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MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th March, 1912.
Gentlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two new ones in the tower of St. Peter's Collegiate Church, Wolverhampton, recently carried out by you has proved most successful, and given general satisfaction.

I am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to judge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peals in the Kingdom.

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,
Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

RINGERS AND THE PUBLIC.

The vilification of the bell ringer is not new. Very frequently in the public press those who do not appreciate the music of the bells vent their feelings by spiteful and usually anonymous wordy attacks, and invoke malediction upon the devoted heads of those who give their services in calling the congregation to worship. A case of this sort has just happened at Congresbury, where "a parishioner" has complained of the bells being rung regularly for Sunday services, and suggesting that the ringing should be confined to one or two Sundays a month, the bells being chimed on the other occasions. Other points are raised in the letter to the "Weston Mercury," but this is one which is of no small concern to the Exercise generally. It is almost needless to say that there followed, in the next issue of the paper, a very effective reply. The Vicar of Congresbury had a complete answer to all the allegations and criticisms, and we are glad to see that the cudgels were taken up on behalf of the ringers by one thus in authority.

This question of the relationship between ringers and the public has more than once been discussed in these columns, and we should imagine that there can be no occasion when complaint can be less justified than when it concerns bells rung for the Sunday services. Apart from any question of rite or custom, there are few people who have a real objection to ringing on these occasions, and in the Congresbury case the whole tone of the complaint looks as if some ulterior motive prompted the writer, who has probably been completely silenced by the Vicar.

In regard to peal ringing, however, another and a wider question is opened up, and some notes which appeared in our last issue have drawn a striking letter from the Rector of Great Munden, who is a ringer and Master of the Hertfordshire Association. He takes a bold line upon the subject of ringing long lengths in populous districts, and from the unprejudiced standpoint there is much to be said for the views he has put forward as to the position between ringers and public, although few members of the Exercise will, we think, agree with his suggestion for reducing the arbitrary minimum of what constitutes a peal. The great point which we would urge and, because we believe it to be in the truest interests of the Exercise we emphasise it with all the power at our command, is that ringers should show consideration, as we believe it is shown to a large degree, for the feelings of the public by exercising reasonableness in the use of the bells for their own pleasure, even to the extent of making sacrifices. Moderation in the amount of ringing done, and effective steps in the structural arrangements of the tower to prevent annoyance to the public, will add to the respect in which ringers are held.

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Broomfield Vicarage,
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February 19th, 1912.

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Yours truly,
CHAS. EDMUNDS,
Vicar of Broomfield.

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TEN BELL PEAL.

GREAT YARMOUTH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Three Hours and Twenty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Nicholas,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5184 CHANGES;

ROBERT CHRISTIAN Treble	BENJAMIN THOMPSON ... 6
ARTHUR ELLIS 2	HARRY WRIGHT 7
DENISON HAYWARD 3	JOHN GOLDING 8
WILLIAM BLYTH 4	THOMAS FAULKNER 9
EDWIN TODD 5	WILLIAM LEE Tenor

Composed by E. ANDREWS, and
Conducted by THOMAS FAULKNER.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PULHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 8, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. 1 qr. 16 lbs.

FREDERICK ROOPE Treble	*GEORGE BAXTER 5
WILLIAM STEELE 2	FREDERICK SURRIDGE ... 6
CHARLES ROOPE 3	WILLIAM ROOPE 7
CHARLES BAKER 4	FREDERICK BORRETT ... Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE, and
Conducted by FREDERICK ROOPE.

* First peal in the method.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICTS GUILD.

On Saturday, August 17, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

BIDDLESTONE'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 19½ cwt.

JOHN RAY Treble	HARRY JEAVONS 5
FRED EVANS 2	THOMAS WATTON 6
WILLIAM MILLS, Junr. ... 3	WILLIAM MILLS, Senr. ... 7
THOMAS GRIFFITHS 4	BENJAMIN FULLWOOD ... Tenor

Conducted by T. WATTON.

Rung as a farewell to the conductor, prior to his leaving for
Australia.

FORDINGBRIDGE, HAMPSHIRE.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sunday, August 18, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble	FREDERICK PRECEY 5
HENRY W. WILKES 2	ROBERT P. KNIGHT 6
JOHN S. RUMMING 3	CHARLES W. GOODENOUGH ... 7
LEONARD HARRIS 4	ALAN R. MACDONALD ... Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart,
Master of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild.

OLDSWINFORD, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 19, 1912, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12½ cwt.

ROBERT MATTHEWS ... Treble	CHARLES E. PERKINS ... 5
FRED BRACE 2	†JAMES W. NEWMAN ... 6
WILLIAM NEWMAN 3	CHARLES F. WHITE 7
*ALFRED DODD 4	WILLIAM A. PUGH Tenor

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

* First peal. † First peal away from the tenor. Rung, with the
bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late W. Whitehouse,
for 19 years a ringer and tower keeper at this church.

CHESTER, CHESHIRE.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 19, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary Within-the-Walls,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	WALTER THOMAS 5
HENRY W. WILDE 2	JAMES MORGAN 6
WILLIAM SCONCE 3	ERNEST CHANELL 7
CHARLES PRICE 4	JAMES V. WRIGHT Tenor

Composed by CHARLES PRICE, and
Conducted by ROBERT SPERRING.

First peal in the method by the Association and on the bells.

HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Leonard,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

WILLIAM D. SMITH ... Treble	JOHN THOMAS 5
JOHN W. JONES 2	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... 6
JOHN H. B. HESSE 3	SIDNEY CARTER 7
DANIEL F. GIBBONS ... 4	ARTHUR HUGHES Tenor

Conducted by JOHN THOMAS.

The peal was arranged for J. W. Jones, who hails from Newport,
Mon.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Three Hours and One Minute,
At the Abbey Church,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

*WILLIAM DELLOW ... Treble	GEORGE DENT 5
FREDERICK C. PERRIN ... 2	HENRY G. THOMPSON ... 6
LAWRENCE G. THURGOOD ... 3	HENRY G. ROWE 7
HARRY SMALE 4	GEORGE RADLEY Tenor

Composed by J. ASPINWALL, and
Conducted by HENRY GEORGE ROWE.

* First peal in the method. Rung after meeting short for Treble
Bob.

BUSHEY, HERTS.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. James,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

THOMAS R. SCOTT ... Treble	ROBERT E. STAVERT ... 5
JOSEPH J. ALLEN 2	BERTRAM PREWETT ... 6
RICHARD DARLOW 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 7
FRANCIS A. SMITH 4	FREDERICK G. GEORGE ... Tenor

Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Luke, Blakenhall,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

HARRY FARLOW Treble	ALBERT LITTLE 5
DANIEL JONES 2	*BENJAMIN CLARK 6
EDWARD HORTIN 3	ALFRED FALLON 7
GEORGE CLAYBROOK ... 4	WILLIAM LAWLEY Tenor

Conducted by A. FALLON.

* First peal with a bob bell.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 20, 1912, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MOLWEN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 19 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFIELD ... Treble	LEONARD BULLOCK ... 5
WILLIAM J. SMITH ... 2	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... 6
*JOSEPH H. BRITTAN ... 3	ALBERT P. WAKLEY ... 7
THOMAS DICKEN ... 4	FRANK SHEPHERD ... Tenor

Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

* First peal of Stedman.

WELLS, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERT,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' FIVE-PART, No. 2.

Tenor 28 cwt.

*HARRY FRY ... Treble	WALTER J. MILLS ... 5
HARRY J. TRIM ... 2	WALTER FARLEY ... 6
EDGAR G. LUSH ... 3	GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 7
A. E. COLES ... 4	HERBERT G. FARLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by G. CHAMBERLAIN.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 21, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN, WATERLOO ROAD,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALFRED W. GRIMES ... Treble	JOHN W. JONES ... 5
J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE ... 2	BERTRAM PREWETT ... 6
FRANK I. HAIRS ... 3	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 7
ERNEST BRETT ... 4	JOHN H. B. HESSE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by ALFRED W. GRIMES.

Arranged for J. W. Jones, who hails from Newport, Mon.

TAUNTON, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 22, 1912, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt., in E flat.

JOHN W. JONES ... Treble	JOSEPH MADDOCK ... 5
ALFRED WYATT ... 2	ALBERT E. COLES ... 6
SIDNEY WYATT ... 3	ISAAC CREED ... 7
HENRY J. CREED ... 4	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and
Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

First peal of Kent for all, excepting the ringers of the treble, 5th and tenor, and first on an inside bell in the method for the ringer of the 5th. Arranged specially by C. R. Lilley for J. W. Jones, of Newport, Mon., by whom the best thanks are given to the band, especially J. Maddock for getting the use of the bells and having everything in readiness.

WOOLWICH.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 23, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-two Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 13 cwt.

EDWARD T. WIGG ... Treble	HARRY C. BECKFORD ... 5
WILLIAM J. ALDRIDGE ... 2	EDWIN BARNETT, Senr. ... 6
ERNEST PYE ... 3	WILLIAM PYE ... 7
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 4	† WILLIAM HORSLEY ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal in the method. † First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the Rector (the Rev. Pickering).

HADLOW, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 23, 1912, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ST. CLEMENT'S BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

ARTHUR H. READER ... Treble	FREDERICK BUTCHERS ... 5
STEPHEN J. PERKINS ... 2	ALBERT RELFE ... 6
JIM BEACH ... 3	FREDERICK J. LAMBERT ... 7
ANDREW MARSHALL ... 4	EDWIN LAMBERT ... Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE, and

Conducted by EDWIN LAMBERT.

First peal in the method by all the band, and by the Association.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

Tenor 23 cwt., in D flat.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	THOMAS FITZJOHN ... 5
ARTHUR SYMONDS ... 2	* WILLIAM STANNARD ... 6
PERCY FORDHAM ... 3	JOHN R. POULSON ... 7
FREDERICK A. POULSON ... 4	HARRY S. RICHOLD ... Tenor

Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal in the method. This was arranged for the ringers of the 3rd, 5th, 6th and tenor, who hail from Mildenhall, Thetford, Worlington and Long Melford respectively. This is the first peal on the bells since they have been rehung by Messrs. Day & Sons, of Eye, Suffolk, the "go" being excellent.

EDMONTON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF NEW CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt., in F.

A. F. MARTIN STEWART ... Treble	JOHN H. BENSTEAD ... 5
* DANIEL F. GIBBONS ... 2	WILBY J. HAZELL ... 6
GEORGE A. CARD ... 3	JAMES PARKER ... 7
MISS EDITH K. PARKER ... 4	GEORGE PAICE ... Tenor

Composed by N. F. PITSTOW, and
Conducted by MISS EDITH K. PARKER.

* First peal in the method.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 10½ cwt.

R. ALLAN HICKTON ... Treble	ALBERT H. WARD ... 5
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 2	NEVILLE WIDDOWSON ... 6
GEORGE WALKER ... 3	ALBERT COPPOCK ... 7
JOSEPH BAILEY ... 4	JOSEPH DAVIES ... Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT COPPOCK.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, HOLLOWAY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

FRANK I. HAIRS ... Treble	* WILLIAM J. NUDDS ... 5
HENRY J. RANZETTA ... 2	WILLIAM J. JEFFRIES ... 6
ISAAC EMERY ... 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	ALFRED W. GRIMES ... Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

* First peal of Old Cambridge.

LONG ASHTON, CLIFTON, BRISTOL.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 31 cwt.	
THOS. GROOMBRIDGE, Junr. <i>Treble</i>	THOMAS F. KING ... 5
GILBERT H. HARDING ... 2	*GEORGE HENRY GALE ... 6
JOHN A. BURFORD ... 3	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... 7
WILLIAM KNIGHT ... 4	*JOSEPH CAPLE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD, BART., and
Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

* First peal of Stedman. Ringers of 3rd, 4th and 7th hail from Bristol; 2nd and 5th from Bath; treble (who was elected a member previous to starting) from London; 6th (for whom the peal was arranged) and tenor from Easton-in-Gordano. Quickest peal on the bells.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

BRUTON'S TWELVE-PART.	
FRANK COOK ... <i>Treble</i>	SIDNEY ANNIS ... 5
WILLIAM SHEPPARD ... 2	CHARLES CAMM ... 6
GEORGE DOLPHIN ... 3	JAMES ADDIS ... 7
WILLIAM NEED ... 4	*WILLIAM DAVIES ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by FRANK COOK.

* First peal.

CURRY RIVEL, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 19 cwt.	
*TOM W. CREED... <i>Treble</i>	ALBERT E. COLES ... 5
HENRY J. CREED ... 2	GEORGE H. HEAD ... 6
ISAAC CREED ... 3	*GABRIEL CHAMBERLAIN ... 7
JOHN W. JONES... 4	CHARLES R. LILLEY ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and
Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

* First peal in the method, and first peal in the method on the bells. This peal was arranged specially by C. R. Lilley for J. W. Jones, of Newport, Mon., by whom the best thanks are given to the band and to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells.

SEDGLEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD
AND THE DUDLEY GUILD.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

CARTER'S TEN-PART, No. 39. Tenor 16 cwt.	
REV. E. V. COX ... <i>Treble</i>	EDGAR T. SMITH ... 5
GEORGE PEATE ... 2	WILLIAM FISHER ... 6
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 3	THOMAS J. ELTON ... 7
*SAMUEL PEARCE ... 4	RICHARD DUNN... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by THOMAS J. ELTON.

* First peal of Stedman. Rung as a farewell peal to Thomas Watton, the conductor of the Sedgley band, who is going to Australia. The ringers wish to thank Mr. B. Fullwood for having everything in readiness, and for kindly entertaining them after the peal.

LONDON.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.
On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH, CUBITT TOWN, E.

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.	
ALBERT A. HUGHES ... <i>Treble</i>	CHARLES T. COLES... 5
WILLIAM J. KEMP ... 2	BERTRAM PREWETT... 6
ISAAC G. SHADE ... 3	HENRY DEW ... 7
ARTHUR J. NEALE ... 4	ERNEST PYE ... <i>Tenor</i>

Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by C. T. COLES.

SIX BELL PEALS.

LIVERPOOL.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, GRASSENDALZ,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Woodbine and two 720's each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt.	
*GEORGE WOODHALL... <i>Treble</i>	GEORGE R. NEWTON ... 4
THOMAS J. MORRIS ... 2	EDWARD CAUNCE ... 5
THOMAS JENNION ... 3	JOHN TURNER... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by GEORGE R. NEWTON.

* First peal on six bells. It was intended to have rung a peal in seven Treble Bob methods, but, meeting short, G. Woodhall stood in at short notice.

FOXTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Thursday, August 22, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 changes each of Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.	
*WILLIAM MACE... <i>Treble</i>	FRANK S. ANDREW ... 4
WALTER T. WILSON ... 2	CHARLES W. BIRD ... 5
GEORGE A. BLAXLEY ... 3	E. MAURICE ATKINS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

* First peal of Minor. The ringers of treble and 5th hail from Kettering and the rest from Isham, Northants.

GROBY, LEICESTER.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PHILIP AND JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Double Court, College Single, Grandsire, Plain Bob, and Oxford Bob. Tenor 9 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lbs.	
GEORGE H. GEARY ... <i>Treble</i>	VICTOR GEARY... 4
WILLIAM SMITH ... 2	ERNEST GEARY... 5
JOHN W. SPENCER ... 3	ERNEST MORRIS ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

First peal in seven methods on the bells and by all the band. It was rung as a farewell to John W. Spencer, who sailed for Australia on August 27th.

BRIDSTOW, HEREFORDSHIRE.
THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BRIDGET,

A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being seven different 720's. Tenor 9 cwt.	
*HENRY J. TAYLOR ... <i>Treble</i>	JOHN CLARK ... 4
HARRY MARKLOVE ... 2	WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... 5
EDWARD SUMMERS ... 3	WILLIAM POSTON ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by WILLIAM POSTON.

* First peal of Minor. Arranged for Messrs. Taylor and Williams, of the Hereford Cathedral band.

STOKE GOLDING, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 each of College Bob IV, Cambridge Surprise, London Scholars' Pleasure, College Exercise, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford. Tenor 10 cwt.	
ERNEST STONE ... <i>Treble</i>	WALTER J. HORTON ... 4
E. HARRY STONELEY... 2	GEOFFREY J. STONELEY... 5
THOMAS H. VALLANCE ... 3	THOMAS W. CHAPMAN ... <i>Tenor</i>

Conducted by E. HARRY STONELEY.

Rung for the festival of St. Bartholomew, A. & M.

OVERBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Faith,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Kent Treble Bob, four 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently, and one each of Canterbury Pleasure and Grandsire.

*CHARLES WHITTLE Treble	ERNEST GIBBS 4
HARRY COLLEY 2	HUBERT SALISBURY 5
JAMES HEMMING 3	LEONARD NICHOLS Tenor

Conducted by L. NICHOLS.

* First peal and first attempt. This was the quarterly peal for the Southern Branch. After the peal the Vicar (the Rev. W. Lea) entertained the ringers to supper, a vote of thanks being passed for his hospitality.

HANDBELL PEALS.

DERBY.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
(St. Andrew's Society.)

On Wednesday, August 21, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
In the Belfry of St. Andrew's Church, Litchurch,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 CHANCES;

*JAMES PAGETT 1—2	†ALBERT H. WARD 5—6
WALTER WALLACE 3—4	†ARTHUR BRAINES 7—8
*BART MITCHELL 9—10	

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and
Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

Referee: C. E. HART.

* First peal on handbells. † First peal of Caters on handbells.
It is also the first handbell peal of Caters ever rung in Derby.

LONDON.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 22, 1912, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At 3, HART'S LANE, NEW CROSS,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 11 cwt., in G.

MISS ELSIE L. BENNETT... .. 1—2	FRANK I. HAIRS 5—6
ARTHUR F. SHEPHERD 3—4	FRANK BENNETT 7—8
ALFRED W. GRIMES 9—10	

Composed by J. A. TROLLOPE, and
Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Umpire: F. G. WOODISS.

SHEFFIELD.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, August 22, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-five Minutes,
At 31, BURGESS STREET,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

*WILFRED LLOYD 1—2	JOHN THORPE 5—6
CLEMENT GLENN 3—4	ARTHUR HAGUE 7—8

Conducted by CLEMENT GLENN.

Umpire: SIDNEY F. PALMER.

* First peal on handbells.

BURTON-ON-TRENT, STAFFORDSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 24, 1912, in Two Hours and Thirty-six Minutes,
At OAKAMOR HOUSE, 75, CALAIS ROAD,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 15 size, in C.

WILLIAM SHERCLIFF 1—2	ALBERT P. WAKLEY 5—6
CHARLES SANDERS 3—4	MISS WINIFRED SANDERS 7—8

Composed by J. CARTER, and
Conducted by A. P. WAKLEY.

Umpire: J. T. DYKE.

First attempt for a peal by the ringer of the tenors, who is the first lady to ring a handbell peal for the M.C.A.

NORWICH, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 25, 1912, in Two Hours and Twenty-two Minutes,
At 42, WYMER STREET,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

WILLIAM A. HEMPNALL 1—2	B. J. HOWCHIN 5—6
ALBERT G. WARNES 3—4	GEORGE H. CROSS 7—8

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN, and
Conducted by GEORGE H. CROSS.

First peal of Treble Bob in hand by all. First peal of Kent by the ringer of 1—2. This is supposed to be the first peal of Kent in hand in Norfolk.

The ringer of the 3rd in the peal of Stedman Triples at Erdington, on August 14th, was Joseph W. Timms, and not Fimens as published.

RINGING AND THE PUBLIC.

To the Editor.

Sir,—It is with a sad heart that I have read the two paragraphs of "Odd Changes" in your last issue, which refer to the ringing at Cambridge. I am sad not because the description lacks interest or even amusement, but because I feel it very faithfully represents once again the old difficulty so well known to all ringers. "How are we to exercise the Art without being a nuisance to those who do not appreciate it?" With the best intentions we are a nuisance in such a place as Cambridge. Only in out of the way country towers can we do as we like without fear of giving offence. Our case is not improved by the argument of "unreasonableness, etc." on the part of the public. Ringers are in a large minority, and likely to remain so, and majorities must be considered, however true it be that distinction implies minority.

I believe ringers are winning a growing respect for all but their ringing, and that the ringing is better and more scientific than ever the steady procession of records in your journal is ample evidence. How is it going to end? I contend, sir, that if ringing is going to end at all it cannot be reckoned as a serious art. But there are those of us who believe it to be such, and that as an art it should be capable of ministering pleasure even to those who do not understand it. At present it ministers irritation.

There is another point of view. Your correspondent speaks of those who disturbed their (the inhabitants) Sunday afternoon siesta, and gave them something like eight hours' music on the Monday. When we ringers are begging funds for the restoration of our bells, is the above the kind of purpose we set before subscribers as an inducement? Is a church the proper place for the infliction of eight hours' music on a helpless and protesting population? This may appear fighting on the side of the enemy. I care not. I believe in this change ringing. I want it to continue. Though only a beginner, I have a great faith in its power for good, and looking to the future, I doubt whereunto it will grow.

Do we ringers recognise that this Art, like others, has its limitations, and must be worked within them? Can we face these limitations even if we find one of them to be that we must not annoy? Where is the solution of this problem? Is it to be found along the line of shortening what counts as a peal? For instance, are we always to be under the tyranny of the 5000? Can we ring no method unless we have safely passed this arbitrary number of changes in it? Or will it ever be possible to discover some means whereby we can pursue our studies in the belfry and cause no complaint without? I believe, now ringing grows apace, something ought to be done in both these directions, though both involve loss. But there! we have heard of a truthful paradox which speaks of preserving only by loss. Now many ringers are seeking diligently to save this Art. Let us take care. If we seek to save it only for ourselves, who ring, we shall lose it.—Yours faithfully,

The Rectory, Great Munden.

A. G. LANGDON.

OVER THE TELEPHONE.

To the Editor.

Dear, Sir,—With reference to your remark in the last number of "The Ringing World" that 50 miles must be the record distance at which bells have been heard, on February 25th of last year, when Oakham bells were dedicated after being recast and rehung, I heard them very distinctly over the telephone at Doncaster, which is just over 100 miles by wire. The same bells have been heard, but not so distinctly, in Manchester. An ordinary telephone transmitter, without any auxiliary apparatus, was used, the instrument being near an open window about 50 yards from the church tower.

If any of your readers wish to try the experiment of listening to bells over the telephone, they may ring me up at the Library, 56a, Oakham, next Saturday afternoon, August 31st, between 2.30 and 5.30 p.m., when a band is going for a peal of Stedman Triples.—Yours truly,

H. S. PHILLIPS.

SMALLEY CHURCH BELLS.

A MAGNIFICENT CHIME FROM THE LOUGHBOROUGH FOUNDRY.

The new chime of five bells (the largest of which is now the biggest bell in Derbyshire) has been provided for the village of Smalley at a cost of about £1,100 by the bequest of the late Rev. Charles Kerry, a native of Smalley, and late Rector of Upper Standon, Beds. The bells were conveyed from the bell foundry of Messrs. John Taylor and Co., at Loughborough, on Tuesday week, to Smalley, by road, by means of Messrs. Z. Onions' steam traction engine. All the village came out to greet them, and upon arriving at the boundary of the parish the bells were decorated, and a procession, consisting of the Church officials and parishioners, was formed, and proceeded to the churchyard, headed by the Mapperley Colliery Brass Band. On reaching the graveside of the donor of the bells, a short service was held, prayers being offered, and an address being given by the Vicar (the Rev. B. Phelps), who hoped that the peal would be much admired and appreciated by the village and by all who heard them.

The formal dedication of the bells is expected to take place in about a month's time.

The donor of the peal (the Rev. Charles Kerry) died on January 28th, 1908, at the age of 74 years. He was widely known by his writings, the most recently completed being his "History of Smalley," a work which was actually written in the sick room. He was also probably the only clergyman to make stained glass windows, an art in which he was very proficient, and beautiful examples of his work are to be found at Shillington Church, Beds.; South Wingfield Church, Derbyshire; and also at the church to which he has left the grand chime of bells, viz., Smalley. He had his own private ovens erected for the work, and not only painted the windows, but also designed them.

THE INSCRIPTIONS.

The new bells bear the following inscriptions:—

- Treble:** TO THE GLORY OF GOD
THESE FIVE BELLS WERE GIVEN TO THIS
CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST SMALLEY
BY THE REVEREND CHARLES KERRY A.D. 1908
REVEREND B. PHELIPS VICAR
1912
- 2nd:** IF ANY OF US BE CAST AGAIN WE OUGHT TO BEAR OUR
DONOR'S NAME
TO IGNORE HIS GIFT WOULD SURELY BE A GRIEVOUS
BREACH OF COURTESY
REVEREND CHARLES KERRY DONOR A.D. 1908.
1912
- 3rd:** GIVEN BY THE REVEREND CHARLES KERRY
IN MEMORY OF HIS BELOVED FATHER
SAMUEL KERRY OF THE OLD GREEN FARM
SMALLEY A.D. 1908
1912
- 4th:** GIVEN BY THE REVEREND CHARLES KERRY
IN MEMORY OF HIS BELOVED MOTHER
ELIZABETH KERRY A.D. 1908
1912
- Tenor:** GIVEN TO THE CHURCH OF
HIS NATIVE VILLAGE BY CHARLES KERRY
(LATE RECTOR OF UPPER STONDON, BEDS.)
WHO DIED A.D. 1908, AGED 74 YEARS
1912

The diameters, weights and notes of the bells are as under:—

	Diameters ft. in.	Weights Cwts. qrs. lbs.	Notes
Treble	3-4½	12 0 15	F Sharp
2nd:	3-9½	16 2 22	E
3rd:	4-0½	20 0 0	D Sharp
4th:	4-6½	27 3 21	C Sharp
Tenor	5-1½	40 1 2	B
Total weight		117 0 4	

5007 STEDMAN CATERS.

BY JOSEPH W. PARKER, SUNDERLAND.

281456789	
42156378	1, 3, 5, 11, 16, 18, 21, 24
453261	15, 16
351162	5, 16
351462879	2, 8, 9, 15
345162	15
312465	15, 16

The last four courses ten times repeated with a single instead of bob at 5 in the 2nd and 8th parts.

First rung at Newcastle, Aug. 5th, 1912 Conducted by W. H. Barber.

DISCIPLINE AMONG RINGERS.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The unwillingness to submit to the discipline of an organisation by keeping its rules, of which the Chester Diocesan Guild's officials complain, is not peculiar to ringers. Anyone who has been concerned in starting a guild or society, parochial or other, knows that men will readily agree to any proposed system of rules; the trouble comes when the rules have to be enforced. We see this on a large scale in trade disputes: Union leaders cannot enforce their own rules; men refuse to be bound by agreements to which they themselves have assented. One reason of this, I am sure, is that people do not think about or take in the meaning of rules to which they subscribe. There is no trouble so irksome to the average mind as that of thought. People accustom themselves, as Bishop Butler says in the preface to his famous sermons, "To let things pass through their minds rather than to think about them. Review and attention, and even forming a judgment becomes fatigue; and to lay anything before them that requires it is putting them quite out of their way." You confront a man with the rules to which he agreed, and a copy of which has been supplied to him; and you find, in all probability, that he has either never read them, or if he has, that he did not take in their meaning: so that, when occasion for applying them arises, he feels a law unto himself. It is not, in the majority of cases, deliberate insubordination, it rises rather from reluctance to go through the unfamiliar and irksome process of thought—a reluctance which, I fear, is not likely to be diminished by the growing habit of taking opinions upon every conceivable subject ready made from newspapers, without ever thinking them out.—Yours faithfully,
T. L. PAPILLON.

SOME SUGGESTIONS.

Dear Sir,—The particular trouble you refer to is largely the fault of individual tower management. The tower secretary or treasurer should make a point of collecting the subscriptions when the Christmas money is being divided—its no use asking a man with an empty pocket for a subscription, whereas if they were dunned for it just after having secured a share of the funds they could not have the excuse that they had no money, and if the official was up to it he would see they had suitable change, so that there would not be the excuse of not having change.

There is another way out of the difficulty, whereby the subscription comes in automatically, and the individual ringers never feel they are paying it. That is to make the subscription a "first charge" on the funds in which case the subscription according to the number of members is set aside before division takes place. Of course this necessitates all the participating members being members of the association, which is only right and proper if the tower is affiliated to the Association. Certainly it should not be the work of the secretary or even the deanery secretaries to get in each individual subscription; the cost of doing so would be a very serious charge on the funds of the Association.

I enclose you a copy of rules which were adopted by the ringers themselves—not framed by Vicar or churchwardens and the ringers made to conform to them. The first rule obviates any tendency to secede from the Association, and another rule makes it quite clear that the subscription is to be paid before the monies are divided. These rules have worked well and kept the band together for nine years.

DEANERY SECRETARY.

THE HANDBELL PEAL AT HINTON.

To the Editor.

Sir,—I was sorry to see that Mr. W. Page had opened correspondence in your columns in regard to this peal; and as he seems to infer that the matter is not receiving attention, may I, in reply, assure him that the points he mentions will be attended to, at the time mentioned in the Rule he quotes. As I believe newspaper correspondence will but tend to arouse ill-feeling in this matter, I have advised those directly concerned not to reply to his letter. In conclusion, may I draw Mr. Page's attention to Rule 13.—Yours truly,
J. R. NEWMAN,
Hon. Secretary, Worcestershire and Districts Association.

NAMED AND UNNAMED METHODS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—In answer to the letter which appeared in your issue of the 24th, I wish to inform "Inquirer" that the method he mentions has previously been rung and named Willesden Delight. With regard to the other suggestion, as to getting the whole of the methods named, would the Whitley Bay company, who have rung all the Surprise Methods, publish the names given to the following, which I think have never been stated: Nos. 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 40. The others have been rung and named as follows: No. 1 Munden, 2 Alnwick, 3 Canterbury, 4 Morpeth, 5 Newcastle, 6 Chester, 7 Whitley, 8 Northumberland, 9 Carlisle, 14 London, 15 Wells, 16 Lincoln (this has also been named Southwell), 17 Cuneastre, 22 Lancashire, 23 Lightfoot, 24 Stamford, 25 Wearmouth, 26 Westminster, 27 Annable's London, 28 Netherseale, 29 Norwich, 30 Hexham, 31 Surfleet, 32 York, 33 Durham, 34 Berwick, 35 Beverley, 36 Norfolk, 37 Ipswich, 38 Primrose, 39 Cambridge, 41 Bourne, 42 Superlative.—Yours truly,
F. BLOOD.

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Weight, 50 cwt, 0 qr. 21 lbs.

This bell was recast, and the peal of twelve rehung by us in September last. Since then the following peals have been rung on the bells:—

Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association.
Cambridge Surprise Maximus by the College Youths.
Stedman Cinques by the St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham, on May 11th, 1912.

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OUR ILLUSTRATION.

A CLEVER LADY HANDBELL RINGER.

Although not yet out of her 'teens, Miss Elsie Bennett is one of the most accomplished of our lady ringers, for her performances upon handbells, crowned the other day by a peal of Bob Maximus, are unique among members of the fair sex. The daughter of that talented conductor and enthusiastic ringer, Mr. Frank Bennett, the Secretary of the Cumberland Youths, it is perhaps not surprising that the young lady should have acquired a love of the Art, and the same keenness and quick grasp of a most difficult branch of practical campanology which made her an apt pupil, has brought about her development as a most skilled exponent of double-handed ringing.

Miss Bennett was born at Guildford, Surrey, on Oct. 22nd, 1892, and it must surely have been an omen that the



MISS ELSIE BENNETT.

event occurred on the very day that the Surrey Association were holding a quarterly meeting in the town. Miss Bennett first learnt to ring handbells about two years ago, when her father taught her to ring 1—2 to Bob Minor. Very soon a 720 was scored and this was followed by a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples, rung with the assistance of Mr. W. Shepherd, on the day after the ladies' attempt at Cubitt Town in 1911. Miss Alice White rang 7—8 to this touch.

Miss Bennett's first attempt for a peal had a disastrous ending, for it was lost in the last two or three leads. Misfortune seemed to dog all her efforts after this, and no less than nine attempts came to grief in the last half. With splendid pluck, however, the young lady tried again and again, and the tenth attempt ended successfully. This peal was rung on August 22 last year, and within 12 months she has brought her peal total up to nineteen. After the

first nothing came amiss, and Bob Major, Grandsire Caters, Bob Royal and Maximus have been accomplished, as well as a peal of Grandsire Triples on 5—6, and it is hoped that Stedman will shortly be added to the list.

In addition to the Bob Maximus, which was the first twelve-bell peal in which a lady had taken part, Miss Bennett also rang in the 8,099 Grandsire Caters—the longest length ever rung in the method "in hand." All her peals have been rung on handbells, and she has not followed up the Art in the tower beyond ringing a bell in rounds. Miss Bennett, whose ringing career will always be watched with interest, is a member of the Kent County Association, the Winchester Diocesan Guild, the Royal Cumberland Youths, and the All Saints' Society, Fulham. Her peals are as follow:

Grandsire Triples	2	
Grandsire Caters	3	including 8,099
Bob Major	7	
Bob Royal	6	
Bob Maximus	1	
Total	19	

ODD CHANGES.

Collected from all Quarters.

The appeal for funds to restore and augment the bells of St. Mary-de-Lode, Gloucester, will, we hope, meet with a generous response. Contributions may be sent to the Vicar (the Rev. W. C. Macklin), St. Mary-de-Lode Vicarage; Alderman J. Clark, 9, Kingsholm Road; or J. Stephens, tower-keeper, 12, St. Mary's Square, Gloucester.

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A concert in aid of the funds for the restoration of Shoreditch bells is to be given in the Parish Room on Saturday, October 12th. Ringers should book this date and secure tickets from the hon. secretary, Mr. H. J. Bradley, Clerks House, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

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In this issue, in reply to inquiries, Mr. F. Blood, of Biggleswade, gives the names of all the Surprise Minor methods in the Central Council's collection, which have been named up to now. As frequent inquiries are made as to these names we suggest that those who possess a copy of the work should insert the names for future reference. Further, we hope the Witley Bay Company who have rung all the methods, should name those at present unnamed, and settle up this little matter once and for all.

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If any reader can furnish the names of the Treble Bob and Delight Methods, so far as they have been rung, we shall be pleased to publish them.

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Next week the Cambridge University Guild have a tour in Devon, and on September 7th, a band organised by Mr. W. Pye will commence a tour in Somerset.

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The ring of eight bells (tenor 18 cwt.) of the Parish Church, Kirton-in-Holland, near Boston, Lincs., are to be re-hung with iron headstocks, and all modern fittings. The work of restoration which includes the recasting of the seventh and fourth bells is being carried out by Messrs. John Warner and Sons, of the Spitalfields Foundry, London.

According to a Croydon paper, the recasting of the ring of eight bells (tenor 26 cwt.) of St. Peter's Church, Croydon, has now been made possible by an anonymous gift of £150, and the churchwardens appeal to the parishioners and townsmen for their loyal and substantial support. The tenor bell is a very indifferent casting, and the tone and tuning of the other bells is very poor. The eight bells are to be recast into nine, and the ring of ten will be completed by a new treble, which has been generously given by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon.

The congratulations and good wishes of the Exercise, and particularly of members of the Salisbury Guild, will be extended to Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart, of Ferndown, Wimborne, upon his marriage to Miss Beatrice Constable Littlejohn, of Dundee. Mr. Stewart is the popular Master of the Salisbury Guild.

Peals are sometimes recorded in odd fashions, but we think a record on a jug must be unique. At Brooker's Hotel (formerly the Millstone Inn), Barnsley, there is a large jug, manufactured by the noted firm of Doulton and Co., which bears, on one side, the announcement that a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, 6,080 changes, was rung at St. Mary's Church, Barnsley, on December 26th, 1879, in 3 hrs. 50 mins. On the other is given the names of the performers as follows: Treble, C. H. Hattersley; 2nd, W. Richardson; 3rd, G. S. Tyas; 4th, W. Whittaker; 5th, R. Sharks; 6th, A. Brearley; 7th, T. Hattersley; tenor, R. H. Pease.

Our correspondent (Mr. T. R. Hensher), who sends us this information, says he is informed that the name of the ringer of the fifth was Sparks. The capacity of the jug is nearly two gallons, and he asks can this be the "little brown jug," of the immortal ballad?

Quite a number of ringers have this year left these shores for the Colonies. Among the latest to depart is Mr. John W. Spencer, a member of the Midland Counties Association, who sailed for Australia on Tuesday. As a farewell, a peal in seven Minor methods was rung at Groby on Saturday, and afterwards Mr. Spencer was made the recipient of a gent's dressing case from the local ringers, with best wishes for his success in his new sphere.

A farewell peal was also rung on Saturday at Sedgley, Staffs. Mr. Thomas Watton, the conductor of the Sedgley band is leaving for Australia, and sails with the good wishes of a large circle of ringing friends.

A fortnight ago we published a peal of Treble Bob Minor rung at Norbury, Cheshire, which was chronicled as a peal in "broken lead" methods. The Central Council allot more points to these methods than to simple Treble Bob methods, but we remember on one occasion a member of the Analysis Committee appealing for information as to what a "broken lead" method was.

Doubtless there are many members of the Exercise who are ignorant of the meaning of the term. For their benefit we may explain that a broken lead method is a method which does not possess a continuous slow work, such as Kent or Oxford Treble Bob, but has the slow work broken up, as is the case, for example, in London Scholars' Pleasure, in which the slow work in the first lead is done half by the 2nd and half by the 6th.

DEATH OF MR. MATT. WOOD.

A FAMOUS LONDON RINGER.

How fast the veterans of the Exercise are disappearing. James Pettit and William Cooter have passed away within the last few months, and to-day it is our melancholy duty to record the death of Mr. Matthew A. Wood; the sad event taking place on Tuesday, at his residence, Church Row, Bethnal Green. For over 60 years Mr. Wood was among the leading exponents of the Art in the metropolis, and was well-known to the older generation of ringers throughout the country.

Had he lived to September 22nd, he would have been 86 years of age, but for some months past he had been in indifferent health, and the end was not unexpected. Mr. Wood had had a remarkable career as a ringer, having rung 380 peals in England, Ireland and Scotland. His first peal was one of Grandsire Triples at St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on February 18th, 1846, conducted by George Stockham, and rung for the St. James' Society. Afterwards he joined the Cumberland Youths, but about 1856 he threw in his lot with the College Youths, of which he has been Master, and for 30 years held the office of Treasurer.

In our next issue we shall be able to give an extended history of Mr. Wood's interesting ringing career.

The funeral will take place to-morrow (Saturday). The first part of the service will be held at St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, the church that he loved so well, and under whose shadow he had lived since 1829. The interment is at Abney Park Cemetery, at 4 p.m.

A PROMISING YOUTH.



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TOM FORD, JUNR., OF PALGRAVE.

This young ringer, who is only 16 years of age, has rung 24 peals, all on inside bells, made up as follows:

Grandsire Triples	1
Stedman Triples	1
Bob Major	2
Oxford Treble Bob	9
Kent Treble Bob	1
Double Norwich	9
Superlative Surprise	1

LONG PEAL ATTEMPT.

All being well five members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild will attempt a long peal of Stedman Caters on hand-bells on Saturday, August 31st. The length will be about 20,000, and the starting time about 12 o'clock noon. Ringing will take place in Holy Trinity belfry, Guildford.

All Saints' Church, Waldron, Sussex.



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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday last members of the Dorchester branch paid a visit to the historical village of Abbotsbury. The party arrived early in the afternoon by motor train, and made tracks for the church, where they were given a hearty reception by the genial Vicar (the Rev. C. O. Bruton) and Mr. H. Cozens (the captain of the local band). The bells (6), a very old peal, dating back to the 17th century, but which, having been rehung in the last decade by Messrs. Stokes, go remarkably well, were raised in peal and set off to the tune of Grandsire Doubles. Stedman Doubles and a touch of Minor, followed, and a 720 of Doubles (believed to be the first on the bells) was tapped off in honour of the marriage of the Master of the Guild (Mr. A. F. Martin Stewart) to Miss Littlejohn, which took place in Scotland on the preceding Tuesday.

The Vicar kindly entertained the ringers (12) to a substantial tea, and afterwards the father of the branch, Mr. Hodges, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and his good lady for their kindness.—The Hon. Secretary seconded, and stated that he hoped at some future date the Abbotsbury Guild would see their way clear to join the Diocesan Guild, and take up the art of change ringing. He also hoped that next year they would be able to hold a branch meeting at Abbotsbury.—The Vicar, in responding, said he should be only too pleased to welcome the branch to his parish. He had been interested in ringing for many years, and when in Newcastle he was an hon. member of the Durham and Newcastle Association.

The local ringers kindly escorted the visitors around the places of interest, which are many, including the grand old church, which bears marks of Cromwell's bullets, and the old Monastery, St. Catherine's Chapel (the writer thinks this chapel should be handed to the care of the nation, as it is showing very bad signs of decay), the Swannery, the largest in the world, and the famous tropical gardens, where plants grow the likes of which are not grown anywhere else in Great Britain.

Another visit was then paid to the belfry, and the bells kept going till 8.30, some of the local men ringing the tenor to their first 120. The Vicar and the ringers afterwards went to the station to speed the parting guests.—The branch wish to thank the Vicar and Mrs. Bruton, through the medium of "The Ringing World," for their kind hospitality on this visit.

HERE AND THERE.

Mr. James George (Ringing Master of the Warwickshire Guild) writes: It will be noticed that a monthly meeting of the Guild is to take place on Saturday, 31st inst., at Monks Kirby. The church at this place contains a fine peal of six bells with a tenor about 28 cwt. It is hoped that ringers who possibly can do so will avail themselves of this favourable opportunity of ringing upon them.

Steps have been taken to organise a large as well as competent band at St. Stephen's, West Ealing, where the bells have recently been hung for ringing. Among the ringers who have joined are: Messrs. W. Lawrence, J. A. Trollope, E. Brown, T. Crocker, C. Edwards, G. E. Harbour, A. Harding and E. J. Watson, and a society has been formed under the presidency of Mr. W. C. Tyndale, one of the sidesmen. Quite a number of young hands have also been procured from among members of the congregation.

Mr. A. E. Wrecks, late general secretary of the Lancashire Association, has been spending his holiday in Manchester, and three peals were arranged for him by his old friends. The first, Superlative Surprise at Pendleton, was successful, and was recorded last week. Another peal in the same method on the following evening, however, came to grief after an hour's ringing, and a peal of Stedman on the Thursday, finished prematurely about ten minutes from home. After the failure on the Tuesday, a course of London, and two courses of Stedman were brought round, with Mr. J. W. Washbrook ringing 3—4.

The bells of Stockton-on-Tees were kept going on August 15th to celebrate the marriage of Miss Fanny Beatrice Martin, fourth daughter of Canon H. Martin, M.A., Rural Dean, of Stockton-on-Tees, to Mr. E. Josslyn, of Newark-on-Trent. Immediately after the ceremony, which was performed by the bride's father, assisted by her brother, the bells struck off in rounds, queens and firing. Then a capital 774 Grandsire Caters was brought round, and then refreshments, including a substantial cake, were enjoyed. Afterwards 540 Grandsire Caters were rung, and the bells lowered in peal. The ringers desire, through "The Ringing World," to thank Canon and Mrs. Martin for their hospitality and to couple with these thanks an expression of goodwill towards the happy pair.

A combined practice of the Sonning Branch of the Oxford Guild was held on Saturday last, at Sonning, there being a good attendance of members, representing Binfield, Sandhurst, Easthampstead, Hurst, Waltham, Reading, and the local band. Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Bob Major, Kent Treble Bob Major, Double Norwich and Superlative, were rung.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

MEETING AT SEAL CHART.

The summer meeting of the Tonbridge District was held at Seal Chart on Saturday last, and, considering the wretched weather, and the difficulty of reaching the village, was very well attended, nearly 30 members being present from Speldhurst, Shipbourne, Hadlow, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, and the local band. A special service was held in church, and was attended by a good number of parishioners, including Mr. Conrad Wilkinson (one of the churchwardens) and Miss Wilkinson, as well as the ringers. The Association's special form of service was used, and two hymns were heartily sung.—The Vicar (the Rev. A. S. H. Scott) gave an excellent address, taking his text from St. Luke xii, 31st verse. After service, the members adjourned to "Frankfield," where Miss Wilkinson had very kindly provided an excellent meat tea to which, it is needless to say, ample justice was done.

The business meeting followed, the Vicar presiding. It was decided to attempt the next quarterly peal at Hadlow, on Oct. 5th, the method to be Bob Major, conductor, the District Secretary; and the band for the peal was made up.—The District Secretary proposed, and Mr. A. Jarvis seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for arranging the service, for his excellent address, and for presiding at the meeting, to the lady who presided at the organ, to Miss Wilkinson for kindly entertaining them to tea, and to Mr. Harding for making the arrangements.—The motion was carried with applause, and the Vicar, in replying, expressed the great pleasure it gave him to meet the members. Personally, he had great respect for the Association and its work, and it showed great enthusiasm on their part to come there that day through the rain to attend the meeting. He met one of his ringers earlier in the afternoon, and expressed the opinion that there would not be anyone turn up, and he was agreeably surprised to see such a number in church. He said he was very proud of his own ringers, who performed their duty in a very reverent manner, and he was very glad that they were members of the Association. He hoped the Association would visit them again at some future time.

This concluded the meeting, and the members enjoyed a look round the greenhouses, and a pleasant walk through the grounds to the church, where ringing was indulged in by mixed bands during the evening.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Central Division of the Sussex Association was held at Burgess Hill on Saturday. During the afternoon touches in various methods were rung till 4.45, when a short service was held, and a capital address given by the senior curate (the Rev. Viret).—Tea was afterwards partaken of at the Potter's Arms, and was followed by the usual business meeting, Mr. J. T. Rickman being in the chair.—Several new members were elected, and votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and the Rev. Viret for his address. The tower was then again visited, Superlative, Double Norwich, Bob Major Stedman and Grandsire being among the methods rung, and those present spent an enjoyable and instructive time. The towers represented included Balcombe, Horley, Crawley, Lindfield, Lewes, Keymer, Ditchling, St. Peter's, Brighton, and also the local ringers.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION AT WORSLEY.

A meeting of the Manchester Branch of the Lancashire Association was held at Worsley, on Saturday week, when, despite the inclement weather, ringers were present from Pendleton, Deane, Reddish, Haywood, Rochdale, Pendlebury, and Manchester, together with the local company. Many of the visitors took the opportunity of inspecting the beautiful grounds of the Earl of Elmsere.

At the meeting, which was held in the belfry, the Vicar (the Rev. C. B. Hulton) was voted to the chair, and expressed his pleasure at seeing so many ringers present. He stated that he had arranged for the formal opening of the bells, which have recently been rehung, to take place on the afternoon of September 8th, and on the same occasion he hoped to unveil the tablet to be erected to the memory of the late Mr. Richard Ridyard. He invited all ringers who could do so to be present on that occasion.—Some discussion took place as to the shape and size of the tablet, and the matter was eventually left in the hands of the Vicar and the local band.

It was decided to visit Didsbury for the next monthly meeting.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and for the liberty of inspecting the grounds at the Hall.

The Vicar joined in ringing a touch of Stedman, and Miss Barnes, of Reddish, took part in three courses of Bob Major. Touches in other methods were also rung.

ARKSEY, DONCASTER. — On Saturday, August 10th, 720 College Single: G. Clarke (conductor) 1, Rev. Rhys James 2, H. Woodhouse 2, E. Arrand 4, F. Beardsmore 5, F. Clarke 6. First 720 in the method by all the band, and rung at the first attempt.—On Sunday, August 11th, for morning service, 720 Plain Bob: F. Garner 1, F. Clarke (conductor) 2, E. Arrand 3, A. Wilson 4, F. Beardsmore 5, H. Trout 6. For evening service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: F. Garner 1, G. Clarke 2, F. Clarke (conductor) 3, E. Arrand 4, F. Beardsmore 5, H. Trout 6.

RINGERS' OUTINGS.

SCENES AND INCIDENTS.

VISIT TO WESTMORLAND.

During a visit to Kirkby Stephen, a 720 Kent Minor was rung at the Parish Church, by: A. F. Hillier 1, J. W. Parker 2, C. O. Sayer 3, J. E. Keen (conductor) 4, B. W. Dixon 5, O. Simm 6. These six ringers from Newcastle and Sunderland, with two others whom the fates did not permit to make the journey, were in hopes of scoring the first peal on the bells, a nice peal, with a 15 cwt. tenor, from Warner's foundry. With the aid of two or three of the local band, courses of Stedman and Bob Triples were rung for service, and in spite of the rain, the visitors found much to interest them in and about the fine old church, and the combined attractions of beautiful scenery and eight bells will no doubt lead to another and more successful visit at some later date.

EVESHAM RINGERS AT BRISTOL

On Aug. 17th, the Evesham band, together with a few friends, journeyed to Bristol for their day's outing. Bristol was reached about eleven o'clock, and the visitors were met by Mr. W. Knight, of the St. Stephen's band. After refreshments the party made their way to Clifton Parish Church, where they were joined by Mr. R. J. Wilkins, of the Clifton band, and this pretty peal of eight were set going to various standard methods, including: Treble Bob and Bob Major, Stedman and Grandsire Triples.—Subsequently the party took a stroll to the Suspension Bridge, down the Rock Railway to Cumberland Basin, thence by tram to St. Nicholas Street, where dinner was partaken of at the Admiral Duncan Hotel, Mrs. Walker catering for the visitors in excellent style. Next came one of the most pleasurable parts of the day's excursion. Through the kindness of Mr. P. W. H. Came, a pull was allowed the ringers on the fine peal of twelve of St. Mary Redcliffe, three courses of Grandsire Cinques being brought round, in which the ringers stood as follows: P. W. H. Came 1, R. J. Wilkins 2, W. Knight 3, T. Edwin 4, H. Jordan 5, J. Hemming 6, F. Jordan 7, F. Cook 8, F. Johnson 9, H. J. Phipps 10, H. Middleton (conductor) 11, W. Workman 12. This was the first touch of Cinques and first attempt on twelve bells by the ringers of 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12. A return was then made to the Admiral Duncan Hotel, where tea was served. Afterwards a move was made to St. Stephen's, where more ringing was done, including Bob Royal and Grandsire Caters, Stedman and Grandsire Triples. Then, after a social hour with handbells and songs, Bristol was left soon after 11 p.m., home being reached in the small hours of the morning. Although rain fell the greater part of the day, it did not damp the spirits of the ringers, everyone thoroughly enjoying himself, and hopes were entertained of paying another visit to Bristol at some future time. The ringers wish, through the medium of "The Ringing World," to thank Mr. P. W. H. Came, for his kindness in allowing a ring on St. Mary's bells, Mr. W. Knight for arranging for St. Stephen's, and Mr. R. J. Wilkins for Clifton.

ST. MARTIN'S SOCIETY, LEICESTER.

The St. Martin's Society, augmented by Messrs. Buttery, Fowler, Morris, Needham and Sevier, had their annual outing on Saturday week, when they visited Church Langton and Kibworth Harcourt. On arriving at Langton, after a pleasant journey by brake, the party at once made for the belfry, where they were met by Mr. R. W. Jesson, who had everything in readiness. The peal (8), it was soon found, did not intend to be played with, and after a re-shuffling of the band and a little humouring of the bells, touches of Stedman and Double Norwich were brought into rounds. A move was then made for the Langton Arms, where a capital tea was waiting, to which full justice was done. The bells were afterwards set going to Stedman and Superlative, these being the first touches in the methods on the bells.—After a course of Caters and a tune by Messrs. Cotton and Morris on the handbells, which was much appreciated by the locals, as well as by the other visitors, a start was made for Kibworth, where the arrival of the party was heralded by the bells going up in peal. The local ringers were in force to give them welcome, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman, Duffield, Double Norwich and Superlative were brought round. It was the first time Kibworth bells had gone to Duffield and Superlative.—A pleasant hour was afterwards spent with the Kibworth men, the handbells and the talent of the ringers as singers forming the major part of the entertainment.

Special thanks are due to Mr. R. W. Jesson, of Langton, and also Mr. F. Staniforth and company, of Kibworth, who made the arrangements for the visit.

CLIFTON.

On Monday week the Emmanuel Guild, Clifton, held their annual excursion. Leaving Bristol at 3.5 a.m., Bournemouth was reached at 7 o'clock, and after a substantial breakfast at the Star Hotel, the party went to the beach to bathe, but only the hon. secretary (Mr. C. Rawlings) was brave enough to face the cold sea. The hon. treasurer (Mr. H. Gregory), who, unfortunately, could only spend a few hours with

the excursionists, joined the party later, and they then proceeded to Christchurch, where the Vicar had kindly given permission to use the bells. Two short touches of Grandsire Triples—223 and 265 changes—were rung by S. Popham, E. Guise (conductor), G. Tudball, W. J. Rawlings, S. Best and friend, and T. Holman and C. T. Rawlings. The party afterwards proceeded to Boscombe, where dinner was served at the Salisbury Hotel, and a few hours were spent on the beach. The visitors returned to Bournemouth for tea, and then visited the Picture House. The ringers take this opportunity of thanking the Rev. Cooke Garborough for the use of bells, and Mr. Stephen Best and friend for kindly making arrangements which contributed so largely to the success of the outing.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Drighlington on Saturday, and was attended by ringers from Armley, Bramley, Bolton, Calverley, Guiseley, Holbeck, Hunslet, Headingley, Leeds, Pudsey, Shipley, Tong, Bradford, Mirfield, Liversedge, and the local band.—An attempt for a peal did not prove successful, and touches were rung on the bells until time for the business meeting, which was held at the Spotted Cow Inn.—In the absence of the President, Mr. G. Bolland (vice-president), occupied the chair.—Mr. F. Thorpe, of Mirfield, and Mr. W. Brierley, of Liversedge, were elected members of the society.—Owing to the next meeting, which is to be held at Bolton, falling on the same date as the Yorkshire Association meeting at Gargrave, it was decided to hold the society's meeting the following Saturday, September 28th, and members are requested to note this change of date. The peal arrangements were left to the secretary.—Mr. H. Smith proposed, and Mr. J. Guy seconded, that the best thanks of the meeting be given to the Vicar and churchwardens of Drighlington for the use of the bells.—The Chairman then announced that Mr. Wm. Boocock, of Bradford, was shortly leaving for Canada, and the best wishes of the members were accorded to him, Mr. Boocock responding. The remainder of the evening was spent in handbell ringing.

THE "TEMPTER'S" POWER.

In foreign lands men journey far,
Some thousand miles to see
A baby girl; scarce, women are,
As corals of the sea.

But here at home Eve's daughters seem
As plentiful as shrimps,
Where often men do not esteem
But spurn the lovely nymphs.

At home we heard the other day
A ringer had not seen
Or rung with any charming maid—
In belfry-tower I mean.

How many miles he cantered full
I cannot now inform,
'Twas only just to get a pull
Beside her angel form.

He braved the storms upon the road,
And hurried on pell-mell,
Like famous Johnny Gilpin strove
Until he reached the "Belle."

'Tis said his wife remained at home
And questioned him at night;
"Lor, missus, I'm so pleased," he 'phoned,
"For 'twas a splendid sight

"To see the lady's dainty sleeves,
Her tresses falling slack,
How gracefully she bent her knees—
It was a treat!" said Jack.

"If you can't ring," his wife replied,
Void ladies in your train,
You'd better call a 'Go,' she cried,
"And touch no rope again.

"I don't intend at home to stay
To suit your lady ringers."
And now we hear on washing-day,
She keeps Jack at the wringer.

G. F. MARGETSON.

LUTTERWORTH.—On Sunday, August 11th, for evening service, 504 Grandsire Triples: T. H. Green 1, P. Rouke 2, S. Poole 3, A. J. Ross 4, F. J. Herbert 5, W. Williams (conductor) 6, T. A. Rogers 7, W. G. Tilcock 8.—On July 30th, 504, with E. Tipler ringing the 7th. These are the longest touches by the local band with their own conductor.

NOTICES.

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LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, August 31st. Bells available from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting at 6 o'clock.—G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A monthly meeting will be held at Monks Kirby (6) on Saturday, August 31st. Bells available from 3.30 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shotton.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meetings will be held at Earls Barton on August 31st, and Denford on September 7th.—F. Wilford, General Secretary, 149, Ashburnham Road, Northampton.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. John's, Hackney, on September 3rd and 17th, St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 3rd; Southwark Cathedral on the 10th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th and 26th; and St. Paul's Cathedral, on the 17th, all at 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kendal on Saturday, September 7th. Further particulars by circular.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Honorary Secretaries.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Furness and Lake District Branch will be held at Kendal on Saturday, September 7th. Meeting at 4.30. The bells at St. Mary's, Ambleside (8) will be available on Saturday morning.—Wm. Robinson, Honorary Secretary.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Twyford on Saturday, September 7th next. Service at 3.30 p.m.—Thomas Best, junr., Honorary Secretary, Bletchley.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.—The next monthly meeting of this society will be held at Worksop on Saturday, September 7th. Priory Church of St. Cuthbert (8 bells, tenor 12 cwt.) available 2.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. The school room close by will be available for the business meeting, about 5 p.m., and also for handbell ringing. The Worksop Company's handbells (61 in number) will be at the disposal of members. Permission has been granted for members to view the new church of St. Ann, nearing completion. Tea may be obtained at 1s. per head by advising Mr. H. Haigh, Worksop, by September 5th.—J. E. L. Cockey, Honorary Secretary, 504, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Stanmore on Saturday, September 7th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5 o'clock, 6d. each. All are welcome. Members are reminded that subscriptions are due, and should be paid as soon as possible.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 173, St. John's Road, Walthamstow.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the South and West District will be held by kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. P. C. West) at Sunbury on Saturday, September 7th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. A short service will be held at 5.30, which members and friends are earnestly invited to attend. Tea at 6, 6d. each.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

ST. PETER'S AMALGAMATED SOCIETY, SHEFFIELD.—The next meeting of the above society will be held at Dronfield (6 bells) on Saturday, September 7th, 1912.—J. Evinson, 91, Clarence Street, Sheffield.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Winchester District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Upham, on Saturday, September 7th, 1912, bells available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5.30, at Brushmakers Arms.—James W. Elkins, District Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Axbridge Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday, September 7th. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.30, meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m.—J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

SALOP GUILD.—The annual meeting will be held at Shrewsbury, on Saturday, September 14th, 1912. Ringing at St. Mary's 2.30 p.m. St. Chad's and St. Alkmund's Tower open during afternoon. Business meeting 4.30 p.m. in St. Chad's Vestry. Short service 5.30 p.m. in St. Chad's Church; Preacher, Rev. C. B. Crowe (Coalbrookdale). Tea 6 p.m., St. Chad's Parish Room.—Rev. H. B. Beckwith, Hon. Secretary, Ridgemount, Shrewsbury.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—A district meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, September 14th. Ringing at Christ Church from 4.30 to 8 p.m., followed by a social gathering at the Cherry Tree Hotel.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at St. Martin's, Tipton, on Saturday, September 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. T. W. De Vine, M.A., R.D., who will also preside at the business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—A meeting of the society will take place at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, N.W., on Thursday, September 19th. Tower open at 8 p.m. All ringers invited.—F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth, S.W.

VISITORS TO BRISTOL will find every convenience and moderate charges at Mrs. Walker's, Admiral Duncan, Nicholas Street, Bristol Headquarters of the Bristol Ringers.

SITUATIONS VACANT AND WANTED.

SITUATION WANTED as CARPENTER and JOINER; estate preferred; married; change ringer in Standard methods.—X. Y. Z., c/o "Ringing World" Office, Woking.

FITTER AND TURNER.—Improver required; must be good change ringer.—Apply "Cyclops," c/o "Ringing World" Office, Woking.

SITUATION WANTED as GARDENER.—Would take charge of small garden; no objection to pony and trap. Married. Change ringer on five and six bells.—W. Little, Parsonage Downs, Dunmow, Essex.

TENDERS WANTED.

WELLINGTON, HEREFORD.—Tenders wanted to rehang peal of five, one bell to be recast. Specification to be seen on appointment with the Rev. E. H. Beattie, Wellington Vicarage, Hereford.

MARRIAGE.

STEWART—LITTLEJOHN.—At Carona Villa, Carnoustie, N.B., on the 20th inst., by the Rev. John F. Dempster, Erskine United Free Church, A. F. Martin Stewart, Ferndown, Wimborne, Dorset, to Beatrice Constable, daughter of the late Thomas Littlejohn, Solicitor, Dundee.

MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD.—At St. Mary's Church, on July 30th, 1260 Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: A. Searle 1, C. Golding 2, H. Golding (conductor) 3, W. Floyd 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd 6, G. Sells 7, W. Charge 8.—On Sunday, August 11th, for morning service, 224 Bob Major: A. Searle 1, W. H. Newell 2, W. Floyd 3, C. Golding 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd 6, G. Sells 7, H. Golding (conductor) 8. In the evening, 546 Oxford Bob Triples: F. Walker 1, H. Golding (conductor) 2, A. Searle 3, C. Golding 4, J. Floyd 5, W. Shepherd 6, W. Floyd 7, W. Charge 8.

DEPTFORD.—Kent County Association.—At St. John's Church, on Sunday, August 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 42 mins.: R. Posdike 1, P. S. Bacon 2, J. Law 3, G. R. Simmonds 4, F. W. Richardson 5, J. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, W. Daynes 8.

TENTERDEN.—Kent County Association.—At St. Mildred's Church, on Sunday, July 28th, 504 Grandsire Triples: H. Baker 1, R. Edwards (conductor) 2, G. Cramp 3, J. Manktelow 4, N. Tickner 5, G. Neve 6, A. Allen 7, F. Gilbert 8.—On Sunday, August 4th, for evening service, 518 in same method: H. Baker, senr., 1, H. Baker, junr., 2, A. Snelling 3, C. Tribe (conductor) 4, N. Tickner 5, G. Neve 6, A. Allen 7, J. Manktelow 8.—On Sunday, August 11th, 518 in same method: C. Tribe (conductor) 1, R. Edwards 2, J. Manktelow 3, G. Cramp 4, N. Tickner 5, G. Neve 6, A. Allen 7, F. Gilbert 8.

SWANSEA.—West Wales Association.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, August 11th, for evening service, 1008 Stedman Triples, in 37 mins.: F. Curtis 1, P. Kneath 2, E. Searle 3, H. T. Gowllett (London) 4, J. A. Hoare 5, J. Davies 6, F. Morgan (conductor) 7, E. Davies 8.

CHEDISTON.—On Sunday, August 11th, at St. Mary's Church, 720 Bob Minor in 24 mins.: L. Hammond 1, F. C. Lambert (conductor) 2, E. A. Head 3, F. Crane 4, L. Hembling 5, H. Pratt 6. Rung as a compliment to Mr. E. A. Head, on his 21st birthday.

LICHFIELD, STAFFS.—On Sunday, Aug. 11th, for evening service at St. Mary's Church, 938 Grandsire Triples: R. Phillips 1, A. Bowler 2, W. Dempster 3, W. Hopley 4, M. Pole Routh 5, F. Cope, junr. 6, F. Cope, senr. (conductor) 7, O. Sawyer 8.

PONTYPOOL.—Llandaff Diocesan Association.—On Saturday, Aug. 10th at Trevelth, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 43 mins.: D. Pinney 1, T. Morgan 2, F. Churchill 3, H. Pinney 4, W. Williams 5, W. Chaneh 6, S. Rogers (conductor) 7, H. Appley 8.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.—On Monday, August 12th, on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Arthur Crane (one of the local branch), to Miss Mary Hopkins, a quarter peal of Grandsire Triples: W. Mead (first quarter-peal) 1, H. Sear (conductor) 2, T. Mead 3, W. Sear 4, L. Meager 5, E. Marks 6, Rev. W. P. Wright (Howton, Yorks) 7, F. Goodman 8.

LEEDS.—Recently after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal at St. Mary's Church, Hunslet, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: J. R. Kemp 1, F. Cundale 2, G. Jowett 3, H. Williams 4, W. Powell 5, P. J. Johnson 6, C. O. Sayer (conductor) 7, G. Smith 8.—At St. Michael's, Headingley, 672 Superlative Surprise Major: P. Scott 1, C. O. Sayer 2, R. Thomas 3, H. Williams (conductor) 4, G. Slack 5, W. Wood 6, H. Lindsay 7, A. Haste 8. Mr. C. O. Sayer hails from Sunderland.

LYMINGE, KENT.—On Saturday, July 27th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 47 mins.: E. Fisher 1, C. Turner 2, H. G. Saywell 3, W. E. Pitman 4, P. Page 5, H. S. Humphrey 6, L. Head (composer and conductor) 7, J. Skeer 8.

PLYMOUTH.—On Sunday, August 11th, at Charles Church, 612 of Grandsire Caters: F. Purse 1, W. Hooper 2, W. Hornbrook 3, R. Hornbrook 4, Walter Marsh 5, F. Hockaday 6, R. Dobson 7, G. Stroud 8, W. Hiscott (conductor) 9, J. Woodley 10.

WALSOKEN.—Peterborough and District Association.—At All Saints' Church, on Aug. 10th, in one hr. six mins. a date touch of Bob Minor (1912 changes): G. Jutson (conductor) 1, J. Jutson 2, T. Blunt 3, A. Sargeant 4, J. Storey 5, R. Narborough 6. Longest length by ringers of 3rd, 4th and 5th, and rung after failure in attempt for a peal.

PETERBOROUGH.—At St. Mary's Church, on Sunday, August 11th, for morning service, 360 Oxford Bob. For evensong, 720 Double Bob by J. Dunthorne 1, W. Wakron 2, E. Tilley 3, J. Jutson 4, H. Traynar 5, G. Jutson (conductor) 6.—On Monday, August 12th, 1912, a date touch of Minor, consisting of 720 each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 360 Oxford Bob and 112 Plain Bob, in 1 hr. 2 mins.: F. Davis 1, T. Vaughan 2, J. Jutson 3, F. Cooke 4, H. Traynar 5, G. Jutson (conductor) 6.

PLYMOUTH.—On July 31st, at Charles' Church, 378 Erin Caters: W. H. Marsh 1, W. Hornbrook 2, Rev. E. S. Powell (conductor) 3, R. Dobson 4, W. Rundle 5, G. Stroud 6, F. Hockaday 7, W. Hiscott 8, W. Ford 9, F. Purse 10.

ASTON.—On Sunday, July 28th, for evening service, 647 Grandsire Caters, in 30 mins.: *A. Edgerton 1, J. Jones 2, A. Jones 3, P. Laffin 4, W. H. Jones 5, J. Hopkin 6, F. Bennett 7, W. G. Ellis (conductor) 8, *W. Davies 9, C. Allen 10. *Longest length.

LANGPORT, SOMERSET.—On Wednesday, July 24th, 720 Grandsire Minor: G. Dinham 1, T. J. Lloyd 2, T. W. Creed 3, A. Wheadon 4, G. Lock 5, H. J. Creed (Taunton), conductor, 6. Another 720: W. T. Jeanes 1, Wm. Tout 2, T. W. Creed 3, A. Wheadon 4, H. J. Creed 5, T. J. Lloyd (conductor) 6.

DENTON, MANCHESTER.—On Sunday, July 28th, on the anniversary of the dedication of the Church of St. Anne's, for morning service, 720 Arnold's Victory; for afternoon service, 720 Tanner's Pleasure; for evening service, 720 Oxford: H. Bardsley 1, W. Wilde 2, A. E. Marshall (conductor, afternoon) 3, J. Pollitt (conductor, evening, and first attempt) 4, W. Wright 5, J. Heckingbottom (conductor, morning) 6. The two first-named are the first in the methods by all the band except the ringer of the tenor.

MALVERN LINK.—Worcestershire and Districts Association. — At St. Martha's Church, on Sunday, July 28th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins.: W. Niblett 1, E. E. Barber 2, F. Stanton 3, J. Brown 4, H. Chance 5, C. Camm (longest length) 6, R. G. Knowles (conductor) 7, A. Richings 8.

RESTORATION AT STOKEINTEIGNHEAD, DEVON.

The tenor bell of the peal of five in Stokeinteignhead Church having become cracked during the ringing of a peal on Old Year's Eve, 1911, the Misses Morris, of Ouston Maidencombe, provided funds for recasting it and adding a new treble bell, in memory of their late sister, Miss Evelyn Morris. The old wood frame and floors and beams, and the fittings of the bells, being in a bad condition, it was decided to replace them with all new work. The contract was entrusted to Messrs. Harry Stokes and Son, Church bell hangers, of Woodbury, and they provided and fixed a new frame and hung the six bells with all new fittings complete, the work having been carried out to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. Previous to the re-opening of the bells, about £140 had been subscribed. The dedication service was largely attended.—The Rector (the Rev. K. A. Lake) officiated, and the dedication prayer was offered by the Rev. Maitland Kelly, President of the Devon Guild of Ringers, who gave an excellent address on bells and their uses. Afterwards merry peals were rung on the bells by bands of ringers from Combeinteignhead, Kingskerswell, Cockington, St. Mary Church, Coffinswell, Wolborough, Newton Abbot, Highweek, Babbacombe, St. James', Teignmouth, and other members of the Devon Guild of Ringers including the President, and Mr. Frank Davey, of Exeter, and Mr. H. Stokes, junr.

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