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WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON, MESSRS. GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON. 4th March, 1912. Gantlemen,

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 cut by you has proved most successful, and given

recently carried cut by job Luc .

Teneral 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.

MODERN WORK

#### CARE OF BELLS.

The question of the care of bells, or rather of the responsibility for their care, loomed largely in the speeches made at the College Youths dinner last Saturday, when to celebrate the 276th anniversary a record gathering of ringers assembled. The keynote was touched by the Master, who having, in proposing the toast of "The Church," enumerated some of the responsibilities of the ringers, also referred to the responsibilities of the Church towards the bells. The Archdeacon of London took up the cue, and was followed by the Master of the Oxford Guild, who, speaking from a wide experience, referred to the sad fact that despite all that had been done and was still being done, there existed cases in which the belfry was a most sadly neglected part of the Church. He quoted an instance, which came under his personal notice, of a parson whose attention was called to the accumulation of sticks and rubbish in the belfry-brought there by jackdawsand who, when it was suggested that something should be done to keep the birds out of the tower, calmly replied that he did not mind about them getting into the belfry as long as they kept out of his garden.

It is almost unbelievable that in these days such indifference to a portion of the consecrated church could exist. Happily this kind of neglect is rapidly passing away, and, as Mr. Faulkner put it, in a large measure owing to the efforts of the ringers themselves. We agree with him that much of the reform that has taken place has come from within and not from without, and that it has been owing to the persistent efforts of the ringers to interest the clergy in the part of the service which they render, that changes have come about which not only have improved the belfries but have raised the standard of the ringers. Some day, perhaps, in every church throughout the land the belfry will be as much cared for as the chancel. The movement in that direction is going on apace, and the public who know and love their parish churches little realise how much of this is due to the ringers.

Our associations and their members have a growing sense of their responsibility to the Church, and Mr. Faulkner was certainly only doing his duty when he held up, on the other hand, the responsibility of the Church to the ringers. Not infrequently, even in these days, those who undertake to ring the bells meet with scant encouragement. They seldom, if ever, see their parson in the belfry, and these are the cases, generally, where the parson seldom sees the ringers in the church. Wherever the clergy interest themselves in the ringers-and they are now doing so more than ever before-one usually finds that the belfry is well cared for and the ringers are the best of Churchmen. There is a lesson even for the clergy to be gained from this.

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# OPINION OF OUR MODERN WORK.

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#### TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 4, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANGES;

Tenor 14% cwt.	
*GORDON CAUDWELL Treble   ARTHUR H. WHITE 6	
ALBERT E. LOCK 2 F. STEDMAN WHITE 7	
HARRY HOLIFIELD 3   GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Senr. 8	
GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Junr. 4 RICHARD WHITE 9	
CUTHBERT G. WHITE 5 FRED WHITE fen	17

Composed by John Cox, and Conducted by G. Holifield, Senr.

• First peal of Caters.

WEST HAM, ESSEX.
THE ESSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Thirty Minners.

At the Church of All Saints,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANCES;

$T\epsilon$	enor	28 cwt.	
 7	reble	JAMES E. DAVIS 6	į.
 	2	WILLIAM H. THEOBALD 7	
 	3	REUBEN SANDERS 8	
 	4	HENRY TORBLE	Ü
•••	<i>T</i>	Treble 2 3 4	Tenor 28 cwt

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

Messrs. Grimes, Davis and King were elected members previous to starting.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICESTERSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 CHANCES;

	Te	nor	251 0	cwt., in D.		
SHIRLEY BURTON		7	reble	R. HENRY BARTRAM		6
ERNEST BARTRAM			2	H. EDWARD NORMAN		7
EDGAR VALLANCE			3	RICHARD MOUNT		
SIDNEY PROCTOR				WILLIAM WILLSON		9
WILLIAM G. THORPE			5	RALPH B. HUBBARD	7	ei o

Composed and Conducted by William Willson. First peal by ringer of treble and first in the method by ringers of 2nd, 3rd, 7th and tenor. Messrs. Bartram and Mount belong to Melton, Proctor and Thorpe hail from Grantham, the rest from

Leicester.

#### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

RAINHAM, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Margaret.

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES:

A LEVE OF GIVE	IDOINE I	mi LEO, JOHO GIIANGES,	
		Tenor 22 cwt.	
*Sidney Champion	Treble	†John H. Champion	5
William Haigh	2	WILLIAM EASTER	6
*Frederick Ockwell	*** 3	WILLIAM J. WALKER	7
*Albert Manktelow	*** 4	*CHARLES BELSEY	Tener

Conducted by W. Haigh.

\* First peal. † First peal of Triples. First peal on the bells since augmentation to eight by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and rung at the first attempt.

# CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (CHIDDINGFOLD SOCIETY.)

On Wednesday, October 29, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-eight Minutes,

At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES:

HOLT'S TEN-PART.	Tenor 111 cwt.
CLAUD REMNANT Treble	George Luff 5
THOMAS ATTWELL 2	
ARTHUR J. BARTLETT 3	Herbert J. Ellis 7
THOMAS W. BURDOCK 4	
Conducted by Art	HUR J. BARTLETT.

Rung in honour of the birth of a son and heir to the Rector and Mrs. Ward, the happy event taking place on Saturday, October 25th.

ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.	YATELEY, HANTS. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.
(NORTHERN DIVISION.) On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,	On Tuesday, November 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-four Minutes,  AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,
At the Church of St. Peter,	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;	Holt's Ten-Part. Tenor 15 cwt.
THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.  Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lbs.  THOMAS J. SALTER Treble   SAMUEL GROVE 5  JOSEPH PIGOTT 2   ROBERT MATTHEWS 6  WILLIAM PAGE 3   WILLIAM SHORT 7  JOHN WITHERS 4   JOHN SMITH Tenor  Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT.	*Miss Beatrice Stilwell Treble   Harold Tice 5 †George Butler 2   James R. Bunch 6 *Albert Hearmon 3   Sydney Riddell 7 *William G. Bunch 4   *Cyril Bunch Tenor Conducted by George Butler.  * First peal. † First peal as conductor. This peal was rung as a
First peal on the bells.  ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE.	birthday compliment to the President of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, Mr. J. P. Stilwell, J.P., of Hilfield, Yateley, Hants.
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION (NORTHERN DIVISION.)  On Sunday, November 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes,	KELSALE, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,	At the Church of St. Peter,
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWIGH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;	A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;
WILLIAM SHORT	Tenor 16½ cwt.  William Fleming
ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.	LONDON. THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND
(NORTHERN DIVISION.) On Sunday, November 2, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,	LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.  On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,  At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;	A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;
JOHN SMITH	Tenor 20 cwt.  ERNEST E. GRIMES Treble   FRANK BENNEIT 5  *WALTER S. INWOOD 2   CHARLES T. COLES 6  BERTRAM PREWETT 3   JAMES E. DAVIS 7  J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE 4   ALFRED W. GRIMES Tenor  Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.
First peal in the method on the bells.	* First peal in the method away from the treble.
NEW MILLS, DERBYSHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (Bowdon and Stockport Branch.) On Monday, November 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, At the Parish Church,	BUSHEY, HERTS. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. (THE BUSHEY SOCIETY.) On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, At the Church of St James,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;	A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;
Tenor 13½ cwt.  Samuel GladwinTreble   Harold Hibbert 5  William Lowery 2   John W. Hartley 6  Rev. A. T. Beeston 3   Thomas RamseyTenor  Composed by Arthur Knights, and Conducted by Rev. A. T. Beeston.  Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Mr. Churchwarden  Warrington's daughter.	Tenor 13 cwt.  WILLIAM SEELEY
READING, BERKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (READING BRANCH.)	BOLTON, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Monday, November 3, 1913, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of St. Giles,	(BOLION BRANCH.) On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,
A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor 15 cwt.	A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;
*Leonard Osborne Treble   Rev. Cyril W. O. Jenkyn 5 *Miss Ethel Goodship 2	THURSTANS' FIVE-PART.  PETER INCE

bells.

## LONG STANTON, CAMBS. THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; Tanan ml aut

		10	TIOI /	4 CWL.	
*Rev. H. B. Woolle	Y	T		T. REGINALD DENNIS	
WILLIAM D. JAMES .			2	†J. Bruce Williamson	6
FRANK E. KEMPTON.			3	ABRAHAM WILKERSON	
WALTER RADLEY .	• •	•••	4	Frederick Dench 7	enor

Composed and Conducted by FREDERICK DENCH. \* First peal of Major. † First peal with a bob bell. This peal was rung in honour of the wedding of Miss C. E. M. Boughey (daughter of the Rev. A. F. H. Boughey, President of the Cambridge University Guild), and Mr. A. P. Scott, which took place at Great St. Mary's Church, Cambridge, on the previous day.

#### DUFFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 6, 1913. in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ALKMUND,

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

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARI	IATION OF THURSTANS'.	Tenor 17 cwt.
Edward C. Gobey  William Bates  Arthur Braines  George Dawson	Treble   JOHN FLOWER	5
WILLIAM BATES	2 ALBERT H. WARI	··· ··· 6
ARTHUR BRAINES	3 HENRY LETTS	7
George Dawson	4 HENRY BEARDSLE	Y Tenor
Conducte	ed by HENRY LETTS.	

\* First peal as conductor in any method.

## NORWICH, NORFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND NORWICH SCHOLARS.

On Thursday, Novomber 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AT COSLANY,

### A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES;

	Tenor 14	cwt.	
GEORGE H. CROSS	Treble	George Howchin	5
CECIL R. CHAMBERLIN	2	Frank R. Copeman	6
ALBERT G. WARNES		Bertie J. Howchin	
Frederick J. Howchin	4	Frederick H. Knight	sTenor
Comr	osed by I.	THORP, and	

Conducted by G. H. Cross. Rung after meeting short.for Double Norwich.

#### WORCESTER.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

#### PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18		
ERNEST E. BARBER Treble THOMAS J. SALTER 2	WILLIAM EDGINGTON	6
*George Hinton, Junr 4	WILLIAM PAGE ROBERT G. KNOWLES	7 Tenor
Composed by J.  Conducted by		

\* First peal of Bob Major. Rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. J. R. Newman (honorary secretary of the above Association), to Miss A. Jones.

#### BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:

JOHN CAPP WILLIAM HILLMAN	2	RICHARD STREDWICK ALBERT D. STONE WILLIAM C. HART KEITH HART	6
		Middle Toy and	I enor

Conducted by KEITH HART.

#### HESTON, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, November 7, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES ;

	Te	nor 1	3⊈ cwt.	
*Thomas J. Barker	7	reble	CHARLES S. BIRD	5
BERTRAM PREWETT		2	WALTER S. INWOOD	6.
			*Charles I. Edwards	
HENRY H. CHANDLER	•••	4	*Ernest R. Gladman	Tenor
C	4 1	C	arms Trupopp and	

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and Conducted by BERTRAM PREWETT.

\* First peal in the method. Rung as a birthday compliment to C. S. Bird. It was the conductor's gooth peal.

## PULFORD, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD. (CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Friday, November 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

#### A PEAL OF LITTLE BOB MAJOR, 5000 CHANGES;

	Ten	or 9 cw	vt.	3 qr. 10 lbs.	
WILLIAM MORGAN		Treb	le	George Jones	 5
HENRY WOODFINE		2		JAMES MORGAN	 6
RICHARD JONES		3		EDWARD ALLEN	 7
ALBERT E. RICHARD	S	4		HENRY W. WILDE	

Composed and Conducted by HENRY W. WILDE. First peal in the method by all the band except the conductor. First peal in the method as conductor, and first in the method on the

#### NORTH WINGFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Five Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE.

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES

		1 en	or it	DA CWI.	
Fred Davies		Tv	eble	WILLIAM LAMBERT	 5
HERBERT DAY	• • •		2	THOMAS W. GORE	 6
JOHN P. TARLTON					
CHARLES MASON	• • •		4	JOHN FLINT	 Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

# MAYFIELD, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTAN,

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

i	THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	Tenor 213 cwt., in E	flat.
l	George H. Howse Treble	WILLIAM STEED	5 5
1	OLIVER SIPPETTS 2	ROBERT J. DAWE	6
ļ	Albert Harman 3	KEITH HART	
	*ARTHUR R. MILES 4	*ARTHUR GROOMBRIDGE	Tenor
	Conducted by	KRITH HART	

\* First peal in the method. First peal on the bells since the addition of two trebles by Messrs. Taylor & Co. Rung as the quarterly peal of the Eastern Division, six towers being represented.

COGGESHALL, ESSEX.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER-AD-VINCULA,

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

		$T\epsilon$	enor :	ro≩ cwt.	
WILLIAM KEEBLE		7	reble	John Sadler 5	
Walter Sadler			2	ERNEST NEWMAN 6	
Andrew Shufflebo	THA	M	3	ERNEST W. BECKWITH 7	
FRANK CLAYDON			4	DAVID ELLIOTT Tene	or

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

W. Keeble and J. Sadler were elected members previous to starting

## MOTTRAM-IN-LONGDENDALE, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Six Minutes, At the Church of St. Michael,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES |

	Tenor 15 cwt.	I qr. 16 lbs.		
JOHN STOPFORD	Treble	TOM WILDE	•••	5
		JAMES SHAW		
ARTHUR HAUGHTON	3	ALBERT HOUGH	***	7
		SAMUEL BOOTH		Tenor
Comp	osed by Will	LIAM HARRISON, and		
Č	Conducted by A	ALBERT HOUGH.		

First peal in the method on the present peal of bells.

## CHESTER, CHESHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY WITHOUT-THE-WALLS,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CRANCES;

	,
Tenor	20 cwt.
ROBERT SPERRING Trebi	e HENRY W. WILDE 5
ERNEST SMITH 2	Charles Price 6
James Dillon 3	Edwin Breeze 7 Ernest E. Channel Tenor
ARTHUR WATKIN 4	ERNEST E. CHANNEL Tenor
	HARLES PRICE, and
Conducted by	Robert Sperring.
Arranged for Messrs. Dillon an	d Breeze, of Port Sunlight; and also
as a birthday compliment to the c	conductor.

#### SOWERBY, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

	Tenor	15 cwt.	
JOE HARDCASTLE	Treble	JONAS S. AMBLER	 5
REV. C. C. MARSHALL	2	JAMES COTTERELL	 6
JOHN LAWSON	3	Joseph Broadley	 7
ERNEST A. MURGATROYE	4	FRED SALMONS	 Tenor
Compose	d by Art	HUR KNIGHTS, and	

Conducted by JAMES COTTERELL.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. James Smith, of Sowerby, on his attaining the age of 70 years and completing 50 years' service as a stationed ringer at Sowerby Church. After the peal, at a tea and social, he was presented with a marble timepiece as a mark of recognition from his fellow-ringers and members of the church.

## WALDRON, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

	Tenor 121	cwt., in G.			
ALFRED J. TURNER	Treble	OLIVER SIPPETTS	5		
GEORGE H. HOWSE	2	EDWARD W. BRAY	6		
ALBERT HARMAN	3	WILLIAM C. HART	7		
ROBERT J. DAWE	4	KEITH HART	Tenor		
Comp	osed by GABI	RIEL LINDOFF, and			
Conducted by Keith Hart.					
Tribut word of 3 fells.					

First peal of Major on the bells.

#### SIX BELL PEALS.

CHEDISTON, SUFFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
(HALESWORTH SOCIETY.)

On Monday, October 27, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

#### A PEAL OF MINCR. 5040 CHANGES :

A FEAL OF WINDING DUAD DINNIES,
Consisting of 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's each of Kent
and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 143 cwt.
WILLIAM PIERCE Treble   ARTHUR H. Took 4
Frederick C. Lambert 2 John Larter 5
JAMES SPALDING 3 FREDERICK W. WATLING Tenor
Conducted by F. W. WATLING.
Rung on the eve of the Festival of SS. Simon and Jude.

CODDINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, November 1, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes,
At the Church of All Saints,

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

	Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Woodbine, Oxford and Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.  Test	
ı	CHARLES WEBLEY Treble E. WILLIAM TURNER 2 CHARLES LAYTON 3 GEORGE JORDON	 . 5
ı	Conducted by Andrew Layton.	

\* First peal with a bob bell. Rung on All Saints' Day.

# WALTON, LIVERPOOL. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION, AND THE LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, November 4, 1913, in Two Hours and Thirty-nine Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

#### A "SILENT" PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

	Being 7	20 each of	London,	Canterbury,	Chester,	Carlisle,	Beverley,
ļ		York	and Cam	bridge.	Tenor	9 cwt.	

THOMAS W. GILMOUR	Treble	JAMES MARTIN	4
JOHN WILKINSON	2	HERBERT H. BARKER	5
JAMES W. BELL	3	HENRY FYLES	Tenor
Ilmpires : TANKE MARCH	(Ormelrirle)	and THOMAS MERRAN (	[ iccard)

The peal was rung "silent" and non-conducted, and the umpires were quite satsified that the peal was perfectly true and rung in strict accordance with the rules. This is the first "silent" peal by all the band, the first rung in Liverpool, and the first by the Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

## AI.DRINGTON, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes,

At the Church of St. Leonard,

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

Being two 720's each of Woodbine and Kent called differently, and 720 each of Duke of York, New London Pleasure and Oxford.

Tenor 10 cwt.

WILLIAM K. SHARPE	Treble	ARTHUR H. WHITE	4 -
HENRY C. GILLAM	2	FREDERICK F. TRUSLER	5
GEORGE A. STEELE	3	JAMES W. WHITE	Tenor
Con	ducted by	J. W. WHITE.	

First peal as conductor. Rung on the eve of the Festival of St. Leonard.  $\,$ 

# SKIRBECK, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. (EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, November 5, 1913, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

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

Being two 720's of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, 720 of Canterbury Pleasure, and two 720's of Plain Bob, each called differently, Tenor 18 cwt.

	JOHN COLMAN		Tre	ble	*CHARLES	$W_{M}$ .	NEWTO:	N 4
ļ	HAROLD PALMER		2		HARRY P.	ALMER.		5
	ARTHUR SWAIN		3	-	JAMES KI	RK .		Tenor
ł	C	onduc	cted b	y F	TARRY PALM	IĒR.		-

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Kirk.

## WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, At the Church of St. Nicholas,

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

п	A LENE OF MINOR, BOTT CHIMELT,
Į	Being three 720's of Canterbury Pleasure and four of Plain Bob each
ı	called differently. Tenor 10\frac{1}{2} cwt.

\* First peal in two methods.

## OMBERSLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Thursday, November 6, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ALBERT ATKINS		Treble !	ERNEST C. WOOD		4
WILLIAM PARDOE		2	HERBERT DAVIS	***	5
SIDNEY R. DUGGAN	• • •	3	SIDNEY MILES		Tenor
	Co	aducted by	A. ATKINS.		

First peal by all the band and first peal on the bells. Rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. J. R. Newman (the esteemed secretary of the above Association), and Miss A. Jones.

### WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, November 7, 1913, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Being three 720's of Kent Treble Bob, and four 720's of Oxford Treble Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

GEORGE EASTHAUGH			
JAMES SPALDING			
FREDERICK C. LAMBERT	3	FREDERICK W. WATLI	NG Tenor
Condu	cted by F	. W. WATLING.	

\* First peal of Treble Bob.

#### ISHAM, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. \_ On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Comprising 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Court Bob, St. Clement's Bob, Double Court Bob, Woodbine Treble Bob and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 91 cwt.

JOSEPH FARBY	Treble	E. MAURICE ATKINS	4
WILLIAM C. LEWIS	2	GEORGE A. BLAXLEY	5
FRANK H. TALBUIT	3	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN	Tenor
Conducted	d by J.	E. CHAPMAN.	

This was the conductor's 100th peal, and contained the first extent of Cambridge on the bells.

#### NUTFIELD, SURREY. THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANCES:

*WILLIAM BEESON		7	reble	*Јони	Humphrey	 4
Albert E. Wood						5
*WILLIAM OLLIVER	• • •	• • •	3	FRAN	K HAWKINS	 Tenor
	Cond	ucte	d by	F. Basi	HFORD,	

\* First peal,

#### EMBERTON, BUCKS. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. (NORTH BUCKS BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-two Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, College Pleasure, London Scholars', College Exercise, Violet, Kent and Oxford.

MISS DOROTHY D. STEELE Treble	HENRY W. GAYTON	4
ERNEST G. MYNARD 2		
CHARLES W. CLARKE 3	EDWIN S. MYNARD	Tenor
Conducted by	F. J. MYNARD.	

Miss Steele was elected a member of the Guild before starting for

the peal.

## ST. ALBANS, HERTS. THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

#### A PEAL OF MIMOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being 720 of Canterbury Pleasure and two 720's each of Plain Bob, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob.

RICHARD CHALKLEY ... ... J FREDERICK JEFFS ... ... Tenor Conducted by JOHN MALYAN,

First peal by all in four methods. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor's wife.

#### HANLEY CASTLE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Three Hours and One Minute, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Being seven 720's called differently.

\*John Godfrey --- ... Treble | \*Sidney Annis ... ... 4

\*William Reed ... ... 2 | Frank Godfrey ... ... 5 \*WILLIAM REED... 2 †John Dolphin ... ... Tenor GEORGE DOLFHIN ... 3 | †JOHN DOLPHIN.

Conducted by JOHN DOLPHIN.

ringers belong to the Pershore band.

#### BELTON, RUTLAND. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(BELTON ST. PETER'S GUILD.)

On Saturday, November 8, 1913, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Being 720 each of St Clements, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Plain Bob, Double Court and Single Court.

Tenor 10 cwt. 0 qr. 24 lbs., in G.

\*J. Henry Churchill ....Treble | †Thomas H. Atkins ... ... 4

J. James Jackson ... ... 2 | Ernest Morris ... ... 5

†Charles E. Reeve... 3 | Alban Jarman ... ...Teno ALBAN JARMAN ... ... Tenor Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

\* First peal. † First peal in seven methods. Rung as a welcome home to Mr. and Mrs. Gough, of Belton House. Quickest peal yet rung on the bells. The conductor hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester.

#### HANDBELL PEAL.

LONDON.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, November 9, 1913, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes, AT 3, HART'S LANE, NEW CROSS,

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

THURSTANS FOUR-PART.

\*Miss Elsie L. Bennett i—2 Frank I. Hairs ... 5—6

Arthur Shepherd ... 3—4 Frank Bennett ... 7—8 Couducted by FRANK BENNETT.

Witnesses: Mrs. Bennett and H. Thornley.

\* First peal of Stedman Triples in hand.

The peal rung at Bolsover on Nov. 1st was published last week without the method. It was 5056 Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

The ringer of the 3rd in the peal of Double Norwich at St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on October 27th, was Charles Edwards, not Charles Inwood.

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#### THREE SOUTH WALES PEALS RESTORED.

CALDICOT.

Saturday week was a great day in the annals of the Parish Church. Caldicot, Monmouthshire, for the bells, which have just been rehung and retuned, were then rededicated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, the church being crowded for the occasion. A large number of surpliced clergy from the neighbouring parishes were present. Evensong was sung by the Vicar, and after the hymn, "Praise the Lord, ye heavens adore Him," the formal dedication took place. A special hymn followed, and the Bishop then delivered a most impressive adhymn followed, and the Bishop then delivered a most impressive audress. During the offertory, the hymn, "For all the Saints who from their labours rest," was sung, and the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop, brought to a close a beautiful and memorable service. The offertory, which amounted to £6 l0s., was for the restoration fund. The opening ringing consisted of a few rounds by the local band, and this was followed by touches in the Standard methods, rung by visitors from all over the Diocese, under the direction of Mr. J. W. Jones,

from all over the Diocese, under the direction of Mr. J. W. Jones, the hon. secretary of the Llandaff Diocesan Association.

Tea was served in the Schoolroom to all the ringers, and, as the Bishop entered, a hearty welcome was accorded him. He was pleased, he said, to see so many ringers present, and urged them to carry out their duties in a manner worthy of church workers.

As regards the nature of the work done, it consisted of retuning the whole of the bells, rehanging in a new steel and iron frame, with new fittings throughout. It has been executed by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and the firm deserves the highest praise for the way in which the contract has been carried out. The tenor, which is a Pre-Reformation bell, weighs 13 cwt. 0 qrs. 6 lbs.

PONTYPRIDD.

Tuesday of last week was a red-letter day in the annals of Church life in Pontypridd, and a day also full of interest, too, and long to be remembered by the entire community attached to the Church of England or otherwise.

The donor to St. Katharine's Parish Church of the beautiful ring of eight bells was Mr. Hopkin Morgan, a worthy Nonconformist citizen. The gift was in memory of his parents, and came unspoilt by petty denominationalism, and extended beyond vexatious parochial limita-

The special dedication service was conducted by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, in the presence of a crowded congregation, which included Mr. and Mrs. Morgan. The Bishop's pastoral staff was carried by the Rev. Connop L. Price, the Rector of Caerphilly, and joint hon. secretary of the Llandaff Association, and his lordship was also accompanied by the Vicar (the Rev. T. P. Griffiths, M.A.), and other clergy. The Rev. T. C. Phillips intoned the service, and the lessons were read by the Vicar and the Rev. C. E. M. Williams-Miller. After the dedicatory prayers, the Bishop occupied the pulpit, and gave a most impressive address.

At the conclusion of the service, the bells struck out merrily, and were kept going by members of the Llandaff Diocesan Association, under the leadership of the hon secretary, Mr. J. W. Jones. Various touches in the Standard methods were rung, Mr. J. W. Taylor, the

founder, taking part.

Tea, partaken of at a local restaurant, had been very kindly provided by the Vicar and churchwardens. Afterwards, a return was made to the tower, and the bells kept going for the remainder of the evening.

The greatest possible credit is due to Messrs. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, for the manner in which the work has been carried out, Lougnovrough, for the manner in which the work has been carried out, the "go" and tone being alike excellent. The weight of the tenor is 12 cwt. 2 qrs. 21 lbs., and is inscribed in Welsh as follows:—"Gogoniant i ddww (Glory to God), Ac Er Cof Am Thomas a Margaret Morgan, o'r dref hon Rheddwyd y clychau Lyn Gan Hopkin Morgan, Y.S.W., Bronwydd, Pontypridd, 1913." The other bells are also suitably inscribed.

PETERSTONE.

At Peterstone, Mon., on Friday, the dedication took place of the restored ring of bells, which have been silent, so far as actual ringing is concerned, for about a hundred years. The dedication was performed by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and the service was impressive, the keynote being one of thanksgiving. A special form of service was used, and was intoned by the Vicar, the choir being augmented by choristers from Marshfield Church.

During the singing of a hymn, the Bishop, together with the clergy and churchwardens, proceeded to the tower, where the dedication was performed. The Marshfield ringers, with the assistance of Mr J W

and churchwardens, proceeded to the tower, where the dedication was performed. The Marshfield ringers, with the assistance of Mr. J. W. Jones, hon. secretary of the Llandaff Association, then rang the bells—in rounds, whilst the Bishop and clergy returned to the chancel. The congregation then sang beautiful hymns, specially composed for the occasion by the Vicar. The bells long silent now are sounding. At the conclusion, the Bishop gave a brief address upon the use and purpose of church bells. pose of church bells

The original six bells were placed in the tower in 1722, Mr. Nathan Chapman being the donor. Mr. Henry Radcliffe, J.P., of Drindstone, generously promised to make himself responsible for the recasting, rehanging and retuning of the bells, and whilst these negotiations were taking place, the hon. secretary of Llandaff Diocesan Association (Mr. J. W. Jones) approached the Vicar, and appealed to him to make an

effort to complete the octave. The Vicar, in turn, approached Messis. George and Francis Stubbs, descendants of the original donor of the bells, with the recult that they promised to add two trebles as a memorial to their late father. The ring is now one of eight bells, and only two of the original six remains, namely, the 6th and tenor, the others have all been recast. The work has been carried out by Messis. Warner and Sons, London. The frame is of iron, of the very latest improved type, with iron headstocks and all the necessary fittings of the very latest pattern. The bells are tuned on the Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and are a beautifully sweet-toned lot, reflecting the very highest credit on the founders.

At the conclusion of the service, the bells struck out joyously, and were kept going to the tune of Grandsire Triples at intervals for the whole of the evening.

whole of the evening.

THE LLANDAFF ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting was held at Peterstone, Mon., on Saturday, and the great number who attended would have done credit to an annual meeting. Representatives from practically all the towers in the Diocese were present, no doubt, attracted by the fact that the new ring of eight bells were to be rung for the first time. Some of the visitors went first to Marshfield Church, but by 5 o'clock all had met at Peterstore, where the Vicar (the Rev. II. G. Stanley) heartily welcomed the ringers.—At the business meeting, the Vicar acted as chairman.—Ar'sing out of the minutes were a few items which were discussed and dealt with.—Mr. Atwell gave notice that he would at the annual meeting bring forward a motion dealing with life membership.

--New members were elected, and the place for the next meeting discussed, but it was decided to leave settlement of this matter until-the annual meeting, which is to be held at All Saints', Newport, on Boxing

On the suggestion of the Hon. Secretary, it was resolved that a record be placed in the minutes of the Association, that the best possible thanks of the Association be accorded the Rev. H. G. Stanley, Vicar of Marshfield with Peterstone, for his successful efforts in bringing about the restoration of both Marshfield and Peterstone bells, each of which has now a complete ring of eight bells. When the rev. gentleman came to Marshfield both rings were then of six bells each, and were in a deplorable condition—in fact, neither of them were supand were in a deplorable condition—in fact, nether of them were sup-posed to have been rung for at least a hundred years. Not only were the bells in such a sad condition, but both fabrics as well. Now, happily, things are very different, both churches having been restored inside and out, and the two old rings of six thoroughly restored, and the octave completed in each case. It must be remembered, too, that this is not a thickly populated industrial centre, but a purely agricultural district, which made the success of the Vicar's efforts all the more remarkable.

The Vicar, replying, said it gave him the greatest possible pleasure to welcome the members of the Association to his parish, and he thanked them for the kind things said of him concerning the restoration of the bells. He also said that he would be most pleased to grant the use of either ring for a peal at any time, but he would like all who took part to be members of the Association, and not "black legs," by which he meant, of course, non-association ringers.

The opportunity is now taken of giving the Vicar the best thanks

for providing such an excellent tea to all who were present.

The bells were afterwards kept going in the Standard methods, and the ringers were struck with the very last additional sweet-toned ring of eight bells now at the disposal or use of the Association.

#### BERTRAM PREWETT'S 900 PEALS.

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Cambridge Surprise Maximus Kent Treble Bob Maximus Stedman Cinques New Cambridge Surprise Royal	5 48 3	1 2	16‡	
Cambridge Surprise Royal Kent Treble Bob Royal Stedman Caters	13	3 1 14	29	
Grandsire Caters Bristol Surprise Major	1 55†	14.	20	
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Double Norwich Court Bob Major Kent Treble Bob Major Oxford Treble Bob Major	36	12 25 3		Ý
Bob Major Stedman Triples	6	2 85	12	5
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\* Including 18,027 (record): † including 15,264 (record); † including 6063 (record). Rung in 234 towers in 37 counties.

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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.

Stedman Cinques by the Middlesex Association, June 1st. Stedman Cinques by Royal Cumberland Youths, Sept. 17th.

Kent Treble Bob Maximus by the Kent Association, December 7th, 1912.

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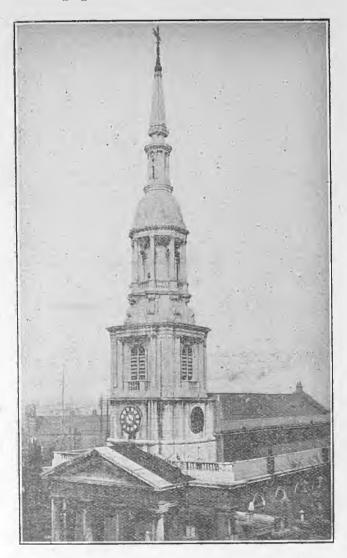
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### SHOREDITCH BELLS OPENED.

LARGE GATHERING OF RINGERS.

After an impressive dedication service on the preceding Monday, the opening of Shoreditch bells took place on Saturday last, some 300 ringers, many from distant parts of the country, visiting the famous church and sharing in the interesting event. As was mentioned in our last issue, the work, carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons, has been the reasting of the four trebles, the tuning of the whole peal on Canon Simpson's five-tone principle, and the rehanging of the bells, with new and modern fittings,



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effected by the retuning, and the splice is eminently satisfactory. The tenor is 282 cwts. in C. The opening of the bells actually took place before the work was completed, and as the results pleased the competent critics, Messrs. Warner & Sons are certainly to be congratulated.

The opening touch on the bells was 250 Stedman Cinques, rung by the Cumberland Youths, the band being Henry Dains 1, Benjamin Foskett 2, Miss E. K. Parker 3, J. D. Matthews 4, A. Hardy 5, F. Hairs 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, E. Barnett 8, G. Card 9, J. Hunt 10, J. Parker 11, H. Flanders 12. Afterwards touches, rung by mixed companies, were called by Messrs. T. Faulkner (Master of the College Youths), J. E. Groves (Birmingham) and W. A. Cave (Bristol).

A four o'clock service was held, at which, it is computed, a thousand persons attended. The special Psalms were the 149th and 150th, and appropriate prayers were offered. The preacher was the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, whose text was: "I am doing a good work," Nehemiah vi, 3. The work of Nehemiah was a work, he said, of effort and endeavour, and effort and endeavour had also characterised the life of St. Leonard, to whom Shoreditch Church was dedicated. The life of a Christian should also be one of effort and endeavour, and effort and endeavour was the main thought which was theirs that day. Effort and endeavour had been responsible for much restoration in their old churches, and were always to be seen in building up that which was new. Effort and endeavour showed what had been accomplished that day, when the ringing world at large was rejoicing in the restoration new. Effort and endeavour showed what had been accomplished that day, when the ringing world at large was rejoicing in the restoration of an historic peal of bells in the old tower of an historic church. With lapse of years decay must come to the framework of bells, even as it comes to the framework of the human body. Modern Nehemiahs, in spite of much parochial poverty, and in spite of many hindrances, had put their hand to the work determined not to desist till the work was finished and paid for. Effort and endeavour had accompanied desire, and the work was pushed. For long years the bells flung their melody far and wide, preaching to those who never heard the voice of a living preacher, warning the sinner, cheering the Saint, calling to worship, and marking Fast and Festival, days of rejoicing and days of sorrow. Then, when age had laid its heavy hand upon them, when decay had set in, they said in effect, "We cannot come down. Lay the restoring hand upon us and we will fulfil our duty midway 'twixt the earth and sky." The people had responded to the call of the bells, and their restored peal were now given back to the service of the and their restored peal were now given back to the service of the Most High.

Most High.

Tea followed the service in the Parish Hall, over 250 sitting down. Afterwards, the Vicar (the Rev. Edward Birch) explained that about £80 was needed to pay for the work that had been carried out, but they hoped to raise a sum of £150, so that they might put in an extra bell to make a light octave, and to supply a chiming apparatus. He added that the bells had rung most joyously that day, but they would ring more gloriously still when all the money had been raised. He thanked Messrs. Warner and Sons for the way they had carried out the work.—Mr. Robert Warner responded, and Mr. Herbert Bradley and Mr. J. Parker (Master of the Cumberland Youths) also spoke.

In the evening the bells were again rung.

The windows of the bell chamber are to be filled with armoured glass to deaden the sound in the street, and this, when completed, will doubtless effect a great improvement outside.

doubtless effect a great improvement outside.

During the morning a number of visitors inspected Messrs. Warner's establishment, where they viewed with keen interest the up-to-date machinery employed in a modern bell foundry.

On Sunday, for morning service. 531 Stedman Cinques was rung by: A. N. Hardy 1, J. Thomas 2, B. Foskett 3, F. C. White 4, H. Burton 5, G. Lucas 6, F. Bennett (conductor) 7, J. Parker 8, J. Hunt 9, A. W. Grimes 10, H. Flanders 11, T. Powell 12. A touch of 262 was also

For our photo of the beautiful tower of St. Leonard's, we are indebted to Mr. F. C. Dawe.

#### THE HISTORY OF THE BELLS.

Last week, we were able to publish the inscriptions on the peal of bells as they now hang in the tower, and Mr. J. R. Jerram has now very kindly supplied us with some further particulars with regard to their history. In 1708, he writes, there were only five bells in the steeple. These were sold in 1739 for £219, with which sum, aided by subscriptions, a peal of eight was purchased from Thomas Lester, of the Whitechapel Foundry, the total cost being £800. The peal was augmented to ten in 1765 by Lester and Pack, and early in the last century to twelve, the two treble being given by the Cumberland Society. Thomas Mears, junr., recast the tenor in 1820, and this bell was once more recast in 1875. No more important alterations seem to have taken place since that work was performed, until the restoration now carried out by Messrs. Warner and Sons. Mr. Jerram points out that the date given on the new second bell (1867) as that of the gift of the two trebles by the Cumberland Youths does not tally with the Last week, we were able to publish the inscriptions on the peal of

date on the old trebles (1823). Possibly, for some reason or other, he adds, the original bells may have been unsatisfactory, and were recast in the latter year, and he inquires if some local authority is able to explain this.

We have in previous issues referred to the historic ringing events which have taken place in Shoreditch tower, and some of the old records in the belfry are worth reproducing. We are indebted to Mr. J. R. Jerram for the information.

Wednesday, March 28th, 1750, the SOCIETY of CUMBERLAND YOUTHS rung in this Steeple a true Peal of 5040 changes of NEW DOUBLE TRIPPLES, it being the only Peal that was ever compleated in that method, and was performed in three hours and half by ye following persons, viz.:

* 1 ~ 11	
John Gable treble	Jno Purlement 5th
William Mattriss 2nd	Saml. Haddon 6th
Wm. Thornton 3rd	George Patrick 7th
Wm, Listre 4th	Chas. Hart tenor
Mr. Chas. Gillim,	Churchwardens.

COLLEGE YOUTHS.—This tablet was erected by the Society to commemorate an excellent Peal rung in this Steeple on the 18th of February, 1777, consisting of Ten thousand changes of OXFORD TREBLE BOB, Ten in, and was compleated in seven hours twenty-eight minutes. The curious composition, the great length of time, and the masterly manner in which it was rung, very justly entitled it the most excellent performance ever achieved from the first invention of the ingenious art of ringing to the present time.

Winstanley Richardson	1	Jos. Monk	6
James Darquitt	2	Wm. Lyford	7
William Hall	3	Jos. Holdsworth	8
Chas. Purser	4	John Sylvestre	9
John Povey	5	Saml. Muggeridge	10
Conducted	by	Mr. C. Purser.	

Insatiated with glory the above select performers on the 19th of May, 1777, rung a compleat Peal of 11,080 changes in the above method, time 8 hrs. 8 mts., which will be transmitted to posterity as a masterpiece of the art.

THE SOCIETY of CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—On Saturday, 10th May, 1777, this Society rang a peal of 10,200 changes of TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 7 hours 40 minutes.

Thos. Whitaker	1	Francis Wood	6
George Gross	2	Jus. Barnard	7
John Lamey	3	Thos, Smith	8
Isaiah Bray	4	Saml. Wood	9
Thos. Harrison	5	Robt. Mann	10
		ted by Mr. C. Green	

Composed and conducted by Mr. G. Gross.

The above two tablets show the rivalry which at the time existed between the College Youths and the Cumberlands to ring the longest length of Treble Bob. The former were victorious for a time: but seven years later another tablet records:—

SOCIETY of CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—On Saturday, March 27th, 1784, this company rang a peal of 12,000 changes, TREBLE BOB ROYAL, in 9 hrs. 5 mins., being the first peal of that length. Performers were:—

		James Patrick 6
James Barnard	2	Wm. Court 7
Francis Nay	3	Abraham Smith 8
Thomas Reeves	4	Malachi Channon 9
Isainh Bray	5	Allen Grant 10
Composed and con	duct	ted by George Gross.

CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—This inscription will add to posterity the record of a Peal that was rung in this Steeple on Tuesday, 7th April, 1801, of 5220 changes of COURT BOB ROYAL, in 3 hours and 37 minutes, being the first that was ever rung by any Society in that method.

George Gross, senr treble	John Hints 6th
George Gross, junr 2nd	
James Mash 3rd	
William Shipway 4th	Samuel Bowling 9th
John Holdsworth 5th	Willm. Stephens tenor
Composed and called	by Mr. George Gross.

CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—On Tuesday, 26th February, 1805. The above Society rung in this Steeple a true and complete peal consisting of 6129 changes of STEDMAN'S CATERS, being the most ever rung in that intricate method, in 4 hours and 12 minutes. The performers were:—

G. Gross Treble	P Jones 6
William Shipway 2	
Sl. Bowling 3	
W. Bland 4	Anthony Cavalier 9
Js. Stiehbury 5	

The above was composed and called by Mr. G. Gross.

### ODD CHANGES.

The inquiry as to what tower could go one better than, Irthlingborough, where 160 peals have been rung in 20 years, has come from exactly the quarter we expected it. Mr. H. H. Chandler, now of Hillingdon, writes: "Will you please allow me space to congratulate the Irthlingborough band on their record of 160 peals on the 20th anniversary of the opening of the bells. As to the inquiry whether there has been a tower in which more peals have been rung in the time, I may say, that two trebles were added to the old six at Warnham, Sussex, to make up a peal of eight, in 1886. By 1896 there had been rung on the bells 200 peals, most of them conducted by myself, and including 13,440 Canterbury Pleasure Major, 10,176 Treble Bob and two 6720's in one day. We used to think nothing of starting for a peal every evening all the week and two on Sundays. This has been done a good many

The following extract from the "Nottingham Weekly Express" will be particularly interesting to members of the Midland Counties Association, who will remember the closing of All Saints' tower a few months before the last annual meeting held at Nottingham:—

annual meeting held at Nottingham:

On Saturday last, it being All Saints' Day, permission was obtained to again ring the bells, after being idle, excepting so far as the chiming apparatus is concerned, for nearly two years. There being no complaints proves that this is a step in the right direction, and we look forward more hopefully to the time when the un-English method of using the bells will be supplanted by the old way so dear to all ringers. The bells went surprisingly well in the circumstances, and speaks volumes for the work Mr. Woolley must have put in in preparation for the event. About 1,000 Grandsire Triples were rung by Miss: M. Woolley 1, J. Woolley 2, A. Barratt 3, G. H. Parlett 4, L. Chadburn 5, A. Coppock 6, W. Ayre 7, W. Flinders 8, the conducting being shared by Messrs. Coppock and Ayre.

It is gratifying to know that sane counsels have prevailed, and that the tower is once more open to ringing.

Mr. Ernest E. Grimes, younger brother of Alfred W. of peal ringing fame, has himself done something by way of making what we should think is almost a record. On Wednesday of last week, he rang the treble to a peal of Bristol Surprise. That was his 12th peal, and he has never yet stood in an unsuccessful attempt. Fancy a man ringing his first twelve peals without knowing what it is to lose one!

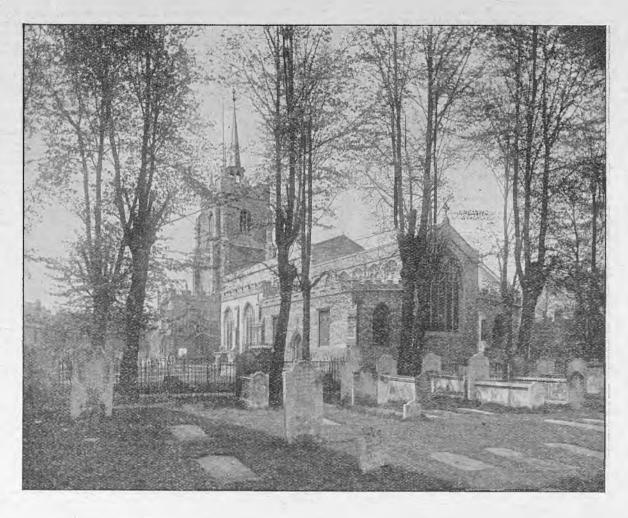
Yet another lady has joined the ranks of peal ringers, the youngest daughter of the president of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, who has always been a great supporter of the Art, having scored her first. This young lady, we hear, has not only mastered Grandsire, in which method she rang the peal, but is actually pushing the local band on to Stedman with no small amount of success, and attending practices and services with a punctuality that many might well copy.

A record has just been made in the Llandaff Diocese, no less than three dedication services having taken place within a week. In each case it has been a ring of eight bells. The work has been done by different founders, and we hear that each has given the utmost satisfaction. Two men at least have taken part in all the functions, namely, the Bishop and the honorary secretary of the association.

#### THE OXFORD GUILD.

A meeting of the Sonning branch for combined practice was held at Binfield on Saturday last, 13 members representing Hurst, Sandhurst, Easthampstead, Wokingham (All Saints'), White Waltham and Binfield being present. The methods practised were: Plain Bob, Kent, Oxford, Woodbine, Double Court, Cambridge and Stedman Doubles.

# Chelmsford Cathedral.



The new ring of 12 bells (Tenor 34 cwt. 2 qrs. 22 lbs.) for Chelmsford Cathedral was: dedicated by the Lord Bishop of St. Albans on Saturday, September 27th, 1913.

MESSRS. JOHN WARNER & SONS, Ltd., of the Spitalfields Bell Foundry, London, have in hand the restoration of the following rings of 12 bells:

YORK MINSTER (Tenor 50½ cwt.)

ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH, SHOREDITCH (Tenor 28½ cwt.)

## THE COLLEGE YOUTHS' DINNER.

#### A RECORD GATHERING.

There was a record gathering at the 276th anniversary dinner of the Ancient Society of College Youths held at the London Tavern on Saturday evening. Quite an interesting feature of the proceedings was the presence of a large number of ringers from distant parts of the country. They came from places as far apart as York and Exeter, as Essex and Bristol, and it is seldom that so many ringers assemble at one time round the festive board. The company numbered altogether about 180. The Master (Mr. Thomas Faulkner, of Barking) presided, and was supported by Miss McAlpine Leny, the Archaecon of London, the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, R.D., the Rev. D. Mackinnon, the Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn (Master of the Oxford Guild), the Rev. J. H. Ellison (Rector of Cornhill), the Rev. R. Peek (Rector of St. Magnus), Mr. J. W. Taylor and Mr. E. Denison Taylor (Loughborough), Mr. W. P. Routh (Reading), Mr. E. A. Young (London County Association) Mr. Cyril F. Johnston (hon. secretary Surrey Association), and Mr. W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary). Mr. E. A. Davies (Barking) was in the vice-chair, and the large number of London ringers present included Messrs. Arthur Hughes (treasurer of the society), Challis F. Winney and Walter Prime (trustees), E. G. Fenn and A. A. Hughes (stewards), J. C. F. Bayley, C. S. Burden, G. R. Fardon, W. E. Garrard, J. W. Golding, E. Horrex, H. Langdon, H. R. Newton, E. P. O'Meara, A. B. Peck, G. N. Price, J. W. Rowbotham, W. D. Smith (members of the Dinner Committee), H. S. Ellis, E. Gibbs, A. W. Grimes, J. E. Davis, J. H. B. Hesse, C. T. Coles (hon. sec. of Middlesx Association), D. Christy (representing Messrs. Warner and Sons), etc. Among the company also were the Rev. J. W. Eisdell (Vicar of Barking), and many provincial ringers. Sheffield sent quite a strong contingent in Messrs. S. Thomas, W. Burgar, G. Holmes, J. Evinson (hon. secretary of the St. Peter's Society), J. Thorpe, S. F. Palmer and L. Charlesworth. Birmingham was represented by Messrs, J. E. Groves (ringing master), A. P. Smith (hon. sec. St. Mart

#### RESPONSIBILITIES OF RINGERS AND THE CHURCH.

The loyal toast was afterwards submitted from the chair, and enthusiastically honoured, and the Master then proposed "The Church." Hitherto, he said, the toast had been "The Church and State." Why the Dinner Committee had left out "The State " on this occasion he did not know, but he thought they might draw their own inference. As ringers, he contended, they had great responsibilities towards the Church. When he became a ringer one of the first things he was taught was to be a churchman first and a ringer after, and all the while they had that ideal before them they would not fail in their responsibilities to the Church. One of their first responsibilities was to remember the purposes for which the bells were hung in the churches, and ringers had to remember that their first duty was to see that they were rung regularly, punctually and well for Divine service. They could not ring well for Divine service unless they had practice, and it was just as much a part of their duty to be regular and punctual in their practices, to keep themselves up to the mark, and to help others who were not so proficient as themselves. Then there was peal ringing, which, in moderation, was a good thing, for it kept alive ambition, and made better ringers of them. He did not intend to say anything about cups, or competitions or analysis—he had an utter loathing and contempt for all three of them; and, to his mind, the sooner they were dead and buried the better it would be for their sacred calling. Another duty which they owed to the Church was to order their lives so that their conduct as ringers should not bring reproach on the Church. They must help and defend her against the attacks of her enemies, such as the attack on her at the present time in the Welsh Disestablishment Bill (applause). But if tuey, as ringers, had responsibilities towards ringers (hear, hear). One of those responsibilities was to see that the belfries, which were a part of God's House, were kept as clean and sweet and decent as the chancel, and to see that the

#### " PITCH INTO THE ARCHDEACON."

The Archdeacon of London, who responded, had a very cordial reception, and expressed his pleasure at being again present. He congratulated Miss Leny upon celebrating her "silver wedding" with the College Youths, for that was the 25th occasion she had been present at their annual dinner (applause). Continuing, he said, when the Master was talking about belfries and bells not being always kept in the best order, an uncomfortable thought came across him, for by the law of the land it was the Archdeacon who was responsible for all the bells (laughter). All he could say, therefore, was that, if they got a case where the belfry and bells were in such a condition as the Master very rightly brought to their notice, his advice to them was—outside of London, of course—" pitch into the Archdeacon" (laughter). It was, he added, very jolly to be with them that night, for a gathering like that emphasised the splendid feeling of brotherhood that existed between them all (applause).

tween them all (applause).

The Rev. G. F. Coleridge proposed the toast of "The Ancient Society of College Youths." As is usual in his after dinner speeches, the Rector of Crowthorne was in anecdotal mood, and his stories, always with some apt point in them, provoked great laughter. Mr. Coleridge said he brought to the College Youths the good wishes of the ringers of the country, and there was no ringer in England who did not wish the society prosperity. The society had gone on for centuries, and he hoped it would go on for bandreds of years to come (applause)

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Mr. W. T. Cockerill replied, and said that apologies had been received from the Bishop of Barking, Sir Arthur Heywood, Archdeacon Taylor, of Southwark; the Rev. G. C. Wilton (Stepney), the Rev. J. H. B. Masterman (Bow), the Rev. C. S. Woodward (who had been inducted Rector of Southwark that day), Mr. C. H. Hattersley and Mr. R. A. Daniell. The two last-named, said the Hon. Secretary, were kept away by ill-health. During the last year, Mr. Cockerill proceeded, they had lost one of their members by death, Mr. J. E. Coomb, who died on May 25th. He was for many years a regular attendant at St. Clement Danes, and latterly rang with the society at St. Michael's. Strange to say, he only rang one peal in his life, but he rang it in very good company. Mr. Cooter and Mr. Wood were both in the peal, but although they rang many afterwards, Mr. Coomb did not ring another. They also had to deplore the death of Dr. A. B. Carpenter, whose sterling work in connection with composition they all remembered. During the year, 24 new members had been made, many of these had attended the meetings and practices pretty regularly. These practices numbered 62, chiefly at the city churches. The peals rung during the year numbered 27, viz., Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Minor, seven 720's, 2; Treble Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Minor, seven 720's, 2; Treble Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Minor, seven 720's, 2; Treble Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Minor, seven 720's, 2; Treble Bob Major, 1; Treble Bob Mondellas); Stedman Calers, 4; Stedman Cinques, 6 (one at Cornhill, having been non-conducted); Cambridge Major, 1; Cambridge Maximus, 1. He also wished to add his congratulations to Miss Leny on her 25 years' membership of the College Youths, and he wished to congratulate the Rev. Donald Mackinnon on h

#### " PROVINCIAL SOCIETIES."

The Vice-Chairman gave the toast of "London and Provincial Ringing Societies." He congratulated the Royal Cumberland Youths that they had at last seen the completion of the work they had been most earnestly engaged in for some years—the restoration of the peal of twelve at Shoreditch (applause). He had on more than one occasion called attention to the state of some of the rings of bells in the City of London, but now, as far as he knew, all the peals of twelve in the city were in good ringing order, with the exception of St. Bride's. There were, however, still some belfries in London which needed the attention of the authorities, and there was no excuse why their London belfries should not be in as good a condition as the other parts of the churches. Referring to the Provincial Societies, Mr. Davies said—that they of the county of Essex had great reason to congratulate themselves that there had been opened, at what would presently be the Cathedral of the Diocese at Chelmsford, a new peal of twelve bells, and he congratulated the Master of the College Youths upon the successful way in which he discharged the unthankful task of selecting the band to ring the opening touch on the bells. He wished, he said, that there were many more societies in the country like theirs at Barking, and he referred with pride to the fact that that evening to support the Master, they had present from Barking the Vicar, his brother churchwarden, the organist and sidesmen, and their ringers, both those who were accomplished and those who were but novices (applause).

Mr. E. A. Young replied for the London Societies, and the Rev. Cyril Jenkyn for the Provincial Associations. The latter said he hoped on that occasion they would think of those members of the College Youths scattered abroad in various parts of the country doing their good work in the villages and towns, and who would gladly be with them but were prevented, and were so prevented year after year. If they did not drink their health openly they might do so in silence (hear, hear). From his experience in going about among the Provincial Ringing Societies, he thought he might report that they were in good order and endeavouring to do that good work about which some of them had heard that afternoon at Shoreditch. It was certainly very hard when they preached and taught that the belfry should be kept in the same state as the church to find instances of belfries and

bells in a filthy condition. Mr. Jenkyn went on to speak of the need of carrying on educational work concerning bells and ringing among the British public, so that they might teach them quietly something more about it Ringers must bear in mind, he added that they were not only church workers, but that in having in their hands the care of these historic peals of bells throughout the country they were really trustees of a great and noble heritage (applause).

Mr. Arthur Hughes submitted "The Visitors," to which toast the

Rev. J. W. Eisdell (Vicar of Barking) responded.

A most enjoyable feature of the musical programme was the handbell selections by the Sheffield Parish Church Handbell Band, who, with selections by the Sheffield Parish Church Handbell Band, who, with several octaves of bells, contributed some admirably rendered pieces including "Ring the bell, Watchman," and "Blue Bells of Scotland," with variations. On each occasion they were deservedly encored. The performers were Messrs. G. Holmes (conductor), S. F. Palmer, W. Burgar, J. Evinson, J. Thorpe and L. Charlesworth. A course of Stedman Caters was rung "in hand" by a band of College Youths; Mr. Cyril Johnston sang some humorous songs, for which he was encored; Mr. S. Blackmore gave a fine rendering of "Thora," and Mr. G. R. Boorer contributed two recitations, each of which was a splendid elocutionary effort.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

At the annual meeting of the Society, on Tucsday, Mr. Thomas Faulkner was re-clected Master. Mr. Arthur Hughes (treasurer), Messrs. C. F. Winney, and W. Prime (trustees), and Mr. W. T. Cockerill (hon. secretary) were also re-clected. Mr. A. A. Hughes was appointed senior steward, and Mr. J. C. Adams was elected junior steward.

#### THE "WORCESTER'S" HUSTLE.

The first peal ringing on the bells of the little village of Rock, in Worcestershire, where Messrs. Taylor and Co. have just added two trebles and rehung the whole ring, was carried out in no half-hearted replies and rehung the whole ring, was carried out in no half-hearted manner. A company of eight met at Rock on the afternoon of November 1st, and made "The Cross" their headquarters, where during their stay Host and Hostess Thomas looked well after their wants. After tea, the church, which possesses a fine Norman doorway, and a tower which can be seen for miles around, was visited. Some of the bells are ancient, but the peal have been "Taylorised," and are now a grand ring with a tenor 2lbs. under 13 cwt., which "go" like the proverbial fiddles.

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Stedman was the first job with Billy Short at the helm. This presented no difficulties, and rolled home in fine style in 2 hrs. 55 mins., the "first on the bells" being thus an accomplished fact. On reachthe "first on the bells" being thus an accomplished fact. On reaching headquarters the villagers were found assembled in full force to hear the handbells, so they were treated to a course of Grandsire Caters, a touch of Triples, and some tunes, greatly to their delight. Daybreak on Sunday found the visitors up, and after disposing of the "home fed," they again hied to the tower. Double Norwich was the music with bob to call, and 2 hrs. 59 mins. saw the finish of a grand peal. After inspecting the bells they landed back in time to attack a prime joint of beef, and there was no trip in this. Whilst the tobacco smoke circulated, the handbells were brought out, and a course of Grandsire Cinques was successful. Hereabouts the afternoon nap was calling but they were having no slackers, so back to the tower for the calling, but they were having no slackers, so back to the tower for the final peal they went. As they gazed meditatively at the whipping post and stocks under the church wall, it was threatened that whosoever should miss the peal should be put into them. However, Superlative was soon rolling out, and at such a pace that the speed limit was exceeded, and the fear of he stocks brought the pace down to normal after a course or so, and all went well, rounds arriving at 5.30. Thus three peals had been rung under 24 hours. Not a bad show! After before service. The best thanks are due to the Vicar for permission, Messrs, Bridge and Churchwarden Nott and all those who contributed to make the visit so pleasant. The party hope that sometime in the future they may again make a similarly successful journey into

#### WILLIAM VERRY COMMEMORATION DINNER.

A very enjoyable evening was spent on the occasion of the ninth nnual commemoration dinner, held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Handsannual commemoration dinner, held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Handsworth, on Saturday week. After ringing touches at the Old Church, the ringers and friends gathered round the festive board, and were served with a substantial dinner. Mr. James George took the chair, and submitted the toasts of "The King" and "The Church and State," which were duly honoured. Subsequently Mr. W. H. Godden spoke in eulogy of the late Mr. William Verry, and the toasts of "The Ringing Papers" and "The Chairman," were also submitted. A capital musical programme was carried out, "The Blue Bells of Scotland" was finely rendered on handbells by Messrs. C. Starkey, E. Starkey and E. Wood; and a course of Bob Major was splendidly tapped on the dulcimer by Mr. Harry Withers, who also delighted the company with some excellent selections. Capital songs were contributed by Messrs. Frank Ward, S. Verry, Orton and Morriss. Some handbells, specially brought by Mr. George to be played on for the first time, gave a great deal of pleasure, several tunes being ably played on them. played on them.

#### SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

A monthly meeting of the Devizes branch was held at Chirton and Marden on Wednesday week, and, it being a beautiful day, a good number of ringers assembled. Ringing was commenced at 3 o'clock at St. John's Church, Chirton, and at 4 o'clock the party proceeded to All Saints' Church, Marden, where the ringing was continued until 5 p.m., when an adjournment was made to the Marden Reading Room, where a sumptuous tea had been provided by the liberality of Mr. J. where a sumptuous tea had been provided by the liberality of Mr. J. W. and Mrs. Kingstone, of The Manor House, Marden. About 25 sat down and thoroughly enjoyed the repast. Amongst those present were the Rev. H. E. Tilney-Bassett (Master of the Guild), the Rev. D. Osborne Davies (Vicar of Chirton and Marden), the Rev. P. H. Jackson (Rector of Patney), the Rev. J. A. Sturton (Vicar of Market Lavington), chairman, supported by Mr. Hy. Brownlee West (hon. secretary), and ringers from the towers of Devizes, St. John and St. Mary: Marylen Lavington, Chirton Bickson, Capping Southbroom, Patney, Market Lavington, Chirton, Bishop Cannings, and Beechingstoke. Mr. and Mrs. Kingstone, Mrs. Davies and Miss Niven were also present.—Two new members were added to the Guild, and the meeting closed with a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Chirton for the use of the bells, also to Mr. and Mrs. Kingstone for their great kindness in providing the tea. After tea, the company returned to the towers, and further ringing brought to a close a most pleasant meeting.

#### RAYNE BELLS DEDICATED.

On All Saints' Day, the new treble bell, which had been added to the existing five at Rayne Parish Church, Essex, was dedicated at a special service by the Rev. J. H. Barrow, senior curate of Chelmsford. The cost of the new bell and the rehanging of the old five amounted the cost of the new bell and the renanging of the old new amounted to £65, and over £60 was subscribed by the time the service of dedication was held. The money had been raised by voluntary contributions, in which ringers in various parts of Essex subscribed over £10. Before the dedication of the new bell, the five old bells were rung by the Rayne ringers. The service followed, with a shortened form of evensong, and after dedicating the bells, the Rev. J. H. Barrow preached an appropriate sermon.

A collection for the bell fund amounted to £5 11s. Immediately after the service 720 Kent Treble Bob was rung on the bells by mem-Immediately bers of the Essex Association of Change Ringers, conducted by Mr. C. H. Howard, master. In the evening, the Rector of Rayne and Mrs. Hutchinson entertained upwards of seventy ringers from the district to tea in the Church Schoolroom. after which ringing was resumed by

the visiting ringers.

#### WINCHESTER GUILD.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Winchester district was held at Win-hester on Saturday. The Cathedral bells were rung during the chester on Saturday. The Cathedral bells were rung during the afternoon and evening, and service was attended in the Cathedral at 4 p.m. Tea was prepared in St. Maurice Hall, at which the Very-Rev. the Dean (Dr. Furneaux) presided. There were also present Archdeacon Fearon, Canon Storr, Canon Martin, Canon Smith, Revs. W. E. Colchester, Haslope and Suart, the Chapter Clerk (Mr. F. Bowker), Mr. G. Williams (General Secretary of the Guild), Mr. Wilfred Andrews (Captain of the Cathedral band), Mr. H. White (Basingstoke), and members from Hursley, North Stoneham, Twyford, Basingstoke, Barton Stacey, Bishopstoke, Kingsworthy, Owslebury, Bishopstoke, Alresford, and the Cathedral band.

At the business meeting, which followed, the balance sheet showed receipts £18 4s. 2d. and expenditure £9 16s. 7d. All the officers were re-elected, viz.: The Rev. Canon Braithwaite (chairman), Mr. J. W. Elkins (hon. secretary), Mr. C. H. Russell (assistant secretary), Messrs. chester on Saturday.

re-clected, viz.: The Rev. Canon Braithwaite (chairman), Mr. J. W. Elkins (hon. secretary), Mr. C. H. Russell (assistant secretary), Messrs. Wilfred Andrews and W. Tucker (representatives on Central Committee), and Mr. G. Smith (auditor)—The Rev. R. H. Streatfield (Kingsworthy) and the Rev. A. E. Norman (Selborne) were elected hon, members.—It was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Southampton on the second Saturday in November, 1914.

In responding to a vote of thanks, the Dean said he heartily welcomed the ringers to Winchester again, and expressed his high apprecia-

tion of their services as church workers.

Mr. Andrews called attention to the number of five bell towers and the scarcity of six bell towers in the district, and hoped something might be done to increase the number of bells, because six bells were not only more interesting to ringers than five bells, but were very much pleasanter to listen to.

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Thanks were accorded to the Dean and Chapter for the use of thebells, and to the hon. secretary.

At a subsequent meeting of the committee, seven new members from Chawton and seven from Selborne were admitted probationary members of the Guild: also one from North Stoneham, one from Bishopstoke, two from Twyford, and two full members from Twyford. It was decided to hold three quarterly meetings in 1914, the first at Alton in February; the second at Stockbridge in May, and the third at Twyford in September. These meetings to be held on the second saturday in the month.

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Mr. G. Williams was appointed to give a course of instruction tothe Owslebury band.

## NOTICES.

IMPORTANT. - Correspondents and others should mote that in future all communications to "The Ringing World " should be addressed to 9, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION. - North-Eastern District.—The annual meeting for this district will be held at Coggeshall on Saturday, November 15th. Tea (followed by meeting) will be provided at the Chappell Hotel at 5.30, 6d. each to members giving notice.—A. Shuffle-botham, District Secretary, Little Square, Braintree.

LADIES' GUILD (Southern District).-A meeting will be held in Reading on Saturday, Nov. 15th. Ring at Caversham (8) at 2.30, and afterwards at St. Lawrence (10), and St. Giles' (8). Tea at the "Rising Sun," at 4.30. Gentlemen are cordially invited.—Miss E. Belcher, Mereside, Fleet, Hants.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Streatham on Saturday, November 15th. St. Leonard's tower open for ringing at 3 p.m Commit-Business meeting tee meeting at 4.30. Tea at 5.15. after; all in the Schoolroom adjoining the Church.—Cyril F. Johnston. Bell Foundry, Croydon.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).-Northern District.-The next meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, November 15th, 1913. Bells available from 6 to 8 p.m. Business meeting to follow. All cordially invited.—J. Cornford, Honorary Secretary, 7d, Morgan Mansions, Holloway Road, N.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.— The next meeting will be held at Higher Walton on Nov. Beils ready at 3 p.m. Meeting at 5.30.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Michael's Parish Church, Ashton-under-Lyne, on Saturday, November 15th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Meeting at 7 p.m. All ringers welcome. — W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Northern District.—A meeting will be held on Saturday, November 15th, at Hitchin. The Vicar and churchwardens kindly provide tea .- F. R. Bacon, District Secretary.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern District.— The annual meeting will be held at Ingatestone on Saturday, November 15th. Service at 5 o'clock. address by the Rev. J. W. House, Rector of Fryerning. Tea and meeting at 5.45 at the Spread Eagle Hotel, 6d. to members, 1s. 6d. to others. All outstanding subscriptions ought to be paid at this meeting. Ingatestone bells (5) at 3.30, and during the evening. Fryerning bells (5) kindly notify me not later than first post Wednesday, 3.30 to 4.30, and 7.30 to 9.—Henry F. Cooper, District Secretary, County Offices, Chelmsford.

CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIA-TION.—Quarterly meetings will be held at Pytchley on Saturday, November 15th, and Higham Ferrers on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m.—F. Wilford, General Secretary.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—Annual meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, Obtained at 2s. each, post free.—Edith K. Parker, Hon. November 22nd. Bells (8) from 4 o'clock. Service at Secretary, 97, Edenbridge Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield.

5.30. Tea and business meeting at Church Cottage at 6.15.-F. G. Hume, District Secretary, Oakley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rocadale Branch. -The next monthly meeting will be held at Todmorden Unitarian on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells ready at Business meeting 6.30. — Joseph Ogden, Secretary, 135, Salts Street, Shaw, Oldham.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—The next meeting will be held at Norwood Green on Saturday, November 22nd. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Tea by invitation of the Rector (Rev. H. O. Walpole) in Biscoes Schools at 5.30.—H. C. Chandler, Honorary Secretary, Church Road, Heston, Hounslow.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—The next meeting will be held at Wootton on Saturday, November 22nd.—John W. Barker, District Secretary.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT AMALGAMATED SOC-IETY.—The next monthly meeting of the above Society will be held on Saturday, November 22nd, at St. Chads, Far Headingley, for practice. Bells available from 3 p.m. Business Meeting will be held in the Schools at 7 p.m.-F. Hopwood, Secretary, 8, Keswick Street, Laisterdyke, Bradford.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—A meeting for united practice and social intercourse will be held on Thursday, November 27th, at St. Paul's, Hammersmith, W. Tower open from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30. All ringers welcome.—F. J. Hardy, Hon. General Secretary, 34, Guildford Road, South Lambeth,

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A branch meeting will be held at Colne on Saturday, November 29th, 1913. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Secretary.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD. - North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Giles-in-the-Fields on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5, to which all ringers are earnestly invited. Tea at the Church House, Dyott Street, at 5.30, by the kind invitation of the Rector (Rev. W. H. Davies), to those who advise me, by the 26th, of their intention of being present. Business meeting after tea. The bells of St. James', Clerkenwell, will also be available from 7.30 to 9 p.m.—C. T. Coles, Honorary Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD .-- A quarterly meeting of the above Guild will be held at Blakenhall on Saturday, November 29th. Bells available at 4 o'clock. Service in church 5 o'clock. Λ free tea will be provided for those only who notify me not later than Wednesday, November 26th. Business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Honorary Secretary, 66, Himley Road, Dudley.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS .-- Mr. H. R. Newton has removed to 218, Wellington Buildings, Pimlico, S.W.

THE LADIES' GUILD.—I beg to remind members that the annual subscription is now due. Badges may be

CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.-Meetings for practice at the Cathedral will be held weekly on Thursdays, at 7.30, and on the last Saturday in each month, also at 7.30 p.m. Ringing on Sundays will be for morning service to to 11 a.m. Evening service 6 to 7 p.m. All ringers will be heartily welcomed at any time.—H. F. Cooper, County Offices, Chelmsford.

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The tower contained an old ring of five of bad tone, and bad castings. The new treble has been presented by a London lady (Mrs. Trotter), and bears the following inscription: "Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich, cast me, 1913." "Donum Dedit C. S. T. in memoriam T. H. J.. 1894—1909." The other five bells bear the old inscriptions reproduced, and the words, "Recast by Bowell, of Ipswich, 1913."

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