ringers wishing him success.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

London.—On Wednesday, December 20th, at Christ Church, Spitalfields, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples. R. W. Green, A. D. Barker, T. H. Taffender conductor, J. Scholes, R. F. Deal, W. H. Theobald, F. J. Hardy, T. A. Askell, first quarter-peal.

THE ENGLISH BELL-FOUNDERS.

In early mediæval times it is probable that bell-founding was largely the work of the monastic orders. It was regarded rather as a fine art than a trade, and ecclesiastics seemed to have vied in producing the most ingenious and recondite Latin rhyming verses to adorn their bells. St. Dunstan, whose skill as a smith is familiar to all, is known to have been instrumental in hangiug, if not in casting bells; and at Canterbury he gave careful directtons for their correct use. St. Ethelwolf, Bishop of Winchester, 963–984, cast bells for Abingdon Abbey. In the Museum at York there is a mortar of bell-metal cast by Friar William de Towthorpe, with the date 1308, but this belongs to later times. when a class of professional founders had sprung up, and is therefore exceptional. We read, however, of Sir William Corvehill, a monk of Wenlock Priory, who died shortly after its dissolution, in 1546, that "he could make organs, clocks and chimes," and was "a good bellfounder and maker of the frames for bells." It has not been possible to trace his work in any existing bells.

From time to time, however, we hear of professional bellfounders, as they may be termed, and even in the thirteenth century foundries appear to have been started in London, Bristol, Gloucester and York. The London "belleyeteres," as they are called, early attained a position of importance. Many of them are mentioned in contemporary records of the fourteenth century; of others we have the existing wills, which enable us to trace the succession from one generation to another; and again the names of several occur on bells of this period, contrary to the usual mediaeval practice. In the days when work for the Church was a labour of love, less importance was attached to self-advertisement; though the student of the past may regret this in some measure if deprives him of information he wishes to acquire.

The first London founders of note were a family of the name of Wymbish, residing in Aldgate, which was always the bellfounders' quarter, as the still existing name of Billiter Street implies. There were three Wymbishes–Richard, Michael, and Walter—covering the period 1290–1310. Richard cast bells for the neighbouring Priory of the Holy Trinity, and has left his name at Goring, in Oxfordshire, and on other bells in Essex, Kent, Northants, and Suffolk; Michael cast five bells still remaining in Bucks., and Walter, one in Sussex. Other important founders of this century are Peter de Weston, William Revel, and William Burford. John and William Rufford, who may have had their foundry at Bedford, were known as "Royal bell-founders," and placed upon their bells the heads of the reigning King Edward III. and his consort, Philippa. These stamps have a very curious history, and were successively the property of founders at King's Lynn, Worcester, Leicester, and Nottingham. At the latter place they remained in use from about 1400 down to the end of the eighteenth century, and their last appearance is in 1806, on a bell at Waltham Abbey, cast by Briant, of Hertford.

Between 1370 and 1385 there was a founder in Kent whose name was Stephen Norton; he used very richly-ornamented letters, which may be seen on one of the old bells of Worcester Cathedral, cast by him when the tower was rebuilt. The other principal foundries of this century were at King's Lynn, Gloucester, and York.

The Gloucester foundry was successively in the hands of "Sandre of Gloucester," and "Master John of Gloucester." The latter's reputation apparently extended to East Anglia, as in 1347 he was commissioned to cast six new bells for the Cathedral at Ely, which were conveyed from Northampton by way of the Nene and Ouse. The largest bell called "Issvs," weighed nearly two tons, and the fourth was named "Walsingham," after the famous Prior Alan who constructed the central octagon of the cathedral.

Of the York founders, the most famous is Richard Tunnoc, commemorated in the remarkable bell-founder's window." He was M.P. for the city in 1327. and died in 1330. The names of other known fonnders of this city extend from Johannes de Copgrave, in 1150, down to the time of the Reformation. A bell at Scawton, in the North Riding, has been thought to be the work of Copgrave, and, if so, is by far the earliest eixsting church bell in England, if not in Europe.

In the fifteenth rentnry (with which we may include the whole period down to the Reformation) the bellfoundries increase not only in importance but in numbers; and those already mentioned find rivals springing up at Reading and Wokingham, Exeter, Bristol, Leicester, Norwich, Nottingham, Bury St. Edmuuds, Salisbury, and Worcester. The character of the inscriptions now changes, and in most cases (though not invariably) we find "black-letter smalls," with initial capitals, substituted for the old Gothic capitals used throughout. There is also a great increase in the number and variety of the crosses and other ornamental devices used by the founders, and many introduce foundry-shields or trade marks, with quasi-heraldic or punning devices.

The London foundries, however, still maintain their place at the head of the craft, and their bells are found all over England from Northumberland to Cornwall. Two founders of the fifteenth century, Henry Jordan and John Danyell, whose date is about 1454–1470, cast between them about two hundred bells still existing. These are adorned with some beautiful and ingenious devices, such as an elegant cross surrounded by the words "ihu merci ladi help," and the Royal arms surmounted by a crown. Jordan's foundry shield bears, among other devices, a bell and a laver-pot as symbolical of his trade, and a dolphin with reference to his membership of the Fishmongers' Company. Thomas Bullisdon is remarkable as having cast a ring of five bells for the Priory of St. Bartholomew, Smithfield, about 1510, all of which still exist there.

To tell of the works of Roger Landen, of Wokingham, Robert Hendley, of Gloucester, John of Stafford (a Leicester founder), Robert Norton, of Exeter, or the Brasyers of Norwich, would require a volume. I can only note some interesting features of their work. The Brasyers seem to have been the most successful workers outside London, and no less than one hundred and fifty of their bells still exist in Norfolk. Their trade mark was a shield with three bells and a crown, which after the Reformation went to the Leicester foundry, and some of their inscriptions, in rhyming hexameters, are very beautiful. A Bristol founder of about 1450 used for his mark a ship, the badge of his native city. The Bury founders were also gun-makers, and place on their trade mark a bell and a canon, with the crown and crossed arrows of St. Edmund.

Very few bells of this period are dated; but we find examples at Worcester, perhaps cast by the monks there, with the dates 1480 and 1482: and at Thirsk (1410), on a bell which is said to have come from Fountains Abbey. There are also some bells in Lincolnshire, dated 1423 and 1431, by an unknown founder, but remarkable for the extraordinary beauty of the lettering. Dated mediaeval bells are more commonly from foreign sources, as at

Baschurch, in Shropshire, where is a Dutch bell by Jan van Venlo, dated 1447, which is said to have come from Valle Crucis Abbey. At Whalley Abbey, in Lancashire, is a Belgian bell of 1537, by Peter van den Ghein, and at Duncton, in Sussex, a French bell dated 1360.

The period of the Reformation, down to about 1600, was, as has been said, a real bad time for bell-founders, and several of the important foundries as at Bristol, Gloucester, and elsewhere, appear either to have been closed for a time or died out altogether. The chief cause of this was doubtless the dissolution of the monasteries, coupled with the operations of Edward VI's commissioners, large numbers of bells being sold or converted into secular property. These were distributed among the churches, and many instances may be traced of second-hand bells still existing, as at Abberley, in Worcestershire, where there is an ancient bell from a Yorkshire monastery. It should also be remembered that very little church buildfng was done in the latter half of the century. On the other hand, the statement which has gained some currency, that the commissioners only left one bell in each parish church, is not borne out by facts. Many churches still possess three or even four mediæval bells which must have hung untouched in their towers before and since the reign of Edward VI.

But this lapse in bell-founding was not invariable; the foundries at Leicester, Nottingham, Bury St. Edmunds, and Reading actually seemed to have received a new lease of life and 1560–1600 is almost their most flourishing period. This is especially the case at Leicester, where a well-known family named Newcombe were at work, succeeded by an equally celebrated founder named Hugh Watts, whose fine bells were deservedly famous. At Nottingham we have the dynasty of the Oldfields, lasting from 1550 to 1710; and at Reading a series of founders of different names, ending in a succession of Knights down to 1700. The Hatches of Ulcombe, in Kent, were another prosperous family, as were the Eldridges of Chertsey.

At Bury St. Edmunds, one Stephen Tonne reigned from 1560 ro 1580. His foundry was however destined to yield to the sway of that at Colchester, which begins with Richard Bowler about 1590, and reached its culmination between 1620 and 1640, under the great Miles Graye, who has been called the prince of bellfounders, Numbers of his bells remain in Essex and Suffolk, his masterpiece being, by common consent of ringers, the tenor at Lavenham, in Suffolk. At Colchester, as in other foundries, the seven years of storm and stress—1642—1649—while the Civil War between Charles I. and the Parliament raged in England, practically put an end to bellfounding. Siege and other troubles certainly hastened the end of Miles Graye, who died in 1649, worn out by privation and bodily suffering. His grandson Miles kept on the foundry until 1686.

Turning to the west of England, we find the foundries at Bristol, Gloucester, Worcester, and Salisbury still in a flourishing condition. At Bristol George Purdue, a native of Taunton, was followed by Roger and William Purdue in the seventeenth century; the latter migrated to Salisbury about 1655, where he carried on the work of John Wallis and John Danton. Thomas Purdue, the last of the family, died at Closworth, in Somerset, in 1711, and on his tombstone are the words—

> "Here lies a bellfounder honest and true,
> Until the resurrection named Purdue."

In the west of England their place was filled by the Penningtons of Exeter, the Evanses of Chepstow, and the Bilbies of Chew-Stoke, Somerset. The Keenes of Bedford and Woodstock, John Palmer of Gloucester, and John Martin of Worcester, all did good work in their day, as did the Cliburys of Wellington, in Shropshire. Another important Midland firm was that of the Bagleys, of Chacomb, in Northamptonshire, whose foundry was opened in 1631, and flourished till the end of the eighteenth century; though in the latter period its owners became restless, and settled temporarily in London, Witney, and ather places. In the north, York was again the chief bell-founding centre, and Samuel Smith and the Sellers were famous exponents of the art: in the east of England we have besides Miles Graye, first the Brends of Norwich, then John Darbie of Ipswich, and Thomas Gardiner of Sudbury.

Several founders between 1460 and 1700 were mere journeymen, who went about from place to place, doing jobs where they could. Of such was Michael Darbie, of whom it is said, "one specimen of his casting seems to have been enough for a neighbourhood." At Blewbury, in Berkshire, a local man attempted to recast a bell in 1825. He failed twice, but was then successful, and placed on his work the appropriate motto, Nil desperandum. Apart from this, it was not at all uncommon for bells to be cast on the spot, as were Great Tom of Lincoln, and the great bell of Canterbury, or at some convenient intermediate place.

In 1684 a fresh start was given to the Gloucester foundry, then fallen on bad days, by Abraham Rudhall, perhaps the most successful founder England has known. He and his descendants cast altogether 4,621 bells down to 1830, and their fame spread all over the west of England, from Cornwall to Lancashire, and even over the seas. Most of the big rings of bells in the west Midlands are their work. The foundry finally came to an end in 1834, when the business was bought up by Mears, of London.

In London itself bellfounding seems to have come to an end between 1530 and 1570. But about the latter year arose one Robert Mot, who set on foot what is now the oldest established business of any kind in England. The foundry in the Whitechapel Road, now only a short distance from its original home, has always upheld its reputation throughout the 300 years and more dnring which it has been continuously worked. Several of Mot's bells still remain in London, and many others in Kent and Essex. In the seventeenth century the foundry was in the hands of Anthony and James Bartlett, who cast many bells for Wren's churches after the Great Fire. In the 18th, under Phelps, Lester, Pack, and Chapman, successively, its reputation gradually increased, and in 1783 began a dynasty of Mears lasting down to 1870.

HAWARDEN, FLINTSHIRE.

In the above parish church on a recent Monday, there was dedicated a memorial window to the late Canon Harry Drew, son-in-law to the late Mr. W. E. Gladstone, and Rector of Hawarden, by Mrs. Drew, the gift of Mrs. Drew. The window represents angels, and is from designs by Burne-Jones. Amongst those present at the ceremony were Mr. W. G. C. Gladstone, Mrs. W. H. Gladstone, the Misses Evelyn and Constance Gladstone, and Mrs. and the Misses Wickham. A memorial window to the late Mrs. Hurlbutt, Queen's Ferry Hall, was also dedicated.

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5040.

23456	M	W	H
43652	–		
26354	–		–
32654			–
63254			–
52436	–	–	
43526		–	–
54326			–
34625	–		
26543	–	–	
35642	–		–
65243	–		
42356	–	–	
35426		–	–
23456		–	

6120.

23456	M	W	H
45236		–	–
34256		–	
52643	–	–	
45623		–	
24653		–	
36452	–		–
43652			–
64352			–
53246	–	–	
24536		–	–
54632	–		
64235	–		
52436	–		–
42635	–		
53624	–	–	–
65324			–
23456	–	–	

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23456	1	4	5	6
24356				s
32645			–	
26345				–
64325	–			
23465	–			–
34265				–
42365				–
63245	–			–
65234		–	–	
32564	–			–
25364				–
53264				–
62334	–			–
23654				–
36254				–
64255	–	–	–	
43256	–	–	–	
52346	–			–
23546				–
35246				–
42536	–			–
25436				–
54236				–
32456	–			–

Repeated. If calls braced are omitted in second part, and these two—

62345	1	5	6
36524		–	
65324			–

are called instead of the 9th, reduces the peal to 5008. Has all the combinations of 4, 5, 6.

5000 BOB ROYAL.

By H. Price.

23456	W	M	H
56423*			
34562	–	–	–
56342	–		–
35264	–	–	
42356	–	–	–
35426	–		–
43526			–
52436	–		–
45236			–
24536			–
53246	–		–
25346			–
32546			–
54326	–		–
32456	s		–
43256			–

Repeat last twelve courses. Bob home first course.

* Bobs at 2, 1, 1, 1, 2.

Worksop.—On Sunday evening, December 3rd, for Divine Service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 46 mins. F. Hind, H. H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson, H. Haigh conductor, T. Bartholomew, T. Wilson, C. E. Peck. First quarter-peal away from the tenor by F. Hind. On Sunday morning, December 10th, 504 Grandsire Triples. F, Hind, H. H. Cartwright, C. Hudson, A. Johnson conductor, W. Roberts, C. E. Peck, H. Haigh, E. Clarke. Longest touch as conductor, and by the tenor man.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on January 2nd and 16th; Southwark Cathedral on the 12th and 30th; St. Magnus on the 4th and 18th; St. Paul's Cathedral on the 9th; and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 23rd.

A district meeting will be held at St. Alphege, Greenwich, on March 2nd.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Sec.*
32, *Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.*

The London County Association late the St. James's Society.—The quarterly general meeting will take place at St. Clement Danes Strand, on Monday, January 8th. Tower open from 8 to 9 30 p.m. Business meeting to follow at The Cheshire Cheese. All members should endeavour to attend. The society also meets the second Sunday in the month for service ringing at 10 a.m.

F. J. HARDY, Hon. Sec.

The St. Martin's Guild for the Diocese of Birmingham —Established 1755.—The annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1912 at The Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, City. Chair to be taken at 8 p.m. Subscriptions, annual and otherwise, are payable at this meeting. The balance-sheet will be presented, and an alteration to Rule 4 proposed, The peal book will be on view.

A. PADDON SMITH, Hon. Sec,
11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham

The Bedfordshire Association.—Quarterly meeting at Dunstable on Saturday, January 6th. A. RUST. *Hon, Sec.*

The Lancashire Association.—Liverpool Branch.—A meeting will be held at St. Nicholas, Liverpool, on Saturday, January 6th. Bells ready at 5,30.

WALTER HUGHES, *Sec.*

The Kent County Association — Maidstone District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at East Farleigh on Saturday, January 13th. Belfry open at 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at 6, followed by the usual business meeting. Through the kindness of the Rev. B. Littlewood, tea will be provided to all members who notify me not later than Tuesday, January 9th. May I take the liberty of asking all to attend, as an important question will be raised in connection with the Association. G. MOORE, Hon. Dis. Sec.
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THE LATE MR. H. SNOWDEN WARD.

A distinct feeling of gloom has been cast over the district by the announcement of the death of the above-named gentleman, who died at New York on the 7th inst., after a rare operation, performed to drain the system of pneumonia germs. He was found unconscious in bed on the previous Tuesday, an hour after which he was due to deliver a lecture on "Dickens in America." Mrs. Snowden was at his bedside when he died. The deceased was a famous Anglo-American authority on photography, and the loss of so cultured a gentleman will be felt here severely, more particularly by those who enjoyed the pleasure of his acquaintance, and his friends and admirers were legion. Behind his scholarly attainments he carried a very large heart, and his amiable disposition was the source of general comment and admiration. Locally, it will be difficult to fill his place, as in everything connected with the welfare of the village he was always ready to lend a helping hand, and his purse for any deserving object was never sought in vain. Connected himself with the legion of Frontiersman, with whom he annually went into camp, he took a great interest in the local lads' brigade and Boy Scouts. and only recently provided them with a rifle range at his residence at "Falklands." But it is the local band of bellringers by whom he will be most missed, as he was a great admirer and supporter of campanology. In the belfry of St. Mary's church may be seen a fine peal-board presented by him, and unveiled by the Ven. Archdeacon of Tonbridge on May 11th, 1900, in commemoration of a peal of Grandsire Triples, the names of the successful local band, also the clergy and churchwardens being inscribed. The previous record of this fine achievement, dates back to 1854, a period of fifty-four years having elapsed. The last local function at which Mr. Snowdon Ward was present was the planting of the Coronation oak in the Cemetery Grounds, an occasion which his unbounded loyalty would not allow him to miss.

The late H. Snowden Ward, Esq., was also keenly interested in ringers and ringing, and it was through his advice the Hadlow ringers joined the Kent County Association; and received instruction in change-ringing with very good results. A few years ago, when the condition of the bells and frame was such that ringing had to cease, and the authorities despaired of ever raising the funds to do the necessary repairs, it was Mr. Wardle who came forward and threw himself heartily into the trouble, and by his energy and tact infused a general interest in the matter, with the result that the money was speedily raised to carry out the necessary repairs.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On a recent Saturday afternoon a meeting was held in the schoolroom by several members of the Bedfordshire Association from Bedford, Elstow, Sandy, Clifton, Biggleswade, etc., with the local band, in order to form a branch of the Association for North Bedfordshire. The Vicar (Rev. A. Long), kindly took the chair at the meeting, when the following were elected to start the branch: The Potton society (en bloc), consisting of seven members with two members from Sandy, and one probationer, and F. Blood (Biggleswade). The following officers were also elected: President—Rev. A, Long (Vicar of Potton); Secretary—Mr. F. Blood (Biggleswade); Committee Mr. A. Bailey (Potton), and Mr. W. Deacon (Sandy).

After tea, which was kindly provided by the Vicar of Potton, the members adjourned to the tower, where ringing was indulged in, several Minor methods being rung, until train time arrived, when after a unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his kindness in granting the the gse of the bells, and also the use of the schoolroom for the meeting, the ringers dispersed to their several destinations.

The following were the ringers who attended: Mr. Harlow and Miss Steele (Bedford): W. Deacon, G. Jefferies, and T. Kendall (Sandy); C. A. Pratt (Clifton); F. Blood (Biggleswade), and the members of the Potton society. This was the first time a lady ringer has visited these parts, and taken an active part in the ringing. Now that a local branch of the Bedfordshire Association has been formed, it is hoped that the Vicars of all the parishes of this district will lend the movement their support.

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The Bell News and Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1911.

By the time this issue of our journal is in the hands of its readers another year will have passed away; that of 1912 will have commenced. A commendable resolution used to be formed at such a period, that known as turning over a new leaf; an attempt to improve on the past so far as conduct was concerned. Nor is there any reason to suppose that at the present time such resolve is scarce or novel.

There are doubtless many things in connection with the Exercise which would bear improvement. None of us are perfect, and, it may with truth be said, we never shall be. But many degrees nearer such a state may be effected in our inclinations if care and perseverance towards them is attempted. There is no need to point out what is specially lacking in many of us: our remarks may be accepted generally. One feature may bear allusion. Ringers are beyond doubt fond of the Art they pursue; but are they fond of resolving on straight and self-denying action to promote its good in every respect? Is what we are apt to call the "ringing brotherhood" a brotherhood at all?

It is estimated that there are 60,000 ringers in Great Britain alone. That number is in our opinion below the mark. Has it ever occurred to us that other bodies, having not near so many members as the Exercise, frequently respond with immediate vigour to calls in aid of the necessitous, or for other objects whose recommendations to notice are excellent and appropriate? How do we stand in such in case? Not at high water mark.

Sincerely wishing all our brethren "A Happy New

YEAR," we ask them to have a greater regard for the matters here hinted at. At the present moment there are worthy objects demanding their help and attention.

The Metropolis.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 19 cwt.

ALBERT W. COLES	..Treble.	HARRY F. DAWKINS	5.
CHARLES T. COLES	2.	*CHARLES R. LILLEY	6.
ISAAC G. SHADE	3.	WILLIAM PYE	7.
ERNEST PYE	4.	*JAMES E. DAVIS	..Tenor.

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

*First peal in the method.

The Provinces.

CHURCH STRETTON, SHROPSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 9, 1911, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAN SHORT	..Treble.	SAMUEL GROVE	5.
WILLIAM SHILVOCK	2.	ROBERT MATTHEWS	6.
JAMES E. GROVES	3.	JAMES E. DOWLER	7.
ALFRED DAVIES	4.	HARRY WITHERS	..Tenor.

Composed by JNHN CARTER, and Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.

First peal of Major on the bells.

LEIGH, WORCESTERSHIRE.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES.

WILLIAM TOMKINS*	..Treble	JAMES R. NEWMAN	4.
ALFRED BUCK*	2.	JOHN WORMAN	5.
JOHN BUCK*	3.	*JAMES KINNARD	..Tenor.

Conducted by JOHN WORMAN.

*First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal by a local band.

BALCOMBE, SUSSEX.

On Saturday, December 16, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being one 720 of College Single, three 720s of Oxford Single, and three 720s of Plain Bob, each called differently.

PERCY J. HALL*	..Treble.	*ALBERT MARCHANT	4.
ALBERT C. V. GASSON*	2.	*HARRY BROWN	5.
CHARLES HOLMAN	3.	ALBERT E. T. GASSON	..Tenor.

Conducted by ALBERT E. T. GASSON.

*First peal.

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SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EASTERN COUNTIES BRANCH.)

On Tuesday, December 19, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720s. Tenor 12 cwt.

ERNEST LINFORD*	..Treble.	R. HUGH RICHARDSON	4.
REV. H. LAW JAMES	2.	WILLIAM RICHARDSON	5.
CHARLES W. FLOWERS*	3.	RUPERT RICHARDSON	..Tenor.

Conducted by the REV. H. LAW JAMES.

*First peal.

STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND MARY,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES. Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM WELHAM	..Treble.	WILLIAM J. NEVARD	5.
JAMES MOTTS	2.	WILLIAM SOUTER	6.
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON	3.	EDWARD E. DIAPER	7.
HENRY A. TURNER	4.	WILLIAM D. JAMES	..Tenor.

Composed by H. DAINS, and Conducted by JAMES MOTTS.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 19, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

J. J. PARKER'S SIX-PART.

CHARLES PIDGEON	..Treble.	HARRY WEIGHT	5.
WILLIAM T. BLYTH	2.	DENISON HAYWARD	6.
EDWIN R. TODD	3.	GEORGE ORFORD	7.
ROBERT CHRISTIAN	4.	WILLIAM LEE	..Tenor.

Conducted by DENISON HAYWARD.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Arthur Webb and Messrs. Christian and Orford, the company wishing them many happy returns.

PENTRE, RHONDDA.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 20, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT,S ORIGINAL. Tenor 26 cwt. 3 qrs. 11 lbs. in E flat.

HARRY PAGE	..Treble.	THOMAS HAMLIN	5.
GEORGE CROSS	2.	WILLIAM PAGE	6.
JAMES CROSS	3.	GEORGE WINES	7.
TOM PAGE	4.	HENRY CRABBE	..Tenor.

Conducted by HARRY PAGE.

CARDIFF, GLAMORGANSHIRE.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 21, 1911, in Three Hour and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

SAMUEL WILLIAMS	..Treble.	*FRED CHAMBERLAIN	6.
CLARENCE D. HOBBS	2.	CHARLES R. LILLEY	7.
HENRY DAY*	3.	EVAN COLES	8.
WILLIAM B. BISS	4.	WILLIAM BOLTON	9.
WILLIAM MILLER	5.	*HENRY BURCOMBE	..Tenor.

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. and Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

*First peal of Caters. Rung as a birthday compliment to the wife of the conductor.

BOTTESFORD, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE FRAMLAND SOCIETY.

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-one Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES'S TEN-PART. Tenor 27 cwt.

T. RAWDIN*	*Treble.*	*M. BEND	5.
C. LAMB	2.	*R. BEND	6.
A. WARD*	3.	*S. BAKER	7.
J. W. KIRTON*	4.	*H. THORLEY	*Tenor.*

Conducted by C. LAMB.

*First peal. First peal as conductor. First peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells, and first peal by the local band.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.

STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 22 cwt.

GEORGE BLOOR	*Treble.*	JOHN WOODWARD	5.
GEORGE WOODS	2.	CHARLES PAGE	6.
SIDNEY CHURTON	3.	FREDK. PAGE	7.
ERNEST LANDON	4.	HAROLD AUSTIN	*Tenor.*

Conducted by SIDNEY CHURTON.

Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Hon. Mrs. Augustus Legge, wife of the Bishop of the diocese, who died on the same day.

LUTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES.

J. J. PARKER'S VARIATION OF CARTER'S Tenor 9 cwt. 3 qrs.

HARRY WALKER	*Treble.*	HERBERT SHEPHERD	5.
CHARLES WING*	2.	†JAMES ROOKWOOD	6.
WALTER PAYNE*	3.	ALFRED KING	7.
FREDERICK HUNT	4.	THOMAS GUTTERIDGE	*Tenor.*

Conducted by ALFRED KING.

First peal in the method as conductor. *First peal in the method. †First peal with a bob bell. First peal on the bells by an entirely local band. Rung in commemoration of the Coronation of King George, and the first year of the Vicariate of the Rev. A. E. Chapman.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES.

Tenor 17¾ cwt.

CHARLES PALMER	*Treble.*	GEORGE ADES	6.
ARTHUR W. GRAVETT	2.	WILLIAM PALMER	7.
ROBERT J. DAWE	3.	ALFRED J. TURNER	8.
ALBERT D. STONE	4.	KEITH HART	9.
JOHN CAPP	5.	PHILIP ALLFREY	*Tenor.*

Composed by HENRY JOHNSON, and Conducted by KEITH HART.

BRAINTREE, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 12½ cwt.

HARRY COOTE	*Treble.*	†WILLIAM H. DYSON	5.
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM	2.	HARRY E. BOWERS	6.
WALTER RADLEY	3.	ERNEST NEWMAN	7.
WILLIAM GRIMWADE	4.	GEORGE F. NEWMAN	*Tenor.*

Composed by G. LINDOFF, and Conducted by E. NEWMAN.

†First peal on eight bells. First peal as conductor.

BRATHAY—THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(FURNESS AND LAKE DISTRICT BRANCH.)

On Saturday, December 23, 1911, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, New London Pleasure, Woodbine, Violet, Duke of York, Oxford and Kent. Tenor 9 cwt.

JOSEPH BACKHOUSE	*Treble.*	WILLIAM SHARP	4.
ERIC L. BENNETT†	2.	JOHN HOLME	5.
WILLIAM ROBINSON	3.	ROGER SATTERTHWAITE	*Tenor*

Conducted by JOSEPH BACKHOUSE.

†First peal of Treble Bob. Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Redmayne, of Old Brathay; and also to the birth of a grandson to the ringer of the 5th.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(EAST BERKS. AND SOUTH BUCKS. BRANCH.)

On Surday, December 6, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS'S FOUR-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRANK BOREHAM	*Treble.*	RHYS M. HAWES	5.
ARTHUR G. JANES	2.	RALPH H. BIGGS	6.
HARRY STRATFORD	3.	JOHN EVANS	7.
FREDERICK G. BIGGS	4.	JOSEPH EVANS	*Treble.*

Conducted by JOHN EVANS.

This was a midnight peal, and was rung to usher in Christmas, the peal being finished on that day.

LEICESTER.—THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,

ON THE ROYAL MEMORIAL BELLS OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 21 cwt.

MISS LILIAN A. WILLSON	*Treble.*	MAURICE ATKINS	5.
MISS EDITH K. PARKER	2.	JAMES PARKER	6.
ALBERT P. WAKLEY	3.	*JAMES HARRIS	7.
WILLIAM WILLSON, JUN.	4.	WILLIAM WILLSON	*Tenor.*

Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

*First Surprise peal. Fisst peal of Superlative on the bells.

ERITH, KENT.—THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES. Tenor 18 cwt.

EDWIN BARNETT, JUN.	*Treble.*	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	5.
GEORGE DENT	2.	FRANK HAIRS	6.
JOHN WHEADON	3.	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN.	7.
EDWIN F. PIKE	4.	JAMES E. DAVIS	*Tenor.*

Composed by F. HOLDEN, and Conducted by J. E. DAVIS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringer of the 6th.

MALDON, ESSEX.—THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Woodbine, Cambridge Surprise, Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent, and two 720s of Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt,

CHARLES P. CHALK*	*Treble.*	†WILLIAM CHALK, JUN.	4.
HAROLD FINCH	2.	HORACE J. MANSFIELD	5.
ALFRED SOUTH	3.	FRED CHALK	*Tenor.*

Conducted by HORACE J. MANSFIELD.

*First peal of Minor. †First peal in six methods.

LEAMINGTON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD,

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS.

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES. Tenor 12 cwt.

WILLIAM MALE* .. ..*Treble,*	FRANK PERVIN .. .. .. 5.
JOSEPH B. FENTON .. .. 2.	JOSEPH A. FENTON .. .. 6.
REV. E. V. COX .. .. 3.	REV. C. CAREW COX .. 7.
ADOLPHUS ROBERTS .. .. 4.	CHARLES W. WHEELER ..*Tenor.*

Composed by the REV. H. EARLE BULWER, and Conducted by the REV. C. CAREW COX.

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

BRIGHTON,—THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

WILLIAM C. HART .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN CAPP .. .. 5.
ALBERT D. STONE .. .. 2.	GEORGE ADES .. .. .. 6.
RICHARD HOATHER .. .. 3.	KEITH HART .. .. .. 7.
CHARLES PALMER .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PALMER .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by KEITH HART.

HERSHAM, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(YORKTOWN DISTRICT.)

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, 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 8½ cwt.

GEORGE EDSER, SEN.* ..*Treble.*	CHARLES J. HAMBLIN .. 5.
JOHN EMERY .. .. .. 2.	ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD .. 6.
ALFRED WOODROW .. .. 3.	FERRIS SHEPHERD, SEN. .. 7.
WILLIAM SHEPHERD.. .. 4.	ROBERT J. POLLEY .. ..*Tenor.*

Conducted by WILLIAM SHEPHERD.

*First peal in the method.

TRURO, CORWALL.—THE TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Forty-five Minute,

AT THE CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES.

Tenor 33 cwt. 3 qrs. 10 lbs.

JOSEPH WOODLEY .. ..*Treble.*	WILLIAM D. JAMES .. .. 6.
REGINALD A. H. DOBSON 2.	ERNEST W. MARSH .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. STROUD .. .. 3.	WILLIAM FORD .. .. .. 8.
WILLIAM RUNDLE .. .. 4.	GEO. HARRY MYERS .. 9.
WILLIAM G. HISCOTT .. 5.	FRANCIS PURCE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by JOHN COX, and Conducted by ERNEST W. MARSH.

First peal on the bells. First peal of Caters in the county, and by the Gnild.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

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

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE KENT VARIATION. Tenor 19¾ cwt.

CHRISTOPHER H. HUGHES *Treble.*	ARTHUR D. BARKER .. .. 5.
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER .. 2.	WILLIAM H. THOBALD .. 6.
ALBERT TURNER.. .. .. 3.	FREDERICK J. HARDY .. 7.
ARTHUR J. NEALE .. .. 4.	RICHARD F. DEAL .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by T. DAY, and Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

Specially arranged as a farewell peal to Mr. R. F. Deal, who is leaving for Melbourne, Australia, on the 28th by the s.s. "Geelong."

HAMPTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 13 cwt. 2 lbs.

GEORGE SPENCER† .. ..*Treble.*	†HENRY J. RANZETTA .. 5.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 2.	CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 6.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. .. 3.	ERNEST PYE .. .. .. 7.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. .. 4.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

†First peal in the method. First peal in the method on the bells.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 26, 1911, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 16 cwt. 24 lbs.

GEORGE SPENCER .. ..*Treble.*	CHARLES T. COLES .. .. 5.
ISAAC G. SHADE .. .. 2.	HENRY J. RANZETTA .. 6.
BERTRAM PREWETT .. .. 3.	WILLIAM PYE .. .. .. 7.
GEORGE R. PYE .. .. 4.	ERNEST PYE .. .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

First peal in the method on the bells.

SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 26, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; IN THE OXFOED VARIATION. Tenor 8 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs. in G.

GEORGE H. CROSS .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN MOY .. .. 5.
GEORGE H. SOAME .. .. 2.	GEORGE HOWCHIN .. .. 6.
GEORGE MOY .. .. .. 3.	GEORGE E. HOWCHIN .. 7.
FREDK. J. WHITHAM .. 4.	FREDK. J. HOWCHIN .. ..*Tenor.*

Composed by W. HARRISON, and Conducted by FREDK. J. HOWCHIN.

GEDDINGTON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, December 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being forty-two 6-scores Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs.

GEORGE BLACK .. .. ..*Treble.*	CHARLES SWANN .. .. 3.
CHARLES COOPER† .. .. 2.	†EDGAR REID .. .. .. 5.
†ROBERT G. BLACK .. ..*Tenor.*	

†First peal. This is the second peal ever rung on these bells, and the first to be rung by a resident band. First peal as conductor.

ACTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, December 27, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES; IN THE OXFORD VARIATION. Tenor 13 cwt.

BERTRAM PREWETT .. ..*Treble.*	JOHN AUSTIN .. .. .. 5.
HENRY C. CHANDLER .. 2.	*RICHARD BUCKLAND .. .. 6.
GEORGE SPENCER* .. .. 3.	ARTHUR HARDING .. .. 7.
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE .. 4.	ALFRED W. GRIMES ..*Tenor.*

Composed by A. KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

*First peal of Oxford.

AN APPEAL.

A special appeal is being made to all members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild to be considerate and subscribe to a fund which has been started in connection with the condition of a brother-ringer, Mr. A. W. Reeves, of 78, Queen's Road, Caversham, Oxon. Besides being unable to follow his daily occupation for the past three years, two of which he has laid on his back suffering from that most dreaded disease Cancer. The time has now arrived when help is needed by all who can show their true sympathy for a brother in distress. Mr. Reeves has been a ringer for over twenty years, and his a member of the above Guild, and those of us who know him and have known him as a ringer, we feel it our bouden duty to bring the case before the readers of "THE BELL NEWS" with the hope that they and others if possible will willingly respond to this call which is made to us in this hour of need. Having been absent from work so long, and only a working man, naturally there has been so little coming in that his wife is at her wits ends to know where to get sufficient for the little extras needed in such an expensive time. Unfortunately Mr. Reeves has fallen into quarter pay from the Friendly Society to which he belongs, and the time is nearly due for him to pay up his quarter's club money to enable him to receive the benefit. Therefore he is almost entirely dependent on the generosity of all who can afford it to stretch out an hand to our worthy brother-ringer who is lying on a bed of sickness from which he can never hope to rise again. Let us help him while he has a little life spared him on this earth. I can assure you this is a most deserving case, and leave it to your brotherly consideration as to whether you will be one and perhaps induce others also to contribute to this fund, however small the donation may be, as it is not the amount which is important (though that is necessary if means will allow), but it is the cheerful giver who is to prove a true friend in a case like this. Trusting there will be many who will come forward with a good heart and give what they can, which will be most gratefully received by A. W. Osborne, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Reading Branch, 17, Dorothy Street, Reading.

	£	s.	d.
The Rev. C. W. O. Kenkyn	1	0	0
Mr. J. Bowers, Goring	0	1	0
Mr. F. Griffin, Reading	0	1	0
Mr. A. H. Burgess, Reading	0	1	0
Mr. A. Bailey, Reading	0	1	0
Mr. N. Cox, Reading	0	1	0
The Ancient Society of Painswick Youths, by Mr. W. Hale	0	5	0
Mr. F. Wade, Bristol	0	1	0
Mr. L. Taylor, Reading	0	1	6
Mr. Thomas Fitzjohn, Thetford, Norfolk	0	2	0
Mr. C. T. Coles, Walthamstow	0	2	6
Mr. J. E. Hern, Reading...	0	2	6
St. Mary's Society, Reading, by Mr. J. Swain	0	10	0
Mr. G. Goodship, Reading	0	1	0
The Hughenden Ringers, by Mr. A. G. Janes... ...	0	5	0
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THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

CRANLEIGH.—On Saturday, December 16th. in an attempt for a peal, 2060 Grandsire Triples, in 1 hr. 10 mins. Mrs. R. W. Whittington, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Denyer, H. Tidy, A. A. Charman, W. Charman conductor, H Ledger. 1080 Bob Major. Mrs. R. Whittington, W. Streeter, W. Denyer, H. Tidy, A. Charman, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor. Longest length in the method by the ringers of treble and 3rd. On Sunday, December 17th. for evening service, a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1266 changes), in 46 mins. Mrs. R. Whittington, W. Streeter, A. Charman, H. Tidy, C. Charman, R. Whittington, T. Worsfold, W. Charman conductor. First quarter-peal of Major by the ringers of treble and 5th.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

PULHAM MARKET.—On Sunday, December 17th, for morning service, 720 Double Norwich Major. A. Roope conductor, C. Baker, A. Smith, R. Whiting, J. Allen, F. Roope, C. Roope, F. Borrett. For evening service 736 Superlative Surprise. F. Roope conductor, C. Baker, C. Roope, J. Allen. W. Roope, A. A. Smith, A. Roope, F. Borrett.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING.—On Friday, December 15th, at St. Giles' church, 840 Stedman Triples. L. Osborn, Miss E. Goodship, H. Osborne, A. T. Reeves, F. Wade, E. Griffin, A. W. Osborne conductor, A. Durman. Also 168 in the same method, conducted by Miss F. Goodship. And 160 Bob Major, conducted by F. Griffin. Rung on the occasion of the induction of the Rev. Fitzwilliam J. C. Gillmor to the above church by the Lord Bishop of Oxford.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

HOUNSLOW.—On Thursday, December 14th, at St. Paul's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples,. W. Watson, G. A. Ransom conductor, C. Bird, T. Chave, T. Beadle, E. Gladman, G. Spencer, H. Beadle.

CROYDON.—For practice on handbells 1260 Grandsire Triples. T. Groombridge, jun., 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; A. J. Perkins conductor, 5-6; A. W. Clark, 7-8. First quarter-peal in hand by the ringers of 1-2 and 7-8. Also 518, T. Colburn ringing 7-8.

GOOLE.—On Monday, December 19th, 720 Caambridge Surprise Minor. G. Davis, M. Tate, C. W. King, T. Smith, F. Tate H. Ludkin conductor, J. Duke. First 720 in the method by all the band and on the bells.

LONG EATON.—On Sunday, December 17th, for evening service at St. Lawrence's church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples came to grief in the last course. Miss M. E. Woolley, J. Harrisou, A. Hickton, N. H. Widdowson, J. Bailey, J. Andrews, T. R. Hensher conductor, T. Hutchinson.

ILKESTON.—On Sunday, December 10th, being the anniversary of the opening of the tower and bells, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples was rung for evening service, in 46 mins. A. J. Baker, J. H. Ilffe, J. Hutton, S. Burgoyne, E. Poxon, H. Fletcher, E. C. Gobey conductor, J. F. George. Composed by Sir Arthur Heywood. This is the first quarter-peal of Stedman in Ilkeston rung entirely by a local band, and the first quarter-peal of Stedman on the bells since they were recast in 1910.

STANTON-BY-DALE.—On Sunday, December 3rd, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of Minor, being 540 of Oxford Bob and a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. W. H. Henry, first quarter-peal, W. Halford, J. Hall, E. Scattergood, W. Thornley, C. E. Gobey conductor.

OSSETT (Yorks).—On Christmas Day, for Matins, 1344 Bob Major, in 55 mins., was rung at Holy Trinity church. H. Brittan, H. English, N. Gee, G. Bennett, F. Sykes, E. Cole, H. Gee, J. Bennett conductor.

FILEY, YORKS.

On a recent Wednesday, the Bishop of Hull in the presence of a large congregation dedicated a beautiful new reredos in the above parish church, the gift of an anonymous donor. The reredos is of Austrian oak, richly carved, and decorated in gold and colour. Within a frame of foliage are three panels. Under the centre arcade is represented the Crucifixion, with the Blessed Virgin and St. John. Under the south arcade are the figures of St. Oswald and St. Paulinus, and under the north arcade the figures of St. Aidan and St. Cuthbert. All the figures are carved in high relief, and add much to the dignity and beauty of the sanctuary. Some fine panelling which is continued round the north and south walls completes the scheme. The Bishop in the course of his sermon, pointed out that the reredos he had just dedicated spoke to them of the old, old story of Jesus and His love for mankind in His death upon the Cross. He was most thankful that they would always have before their eyes in that beautiful old church of St. Oswald a picture af their Lord Jesus Christ. They knew that throughout the history of the Church that picture of the Cross had done much in calling men to God, and teaching them their duty towards God and man. He prayed that that picture of the Cross which would be before their eyes as they knelt there, would lead them again to remember what Jesus and Jesus Crucified meant.

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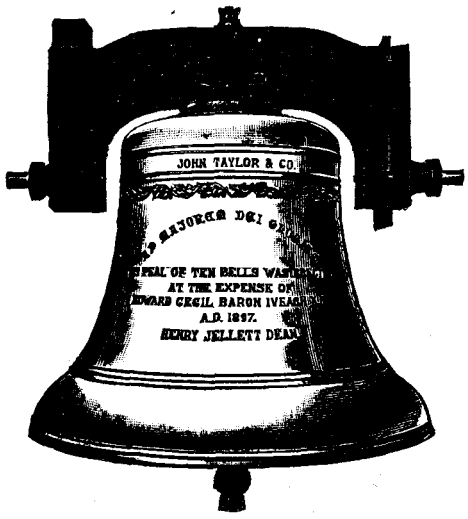

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THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Northern District was held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, December 16th, and is believed to be the first ever held at this tower. Ringing commenced at 3 45, and the bells were kept going in the various methods, including Erin Triples, Treble Bob Major, and Double Norwich. Tea was provided in the Church House at 5.15, after which the business meeting was held, the District Master (Mr. A. D. Barker, presiding. Mr. E. A. Young was elected to audit the accounts of the district, and two new members were also elected. St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, was chosen as the place for the annual district meeting on January 20th, and failing that St. Sepulchre's, Holborn.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Rochester District was held at St. Mary's, Newington, Sittingbourne, on Saturday, December 16th. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m. Members were present from Sheerness, Queenborough Tunstall, Hartlip, Upchurch. Chatham, Gillingham, Rochester, and the local ringers, numbering twenty in all. The bells were kept going in various methods including Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Cambridge and Superlatice Surprise. The business meeting was held in the belfry at 6.15 p.m. Mr. W. H. Wilkins, of Sheerness, was elected as chairman. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Two new members of the Gravesend band were admitted into the Association. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Borden in March 1912. A vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar of Newington (Rev. P. L. Hunt), for the use of the tower and bells; also to the Vicar of Hartlip (Rev. J. S. McMillan), for his bells.

After the meeting eight members from the Rochester part of the district walked over to Hartlip, where some touches of Plain Bob, Grandsire and Stedman were rung. The bells were lowered in peal, at 9.15 p.m, when the party made for home.

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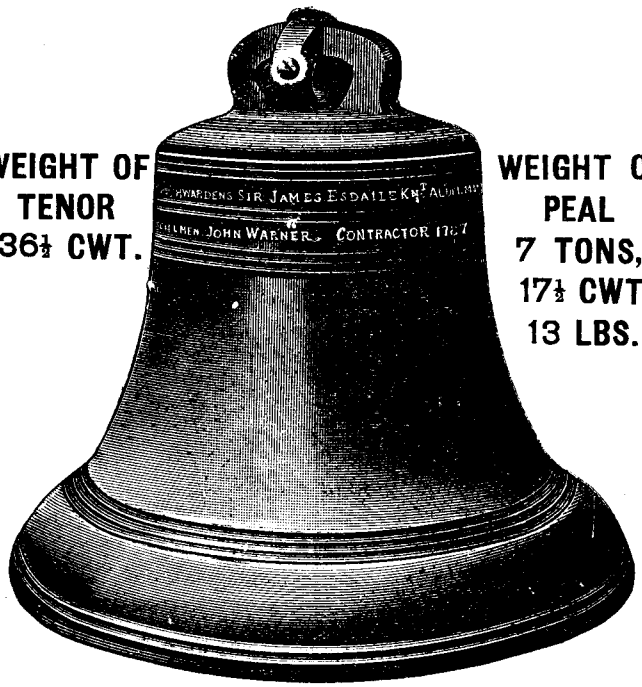

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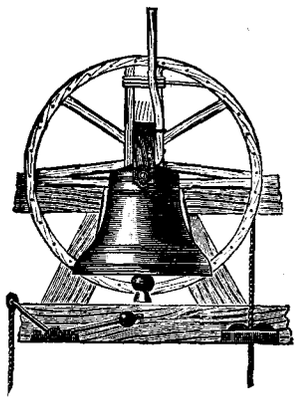

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