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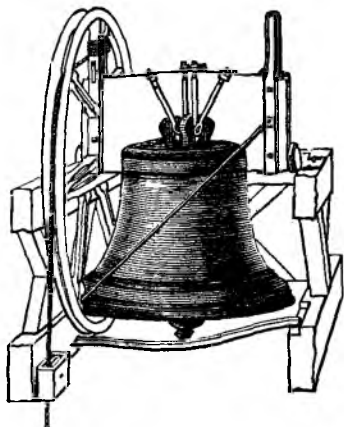
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WHIT-MONDAY AT ELY.—OPENING OF THE BELLS AT ST MARY'S CHURCH.

In perusing *The Change-Ringers' Guide to the Steeples of England*, a most valuable work, by the way, for the use of ringers, and containing an immense amount of information which must be valuable to the clergy, our attention was arrested by a sight of the page which purports to give a synopsis of the condition and prospects of the Exercise in the county of Cambridge. This was due to the fact, no doubt, that a notice concerning the above bells, which appeared in our columns a week previous, had created some amount of interest in this part of England. It is ever a matter of congratulation to ringers to hear of a good peal of bells being restored; to hear also that the work of re-hanging, recasting, or whatever may be deemed necessary is entrusted to competent persons, who are allowed to pursue their business without being thwarted and interrupted by the intervention of theorists. We repeat that this kind of intelligence is welcome: and the feeling of satisfaction is further heightened when it is heard, from responsible and trustworthy sources of information, that upon the completion of the restoration the church authorities prove themselves equal to the occasion, in organising a public opening of the bells, with such concomitant arrangements as may appear desirable. This was the case with the opening of St. Mary's bells at Ely, last Monday. We did not hear that the Q.C. or any of his friends had been invited to give their valuable opinion upon the efficiency of the work carried out by Messrs. Day and Sons, but a general intimation was given, in terms not to be mistaken, that the Vicar and Churchwardens hoped to see a goodly company of ringers present. This was as it ought to be. The number of ringers at Ely in consequence of an invitation so freely given, amounted to nearly 250. And we say, with authority for such a statement, that among this distinguished and numerous body of practical ringers there were to be found many whose opinion upon every conceivable question relating to bell-founding and bell-hanging was of infinitely greater value than than the supposed theories of those who, while dictating to others how this or that should be done, themselves possess not the slightest modicum of real, practical, experience as ringers. Scientific ringers, especially those whose pursuits in life give to their judgments additional weight, are naturally the persons who should be selected as arbiters as to the quality of all kind of work done in connection with bells, and we are glad in being able to record our approval of the course taken by the authorities of St. Mary's.

We expect to furnish our readers next week with a full report of the proceedings on this interesting occasion. Circumstances over which we had no control prevented us attending, which was a great disappointment, as we had fully made up our mind to be present. What few particulars we give has been forwarded to us by a gentleman who represents us on all occasions where convenient; but we are promised by the Rev. K. H. Smith—a gentleman whose labours greatly contributed to the day's success—a more complete account for our next issue.

The first "meet" at the church was appointed for nine o'clock, but the majority of visitors did not arrive till considerably beyond that hour. Ringers came from London, Waltham Abbey, West Ham, Sawbridgeworth, Bishops Stortford, Cambridge, March, Bury St. Edmunds, Norwich, Redenhall, King's Lynn, Soham, etc. A great variety of methods were rung. Among the company were a great number of clergy, including the Rev. G. H. Harris (Hon. Secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Association), Archdeacon Emery, the Revs. A. Sutton, W. W. Hutt, H. A. Lipscomb, K. H. Smith, — Franey, and — Beevor; Gervas Holmes, Esq. (Harleston), Col. Wale, L. Procter, and H. Rivers, Esqrs. In the course of the day Divine Service was performed in the church, at which an appropriate sermon was delivered by the Rev. A. Sutton. Dinner followed immediately after, at which about 150 sat down. Upwards of 400 ladies and gentlemen sat down to tea, provided in the Corn Exchange. In the grand cathedral of Ely, which was thrown open for the day, a recital on the great organ was given by Dr. Chipp. Ringing was kept up with spirit till the hour for departure arrived, and thus ended a day which we trust may be the commencement of a new era as regards the execution of scientific ringing, not only in Ely, but in the neighbouring city of Cambridge—the birthplace of the celebrated Fabian Stedman.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION AT CHELMSFORD.

THE Third Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, when there was the largest gathering of ringers that has hitherto assembled on any similar occasion. Ringing in connection with this meeting—which event had cast its shadow long before—may be said to have commenced on the Saturday evening previous, when a band, comprising members of the Association rang at Galleywood, Holt's ten-part peal, an account of which will be found in its proper place among our records of performances. As the company who rang this peal included half-a-dozen "colts," and four of these possessing, previous to last year, not the least knowledge of the

art of change-ringing, great credit is due to the Rev. H. A. Cockey, Assistant-Secretary of the Association, who has been the means of causing an interest to be taken both in bells and ringing in the neighbourhood. Among our ringing records will also be found another peal rang on Monday morning at Writtle, by members of the Association. This latter peal was a repetition of the one rung on Saturday evening, the band comprising three of the same performers, while the remainder included four members who had never previously rang a 5000, their practice being chiefly confined to five bells. St. Mary's, Chelmsford, the parish church of the county town of Essex, was open to Members of the Association as early as 9 a.m., and it was not long after that before a "flourish" upon the bells was effected. Touches of Grand sire Triples and Bob Major followed, but although improvement is apparent in the go of the tenor—the result of the operations recently carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons—there is still room for further improvement in this direction. Probably an excellent band, with a tenor-man possessed of more than average strength, and with almost unlimited opportunities for practice upon heavy bells, would not experience any great amount of difficulty in ringing a moderate heavy bell requiring some amount of labour. Be this as it may, the fact remains that several ringers gave up the attempt on this occasion. It was not altogether satisfactory to the members of the Essex Association to find, after having defrayed the expense of an inspection of the tower, in order that the bells may be made ringable, that their hopes and wishes were not fully realised. The longest touch of Bob Major was one of 560 changes, by T. Watson, 1; F. Calthorpe, 2; S. Hammond (conductor), 3; F. Rudkin, 4; A. Pye, 5; A. Porter, 6; W. Chalk, 7; A. H. Gardom, Esq., 8. Several touches of Grand sire Triples were also rung by mixed bands. An attempt was made to ring a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, which however, came to grief about the half-way. A short touch was eventually rung by A. J. Perkins, 1; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 2; R. Sewell, 3; H. Cutter, 4; S. Hayes, 5; C. F. Winny, 6; J. M. Hayes, 7; E. Davies, 8.

At half-past twelve o'clock, Divine Service was celebrated in the church, at which the members attended. The Rev. F. Johnson Rector of Chelmsford, delivered a suitable and instructive discourse which was listened to with rapt attention by his hearers.

The Annual Dinner was held in the schoolroom, a goodly number of members—about 70—being seated. The Rector, who presided gave the toast, "Church and State." He trusted that Her Majesty might long be spared to reign over this country, and that she might yet bring peace to Ireland. The toast, "The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese," was given by the Vice-Chairman (W. Gepp, Esq.), who coupled with it the name of the Chairman, and the rev. gentleman, in responding, said he trusted that among clergy, ringers, and all church workers, there would ever be a true ring.

The meeting for the transaction of business was held immediately after the dinner, and the Hon. Secretary (the Rev. J. B. Seaman) reported that during the year there had been one life member added to the Association; they also had for the year three honorary members at 10s. 6d.; two at 10s.; nineteen at 5s.; and 145 ringing members at 1s. each. Out of this latter, however, there were a few who had not paid up their subscriptions, therefore he had not been able to close the balance-sheet. The finances of the Association were satisfactory, and would be seen from the Post Office Savings' Bank Account, and the cash in hand was about £41. He thought it would be sufficient to consider what the money should be devoted to when they had £50 in the Savings' Bank. He considered it desirable that the Annual Meetings should take place in different parts of the county, instead of being confined to the centre, also that the day should be changed to some other day instead of Whit-Monday. Mr. B. Keeble (Romford) pointed out that the Association could scatter its District Meeting throughout the county; and as the authorities at Chelmsford had, after some delay, made a move in having the bells rehung, and considering there were four other rings of eight within a very short distance of the town, affording an opportunity to a large number of ringers to enjoy themselves, which was the case nowhere else in Essex, he contended it was desirable to keep as much as possible in the centre of the county, which of course was Chelmsford. The Assistant-Secretary (the Rev. H. Cockey) also held the same view. Ultimately this topic fell through. Mr. Gardom (Wanstead) proposed and Mr. T. Watson (Braintree) seconded, that peal-boards recording the peals rang at Galleywood and Writtle be put up at the expense of the Association, which was agreed to. The Honorary Secretary, who brought forward the peal-book, proposed that the first peal rang by the Association company in a tower should be entered at the expense of the Association. Mr. J. M. Hayes proposed, and Mr. Keeble seconded that all 5000's be entered at the expense of the Association, which was agreed to. The Hon. Secretary announced that Moulsham Church, which contained two trebles formerly belonging to Chelmsford Church, was about to be restored, and on the condition that these two bells were brought back to Chelmsford, he would give two guineas towards a new peal of bells for Moulsham. The Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

PEALS OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

COMPILED BY JASPER W. SNOWDON.

We regret that owing to the negligence of the postal authorities, Mr. Snowdon's corrections in the proof sheet of the page of peals given in our issue of May 13th, did not reach our printer in such time as to allow the necessary corrections to be made. We have therefore to apologise for the following errors which occur on page 43.—ED.

The peals at the foot of the first and second columns should have 2 H at each course-end. The number of changes in the second peal in the second column should have been given as 5024; the next peal also contains 5024 changes, and not 5088, as printed.

The following footnote should have been appended to Mr. Wood's peal:

The reverse variation was first rung on April 7th, 1862, at Hyde, Cheshire, conducted by its composer.

PEALS WITH THE FIFTH AND SIXTH THE EXTENT IN 5-6.

The following peals have the above quality, and 2 H at each course-end. If the alternative calling be used in the ninth course of the 5088 it will be reduced to 5152 changes.

5088.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
2 4 5 3 6	I - 2 2	2 4 5 3 6	I 2
3 5 4 2 6	I - 2	3 5 4 2 6	2 2
2 3 5 6 4	- 2	2 3 5 6 4	- 2
3 4 5 6 2	I 2	6 5 3 2 4	2 2
4 2 5 6 3	I 2	6 3 2 5 4	I 2
2 4 3 6 5	2 2	6 2 5 3 4	I 2
6 2 4 5 3	- 2	3 6 2 4 5	- 2
2 6 3 5 4	2 2	6 3 5 4 2	- I 2
6 4 3 5 2	I 2	3 2 5 4 6	2 - I 2
5 6 4 2 3	2 2	2 6 5 4 3	I 2
6 3 4 2 5	2 - I 2	2 5 4 6 3	I - 2 2
6 4 2 3 5	I 2	5 3 4 6 2	I 2
6 2 3 4 5	I 2	3 2 4 6 5	I 2
2 5 3 4 6	2 - I 2	3 4 6 2 5	I - 2 2
2 5 3 4 6	I 2	2 3 4 5 6	2 2 2

H. HUBBARD.

The reverse was first rung on Feb 9th, 1880, by the Norwich Association, at St. Mary's, Diss; conducted by W. Ireland.

5120.

2 3 4 5 6	W B M H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
5 4 3 2 6	2 2	5 4 3 2 6	I - 2
4 6 3 2 5	I 2	3 6 2 4 5	2 - 2 2
2 4 6 5 3	- 2	3 2 4 6 5	I 2
5 2 4 3 6	2 2	6 4 2 3 5	I - 2
2 6 4 3 5	I 2	5 6 3 4 2	- 2 2
3 5 6 4 2	2 - 2	5 3 4 6 2	I 2
5 3 2 4 6	- I 2	6 5 3 2 4	2 2 2
3 6 2 4 5	I 2	2 6 5 4 3	- 2
2 5 4 6 3	2 - 2 2	2 5 4 6 3	I 2
5 2 3 6 4	- I 2	5 2 3 6 4	2 2
2 4 3 6 5	2 - I 2	6 3 2 5 4	2 2
4 5 3 6 2	I 2	6 2 5 3 4	I 2
4 3 6 5 2	I 2	2 4 5 3 6	I 2
3 2 6 5 4	I 2	2 5 3 4 6	I 2
2 3 4 5 6	2 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2

N. J. PITSTOW.

5184.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
5 2 3 6 4	2 2 2	3 2 6 5 4	2 2
2 4 3 6 5	2 - I 2	5 6 2 3 4	2 2
4 5 3 6 2	I 2	5 2 3 6 4	I 2
5 4 2 6 3	- I 2	5 3 6 2 4	I - 2 2
6 2 4 5 3	2 2	2 5 3 4 6	2 2 2
2 6 3 5 4	- I 2	5 6 3 4 2	I 2
6 4 3 5 2	I 2	6 5 2 4 3	- I 2
5 2 4 3 6	I 2 2	4 2 5 6 3	- 2 2
3 6 5 2 4	2 I	2 4 3 6 5	- I 2
2 3 6 4 5	2 2 2	4 5 3 6 2	I 2
2 6 4 3 5	I 2	5 6 4 2 3	2 2
3 4 6 2 5	I - 2	2 3 6 4 5	I 2 2
4 3 5 2 6	2 2	5 2 4 3 6	2 I 2
2 5 3 4 6	I - 2	5 4 3 2 6	I 2
2 3 4 5 6	I 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2

CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY.

Rung on Saturday, May 13th, at St. Mary's, Sheffield, by the Yorkshire Association; conducted by T. Dixon.

6016.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
3 6 4 5 2	I 2	3 6 4 5 2	2 - I 2
6 3 2 5 4	- I 2	6 2 4 5 3	I 2
5 2 3 6 4	2 2	2 6 3 5 4	2 2
6 5 2 4 3	- 2	2 3 5 6 4	- I 2
4 2 5 6 3	2 2	3 4 5 6 2	2 - I 2
4 5 6 2 3	I 2	4 2 5 6 3	I 2
4 6 2 5 3	I 2	2 4 3 6 5	2 2
5 4 6 3 2	- 2	2 3 6 4 5	- I 2
5 6 3 4 2	I 2	3 5 6 4 2	2 - I 2
5 3 4 6 2	I - 2 2	5 2 6 4 3	I 2
3 2 4 6 5	I 2	4 5 2 3 6	- 2
6 4 2 3 5	2 2	5 6 2 3 4	I 2
6 2 3 4 5	I 2	6 4 2 3 5	I 2
6 3 4 2 5	I - 2 2	4 6 5 3 2	2 2
3 5 4 2 6	I 2	3 4 6 2 5	- 2
2 4 5 3 6	2 2	4 3 5 2 6	I 2
2 5 3 4 6	I 2	2 5 3 4 6	I 2
2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2	2 3 4 5 6	I 2

H. DAINS.

The following peal has the above mentioned quality, but is without 2 H at each course-end.

5024.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
5 4 3 2 6	2 2	3 2 6 5 4	- I 2
4 6 3 2 5	I 2	3 6 5 2 4	I - 2 2
2 3 6 4 5	2 2	3 5 2 6 4	I 2
5 2 4 3 6	2 I 2	6 2 5 3 4	I - 2
2 6 4 3 5	I 2	3 6 2 4 5	- 2
5 4 6 3 2	I I	5 6 4 2 3	2 - I
2 5 3 4 6	- 2 2	5 4 2 6 3	I 2
4 2 5 6 3	- 2	5 2 6 4 3	I 2
2 4 3 6 5	- I 2	4 3 2 6 5	I 2 2
4 5 3 6 2	I 2	3 4 5 6 2	2 2
5 2 3 6 4	2 - I 2	3 5 6 4 2	I 2
6 3 2 5 4	I - 2	5 3 2 4 6	2 2
3 6 4 5 2	- I 2	5 2 4 3 6	I 2
6 2 4 5 3	2 - I 2	5 4 3 2 5	I - 2 2
2 3 4 5 6	I 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2

L. CAWOOD.

The reverse was first rung on October 29th, 1881, by the Yorkshire Association, at All Saints, Otley, conducted by Tom Lockwood.

PEALS WITH THE SIXTH THE EXTENT EACH WAY IN 5-6.

THE SIXTH FOUR COURSE-ENDS HOME.

The following peal, which is in fourteen courses, has the sixth the extent in all positions.

Following this peal are those on the ordinary plan of the sixth the extent in 5-6, with 2 H at each course-end.

The peals by Mr. F. Pitstow and Mr. Hattersley are in fourteen courses, and the one by Mr. N. J. Pitstow in fifteen courses.

5024.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
5 2 3 6 4	- 2	5 2 3 6 4	- 2
2 4 3 6 5	2 - I 2	2 4 3 6 5	2 - I 2
6 3 5 4 2	2 - 2	6 5 4 3 2	2 - 2
5 2 4 3 6	2 - 2 2	6 3 2 5 4	2 I I
5 4 3 2 6	I - 2 2	5 6 2 3 4	I
3 6 2 4 5	2 - 2 2	6 3 5 4 2	-
2 5 4 6 3	2 - 2 2	5 2 4 3 6	2 - 2 2
5 3 4 6 2	2 - I 2	5 4 3 2 6	I - 2 2
6 4 2 3 5	2 - 2	3 6 2 4 5	2 - 2 2
4 3 6 5 2	-	2 5 4 6 3	2 - 2 2
2 6 3 5 4	I I	5 3 4 6 2	2 - I 2
5 4 6 3 2	I 2 2	6 4 2 3 5	2 - 2
2 5 3 4 6	- 2 2	2 5 3 4 6	2 - 2 2
2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2

F. PITSTOW.

5024.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
5 6 3 4 2	I 2 2	3 2 6 5 4	2 2
6 2 3 4 5	2 - I 2	3 6 5 2 4	I - 2 2
4 3 2 6 5	I - 2	4 3 2 6 5	2 I 2
3 5 2 6 4	I 2	3 5 2 6 4	I 2
2 4 6 5 3	2 - 2 2	6 3 5 4 2	- 2
5 2 4 3 6	- 2	5 2 4 3 6	2 - 2 2
5 4 3 2 6	I 2	5 4 3 2 6	I 2
2 6 4 3 5	I 2 2	4 5 6 2 3	- I 2
6 5 4 3 2	2 - I 2	4 6 2 5 3	I - 2 2
3 4 5 6 2	2 2	3 4 5 6 2	2 I 2
4 2 5 6 3	2 - I 2	4 2 5 6 3	2 - I 2
5 3 6 2 4	2 - 2 2	6 4 2 3 5	- 2
2 5 3 4 6	- 2	2 5 3 4 6	2 - 2 2
2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2

C. H. HATTERSLEY.

First rung on October 10th, 1881, by the Yorkshire Association, at St. Mary's, Sheffield; conducted by its composer.

5088.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
2 4 5 3 6	I - 2 2	4 6 5 3 2	2 - 2 2
5 6 3 4 2	2 - 2 2	5 2 3 6 4	2 - 2 2
3 2 4 6 5	2 - 2 2	2 4 3 6 5	2 - I 2
2 5 4 6 3	2 - I 2	5 2 6 4 3	- 2 2
3 2 6 5 4	- 2 2	4 6 2 5 3	2 2
2 4 6 5 3	2 - I 2	6 4 3 5 2	2 2
3 2 5 4 6	2 I 2	5 2 4 3 6	I 2 2
3 5 4 2 6	I 2	5 4 3 2 6	I 2
2 3 5 6 4	- 2	2 5 4 6 3	- 2
3 4 5 6 2	I 2	5 3 4 6 2	I 2
2 3 6 4 5	2 I 2	6 2 3 4 5	I 2 2
4 6 3 2 5	2 2	6 3 4 2 5	I - 2 2
6 4 5 2 3	2 2	2 5 3 4 6	2 - 2
2 3 4 5 6	2 - 2	2 3 4 5 6	I - 2 2

C. H. HATTERSLEY.

First rung on August 13th, 1881, by the Yorkshire Association, at St. Mary's, Rawmarsh; conducted by its composer.

The following peal is on the same plan as the one by Mr. Cox, previously given.

5024.

2 3 4 5 6	M B W H	2 3 4 5 6	M B W H
3 6 4 5 2	I 2	3 6 4 5 2	2 - I 2
3 4 5 6 2	I - 2 2	3 4 5 6 2	I 2
4 2 5 6 3	I 2	4 2 5 6 3	I 2
2 4 3 6 5	2 2	4 5 6 2 3	I 2
6 2 4 5 3	- 2	2 3 5 6 4	2 - 2
2 6 3 5 4	2 2	3 2 4 6 5	2 2
2 3 5 6 4	I 2	3 4 6 2 5	I 2
2 5 6 3 4	I - 2 2	2 6 4 3 5	I - 2
3 6 5 2 4	I - 2	6 2 5 3 4	- I 2
6 3 4 2 5	- I 2	2 4 5 3 6	2 - I 2
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Contributions are invited from any of our friends. We shall always be glad to give any information asked for, relative to the subjects this paper deals with.

The Editor would be glad to receive the names of gentlemen who would be willing to act for their respective districts, in the capacity of reporter or correspondent. We shall feel obliged by Association and other Secretaries sending intelligence of events occurring within their jurisdiction.

The Bell News & Ringers' Record.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1882.

VERY few ringing-chambers, especially those appertaining to steeples which are favorite resorts of ringers, will be found to be without some tablet or record of a peal achieved at some period or other. And though perhaps it might not be a profitable occupation, it would, nevertheless, be a curious one to take a survey of such records of this description as are in existence: their phraseology; their architecture—so to speak; the style of art in which the writer had done his work; their truth, and—it must come out—their falsehood; and their general history. And what a history some of these tablets could relate, had they life, and the power of articulation. What scenes, various and not always select, could many of them pourtray. What a peculiar chapter of incidents could be written about the discussions which had taken place relative to the propriety or otherwise of their erection, and the choice of language to be placed upon them. We wonder, now, who among that renowned company which rang such extraordinary lengths of Treble Bob Royal at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, it was that suggested the "Insatiate with Victory" line, which is still visible on a tablet there to anyone who takes the trouble to look for it. In some instances the "copy-writers" have found the poverty of the Anglo-Saxon tongue too much to allow them to sufficiently indicate the depth of their feelings, and accordingly we find, here and there, scraps of Latin intermingled with technical jargon in a manner which would utterly confound the most eminent linguist in an endeavour to interpret it. However, such cases as these are only rare, but they stand out as irrefragable evidences of the pardonable pride which their authors felt in embellishing records of achievements which ought never to be forgotten. Better indeed, to be profuse in verbiage, and to err on the side of extravagance in the decoration of a peal-tablet, than erect no tablet at all.

But peal-boards are not the only records we sometimes see, especially in steeples that ages ago were celebrated for half-pull ringing. A few generations back the practice of recording the death of each individual member of the ringing company was in vogue, and it is to be regretted

that this custom has in a great measure died out. Such custom establishes a connecting link, of a most interesting character, between the past and present, furnishing in connection with the peal records placed in juxtaposition, an additional testimony to the ringing annals of the locality. And again it is a very easy way of testifying to the memory of departed worth, a sentiment which ought to be animate, in a greater degree than it does, the minds of ringers, who, it must be confessed, are rather backward in this particular. Where shall we find memorials of many of those who in their day were great among the Exercise? Two grand instances of recent date, recording in a proper manner the decease of two of its valued members, are notable exceptions to the general rule. We cannot always erect such memorials as these to which we allude. Nor is it desirable, only in exceptional cases, where a deceased ringer had by his skill and researches into branches of the science, made for himself a reputation equal to that of HENRY HUBBARD or WILLIAM HARRISON. But a genuine ringers' obituary, placed in a suitable position of the belfry, we should like to see more general. A picture to our minds for the moment one of these which in existence in an important Cathedral City, and which dates from the middle of the last century. It tells, under the heading "RINGERS DEAD," merely the date of decease, but interesting links of biography, relating to the defunct, can be traced by an examination of the adjoining peal-boards. One of these obituary notices, which has come under our own observation we cannot refrain from giving at length. It is seen in the church-steeple of a lovely villa on the banks of the Severn. It runs thus:—"In Memory of STEPHEN WHITE," etc., and then follows a couplet:—

STEPHEN WHITE with Time was even:
STEPHEN beat time, and Time beat STEPHEN.

STEPHEN WHITE, we learnt upon enquiry, had been the chief ringer, and the leader of the choir, and in both capacities he was supposed to have "beat time."

But we have said enough on such a subject, perhaps. Nevertheless it is one which requires no excuse for referring to in this part of our paper. One of the aims of the remarks are intended to serve, is to point out that the careless indifference to the memory of our departed brethren, which is now becoming too common in many places outside the Exercise, should be avoided by ringers. The more effect, also, of the continual observance of such records of the living, cannot be otherwise than wholesome and salutary.

WE direct the attention of our readers to the new edition which is just published of "The Change-Ringing Guide to the Steeples of England." It has again been compiled by Mr. J. E. ACLAND-TROYTE and the Rev. W. ACLAND-TROYTE, and is published by Wells Garden Darton and Co. The work is considerably enlarged, having a list of more than 600 churches where change-ringing is practised, together with a mine of valuable information useful to the ringing Exercise, and not found in any other publication. We would impress upon our readers the desirability there exists of obtaining a book of this kind, and now that associations, Guilds, and societies are extending their ramifications east, west, north, and south, such a work as the one in question must be invaluable. The price at which it is published leads us to imagine that the compilers will incur loss in their undertaking; the Exercise, therefore, will owe them a debt of gratitude for their exertions. We predict for the work a quick and ready sale.

The Provinces.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—GALLEYWOOD, ESSEX.

The Galleywood Company, assisted by A. H. Gardom, Esq., of Wanstead.

On Saturday, May 27th, 1882, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

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CHARLES WASKETT 3.	REV. HERBERT A. COCKEY 7.
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Conducted by ARTHUR H. GARDOM.

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THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—WRITTLE, ESSEX.

By a mixed band of Members of this Association, just previous to the Annual Meeting at Chelmsford.

On Monday, May 29th, 1882, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

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[The date of the peal of Treble Bob Major rung at Redenhall, reported in our last number should be "Friday, May 19th," not "Friday, April 14th," as then printed.]

Miscellaneous.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

AYLSHAM.—The 29th of May being a ringing-day at this town, the local company were gratified by a visit of their ringing brethren from St. Peter's Mancroft, Norwich, and a very pleasant day was spent by the combined societies. Some well-struck touches of Stedman, Treble Bob, and Bob Royal were rung during the day, by T. Greenwood (conductor), 1; F. Knights, 2; E. Fitt, 3; C. Clements, 4; J. Youngs, 5; S. Maidston, 6; R. Stackwood, 7; J. Edridge, 8; J. Skinner, 9; G. Smith, 10. Tenor 20 cwt. Time of performance of the above touch, 40 mins.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

READING.—On May 24th, at St. Mary's, in honour of the birthday of Her Majesty, 1008 Grandsire Triples. R. Swain, 1; W. H. Fussell, 2; T. Newman, 3; R. Allen, 4; J. Potter, 5; H. Egby (conductor), 6; W. Newell, 7; J. Sadler, 8. Tenor 28 cwt. in D. The company then went to St. Giles's, and rang several 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles, finishing up with 360 of Grandsire Minor. The same party had the attempting of a peal at St. Mary's on Whit-Monday under consideration, but circumstances rendering it inconvenient for every one to attend, it is postponed to a more convenient season.

SHIPLAKE (Oxfordshire).—On Sunday, May 21st, at the parish church, a 720 of Grandsire Minor, in 25 mins. W. Goseltine, 1; W. H. Fussell, 2; R. Allen, 3; T. Newman, 4; W. Newell, 5; H. Egby (conductor), 6.

WARGRAVE (Berks).—On the evening of Sunday, May 21st, 360 of Grandsire Minor, in 13 mins., by the same members of the above Guild that rang a 720 at Shiplake on the same day.

SPALDING (Lincolnshire).—On Ascension-Day, for early Divine Service at the church of SS. Mary and Nicolas—7 a.m.—a 720 of Bob Minor. J. Brown, 1; J. Wilson, 2; G. Richardson, 3; R. Mackman (conductor), 4; J. S. Wright, 5; J. R. Jerram, 6. Also for Divine Service in the evening, a 720 of London Single. J. Brown, 1; J. R. Jerram, 2; G. Richardson, 3; R. Mackman, 4; J. S. Wright, 5; R. Creasey (conductor), 6. And after Divine Service in the evening of Sunday, May 21st, a 720 of Bob Minor. J. Brown, 1; J. W. Creasey, 2; G. Richardson, 3; R. Mackman, 4; J. S. Wright, 5; J. R. Jerram (conductor), 6. May 23rd, three 6-scores of Bob Doubles. A. Brown, (his first essay) 1; G. Richardson, 2; R. Mackman, 3; J. S. Wright, 4; J. R. Jerram, 5. Tenor 18 cwt.

SUDBURY (Suffolk).—On Whit-Sunday, the following members of the local society rang for Divine Service in the morning at St. Peter's church, a touch of Grandsire Triples, 504 changes. F. Tolliday, 1; W. Campin (conductor), 2; J. Campin, 3; W. Griggs, 4; W. Howell, 5; H. Harper, 6; W. Cross, 7; C. Sillitoe, 8. Also after the holding of Divine Service in the evening of the same day, a touch of Kent Treble Bob Major, 1120 changes. F. Tolliday, 1; J. Campin, 2; W. Griggs, 3; C. Sillitoe, 4; W. Howell, 5; H. Harper, 6; W. Cross, 7; A. Scott (conductor), 8. Tenor 22 cwt. Touches of Treble Bob and Bob Major were also rung at St. Gregory's, during the morning and afternoon.

BRAINTREE (Essex).—On Wednesday, May 24th, a 720 of Oxford Treble Bob was rung and the bells fired in honour of the Queen's birthday, also on Saturday, May 27th, a 720 of Kent Treble Bob. The following rang both of them. *W. Dyson, 1; F. Calthorpe, 2; H. E. Hammond, 3; *S. Hammond, 4; *F. Rudkin, 5; A. Huckson, 6. Tenor 12½ cwt. These are H. E. Hammond's first 720's in either of the above methods. *Members of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

BEXLEY (Kent).—On Sunday, May 21st, for Divine Service in the evening at St. Mary's, a 720 of Bob Minor, having 42 singles, in 27 mins. T. Philips, 1; G. Sloper, 2; C. English, 3; T. Titchener, 4; G. Sheppard, 5; F. French (composer and conductor), 6. The composition of this 720 will be given in our next issue.

ELTHAM (Kent).—On Wednesday, May 24th, at the church of St. John the Baptist, a 720 of Bob Minor, having 18 bobs and 2 singles, in 26 mins. C. Mussett (first 720), 1; G. Sheppard, 2; C. English, 3; J. Smith, 4; T. Titchener, 5; F. Fraser (conductor), 6. Tenor 9½ cwt.

HAYES (Kent).—On Tuesday, May 30th, a 720 of Bob Minor, with 18 bobs and 2 singles, in 23 mins. G. French, 1; T. Dirling, 2; C. English, 3; J. Thomas (first 720), 4; F. French (conductor), 5; T. Titchener, 6. Tenor 9 cwt.

REOPENING OF BARROW CHURCH BELLS.

THESE Bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Mallaby and Sons, of Masham, Yorkshire, in an oak frame, were re-opened on Thursday, May 25th, by a company of ringers from Hull, who rang a 720 of Bob Minor in 28 mins. A. Taylor, 1; J. Dixey, 2; S. Slingsby, 3; C. Jackson, 4; W. Gill, 5; C. Bennett (conductor), 6. After which was rung several touches of Bob Minor, Yorkshire Court, and Kent Treble Bob Minor. At two o'clock p.m., a number of gentlemen sat down in company with the ringers to a substantial dinner at the Red Lion Inn, amongst those present being the Rev. J. E. Sampson (vicar), Messrs. Bentley and Dannott (churchwardens), Mr. Mallaby, Dr. Philpot, Messrs. W. B. Willis, J. Clayton, R. Smith, J. S. Robinson, R. J. Nicholson, and others. After dinner, the following rang 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor in 29 mins. T. Mallaby, 1; J. Dixey, 2; J. F. Mallaby, 3; J. W. Stickney, 4; P. Mallaby, 5; C. Jackson, 6. Conducted by T. Mallaby. At five o'clock p.m., a large number of ringers sat down to tea in the Foresters' Hall, at the completion of which repast, the company rang for Divine Service at the church, 1882 changes in the three following methods: 442 changes of Bob Minor, 720 changes of Yorkshire Court, and 720 changes of Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 1 hr. 9 mins. A Taylor, 1; J. Dixey, 2; S. Slingsby, 3; C. Bennett, 4; W. Gill, 5; C. Jackson, 6. Arranged and conducted by C. Jackson. Tenor 19 cwt. During the afternoon and evening, several touches of Grandsire Triples, Bob Major, and Grandsire Caters, were rung on handbells; various tunes were also played.

At the close of the day, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. W. B. Willis for his very liberal donation towards the restoration fund, and for his hospitality to the ringers.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE next Annual Anniversary of these harmonious bells, with their "matchless tenor," will be held on Wednesday, June 21st, when all persons interested in change-ringing are invited to attend. Dinner at The Cock Inn, near the church, as usual.

THE ASCENT OF GREAT PAUL.

THE work of lifting the bell commenced on Tuesday last, and was completed at noon on Wednesday, the actual operation having taken fifteen hours. At one o'clock timbers were put under the bell across the opening in the vaulting of the tower to support it and to enable the ropes to be removed. These supports were in position, and the bell was gently lowered upon them at half-past one, taking its seat firmly with a slight creaking noise as the beams felt the heavy burthen settling itself upon them. The tackle and actual work of raising the bell was under the charge of Captain English, R.E., the direction of the operations being in the hands of Mr. Penrose, the architect to the Cathedral. It only remains now to attach the head stock and to seat the gudgeons on the bell-cage; and by Saturday, as was predicted, the solemn voice of Great Paul may be expected to be heard.

The *Guardian* says:—"Great Paul did not fairly reached the interior of the south-west tower of the cathedral till Thursday evening, and the care which was necessary to prevent him from injuring in his ascent the finely wrought hand-rail of Tijou, or the carvings of Grinling Gibbons, rendered it impossible to hoist him in his place so as to be used on Whitsun Day. It is hoped, however, that it will be available for Sunday next, the Festival of the Holy Trinity; though Mr. W. Perry, of Richmond, suggests that as time toughens newly cast metals, it would be well to allow him to hang silent for a few months, and so lessen the chance of fracture. This, he says, ought to have been done with the bell at Westminster." Mr. Perry had better be careful in making these suggestions.

In a short article on Great Paul, the *English Churchman* says:—"This is not the first great bell with which the Metropolitan Cathedral has been honoured. In 'Old St. Paul's,' at the period of the Reformation, the old chronicle relates that 'in the clochier (clock-tower) near St. Paul's stood one of the greatest bells in England, called Jesu's bell; against these Sir Miles Partridge stalked £1000, and won them of Henry VIII. at a cast of dice.'"

THE CURATES' ALLIANCE.—This Alliance met on Saturday last in the vestry of Clerkenwell parish church, the Rev. R. H. HADDEN, of St. Botolph, Bishopsgate, presiding. There was a large attendance. The Rev. E. G. O'Donoghue was authorised to read a paper at the next Church Congress descriptive of the objects of the Alliance, of which he is Secretary. The Chairman reported that Mr. O'Donoghue had attended the public sale of an advowson at Tokenhouse-yard Auction Mart, and denounced the proceeding, when the advowson was disposed of at a low price. More recently two advowsons were offered for sale at the same place, when a representative of the Alliance was present, and protested against the sale as "one of the grossest and basest iniquities of the nineteenth century," and in the result neither was sold. Another advowson, that of Charminster, Wiltshire, was about to be thus publicly brought under the hammer, and he thought they should again strongly protest against the proceeding. There was no doubt that these sales and attempted sales were most iniquitous, and disastrous to the interests of the Church; and, in opposing them, he was sure they would have the sympathies of the whole religious nation with them (applause).—The Rev. John Manus said with respect to the two livings lately publicly offered for sale in vain, he had been written to by a solicitor to make a private bid for one.—The Rev. R. H. Hawkes thought they would increase the hostile feeling already manifested against the Alliance in some quarters by their opposition to these sales, time after time.—The Rev. G. Thompson, on the other hand, expressed his conviction that they would gain in public estimation by doing so (hear, hear).—The Rev. E. G. O'Donoghue said the press was opposed to these scandals to the Church.—On the motion of the Rev. H. C. Shuttleworth, seconded by the Rev. G. Thompson, it was resolved, with but two dissentients, "That, in view of the projected sale by public auction of the advowson of Charminster, the Curates' Alliance places on record its grave sense of the injury to religion caused by the traffic in sacred trusts."—The Chairman, having asked members whether they would petition in favour of Mr. E. A. Leatham's Church of England (Sale of Patronage) Bill, Mr. O'Donoghue said the hon. gentleman invited the support of the Alliance. Whereas Mr. Stanhope's Bill only proposed to do away with the sale of next presentations, giving Bishops greater power than they ought to have to prevent the institution of proper persons and converting donatives into benefices, Mr. Leatham sought the total abolition of advowsons as well as next presentations, proposing to compensate out of Queen Anne's Bounty, to the extent of one-half, patrons who wished to sell their livings, and to vest in the Crown the

patronage thus acquired.—The Chairman objected to any compensation being given to the patrons, and if any was to be awarded it should not be taken from Queen Anne's Bounty, which was to be for the benefit of poor clergy.—Mr. Shuttleworth: I think Mr. Stanhope's Bill is intentionally designed to allow loopholes for the sale of patronage to continue (hear, hear).—Finally, it was decided "That the Curates' Alliance approves of the principle contained in Mr. Leatham's Church Patronage Bill, in so far as it condemns the sale of public ecclesiastical offices and authorises a petition to Parliament to that effect." Other business having been transacted, the Alliance adjourned.

THE FIRST BISHOP OF NEWCASTLE.—The Rev. Ernest Wilberforce has been appointed Bishop of the newly-formed see of Newcastle, referring to it the *Guardian* says:—"The appointment to the bishopric of Newcastle has taken people by surprise. That is, gossip had connected the name of Wilberforce with the new see; and probably if it had, it would have lighted on the younger brother Basil, at Southampton, from his prominence as a leader of the temperance movement rather than with Ernest Roland, the second surviving son of the late Bishop Wilberforce. He was born in 1840, and graduated at Exeter College, Oxford, in 1864. He was ordained by his father in 1864, and was presented by Mr. Gladstone, in 1873, as private patron, to the vicarage of Seaforth, having two years previously been made by Queen her sub-almoner. It was in 1878 that the Bishop of Winchester appointed Mr. Wilberforce Canon of Winchester and Warden of the Mission-house bearing his father's name, he having shown considerable powers as a missionary."

At a meeting held at Truro on Tuesday afternoon it was reported that the subscriptions towards the new Cornish Cathedral amount to upwards of £50,000, of which £41,000 had been paid. Out of this amount the sum of £10,600 had been paid for land for the site, rather more than £7,000 has been expended on the building. The Bishop of Truro mentioned that a conditional subscription of £1,000 had been promised towards the building of the South Porch.

A "steeple-jack" of Leicester, named William Daybel, whilst engaged in lighting up some illuminations on Tuesday night, fell from his ladder and sustained a fracture of the skull, from which he died yesterday morning. The deceased caused considerable excitement during the Royal procession on Monday last, by standing on the top of St. Mark's Church spire waving his arms.

In the remarks which followed the leading article in our last number, the following sentence, when hinting to our readers how they might increase the circulation of this paper, appeared:—"Several gentlemen in London and the country regularly obtain two, three and even four dozen copies, and lend them to the other members of their companies." The word in italics should have been "vend." We find that a great many ringers, anxious to secure copies of "THE BELL NEWS," do not readily fall into the mode of "ordering" from a bookseller. There is a great deal depends on the most prominent member of every society as to whether improvements contemplated in this paper shall be rapid or slow. It is gratifying to hear of efforts being made in many parts of the country by our friends to increase our circulation, but we should not be content till every ringer, for whose convenience this paper was brought specially into existence, regards it at all times as a welcome guest. This desire we believe would be realised if one member of every company were to prevail upon his brother ringers to have a copy weekly, at the same time offering to save them the trouble of communicating with the news agent, by procuring himself the whole number required for them all. [The Editor personally appeals to his brother ringers, one and all, to give real and practical effect to this suggestion.]

We rejoice in the fact that there are a great many gentlemen deeply solicitous in the welfare of this journal, the following opinions of influential contemporaries will therefore be read by them with pleasure. The first is from *The English Churchman*, a three-penny weekly:—

"THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD.—(Poole, Paternoster Row.)—We are pleased to be able to find room for a notice of this interesting weekly journal, which deserves a wider circulation than we fear, it meets. Its pages are devoted to much to the science of campanology as to a complete record of achievements in ringing, which thus renders it interesting to the clergy and laity in general. The current number contains a useful article on the necessity of a well-ordered bell which should be read by every steeple-keeper. From first to last this periodical abides by its own special department, without going out of the way to fill up its pages with what thus makes it what it really pretends to be—a Bell News and Ringers' Record."

The following is from a recent number of the *Christian Globe*:—"THE BELL NEWS AND RINGERS' RECORD" is the appropriate title of a well-arranged weekly penny serial, devoted to the interests of the large and ever-increasing number of those to whom the sweet-sounding chimes are ever music. In the number—that for May 5th—Dr. H. Scadding, of Toronto, discourses learnedly on "English Chimes in Canada;" and tells us all about Grandsire Triples and the Bob Major in the provinces; in fact, the paper is what it professes to be, the organ of the campanologists. Its publisher is Mr. Poole, of 12a, Paternoster Row, and we wish it every success."

A DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By J. T. HOLLIS, Wrenthorpe, near Wakefield.

In order to economise space, we give this touch in the following manner, taking the 7th, generally, as the observation:—

The following changes from rounds are first rung: 2135476, 2314567, 3215476, 3124567, 1342657, 1436275. From this last change call the observation-bell thus: middle; before four times; right; before; into the hunt and out at four leads; right; before four times; middle; before five times; middle; before five times; middle; before; right; before; in and out at the next lead; middle; right; middle; in and out at five leads; wrong.

The above contains Queens and tittums.

A DATE TOUCH OF GRANDSIRE CATERS.

By WM. H. HOWARD, York.

The following introductory changes to be rang:—The first four changes of the plain course, then—436215879, 463128597, 641382957, 614839275, 168493725, 186947352. Five leads from the change last given bring up the course—end—

6 2 3 5 4 7 9 8

Then call as follows:—7th in three, twice; 8th in three, twice; 8th in two, twice. Eighth in three; 7th in three, twice; 8th in three, twice; 8th in two. Eighth in three; 7th in three; 8th in two; 7th in three; 8th in three; 8th in and out at two.

A QUARTER-PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

By THE EDITOR.

A single first lead; call two 6-7's; 7th before with a double; 7th before, and single the following lead. Part-end 3 4 2 5 6 7. Five times repeated, substituting a bob for the single mid-way and end. Has the twenty-four 6-7's at backstroke, and all the positions of 5 6 7.

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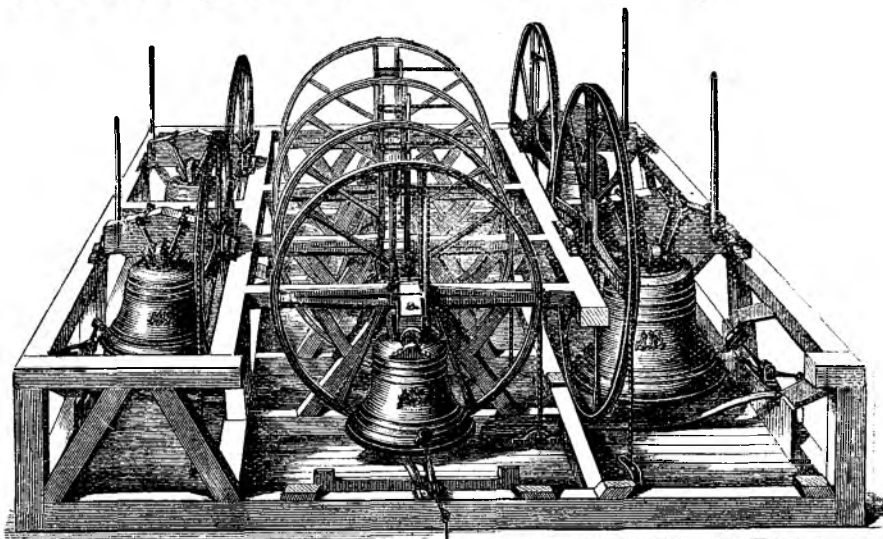
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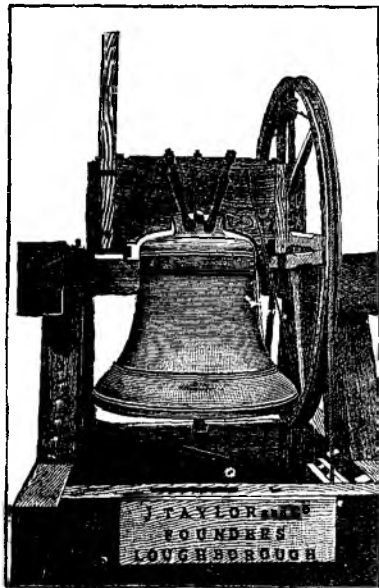
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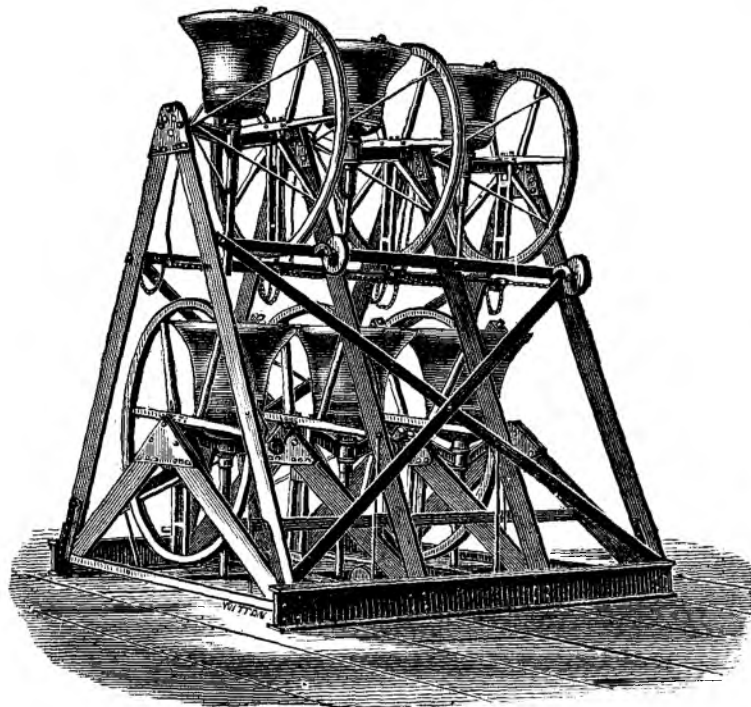
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