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Tenor (33 cwt.) of the New Ring of 12. WULFRUN CHAMBERS, WOLVERHAMPTON, MEBSRS, GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th March 1812

Gantlemen,

The re-casting of the peal of ten bells with the addition of two sew ones in the lower of St Peter's Collegiats Church, Wolverhampton recently carried cut by you has proved most successful, and given general estisfaction.

l am authorised by the Rector and Wardens to say how pleased they are with the result. In the opinion of those well qualified to ladge, we have now, undoubtedly, one of the best peaks in the Kingdom Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect Diocesan Surveyor

MODERN

INTER-AFFILIATION SCHEME MOVING.

The numerous association meetings which have been held during Easter have been, so far as one can judge, extremely successful, and it is a gratifying sign to find so much general interest among members in the doings of their respective societies. It is a sign of health and vitality and augurs well for the future. As a rule there is little for the associations to do at their annual meetings, except the transaction of the business of their internal affairs, but this year there have been brought to the notice of most of them, questions which go outside these purely domestic matters.

Inter-affiliation has been one of the questions, and it is certainly a long time since there has been a subject which has aroused so much general discussion. The reason is, perhaps, that an organised effort has been made to bring the matter to a head, and it would be well if other subjects closely affecting the interests of ringers could, when they arise, be similarly brought directly to the official notice of the various associations, so that something like a comprehensive and representative expression of opinion

could be obtained. The views that have been ascertained on the question of affiliation are diversified-as was only to be expectedand while we see some associations giving the proposal their unqualified support, others are inclined to look with a chary eye upon adopting a scheme in some respects revolutionary. As we have argued from the outset, there is a serious financial question involved in some of the societies, and where this is so it is only natural that the members should desire to walk warily. Then again, the proposal is one which, in the nature of things, could not, it seems to us, commend itself to such societies as the College Youths, or Royal Cumberlands, who have, as it were, no defined territory. For these reasons it would appear that the best method to adopt would be to let the experiment be carried out first by all the organisations who would voluntarily come into the scheme. This, in effect, was suggested by Mr. A. T. King at the meeting of the Middlesex Association on Saturday, and seems a wise course to follow, because, if the proposal develops successfully others could come into union without risking the chance of wrecking the scheme at the outset by standing aloof. It is, at any rate, a step which has tactical advantages and might well be considered by those who are bringing forward and backing the project at the meeting of the Central Council. There ought to be no difficulty in so drafting the resolution that those who wish to come in can do so, and those who prefer to wait can stand aside so as not to interfere with the inauguration of the scheme.

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Yours truly, CHAS. RDMUNDS, Vicar of Broomfield

esses. C. CARR, LTD. Smethwick.

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TEN BELL PEALS.

APPLETON, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.
(St. Peter's Society, Caversham.)

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

Joseph Hands Ireble | Ernest W. Menday ... 6

Edwin J. Menday ... 2 | Harry W. Smith ... 7

Albert D. Collom ... 3 | Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn 8

Rev. G. F. Coleridge ... 4 | Richard T. Hibbert ... 9

George Essex ... 5 | Henry Simmonds Tenor

Composed by Henry W. Haley, and Conducted by R. T. Hibbert.

BRISTOL.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, AT CHRIST CHURCH (CITY),

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5001 CHANGES;

Tenor 20	cwt.	
ERNEST E. DAVIS Treble	FREDERICK W. WADE 6	
CHARLES H. AUSTIN 2	WILLIAM ABRAHAMS 7	
	ALBERT STOWELL 8	
RICHARD CLARK 4	ISAAC LONG 9	
ALFRED E. REEVES 5	WILLIAM BEVAN Ten	01
Composed by Gappin	I I INDORR and	

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and
Conducted by Fred G. May.
Arranged for E. E. Davis and C. H. Austin, visitors from
Gloucester.

ABINGDON, PERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

In Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-ene Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5075 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

WILLIAM H. J. HOLIFIELD Treble | EDGAR HOMFREY 5

JAMES W. WILKINS 2 | JOHN MONK 7

FREDERICK WEBB 3 | GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Sent. 8

HARRY HOLIFIELD 4 | RICHARD WHITE 9

GILBERT BLAY 5 | CHARLES W. WARWICK ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by G. Holifield, Senr.

First peal on ten bells. Rung on the occasion of the christening of the daughter of the ringer of the 6th.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Good Friday, April 10, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty-three Minutes.

At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble | WILLIAM R. J. POBLSON 5
WILLIAM FAYERS 2 | FRANK CLAYDON 6
'FREDK. G. SYMONDS... ... 3 | WILLIAM KEBBLE 7
'ALBERT CATTERWELL ... 4 | ARTHOR SYMONDS Tenor
Conducted by S. H. SYMONDS.

* First peal in the method. Rung with the bells muffled.

KEIGHLEY, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

(WESTERN DISTRICT.)
On Saturday, April 11, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:

		Te	nor I	48 cwt.				
R. W. JENNISON	111	T	reble	ARTHUR	Hudson	147	***	5
HERBERT GREEN	***		2	JOHN F.	CLAYTON		411	6
EDWARD GREEN	***		3	EDWARD	CROWTHE	R		7
THOMAS BANCROFT		***	4	SMITH P	MURGATROY	D	7	Cenor
Comt	need	hv	WM	SOTTANKI	fore trac			

Conducted by John F. CLAYTON. * First peal of Major.

ROCK, WORCESTERSHIRE. RAUNDS, NORTHANTS. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (NORTHERN BRANCH.) On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes, On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES; A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; Tenor 22 cwt. ARTHUR CHAPMAN Treble | HORACE COPERWHEAT ... 5 HARRY W. GAYTON ... 2 ARTHUR W. FAIRY ... 6 GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lbs. William Short Treble Robert G. Knowles ... 5 Ernest E. Barber ... 2 George Popnell 6 Ernest Boylin 3 Samuel Grove 7 James Reynolds ... 4 Charles H. Woodberry Tenor HARRY W. GAYTON ... 2 "ARTHUR W. FAIRY 6 WILLIAM J. GILBERT ... 3 WALTER GILBERT ... 7 CHARLES W. CLARKE ... Tenor Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE. Conducted by WILLIAM SHORT. * First peal in the method and first attempt. Rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. R. G. Knowles, G. Popnell and W. Short. First peal of Grandsire on the bells. MARKET HARBOROUGH. OLDHAM. THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. ROCHDALE ASSOCIATION AND OLDHAM SOCIETY. On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DIONYSIUS, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK, GLODWICK, A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6120 CHANCES; A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES: Tenor 82 cwt. PARKER'S TWELVE-PART: Tenor to cwt. *JAMES KNIGHT Treble SAMUEL STOTT 5 ELIJAH GEARY 2 FRED CROSSLAND 3 JAMES W. TAYLOR 7 LAMES LEES 4 ALBERT CLEGG Tenor *Walter Wallington ... Treble | Fred Staniforth 5 John T. Taylor 2 *Ernest Leach 6 *WILLIAM HECTOR 3 | ERNEST MORRIS 7 ALFRED BALLARD 4 | *F. G. GARLICK Tenor James Lees 4 ALBERT CLEGG Tenor Composed by William J. Sevier, and Conducted by James W. Taylor. First peal in the method. First peal as conductor. The ringer of the fifth is a member of Oldham church. Rung as a birthday Conducted by FRED STANIFORTH. * First peal, and belongs to the local band. The ringers of the and and 5th hail from Kibworth, 4th and 7th from St. Margaret's, compliment to the clerk of the church. LICHFIELD, STAFFORDSHIRE. STEYNING, SUSSEX. THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914 in Three Hours and Three Minutes, On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; Tenor 19½ cwt. ... Treble THOMAS BLOORE 5 Tenor 12 cwt. *FREDK, J. COPE... ... Treble | EDGAR T. SMITH ... 2 GEORGE GATLAND Treble | ALBERT HARMAN 5 FRANK I. HAIRS 2 | OLIVER SIPPETTS 6 BERT HORTON ... 6 CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 3 Christopher Wallater... 3 James Tyler ... 7 Epgar Marlow... ... 4 Edwin J. Tyler ... Tenor Composed by J. Reeves, and GEORGE WILLIAMS 3 ALBERT D. STONE 7 CHARLES T. COLES 4 KEITH HART Tenos Composed by HENRY DAINS, and Conducted by E. J. TYLER. * First peal of Major in the method. First peal of Major on the Conducted by KEITH HART. bells and in the City of Lichfield. BREWOOD, STAFFORDSHIRE. NORTHAMPTON. THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. EDMUND, A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; Tenor 18 cwt. THURSTANS' FOUR-PART. Tenor 22% cwt. *JOSEPH C. DEAN Treble | *JOHN W. METHERELL ... 5 FRANK W. PERRENS Treble | WILLIAM H. LAWLEY ... 5 JOHN PERRY 2 | †BENJAMIN CLARK 6 Ton ... 2 Joseph S. White ... 6 Joseph S. White ... 6 John T. Hensman ... 7 William J. Allen ... Tenor Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and Conducted by William J. Allen. JAMES HOUGHTON ... 2 JOHN PERRY 2 FRED HOPPER 3 *ABRAHAM GREENFIELD... 7 *EDWARD F. MITCHELL... Tonor HERBERT KNIGHT ... 3 JAMES GARRATT *HERBERT JONES ... 4 Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT. * First peal of Stedman. † First peal of Stedman with a working * First peal of Major. † First peal in the method. DITCHLING, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. THORVERTON, DEVON. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET, On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS A BECKET, A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 73 cwt. A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCED;

Tenor 14 cwt. HOLT'S TEN-PART. •Н. Роок 2 Conducted by J. R. HAYMAN.

* First peal.

First peal on the bells since the augmentation from six to eight.

The ringers were kindly provided with a tea by the Vicar after the

NEW SHOREHAM, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor	15	cwt.	

LIONEL SEARS	***	2	reble	OLIVER SIPPETTS		5
ALBERT D. STONE		114	2	ALFRED W. GROVES		6
CHARLES T. COLES		***	3	KEITH HART		7
ALBERT HARMAN	***	4 7 1	4	GEORGE WILLIAMS	7	enor
r		- J N		Minningon and		

Composed by C. MIDDLETON, and Conducted by George Williams.

DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Menday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-six Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRA	NSPO	DSITION OF	THURSTANS'.	Tenor 10	5 cwt.
ALFRED NAYLOR		Treble	FRANCIS BARR	ER	5
PATRICK LARVAN		2	FREDERICK W	. Dixon	6
ARTHOR WALKER					
WILLIAM B. SMITH	448	4	Jони W. Wr	IGHT	Tenor
Cond	ucte	d by FRE	DERICK W. DIN	ON.	

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. Helen,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.	Tenor 16% cwt., in E flat.
JOHN H. SWINFIELD Treble	HERBERT HURDMAN 5
GEOFFREY J. STONELEY 2	JOHN AUSTIN 6
John Hough 3	ERNEST W. BEADSMORE 7
E. HARRY STONELEY 4	JOSEPH T. DYKE Tenor
Conducted by	IOHN AUSTIN.

SELLY OAK, WORCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (Northern Branch.)

On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-five Minutes, At the Church of St. Mary,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOR	UR-PART.	Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr.	13	lbs.
WILLIAM PALMER	Treble	JOHN WITHERS		5
FRANK WITHERS				
WILLIAM SHORT	3	George Pigott		7
ARTHUR CHAMBERS	4	JAMES E. GROVES		Tenor
Co	inducted by	SAMURI, GROVE		

KIBWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE, THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILLFRID,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 14} cwt.

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				W. NEAL ADKINSON	
JOHN WATERFIELD		4 * *	2	ERNEST MORRIS	6
FRED STANIFORTH			3	DICK ILIFFE •WILLIAM A. BOLTON	7
JAMES BOLTON	***	***	4	*WILLIAM A. BOLTON	Tenor
Composed	by	the	Rev.	E. BANKES JAMES, and	

Conducted by Ernest Morris.

First peal. All belong to the local band, except the conductor who hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester. Rung in honour of the marriage of Miss Gladys W. A. Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roberts, of Ellerslie, Kibworth Beauchamp, to Mr. C. S. Armstrong, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Armstrong, director of Messrs. Thos. Collier & Co., of Manchester.

SHIFNAL, SHROPSHIRE. THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

BERT HORTON 4 JOHN EVANS Tonor Conducted by CHRISTOPHER WALLATER.

* First peal away from treble. E. W. Hyde belongs to the local band and was proposed a member of the above Society previous to starting.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	Tenor 22 cwt., in E Flat.
MISS EVELYN STEEL Treble	J. EDWARD CHAPMAN 5
ALFRED H. MARTIN 2	DAVID J. NICHOLLS 6
JAMES HOUGHTON 3	WALTER PERKINS 7
JOHN J. MAWBY 4	ARTHUR CHAPMAN Tenor
Conducted by V	VALTER PERKINS

This was the conductor's 200th peal.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. (SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Tuesday, April 14, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary and All Saints,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES:

	Tenor 2	44 CWL	
George Hollis	Treble	WILLIAM J. THYNG	5
*FREDERICK E. SMITH	2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS	6
*Fred Davies	3	GEORGE A. THOMPSON	*** 7
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	4	WALTER ALLWOOD	Tenor
Compose	d by ART	HUR KNIGHTS, and	
Conduc	ted by C	EORGE HOLLIS.	-

First peal in the method. Rung, after meeting short for Royal, to commemorate the birthday of the ringer of the 4th.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, At the Church of St. John, Waterloo Road, S.E.,

A PEAL OF NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

lenor :	20 CWt.	
*ERNEST E. GRIMES Treble	*EDWIN F. PIKE	5
*Charles T. Coles 2	J. ARMIGER TROLLOPE	б
Alfred W. Grimes 3	FRANK I. HAIRS	7
*REUBEN SANDERS 4	JAMES E. DAVIS	Tenor
Composed by Corn	ELIUS CHARGE, and	
Conducted by J	AMES E. DAVIS.	

* First peal in the method. This was C. T. Coles' 250th peal.

CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE LECKHAMPTON SOCIETY.

On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

• First peal of Stedman. † First peal with a bob bell. This is the first peal of Stedman Triples ever rung on the bells by an entirely local band, the company being the same that rang the first local peal of Grandsire Triples on the bells four years ago next month.

DEANE, LANCASHIRE. PULHAM, NORFOLK. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes. On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES: A PEAL OF OXFURD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANCES; Tenor II cwt. Tenor 14 cwt. Composed by CHARLES H. HATTERSLEY, and Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by EDWIN WHITING. Conducted by Joseph Ridyard. First peal with a bob bell. Rung as a compliment to Mr. Alderman John Miles, who has been organist and choirmaster at PONTEFRACT, YORKSHIRE. the above church for fifty years. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. (EASTERN DIVISION.) BLOXWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE. On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS, A FEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES; A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES; REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' FIVE-PART. Tenor 122 cwt. BERNARD MOODY Treble | WILLIAM BROOK 2 WILLIAM PEARSON, Junt. 5 ARTHUR WALKER ... 6 Tenor 14 cwt. FREDERICK MOODY 3 | WILLIAM PEARSON 7 HARRY WALTERS 4 | JOHN FRYER Tenor Conducted by WM. BROOK. Composed by JAMES W. WASHBROOK, and Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. Thomas M. Barker, Secretary to the All Saints' Company, who was married to Miss Clara Conducted by James Tyler. Stones, on Easter Monday, at the above church. First peal as conductor. WORSLEY, LANCASHIRE QUIDENHAM, NORFOLK. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes, On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARK. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW, A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES; A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES! Tenor 21 cwt. o qr. 14 lbs. Tenor 15 cwt. o qr. 14 lbs. "WILLIAM JONES Treble | FRED DERBYSHIRE WILLIAM DUNCAN Treble | OLIVER BULLMAN 5 JAMES HENRY RIDVARD ... 2 PERCY H. DERBYSHIRE ... 6 ALFRED NEWSON 2 JAMES FULCHER... .. 6 WILLIAM MEARS 7 George Way 3 *William Grunwell ... 7 *Joseph Hy. Ridyard, Junt. 4 Joseph Ridyard Teuor HUBERT J. DAY 5 WILLIAM MEARS 7 SIDNEY GASKIN 4 FREDERICK C. BURROWS... Tenor Composed by JOHN THORP, and Composed by G. H. Cross, and Conducted by JOSEPH RIDVARD. Conducted by FREDERICK C. BURROWS. First peal in the method. † First peal with a bob bell. Fred Derbyshire's rooth peal. The band are all members of the This peal contains the 6th 22 times each way in 5-6. C.E.M.S., and it is the first peal in Lancashire by members of the Society. SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK. On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes. A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES; AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, Tenor 173 cwt. A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR. 5088 CHANCES: ALFRED J. TURNER Treble OLIVER SIPPETTS 5 TOHN T. RICKMAN 2 WILLIAM C. HART 6 Tenor 16 cwt. 1 qr. 12 cwt. JOHN T. RICKMAN 2 WILLIAM C. HART ... 6 FRANK BENNETT... ... 3 ALBERT D. STONE ... 7 ALBERT HARMAN ... 4 KEITH HART Teno Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY, and HERBERT PIERCY Tieble *Ernest F. Poppy 5 FREDK, SEAGER. 2 FREDK, MANSER... ... 3 GEORGE SNELLING 4 FREDK. R. BORRETT ... Tonce Conducted by FRANK BENNETT. Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, and Conducted by EDWIN WHITING. First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor. ALFRETON, DERBYSHIRE THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-nine Minutes, SOUTHLEIGH, OXON. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN, THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES | On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes. FREDERICK W. HILL ...Treble ALEX. HUTCHISON 5 WESTER DAY 2 FRED WATKINSON 6 AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES THE GREAT,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5848 CHANGES;

GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Senr. Treble | CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER 5 | MISS KATHLEEN HOLIFIELD 2 | JOHN MONK 6 | ALBERT E. LOCK... ... 3 | GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUNE. 7

ALBERT E. LOCK... 3 GEORGE HOLIFIELD, Junt. 7
FREDK. WEBB 4 GEORGE A. KING Tenor

Conducted by G. HOLIFIELD, June,

Tenor to cwt.

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Conducted by ALFRED C. WRIGHT. · First peal in the method. First in the method on the bells. P. Price 50th peal.

JOHN C. DICKEN 3 ALFRED C. WRIGHT... ... 7

JAMES L. WRIGHT 4 PERCIVAL PRICE Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER, and

FINEDON, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Salurday, April 18, 1914, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF ROUBLE MORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES 1

	sig twi.
JOHN R. MAIN Treble	*JAMES HOUGHTON 5
ARTHUR SMEATHERS 2	ALFRED H. MARTIN 6
WILLIAM W. WORTHINGTON 3	P.C. ALBERT W. COLES 7
I. EDWARD CHAPMAN 4	WALTER PERKINS Tenor

Composed by N J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by WALTER PERKINS.

* 60th peal of Double Norwich. Arranged for W. W. Worthington, of Netherseale.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 18, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 26 lbs. ERNEST DUMPER... Treble | 'HENRY JENNINGS 5

OWEN H. GILES 2
HENRY W. WILKES 3
WILLIAM G. EDWARDS ... 4 GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 6 WILLIAM H. GEORGE ... 7
WILLIAM T TUCKER ... Tenor Composed and Conducted by George WILLIAMS.

First peal of Major. This was the 50th peal on the bells since their augmentation from six to eight in 1909. The conductor's 900th peal, also the rooth peal by H. W. Wilkes.

HARRIETSHAM, KENT

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 19, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Tenor 133 cwt., in G. Edwin G. Buesden Trible Ernest J. Dobbie 5 Charles W. Brett 2 William Spice 6 STANLEY B. DOBBIE ... FREDERICK S. MACEY ... 3 FREDERICK G. BRETT ... 4 WILLIAM H. B. WILKINS Tenor

Conducted by EDWIN G. BUESDEN. Rung as a birthday peal to F. S. Macey.

SIX & FIVE BELL PEALS.

ASHBOCKING, SUFFOLK THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, April 8, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

In seven different methods: Cambridge Surprise, Oxford Delight, Woodbine, Kent, Oxford Treble Bcb, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor to cwt., in A.

... ... Treble | GEORGE BENNETT 4 GEORGE FLEMING ALBERT FLEMING 2 EDWARD JENKINS ... 5
GEORGE PRYKE 3 GEORGE FARNISH ... Tenor Conducted by G. FARNISH.

CLAVERLEY, SHROPSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Ten di	ffere:	nt ca	llings	Tenor 17 cwt.		
*JOSEPH MARSH	***	7	reble	DENIS J. BOUCHER		*** 4
GEORGE THOMAS			2	+ERNEST DREW WILLIAM OWEN	***	5
Cyril Boucher	***	***	3	WILLIAM OWEN		Tenor
	Co	nduc	cted b	y E. Drew.		

† First peal away from the treble. Rung as a birthday First neal. compliment to W. Owen and as a farewell to J. Marsh and D. J Boucher. All the band are local men.

HOLMER, HEREFORD

. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-Scores. Tenor II cwt. CHARLES H. SPARKES ... Treble | HENRY SYMONDS 3
ALBERT E. HURCOMB ... 2 | JAMES P. HYETT 4
HENRY J. TAYLOR ... Tenor

Conducted by H. J. TAYLOR.

First peal on the bells.

BRETFORTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. (SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Easter Sunday, April 12, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-Scores, called in ten different ways.

Conducted by THOMAS HANDS.

* First peal. + First peal away from the tenor. ‡ First peal on an inside bell. First peal as conductor.

WEST STOW, SUFFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Called in ten different ways. Tenor 18 cwt.

WILLIAM PALFREY Treble | FRANK SMITH ... 4 ARTHUR CUITER 2 WALTER BARTLE 5
GEORGE SPARROW 3 ALBERT FOOTER Tenor Conducted by FRANK SMITH.

PETERBOROUGH.

THE PETERBOROUGH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Fifty-five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being two 720's Oxford Bob and five of Plain Bob. Tenor 8 cwt.

FRANCIS DAVIS Troble FRED GILBERT 4
EDWIN TILLEY 2 JOHN W. JARVIS 5
JOHN J. JUTSON 3 JOHN B. HALLIFAX Tenor
Conducted by J. B. HALLIFAX.

PETTISTREE, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Thirty-three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES:

Being 720 of Kent, two 720's of Oxford Treble Bob and four of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor II cwt.

ERNEST H. DUNNEUT ... Treble | ERNEST W. HALL 4 WILLIAM H. P. WELLIN ... 2 CHARLES E. FISHER ... 5
GEORGE ABLITT 3 FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

KIRBY MUXLOE, LEICESTERSHIRE. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Called in ten different ways. Tenor 7 cwt. 1 qr. 5 lbs., in A flat. Albert Davey Treble | T. Neville C. Lambert 3
Horace Omer 2 | Frederick J. Bowley ... 4

HENRY HOLLIS ... Tonor

Conducted by H. Hollis.

First peali by all, who are the local ringers, and rung at the second attempt.

the bells.

SLINFOLD, SUSSEX. THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-six Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER. A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES; Being 720 each of Violet, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Bob, Court Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Plain Bob, Tenor 12 cwt. Treble | James Burdfield 4 WILLIAM SHORT 2 WILLIAM DENYER 5 RAYMOND WOOD 3 WILLIAM STANFORD... ... Tence Conducted by WILLIAM STANFORD. * First peal of Minor. This is the first peal in seven methods on

SHORNE, KENT. THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-seven Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Canterbury Pleasure, Grandsire and Plain Bob, three of Oxford and one of Kent Treble Bob. Tenor 13 cwt., in G.

JOHN AVIS			
CHARLES WATERMAN	2	FREDERICK HAYES	5
George A. Jones	3	FREDERICK M. MIT	CHELL Tenos
Conducted	by FREDER	RICK M. MITCHELL.	

First peal on the bells since rehanging by Mr. A. Bowell, Ipswich,

WELLINGTON, HEREFORDSHIRE. THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Three Hours and Five Minutes, AT THE PARISH CHURCH.

A PEAL OF GRANOSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 Six-Scores, ten different callings. Tenor 17% cwt. WILLIAM H. WILLIAMS ... Treble | HENRY SYMONDS 3
ALBERT E. HURCOMB ... 2 | CHARLES H. SPARKES ... 4
HENRY J. TAYLOR ... Tenor

Conducted by W. H. WILLIAMS.

Rung as a wedding compliment to Mr. C. Middleton (foreman of the local band), who was married on the above date.

BLAISDON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. (NORTH FOREST BRANCH.)

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1911, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE AND ST. DUNSTAN'S DOUBLES:

Tenor 8 cwt.

*ROBERT PRESTON						
"WILLIAM ARCHER	***		2	THOMAS HART	***	5
FREDRICK PRESTON	***		3	†WILLIAM TYLER		Tenor
C	ond	ucted	l by	THOMAS HART.		

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

HAYFIELD, DERBYSHIRE. THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(Bowdon and Stockfort Branch).

On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANCES;

Being two 720's of Plain Bob, three of Oxford and two of Kent Treble Roh Tenor o cwt

SIDNBY KIRK		Treble	*HAROLD HIBBERT	*** 4
WILLIAM WALKER	***	2	REV. A. T. BRESTON	5
*WILLIAM BUTLER		3	HENRY KIRK	Tenor

Conducted by Rev. A. T. BEESTON.

* First peal of Minor. First Guild peal on the bells. Rung with the bells half muffled as a mark of respect to the late Thomas White-head, for 35 years a ringer at this Church, who was interred on Easter Eve.

HANDBELL PEALS.

VENTNOR, ISLE OF WIGHT.

On Easter Monday, April 13, 1914, in Two Hours and Four Minutes, AT "SOUTHCLIFF,"

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANCES;

REV. E. BANKES JAMES ... 1-2 | E. MADRICE ATKINS ... 5-6
J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... 3-4 | *H. BARTON 7-8 Composed and Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

Witness: MISS N. WILLIAMSON.

* First peal of Major on handbells. This is the first handbell peal on eight bells rung in the Isle of Wight and the second handbell peal, the first being Bob Minor. It is also believed to be the first peal of Bob Major in the island since 1801.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, April 15, 1914, in Two Hours and Forty-five Minutes, AT KING EDWARD VI GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5943 CHANGES;

Size 18, in G.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY... 1—2 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES 5—6 ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3—4 | WILLOUGHBY E. MAULDEN 7—8 3-4 *I. BRDCE WILLIAMSON ... 9-10

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF, and Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. Pulling and Archibald White. · First peal of Stedman on handbells.

SCARBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

THE CLEVELAND & NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. On Thursday, April 16, 1914, in Two Hours and Twenty-three Minutes, AT THE RESIDENCE OF F. DAVISON, 11, MOORLAND ROAD.

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

REV. C. D. P. DAVIES' TEN-PART.

John R. Barton 1-2 | Alfred Raynor John R. Fryirs 3 | Harry Gibson | JOHN R. FRYIRS 5—6 FRANK DAVISON ... 7-8 Conducted by J. R. BARTON.

Witnesses: Mrs. Davison and Miss E. Longden,

* First peal in the method. † First peal with a bob bell in the method. First peal on handbells in the method by the Association, and first in the method on the bells, which belong to H. Gibson. Rung after arranging for a tower-bell peal, which had to be postponed.

NEWLANDS CORNER, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, April 17, 1914, in Two Hours and Five Minutes, ON THE DOWNS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5046 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S VARIATION. Size 14, in D.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 1-2 | REV. E. BANKES JAMES ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4 -J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Witnesses: Mrs. Pulling and Archibald White. * First peal of Stedman Triples on handbells.

GUILDFORD, SURREY. THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, April 17, 1914, in Two Hours and Ten Minutes, AT KING EDWARD VI. GRAMMAR SCHOOL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Size 17, in A. PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

REV. A. H. F. BOUGHEY 1-2 | MAURICE SMITHER ... 5-6
ALFRED H. PULLING ... 3-4 | J. BRUCE WILLIAMSON ... 7-8 Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Umpire: REV. E. BANKES JAMES.

Witness: ARCHIBALD WHITE.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING AT WORCESTER.

PRESENTATION TO THE HON, SECRETARY.

The annual meeting, held at Worcester on Easter Monday proved to be the most successful in the annuls of the Association, and one that will be long remembered by all who had the pleasure of attending it. The weather being so perfect for holiday onjoyment might, one would have thought, have somewhat diminished the attendance, whereas it was the largest on record, about 150 members and friends being present. The proceedings as usual commenced with ringing, although the facilities in this respect were not so good as might have been, as one tower, All Saints', is under repair, and a case of illness caused the bells at St. Helen's to be available for only a short time. Those at the Cathedral were available from one o'clock to 2 p.m., and full advantage was taken of the privilege. The members then assembled in the Cathedral Chapter House for the business meeting, the chair being taken by the Sub-Dean (the Rev. Canon Knox-Little) until the

arrival of the Dean, who then presided.

The report and balance sheet, which had been passed by the Central Committee, and published in the annual report, which was ready for distribution, was presented. The balance sheet showed a continued distribution, was presented. The balance sheet showed a continued increase, the amount of the funds being now £49 3s. 114d., including the Belfry Repairs Fund, inaugurated last year, and which showed a balance of £13 3s. 5d. At the present time, however, this has been increased to £15 12s. 2d., for, although the fund has been in existence for twelve months, no application for a grant has yet been re-

The report called attention to the great progress made in the last eight years, and especially since the formation of branches, which has proved to be of great assistance in increasing the usefulness of the Association, as shown by the fact that 1913 was a record in every way. Since 1905 the funds have increased from £5 14s. 10d. to £49 3s. 11½d., and the number of members from 303 to 426. The number of peals rung during last year was 70, the previous largest total being 55. The 1,000th peal was rung at Oldswinford on December 6th, and the following first peals in the method were rung during the year: Stedman Cinques at St. Martin's, Birmingham, which was also the 600th peal by Mr. W. Short; and Double Yorkshire Court Bob Major at Selly Oak. The report also called attention to the wonderful performances of the children of Mr. Johnson, of Hinton, near Evesham, whose ages are 11, 13 and 14 respectively, and who during the year rang three peals of Doubles on handbells, double-handed, one peal being in no less than eight methods.

INTER-AFFILIATION RECEIVES SUPPORT.

After it had been decided to altempt the annual peal at the Cathedral, with Mr. W. Short as conductor, and to hold the next annual meeting again at Worcester, the Master (Mr. A. E. Parsons) brought forward the question of inter-affiliation. He remarked that interaffiliation should be a means of bringing ringers throughout the country into one common brotherhood, enabling them to be of assistance as churchworkers in the coming struggles which were appearing on the horizon. After favourable discussion, one of the speakers, being the Secretary of the Llandaff Association (Mr. J. W. Jones), the Central Council representatives were instructed to support any scheme brought before the Council on Whitsun Tuesday,

On the recommendation of the committee, it was decided to issue the new certificate, which was from a design by Mr. J. Pigott, of Smethwick, at a charge of threepence per copy; also that the Master and secretary of each branch be given powers to appoint instructors, £5 being set aside annually for instruction.—To commemorate the

25 being set aside annually for instruction.—To commemorate the 1,000th peal it was decided to have it illuminated in the peal book, instead of it being entered in the ordinary way.

The Secretary (Mr. J. R. Newman) then brought forward the question of the representation of the Ladies' Guild on the Central Council. It was soon evident that the marting was strongly in favour of this proposal.—The advisability of omitting the word " adjoining " from the title of the Association was decided upon.—The whole of the officers having been re-cleeted, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the President, the Dean and Chapter, the incumbents who had allowed the use of their bells, and the Rev. Whatley and Mr. Johnson for making all the arrangements for such an enjoyable meet-

ing.
The President, having remarked earlier in the meeting that, if there was time, he would show members over the Cathedral, at the conwas time, he would snow hembers over the Cashedran, at the conclusion of his reply to the vote of thanks, commenced by explaining the architecture of the Chapter house, which is one of the most interesting in England, and pointing out that although scated as they were in the centre, the acoustic properties of the building were bad, as, if they had been seated round the wall, as was originally the case, the slightest whisper could have been heard. He then conducted them over the Cathedral, explaining the boaulies of the various styles of architecture in which the building is exceptionally rich. The ladies who were present were allowed to see the crypt—a privilege which is not, at present, usually allowed. Subsequently those present, including the Dean and several clergy, were grouped against the north wall

of the Cathedral, in order that a photo might be taken for reproduc-tion in "The Ringing World," and for the benefit of those desiring, copies it may be mentioned that they can be obtained through the secrofary.

For the first time the service was arranged to be held in the Cathodral, the Dean (the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D.) giving the ad-In opening, he mentioned that he understood that the historyof hells, etc., was so often given on those occasions that his remarks would be more appreciated if he did not attempt to do so. Instead. therefore, he gave a very interesting Easter address.
WONDERFUL JUVENILE RINGERS.

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After the service tea was partaken of in the fine old College Hall' on the south side of the Cloisters. Among the guests were the Deam and Mrs. Moore Ede, the Revs. Sydney Phillips (Hon. Canon), J. F. Hastings (Martley) and F. L. Whatley (Minor Canon and Warden of the Cathedral ringers). Immediately following tea intense interest was centred in the wonderful handbell ringing by the children of Mr. F. J. Johnson-Miss E. M. Johnson aged 14, J. D. Johnson aged 13, and Miss R. Johnson aged 11 years. Miss Johnson conducted 120 of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, with the coolness of 30 years' experience; while Master J. D. won the admiration of the company, being a picture of intelligence bringful of lovesble tenderness to being a picture of intelligence, brinful of loveable tenderness to-ward his younger sister, whose nerves were apparently unstrung by the outbursts of applause, and by his quiet gestures of help, when conducting touches of Plain Bob and Canterbury Minor, equalling Messrs, Washbrook, Pyc, or Pulling, for courage and confidence. The company showed their appreciation by shoals of congratulations and hearty hand-shakes which must have been a happy sight for the father.

Then followed not the least interesting event of the day in the form of a presentation of a timepiece to the worthy hon, secretary (Mr. J. R. Newman)—a valuable clock, in a plain oak case, striking (Mr. J. R. Newman)—a valuable clock, in a plain oak case, striking the Westminster and Cambridge quarter chimes on four goings and eight bells, and having the following inscription on a brass plate at the base: "Worcestershire and Districts Change Ringing Association. Presented to James R. Newman, on the occasion of his marriage, by members of the above Association, as a mark of esteem and appreciation of his valuable services as honorary secretary, Nov. 6th, 1913."
The Dean and Rev. J. F. Hastings paid high tributes to the sterling character and worth of Mr. Newman, and Mr. Pigott clinched their praise with an appropriate speech; saying that day's annual report, compared with those of nine or ten years ago, was the best testimony of Mr. Newman's services.—The Master, on behalf of the 277 subscribers, then made the presentation, hoping that, as the clock went on marking time, it would also mark the increased happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Newman.—Mr. Newman thanked the members most sincerely for their very handsome present, but remarked that it was impossible for him to find words sufficiently adequate to express his feclings.

Thus ended a most enjoyable day, during which those present had, in a sense, followed in the footsteps of the old-time monks, for as they were accustomed to use the Chapter House for business, the Cathedral for services, and what now is the College Hall, for eating, so had each building been used in turn that day by the Association.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

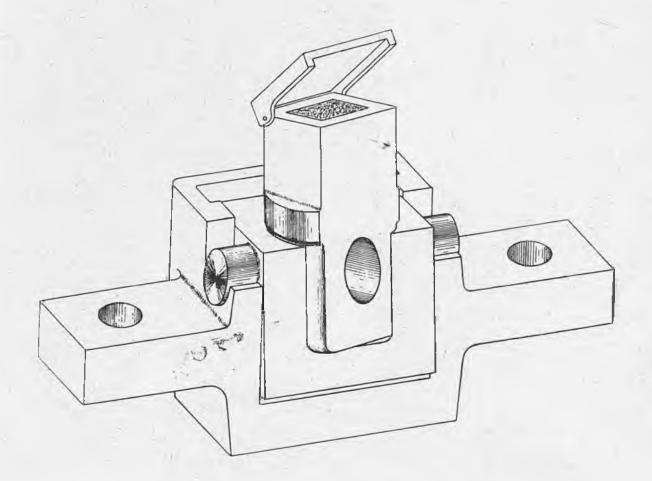
BENEVOLENT FUND AND INTER-AFFILIATION DISCUSSED.

The quarterly meeting of the Portsmouth district was held on Easter tonday at Curdridge. Ringers attended from Farcham, Titchfield, Wickham, Sliedfield, Swanmore, Portsmouth, Portsea, Gosport, Norths Stoneham, and the local tower. Grandsire Triples, Bob Major and Kent Treble Bob were rung, and tea was served in the Institute, when upwards of 40 members and friends sat down.—The Rev. C. E. Matthews (Muster of the Guild) presided at the business meeting, sup-ported by Mr. J. Whiting (district secretary) and Mr. J. Harding (representative).

After election of members, Mr. II, Ingram, of St. Thomas's, Portsmouth, raised the question of a ringers' benevolent scheme, and after much discussion, in which the Master, Mr. Whiting, Mr. Ford, and others took part, the meeting expressed the opinion that the average ringer already had quite sufficient to contribute to voluntarily, and, since the advent of the Insurance Act, otherwise, that this district would go no further with the matter. With this course, Mr. Ingram-

entirely agreed.

A resolution was then submitted that the representatives attending the Central Council meeting at Winchester be instructed to support any scheme that would remove the present difficulty of the Winchester-Guild, members being unfairly taxed when wishing to ring peals for other Guilds. In the discussion it was pointed out that for one singlepayment of 2s. 6d. a performing member of any Association might become a life member for peal ringing in the Winchester Guild, so long as he resided outside the Diocese.—The resolution was carried unani-mously, and the Master promised that it should have his support at the proper time and place. Votes of thanks were accorded the chairman for presiding, the Rev. G. Hills for use of bells and Institute, and to Mrs. Cousins for catering. The company then adjourned to the tower, where further touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Bob Major were rung.



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JUST PRESENTED WITH A PEAL OF TEN BELLS.

MEMBERS OF THE WOR



Our photograph of the Worcestershire Association gathering was taken outside the Cathedral on the occasion of the annual meeting on Easter Monday The principal officers are scated, viz.: W. Page (Western Br. Master), R. G. Knowles (Western Br. Sec.), J. Pigori (Northern Br. Rep.), E. J. Dowler (Northern Br. Sec.), J. R. Newman (Hon. General Sec.), Rev. J. F. Hastings (Clerical Sec.), Rev. Sydney-Phillips (Vice-President), Rev. F. L. Whatley (Warden of the Cathedral Ringers), the Dean of Worcester (President), Canon Wilson (Vice-President), A. E. Parsons (Master), W. H. Johnson (Treasurer), J. Hemming (Southern Br. Sec.), H. Middleton (Southern Br. Master), B. S. Hill, and W. Rock Small.

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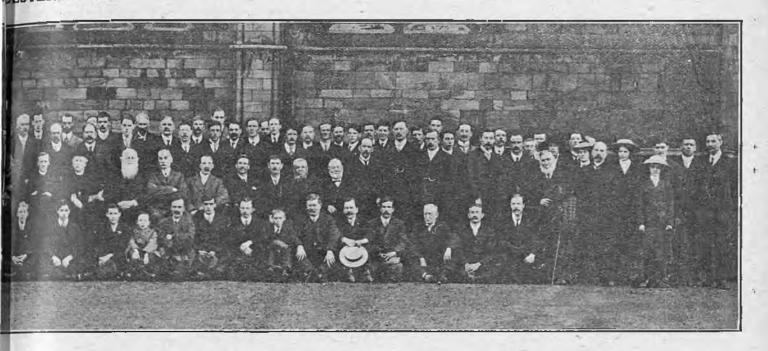
The photograph of the Middlesex Association omeers, taken at Futham, on Saturday, includes the following:—
Standing: H. C. Chandler (Joint Hon. Sec.), S. Carter (Hon. Treasurer S. and W. District), J. H. B. Hesse (Vice-President and Contral Council Rep.), G. Spencer (Committee), C. S. Bird (Assistant Hon. Sec. S.W. District), J. R. Sharman (Central Council Rep.), S. Wade, W. Lawrence and A. Harding (Committee), C. T. Coles (Joint Hon. Sec.) Sec.).

Seated: J. Waghorn, sour. (Committee), J. Armstrong (N. and E. District Master), W. Pye (Master), A. T. King, I.S.O. (President), T. Beale (S. and W. District Master), F. A. Milne (Vice-President and Hon, Treasurer) and G. B. Lucas (Committee).

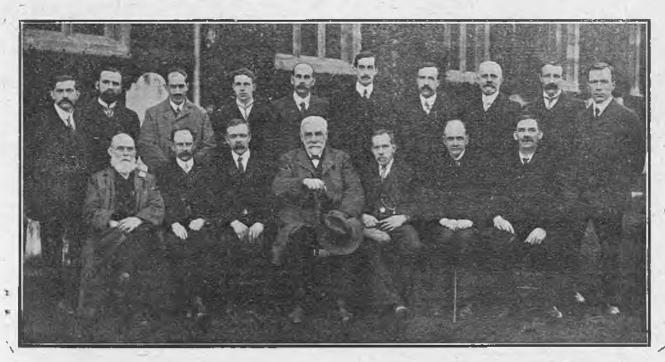
THE NORWICH ASSOCIATION AT EYE.



DESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OUTSIDE THE CATHEDRAL.



MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS.



Photo]

Stilliard, Fulham.

RESTORATION OF WEST HADDON BELLS.

The fine bells in the parish church of West Hadden, Northants, have been thoroughly restored by Mr. Alfred Bowell, of Ipswich. The bells (the tenor of which is 11½ cwt.) were taken down and sent to Ipswich, where they were tuned and the treble recast. All the old oak frames have been removed, and the whole peal rehung in a massive wrought steel frame to carry six bells, standing upon heavy rolled steel girders. The fittings are all of the most modern type, consisting of steel head-

stocks and improved bearings. Now floors have been put in the tower, and a chiming apparatus has also been installed. The local ringers met on completion of the work and rang several 120's of Grandsire Doubles, and expressed their entire satisfaction with the tone and "go" of the bells, and it is to be hoped that the sixth bell will be added in the near future.

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The same firm has also secured the contract to rehang in a new steel frame the four bells at Cold Ashby, Northants. The frame is to be made to carry five bells.

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This bell was recast, and the peal of twelve rehung by us in September, 1911. Since then the following peals have been rung on the bells :-

Cambridge Surprise	Maxi	mus		**1	2	peals
Treble Bob Maximu	S	***	***	***	3	59
Stedman Cinques	• • •			***	9	"
Stedman Caters		414	***		1	peal

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On account of the great pressure on our space this week we have been compelled to hold over several reports and peals, despite the fact that we have enlarged the size of our issue.

RELLS TRIUMPHAL ENTRY.

Arrangements are being made for a triumphal entry into South-ampton on May-day of the new peal of eight bells for St. Mary's, the mother church of the borough. The bells have been given by Miss mother church of the borough. The bells have been given by Miss Wingrove, and at half-past five in the morning of May-day will be taken from the Dock Station and placed on eight cars, for a triumphal march through the town. At the boundary of the parish they will be met by the clergy and choir, who, with special hymns of thanksgiving, will lead them to the church. Each car will carry, in addition to the bell, four parishioners, to represent the "seven ages of man." The bells have been cast by Messrs. Taylor and Co. at the Loughborough

YOUTHFUL RINGER'S RAPID STRIDES.

A peal in seven Minor methods was rung at Tunstall on Saturday, and one of the band was Edward II. Spice, a boy of 14, who scored his first peal, and achieved the honour of being the youngest ringer in the Kent Association to ring a peal of Minor in seven methods with a boly bell. He comes of a family of ringers, and we can quite be-lieve that a gift for ringing can be "bred in the bone." But even so, Master Spice's performance is an extremely noteworthy one when it is known that he only commenced change ringing last Christmas.

And this recalls the performance which we recorded last week and which, without any disrespect, we may call the "old men's peal." This was at Deptford, and was also under the auspices of the Kent Association. The average age of the eight ringers was 60 years, and in the band were three veterans who were well past the allotted span of three score years and ten. More power to their elbow! By-the-way, we made inquiries some time ago as to the youngest band to ring a peal. Now, we wonder, who can claim to be the oldest company to ring a 5,000?

LADIES ATTEMPT A PEAL.

At Twyford, Borks, on Easter Monday, a peal of Grandsire Triples was attempted by members of the Ladies' Guild, but it came to an was attempted by members of the Ladies Guid, but it came to an untimely end after a fourth start. Those taking part were: Mrs. Whittington 1, Miss K. Holifield 2, Miss B. Stilwell 3, Miss E. Belcher 4, Miss E. Goodship 5, Miss M. E. Chillingworth 6, Miss E. K. Parker (conductor) 7, Miss E. Jones 8. Afterwards, a 504 Stedman Triples was rung by: Miss Belcher 1, Miss Holifield 2, Miss Stilwell 3, Miss Goodship 4. Mr. F. Dentry 5, Miss Chillingworth 5, Miss Parker (conductor) 7, Mr. W. Lawrence 8. The ringers were very kindly entertained to lunch and ton by the Rev. and Mrs. Acworth, to whom the thanks of the band are duc.

GENEROUS GIFTS.

Mr. J. T. Ricknan, whose generosity has placed St. Peter's Church Brighton, in possession of the finest peal of bells in the county of Sussex, is an enthusiastic ringer, who has been a follower of the Art for a quarter of a century or more. Among other associations, he is a member of the Cambridge University Guild, and on more than one occasion has taken part in their ringing tours. His gift to St. Peter's is not the first instance of his munificence where bells are concerned. Some few yours ago, he and his revered mother gave two trobles to Southover Church, Lowes (where Mr. Rickman rang his first peal), and defrayed the bulk of the cost of rehanging the old eight in a new

A WEDDING GIFT.

A presentation has been made at All Saints', Benhilton, to Mr. Webb, on the occasion of his approaching marriage. The gifts, which consisted of a brass curb from the ringers, and brass fire irons, dogs and stop from the Vicar and churchwardens, were presented in the tower by the Vicar (the Rev. C. Carey Taylor), who expressed on behalf of all concerned, their appreciation of the services of Mr. Webb as captain of the ringers and steeplekeeper of the tower for the past Il years, and who wished him and his bride long life and happiness.

LONG PEAL ATTEMPTS.

Two long peal attempts are to be made to-morrow at Painswick, a band of the Painswick Youths and the Gloucoster and Bristol Diocesan Association will attempt a peal of 12,475 Grandsire Cinques, stating at 10 a.m. At Killamarch a second attempt is to be made for the Surprise Minor record, viz., 10,800 changes, the peal having been lost on Back Holiday,

A ROUND OF YORKSHIRE TOWERS.

With the object of attending the annual meeting of the Leeds and District Society on Easter Monday, the St. James' ringers, Bolton, Bradford, organised a trip, which took them all the way to Leeds by tram, and enabled them to visit several towers en route. They left home at 9 a.m., and made their first call at Earlsheaton Church, where they were met by the steeplekeeper, and lang touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples. Some of the local ringers were afterwards met, and a pleasant time spent, in the course of which Grandsire Caters were tapped off on handbells. Next, Horbury Church was visited, and after some Grandsire Triples, 504 Stedman was rung with three of the local men, this being the latter's longest length in the method. The next place of call was Wakefield, where permission had been obtained to ring on the Cathedral bells, and from here the visitors went on to Leeds, which was reached at 6.50 p.m. The band wish to thank the Vicars and churchwardens of the several churches visited for the use of the bells, and the local companies for kindly making arrangements for the ringing.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

The quarterly meeting of the Bridgwater branch was held at Enmore on Saturday last, and attended by members from Bridgwater, Huntspill, Chedzoy, Enmore, Wembdon, At the service, the Rev. Fitz Henry Waller Bridge officiated, and gave an excellent address. After service, tea was partaken of by the kind invitation of the Rev. F. W. Bridge, and was followed by the usual business meeting presided by over by the Rector, in the absence of the branch chairman (the Rev. E. de St. Croix), who, through his sad and sudden bereavement, was unable to attend. Much sympathy is felt by the Association for him. -Middlezoy was chosen for the next place of meeting, and votes of thanks were accorded the chairman for presiding and for providing such an excellent tea; and to the organist and choir for their attendance. -The Rector, in responding, said he would always extend a hearty welcome to the Association whenever they cared to arrange a meeting there. An adjournment was then made to the tower, where several touches were brought round during the evening.

DEATH OF A BISHOP'S STORTFORD RINGER

The death has taken place at Bishop's Stortford, at the age of 58, of Mr. Thomas Newman, who had been a ringer at St. Michael's Church for over 37 years. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, the Essex Association, and the Bishop's Stortford of College Poulls, the Essex Association, and the Bishop's Stortford St. Michael's Society. Although not a large peal ringer he was always ready to lend a hand when meeting one short rather than that the band should be disappointed. In all he had taken part in 27 peals, viz.: Grandsire Triples 10, Oxford Bob Triples 5, Darleston Bob Triples 2, Stedman Triples 3, Bob Major 1, Grandsire Major 1, Double Norwich Court Bob Major 1, Grandsire Cators 4.

The funeral took place on Tuesday of last week at the Bishop's Stortford Cemetery, where deceased had been engaged for the last 25 years. The coffin was house to the grave by four members of the

years. The coffin was borne to the grave by four members of the St. Michael's Society, and in the evening a half-muffled touch of 575 Grandsiro Caters was rung at St. Michael's Church. The deceased leaves a widow and grown-up family, but the former, unhappily, is

quite unprovided for.

THE NORTH WALES ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the North Wales Association was held at Gresford on Easter Monday, when members attended from Gresford, Wrexham, Llangollen, Ruthen, Hawarden, Buokley, Rhyl and Bangor. The Rev. T. Lewis Jones (president and Vicar of St. David's, Bangor) occupied the chair, and a vote of condolence was passed on the death of Mr. W. H. Evans, one of the ringers of Portmadoc. He was highly esteemed among all ringers of the Association and by Churchmen generally.

The statement of accounts showed that the Association was making steady progress. The number of peals rung during 1913 was

only two, a decrease of five on the previous year

The half-yearly meeting, it was decided, should be held at Ruthin in September, and the next annual meeting at Barmouth.—New mombers were elected from Ruthin and Bangor, and all the officers were re-elected for the ensuing year, including Mr. A. E. Pegler (Master), who that day was taking part in the record peal of Treble Bob Royal at Ashton-under-Lyne.

After the meeting a service was held in the church, and an admirable address was given by the Rev. Barker Owen, curate of Gresford. Mr. Cunnali, F.R.C.O., gave an organ recital after the service, which was thoroughly enjoyed. Lunch and tea were provided by the Vicar, wardens and ringers of Gresford, who were thanked for their kind-ness, on the proposition of Mr. A. Hughes (Bangor), seconded by Mr. Jones (Hawarden)

Touches of Grandsire, Stedman, etc., were rung during the day on the bells of Gresford which, by the way, are known as one of the seven Wonders of Wales.

A RINGER'S MAGNIFICENT GIFT.

PEAL OF TEN FOR BRIGHTON. THE BELLS DEDICATED.

The handsome tower which dominates the Parish Church of St. Peter, Brighton, now contains a peal of ten bells, admitted by all who have heard them to be the finest, as they are the heaviest, in the county of Sussex. These bells are the munificent gift of a ringer, Mr. John Thornton Rickman, of The Spences, Lewes, who, for many years. has been an enthusiastic member of the Exercise, and actively identified with the Sussex Association during the periods that he resides in England. Mr. Rickman has done a good deal of his ringing at St. Peter's Church, where hitherto there has been a peal of eight, with tenor about 103 cwt., which certainly were not worthy of so important a church. Mr. Rickman's generosity, however, has now endowed the church of a ring of bells of which the county may be proud, for the new ten have a tenor of 25½ cwt., in D flat They are hung in an iron frame mounted on steel girders, and bear the following inscriptions: Treble.—5 cwt. 2 qrs. 6 lbs.

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Benedicimus Te."

(We bless Thee). 5th.-7 cwt. 3 grs. 10 lbs. "Adoramus Te." (We worship Thee). 6th.—9 cwt. 0 qrs. 3 lbs.

" Glorificamus Te." (We glorify Thee). -11 cwt. 2 qrs. 9 lbs. 7th.—11 ewt. 2 qrs. 9 ibs.
"Gratias Agimus Tibi." (We give thanks to Thee).

8th.—13 cwt. 1 qr. 0 lbs.
"Domine Deus, Rex Coelistis.
(O Lord God, Heavenly King),
9th.—17 cwt. 0 qrs. 25 lbs.

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The work was carried out by Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, and the celebrated Whitechapel firm are to be heartily congratulated both upon the magnificence of tone in the new bells and upon the splendid workmanship shown in the hanging, for the new peal go like the proverbial "tops." The circle of ropes, falling in the spacious and well-appointed ringing chamber, is also excellent. The bells have been hung twenty feet lower in the steeple than the old ring, and the noise in the street below has been reduced to a minimum, while this alteration has also added to the stability of the tower.

REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDANCE AT DEDICATION.

The dedication took place on Thursday of last week, the ceremony, performed by the Bishop of Chichester, being attended by the Mayor and Corporation in State, and a crowded congregation. Indeed, despite the large seating accommodation of the church, hundreds were unable to obtain admission. The Mayor and Corporation robed in the Parish Room and marched in procession with the clergy and choir to the west door immediately beneath the tower. Here the Bishop formally dedicated the bells, and committed them as a sacred trust to the minister of the parish. For one full minute only, the bells then pealed out, and afterwards a special form of service was rendered, and the Bishop delivered a brief address from Numbers x, 1-2, "And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them; that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly and for the journeying of the camps." Having traced the history and uses of bells, the Bishop the camps." Having traced the history and uses of buns, the church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying that the gift of those bells to the parish church concluded by saying the gift of was from one who had indeed given his best for God. With joy and gladness in God's house, and to God's glory, they dedicated those bells, which formed one more adornment to the parish church of Brighzon, which was gradually being made complete in its beauty.

The St. Peter's ringers were, of course, present in full strength, and about a hundred other ringers attended from various towers in the county and places beyond, including Mr. George Williams (of Southampton), secretary of the Winchester Diocesan Guild, and Mr. Frank Bennett (of Lancing, late secretary of the Royal Cumberland Youths), both of whom did much during their former association with the tower to make St. Peter's famous in ringing circles, the Master of the Sussex Association (Mr. F. B. Tompkins) and the hon. secretary (Mr. Geo. Watson). The Sussex towers represented were: Christ Church, Eastbourne; Christ Church, St. Leonards; St. Clement's, Hustings, Crawley, Henfield, Burgess Hill, Heene, Lindfield, Hurstpierpoint, Steyning, Rotherfield, Chichester, Aldrington, Seaford, etc. Quito a number of visitors travelled from London, among those present during the day being: Measns. C. T. Celes (hon. sec. of the Middlesex Association), W. W. Worthington (Neatherseale), Bertram Prevett (Watford), A. W. Grimes, A. B. Peck, J. E. Davis, G. Paice, W. J. Hazell, W. Hewett, E. F. Pike, H. Alford, F. W. Richardson, J. Waghorn (London), J. H. Shepherd (Swindon), J. D. Harris (Portsea), E. Dewey (Itedhill), W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley). The founders were represented by Mr. Arthur Hughes and Mr. Bert Hughes, and Messrs. John Thomas and R. Foster, who hung the bells. John Thomas and R. Foster, who hung the bells.

The ringers were entertained to tea, and afterwards the bells were open for ringing, the methods including Cambridge Surprise Royal, Treble Ten, Stedman Caters, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major. To Messrs. Mears and Stainbank the Vicar of Brighton, the churchwardens and other responsible officials expressed their thanks and great appreciation of the work in every particular, and the ringers were loud in their praises of the way in which the contract has been carried out, in spite of many difficulties that have had to be overcome.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

On Easter Monday the 32nd annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held at Burton-on-Trent, excellent arrangements having been made by the local honorary sceretary and the Burton members. In addition to the two peals of eight in the town, the six at Horninglow and Winshill were also at the disposal of the ringers from about 10 a.m. The new peal at St. Paul's, which were heard by many of the visitors for the first time, gave great satisfaction, and expressions of praise and delight were heard on all sides. During the morning a conducted tour was made through one of Messrs, Bass and Co.'s world-famed breweries, and the various processes in the manufacture of their beer fully explained, the magnitude of the place and the statistics furnished by the guide being simply astound-

In the afternoon a short service, which was very well attended by the ringers, was held in St. Paul's Church, the Rev. J. Percy Hales, of Colgrove, preaching a most appropriate and helpful sermon from Nehemiah ii, 18, "Let us rise up and build, so they strengthened their hands for this good work."

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Tea, which was served as usual in St. Paul's Institute, was followed by the annual general meeting, about 80 members and friends being present.—On the proposition of the Vicar of St. Paul's (Rev. J. J. G. Stockley), Mr. W. W. Worthington took the chair, and amongst those supporting him were the Rev. H. E. Worthington, of Netherscale, Rev. C. O'Grady (curate of St. Paul's), Mr. E. D. Taylor, Mr. W. C. Wakley (hon. treasurer) and Mr. W. E. White (honorary secretary), while representatives were also present from six out of the saven Association districts. Letters of apology for absence were received from the president (Sir Arthur Heywood, Bart.), and the vice-president (Mr. John W. Taylor).

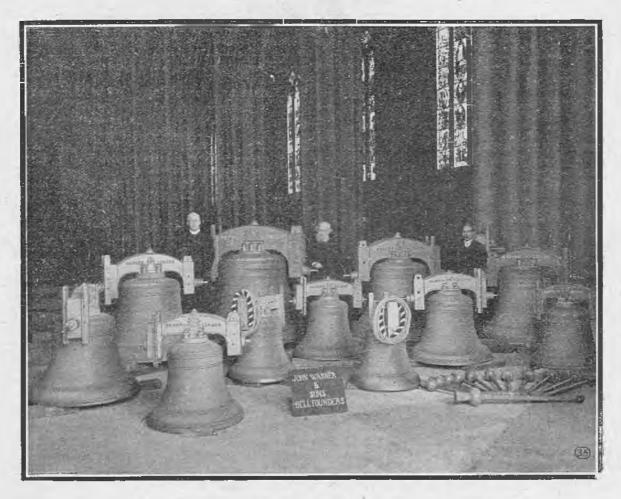
The treasurer's report and balance sheet (which for the first time in the history of the Association showed an adverse balance) was adopted on the proposition of Mr. C. Draper, seconded by Mr. E. D. Taylor (auditors), and the auditors were thanked for their services.

adopted on the proposition of Mr. C. Draper, seconded by Mr. E. D. Taylor (auditors), and the auditors were thanked for their services. The retiring general officers were all thanked for their services during the past year, and, on the proposition of Mr. E. D. Taylor, seconded by Mr. W. Fox, were unanimously re-elected.—On the proposition of Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by Mr. W. W. Worthington, the present Rule xiii was struck out and the following substituted:— Delegates to the Central Council to be nominated by two members of the Association and nominations to be sent to the honorary secretary one month before the meeting at which they are to be proposed." The words "After a month's notice in writing has been given by the honorary secretary "were struck out of Rule 4a, on the proposition of Mr. W. E. White, seconded by Mr. C. Draper, and this alteration should be particularly noted by members in arroars

Colston-Bassett, Chesterfield and Loughborough were unanimously chosen as the places for the next three quartorly meetings, Derby following by rotation for the annual meeting. Seven honorary mem-

Hearty votes of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells, to the Rev. J. P. Hales for his sermon in the church, to Messre, Bass and Co. for their permission to view the brewery, to the chairman and to the Burton members for the arrangements for the day terminated

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ANNUAL MEETING AT FULHAM.

That thriving society, the Middlesex Association and London Diocesan Guild, young as compared with some of the Metropolitan organisations, but as full of vitality as any in the land, hold its annual There was a large attendance of meeting at Fulham on Saturday. There was a large attendance of members from towers scattered all over the area, and the members enjoyed some good ringing on the delightful peal of ten at All Saints' Church, and the very serviceable eight on the other side of the river, St. Mary's, Putney. For more than a couple of hours the bells in both towers were kept going in a variety of methods ranging from Grandsire to Surprise, and then the members assembled in church, where a choral service was held. The address was given by the Rev. A. H. F. Boughey, President of the Cambridge University Guild, who based an eloquent discourse on the text, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth " (Colossians iii, 1). He said he ventured to think there was a very deep and real connection between Eastertide and church bells. At no other time in the year did their glad music come to his mind more appropriately, because there was no joy in all the Christian year, greater than the joy of Easter. The church bells with their sweet music were to them a symbol of joy, and he thought they might take them also as a symbol of life. When they were hanging unmoved they were just dead things. If they were muffled as they were sometimes rung, they were to his mind, the most pathetic sound that he could think of connected with death. But at Easterlide the bells were not silent nor muffled; they were sending forth their message bells. At no other time in the year did their glad music come to his bells were not silent nor muffled; they were sending forth their message not only of joy, but of life. Another thing about the bells they so much loved was what he ventured to call their uplifting influence. High in the steeple, they were hung above the things of earth, and they called them to seek the things that were above, things which were lefty and high. That message was not only the message of the bells, but it was also the very essence of their beautiful English art of ringing bells in changes. The change ringer was always seeking something higher in his art, whether he was an expert, or whether he was only a beginner. He was bold to say that even in such an are seeking the way only a beginner. Association as the Middlesex Association, which, without any flattery, they knew contained some, at any rate, of the very best ringers that that ever been the very bost were always thinking of something higher still. The more beginner, too, if he was anything at all, was always thinking how he could attain to something better. only desiring to strike more accurately he had got an ideal before him. Thus in their beautiful English art they had a pattern of the spiritual life-always striving for something which was above them. devoted to the highest objects was the lesson that their art might well teach them—to apply to other and even greater things. Let them in all things, and especially in greatest things, seek what was above; set their affection on what was above, and let that be an abiding part of their Eastertide meeting. They must give their love to the things which were above—it must be a joy the things which were above—it must be a joy them to come to His House, to meet Him in His Church, and not to turn away after having rung the bells, but to come and seek Him in His own House. They should seek Him also in all their lives; in their work as in their pleasure they should seek the things which were above, setting their affection and love on the things which were highest and best.

After the service tea was served in the parish room, and was followed by the business meeting, at which the chair was taken by Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O. (president).

A SÜCCESSFUL YEAR.

The report, which had been printed, was presonted, and the Hon. Secretary read the balance sheet of the central fund, which showed receipts amounting to £18 12s, 2d., making, with £20 3s, 10d. brought forward, a total of £38 16s. The expenditure amounted to £19 15s, 11d. leaving a balance carried forward of .518 0s. 1d. The report, in reviewing the doings of the year, stated: Amother year has gone; and so regular and even has been the work of the Association, that to the casual observer it may seem to have been well nigh automatic, so smoothly have the wheels run. The numbers were increased: the subsmoothly have the wheels run. The numbers were increased: the subscriptions had been paid with increasing regularity; the peals rung, though fewer in number, had been important and excellent in quality; there had been more attention paid to the education of young ringers, with results, greater or less, according to their varying moods; and to round up the estimate of the progress made they had only to put this question. "Have we ourselves become better men as well as better question." Have we ourselves become better men as well as better ringers?" Whilst the great increase in peal ringing as shown by the records of 1912 1 ad not been maintained, the number of peals rung during 1913 reached the very satisfactory total of 134, against 153 in the previous year. In point of all-round merit, however, the following statement could hardly be improved upon: Kent Treble Bob Major, 5: Royal, 2; Maximus, 2; Oxford Treble Bob Major, 1; Grandsire Doubles, 3; Triples, 13; Caters, 3; Oxford Bob Triples, 1; Minor (1 method), 1; (3 methods), 3; (4 methods), 1; Bob Major, 3; Royal, 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major, 12; Superlative Surprise Major, 5;

Cambridge Surpriso Major, 7; Royal, 5; Maximus, 2; Now Cambridge Surprise Major, 1; London Surprise Major, 10; Bristol Surprise Major, 13; Duffield Major, 1; Stedman Triples, 15; Caters, 12; Unques, 12; total, 134. Of these 22 were rung on handbells, viz.: Kent Treble Bob Maximus, 1; Grandsire Doubles, 1; Triples, 2; Bob Major, 2; Royal, 1; Stedman Triples, 1; Caters, 6; Cinques, 8; total, 22.

Included in the above were four first peals accomplished by the Association, viz., the first peal of Kent Treble Bob Maximus on handbells by the society, the first peal of Duffield Major, the first peal of Bob Royal by the Association, and a real of Cambridge Surprise Maximus

Royal by the Association, and a peal of Cambridge Surprise Maximus, the Association being the fourth to secure the distinction of ringing a peal in this intricate method on twelve bells. Quite a novelty in the way of peal ringing, performed by four members of the society on handbells was an "all conducted" peal of Bob Major. The Association carned the distinction of ringing the first peal of Bristol Surprise in the City of London, at St. Dunstan's in-the-East, and also of ringing the greatest number of changes of Stedman Cinques yet rung upon handbells, viz.: 6,063. Congratulations were extended to the ringers at St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, on ringing their first of Grandsire Triples by an entirely local band, conducted by Mr. W. J. Kemp. The bands at Clerkenwell, Hadley, Stamford Hill, Acton, West Ealing, and Holloway, had joined the ranks of peal ringers. A "William" peal of Stedman Triples was rung at Sunbury, conducted by Mr. W. Shepherd. Miss Elsie L. Bennett added to her many by Mr. W. Shepherd. Miss Elsie L. Bennett added to her many laurels gained in handbell ringing by being the first lady to take part in a peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells. On New Year's Evo a peal of London Surprise Major was rung by members of the Association at Remford, one of the band being Master Leonard A. Pye, aged 14 years and 10 months, who added lustre to the family name by being the youngest ringer to place to his credit a peal in this most intricate method.

During the year there were elected three honorary members and 98 ringing members, and after allowing for deaths, resignations, etc., they closed the year with a total membership of 722, reaching the seventh hundred for the first time in the history of the Association. It was with much regret that the Association placed on record the loss by death of Frederick A. Nunn, of the Stamford Hill band; of Newland Alderman, of Gospel Oak, one of the carliest members of the Associa-tion; of George W. Coombes, of Hammersmith; and of J. E. Comb, of Bethnal Green, who was a frequent attendant at their meetings, and always welcome for his gentle and affectionate disposition. In this connection the death was mentioned with deep regret of the Rev. Canon Bell, of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and of the Rev. Probendary Barff, of St. Giles', Cripplegate, the death of the last-named having taken place on Christmas Day from the effects of a train accident. Both these gentlemen had shown great kindness to the Association and a personal courtesy to its officers which would not readily be forgotten. The record of bell restoration was not a real Messrs. Mears and Stainbank had relung the four larger bells at St. Augustine's, Kilburn, with new gudgeons and bearings, and were re-hanging the three bells at Ashford in new fittings, and recasting the tenor. The same firm were also rehanging the whole of eight at All Saints', Edmenton, with new gudgeons and bearings, and were strengthening the frame. Messrs. J. Warner and Sons had completed the restoration of the peal of twelve at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, Messrs, Gillett and Johnston had provided a chime of six bells, tenor 61 cwt., at Brentford. This was recorded sorrowfully, yet not out hope that the precedent of a like case at St. Stephen's, Ealing, might ultimately prevail, where the bells, formerly rigid, were now hung for ringing. As the ringing clergy become more numerous, it was hoped that such retrograde restoration might in time become unknown. The best thanks of the Association was offered to the joint honorary secretaries for the excellent work they had done for the Association during the past year. It was they who had to bear the burden of hard work—and it was to them that the credit of so much successful work belonged.

The President said the report showed that the Society during the past year had done itself great credit. The peals rung had been of very great importance, there had been more attention given to beginners in the way of instruction, with the result that they found a

good many of them beginning to appear as peal ringers.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. O. T. Coles) remarked that there was a net increase in the membership of 27 on the year. While the peaks showed a decrease in number of 19 over the previous year, the merit of the peaks was quite up to the standard, if not better than usual. No fewer than 227 members had taken part in the 134 peals rung, against 226 last year. Sixteen had rung their first peals as against 14, and 99 their first peal in a new method. With regard to conductors they were in a better position than they had ever been.—The report and balance sheet were adopted, and Mr. Coles was congratulated on the very admirable way in which it was drawn up.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

A. H. F. Boughoy was also added to the list of vice-presidents. The following other officers were then re-elected: Master, Mr. W. Pye; hon, treasurer, Mr. F. A. Milne; joint hon, sees., Messrs. C. T. Coles and H. C. Chandler; auditors, Messrs. J. E. Miller and W. Pickworth. On the recommendation of the Central Committee, it was resolved

to reduce the subscription of honorary life memocras from two guineas

The question of the printing of the Association's annual report was discussed, and the tender of "The Ringing World" was accepted, both the President and Hon. Secretary speaking in terms of praise of the way in which this office had turned out the work for the past three

The President introduced the subject of the representation of the The President introduced the subject of the representation of the fadies' Guild on the Central Council, explaining that a resolution had been passed on the subject by the North and East District in the fellowing terms: 'That it be a recommendation to the society in general meeting that a resolution be passed approving of the admission of the Guild of Lady Ringers to representation on the Central Council, but without prejudice to the right of the Council, should they with the refuse representation to any local guild or society of Indy think fit, to refuse representation to any local guild or society of lady ringers which may hereafter be formed."—It was intimated that the South and West District had passed a resolution in similar terms, and

the President having spoken in favour of the proposed admission of ladies, the motion was adopted nom, con.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. T. Coles) referred to the subject of a Sunday ringing scheme, which had been before the Association for the past two years. A scheme was brought before the committee at their sunday ringing scheme, which had been before the Association for the past two years. A scheme was brought before the committee at their last meeting, which seemed likely to commend itself to the members, and was passed on to a sub-committee to put it into the best shape and submit to the towers. This they proposed to do by having it printed and circulated for consideration, in order that the views of the members might be ascertained, so that the scheme, if decided were might have the senetion of appropriate This course, was a great upon, might have the sanction of everybody.-This course was agreed

It was resolved to allow the peal books of the Association to remain at St. Andrew's Church, Hillingdon.

INTER-AFFILIATION.

The President referred to the proposed Inter-affiliation scheme. He The President referred to the proposed Inter-affiliation scheme. He said he could not help thinking this was a tall order. It emanated from gallant little Wales, and it seemed to him that they had heard something in Wales about gatting minepence for fourpence (laughter), and that someone was going one bur and taying to find out how they could get that ninepence for four we. He took it that it was an axiom of every association that they must be not give outsiders benefits at a lower price than they gase them to their own members. To do so was not borest or straightforward, but when it came to the ringing of peals they were on delicate ground. All railways came to London, and they might be fleoded with applications to ring peals. Where would their own members come in when people, for the payment of 6d., could obtain what their own members had difficulty in obtaining. By all means to the scheme be tried between those associations who thought means let the scheme be tried between those associations who thought means let the scheme be fried between those associations who thought they could do it to their mutual advantage. If it answered, then others might consider if they could be brought into it. They must be just before they were generous, and ringers, wherever they came from were welcome to the meetings of that Association, and to ring at any of their towers. But if they wanted to come and ring peals with them they must become members of the Association (applause).

The place of the next annual neeting was left to the hon, score-taries to arrange, the view being that it should be in central London if possible, but if not, that the invitation to Heston, extended by Mr. Carter, should be accepted,

of possible, but if not, that the invitation to the Carter, should be accepted.

The business closed with a comprehensive vote of thanks to the Rev. W. C. Muriel (Fulham) and Prebendary Rivington (Putney) for the use of the bells at their respective churches, to Mr. J. W. Driver and Mr. Honeyball for the arrangements made, to the Rev. A. H. F. Paradian for his alcount sormer to the organist and choir for their Boughey for his eloquent sermon, to the organist and choir for their services, and to Mrs. Dudley for her catering for the tea.

In the evening ringing was resumed at both chruches, and brought

a most successful gathering to a conclusion.

SUSSEX ASSOCIATION.

A well-attended meeting of the Western Division was held at Steyning, on a recent Saturday, members being present from St. Peter's, Brighton, Crawley, Heene, Henfield, Pulborough, Shoreham and West Tarring, and the local band. Touches of Superlative, Double Norwich, Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Stedman, and Grandsire were brought round, and ten took place at the White Horse Hotel, 32 sitting down.—The Vicar (the Rev. A. Pridgeon) presided, and was supported by his son, Mr. C. R. Pridgeon (who is also a ringer), and the divisional secretary (Mr. H. Evans).—A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, and granting the use of the bells was unanimously passed, and, in replying, the Vicar spoke upon the duties of ringers as churchwardens. Subsequently the tower was again visited. A well-attended meeting of the Western Division was held at Steyn-

NUTICES.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting of the Maidstone District will be held on Saturday, April 25th, at West Malling. Tower open at 2.30. Service 5 p.m. Tea provided 5.30 p.m.—Kenneth Mumford, 22, Tonbridge Road, Maidstone.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Quarterly meeting at Southgate, on Saturday, April 25th. Tea at the Cherry Tree. Tower open 4 p.m.— H. J. Bradley, Honorary Secretary, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.-The next meeting will be held at Farnworth, on Saturday, April 25th. Bells available at 6.30 p.m. Meeting at 7 p.m.-G. Pincott, Branch Secretary.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.— The next meeting will be held at Eccleston on April 25th. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 5.30.—E. R. Martin, Branch Secretary, Walton-le-dale.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Lewisham District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Hayes, on Saturday, April 25th. Bells available at 3.30 p.m. Service at 5.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow.—T. Groombridge, Honorary District Secretary, 34. Adelaide Road, Chislehurst.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Western Division.— A meeting will be held at Christchurch, Wanstead, on Saturday, April 25th, 1914. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Service at 5; Preacher: Rev. Canon Papillon. Tea at the National Schools, at 5.30, followed by the business meeting. - H. Rumens, Hon. District Secretary, 32, Verulam Avenue, Walthamstow, N.E.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD .- The quarterly meeting will be held at Boldmere on Saturday, April 25th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m.—Rev. C. C. Cox, Honorary Secretary, Shottery.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM—(Established 1755). - Quarterly meeting will be held at King's Norton on Saturday, April 25th. Bells available from 4 o'clock. Business meeting 6.30.—A. Paddon Smith, 11, Albert Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, Hon. Secretary.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Wednesbury on Saturday, April 25th. Bells available at 3. Service in church, with address by the vicar (Rev. L. A. Pritchard) at 5.30. Tea, 9d., in the Girls' Schoolroom at 6.-H. Knight, Hon. Secretary, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Birch on Saturday, April 25th. Bells ready at 4.30, meeting at 7. The special practices for higher methods will be held at St. John's, Miles Platting, the first Saturday in each month at 4 p.m., until further notice.—W. W. Wolstencroft, Branch Secretary, 103, Victoria Street, Ashtonunder-Lyne.

NOTICES-continued.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.
—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, on Saturday, April 25th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.— Axbridge Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Winscombe, on Saturday, April 25th. Service in church at 5 o'clock. Tea at Bird's Restaurant at 6 p.m., meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m.—J. Harris, Branch Secretary, Burnham.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The annual meeting of the above will be held at Lincoln, on Saturday, April 25th. Tea at Co-operative Society Hall, Silver Street, at 5.45 p.m., free to those members whose subscriptions are paid for the current year. Service in the Cathedral at 4 p.m.—J. W. Seamer, Hon. Secretary.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Frome, on Saturday, April 25th. Service in the Parish Church at 3.30 p.m. Tea and meeting at the Union Jack Restaurant, Cork Street, at 4.15 p.m.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Secretary. Taunton.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late St. James' Society).—There will be a meeting of the association at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on Monday, 27th April, at 7.30 p.m. All ringers welcome. There will be a business meeting afterwards in the Parish Room.—Alec. S. Miller, Hon. Secretary, 26, Loughborough Park, S.W.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 28th; also at St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on Saturdays, at 8 p.m. A district meeting will be held at Hornchurch, Essex, on May 2nd. Tower open for ringing from 4.30 to 8 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Honorary Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Dorchester Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Wyke Regis on Thursday, April 30th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.45 (address by Rev. Canon S. E. Davies), followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers heartily welcome. — C. H. Jennings, Hon. Secretary, Wyke Regis, Weymouth.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The first meeting will be held at Goole, on Saturday, May 2nd. The eight belis of the Parish Church will be available all day. Tea in the National Schools (near church), at 5 p.m., at 1s. per head, will be provided for those who notify Mr. C. W. King, 31, Newport Street, Goole, not later than Tuesday, April 28th. Business meeting afterwards for the election of district officers—vice-president, ringing master, secretary and committee. All ringers welcome.—Clement Glenn, Hon. General Secretary, 11, Fisher Road, Sheffield.

HERTS ASSOCIATION. — Western Division. — A meeting will be held at Rickmansworth, on Saturday, May 2nd. Bells available at 4 p.m. Tea 6d. per head at Mrs. Barrett's, Church Street, at 5.30. The bells have been recently renovated and it is hoped that ringers will turn up in force.—H. Eden, Hon. Secretary, Western Division.

SHEFFIELD DISTRICT AND OLD EAST DERBY-SHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. — The annual neeting of this society will be held on Saturday, May and, at Chesterfield. Church of St. Mary and All Saints, ten bells, tenor 25 cwt., available 3 p.m. to 7.30 p.m., except during the business meeting, which will be held about 6 p.m. The business will include election of officers for the ensuing year, presentation of balance sheet, secretary's report, etc., and a good attendance is hoped for.—
1. E. L. Cockey, Hon. Secretary, 38, Rutland Park, Sheffield.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. Rochdale Branch.— The next monthly meeting will be held at St. Mark's Church, Glodwick, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30.—Joseph Ogden, Secre-

ÉSSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Earl's Colne, on Saturday, May 9th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Short service with address at 5 p.m. Tea at the Lion Hotel at 5.45 p.m., 8d. each to all giving notice of their intention to be present not later than Wednesday, May 6th.—B. Redgwell, Hon. District Secretary. The Street, Rayne.

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THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the North and East District will be held at Hadley (by kind permission of the Rev. R. H. O. Stubbs) on Saturday, May 9th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30, 6d. each. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Secretary, 49, Wood Street, Walthamstow.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN AS-SOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Berkeley, on Saturday, May 9th, 1914. Will branch secretaries please inform me of the probable number of their members attending? Details will be published next week.—W. A. Cave, Hon. Secretary, 10, Lilymead Avenue, Knowle, Bristol.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Castle Cary Deanery Branch.—The next meeting of the above named branch will be held at Bruton, on Saturday. May 9th, 1914. Service in the Parish Church 4-15 p.m. Tea in the schoolroom 5 p.m. Business meeting to follow. Bells available from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. All ringers and friends cordially invited.—T. G. Vincent, Wraxall, Shepton Mallet.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — The half-yearly meeting will be held at Clitheroe, on Saturday, May 16th, 1914. Bells of St. Mary Magdalen's Church available from 2.30 p.m. Meeting in the class room 5.30 p.m.—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secretaries. THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Ringing for Divine service at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields the first Sunday in the month, and at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, the third Sunday, both at to o'clock. Meetings for practice at Shoreditch the second Thursday and at St. Sepulchre's, Snow Hill, the fourth Wednesday in every month, at 7.30.—H. J. Bradley, Parish Church, Shoreditch.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.—Mr. J. Hunt (Clapton), has removed to 98, Clyde Road, Tottenham.—Mr. John Armstrong (Southgate), has removed to 35, Lower Park Road, New Southgate, N.

PEAL BOOKS.—Price 3s., post free 3/6. Peals written in at 3d. per page. Prices for entering peals in Association official peal books upon application.—J. Beams, West Ewell, Epsom.

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SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton, on Saturday, May 9th. Luncheon at the Unicorn Hotel, North Street, at 1.30 p.m. Members' tickets 1s. 3d. each. Meeting at 2.15 to be presided over by the Lord Bishop of Lewes, who will also preach the sermon at the service to be held in St. Peter's Bells of St. Nicholas and St. Church, at 4 o'clock. Peter's open for ringing from 12 to 1, 5 to 6 and 7 to 9. Half fares (with a maximum of 2s.) allowed to members attending the meeting. Those intending to be present should notify me not later than Tuesday, May 5th.—G. Watson, Hon. General Secretary, Vale Road, St. Leonard's.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.

A quarterly meeting of the Southern District was held at Horley on Saturday, about 28 members being present from Betchworth, Burstew, Charlwood, Nutfield, Redhill, Reigate, and the local band. A short service was held in the church, conducted by the Vicar of Horley (the Rev. H. T. Lewis), who gave a very inspiring address. Tea was provided by the Vicar, and the business meeting followed, at which the Rev. H. T. Lewis was voted to the chair, supported by the Rev. E. J. Teesdale (Rector of Burstow). Six peals were reported as having been rung and it was resolved that they be recorded in the Associations E. J. Teesdale (Rector of Burstow). Six peals were reported as naving been rung, and it was resolved that they be recorded in the Association's peal book.—Messrs. J. Kenward and F. Voice, of Horley, were elected members to the district. Charlwood was decided upon for the next quarterly meeting, and Bletchingley, Burstow and Newdigate were selected for the monthly combined practices if arrangements could be made.—A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Vicar for his kindness in providing tea, for the use of the bells, for his kindness and for presiding at the meeting.—The Bey H. T. Vicar for his kindness in providing tea, for the use of the bells, for his kindness, and for presiding at the meeting.—The Rev. H. T. Lewis, in reply, said it was a pleasure to meet the members of the Southern District, and he hoped he would again have the pleasure of seeing them at Horley. The following methods were rung during the afternoon and evening: Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Plain Bob and Kent Treble Bob Major.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.

The wet weather experienced in March caused a postponement of the above Society's visit to New Romney, but the meeting was held on Saturday last. It was a perfect day, but unfortunately the sunshine failed to bring together a large company. Representatives came from Appledore, Hawkhurst, Rye, Stone-in-Oxney, and several of the local band were also present. The ringing consisted of Grandsire Triples, nicely struck, all the touches being brought round, Messrs. C. W. Player, G. Billenness and H. S. Humphery acting as conductors.

At the business meeting it was decided to attempt a peal of Grand-sire Triples at Appledore on Saturday, May 2nd, and to hold the next meeting at Stone-in-Oxney on Saturday, May 9th. The proceedings concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. South and the churchwardens for the use of the bells.

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