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Messrs GILLETT and JOHNSTON, CROYDON, 4th March, 1918.  
Gentlemen,

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

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

Yours faithfully, F. T. BECK,

Architect, Diocesan Surveyor.

# MODERN WORK

## UNITY OF ACTION.

In our last issue we touched upon some of the directions in which the efforts of ringers must be exerted if the art is to be re-established, without undue loss of time, in something like the position it occupied before the war. The services of the men who are spared to come back must be secured again for the belfry, the gaps which have been caused by those who have made the supreme sacrifice must be filled, and enthusiasm must be re-engendered. The former can only be largely a matter for each individual band, but the stirring up of interest is a question in which the various county and diocesan associations must take a part. It is their duty and it will be to their advantage. With the removal of the restrictions on ringing, there are increased facilities for meetings, and it would be one of the greatest helps in promoting the art if the number of meetings was considerably multiplied, particularly with a view to reaching outlying towers. In this respect, the example of the Guildford District of the Winchester Guild, in which "six quarterly meetings have been held in the last nine months," might well be copied. There the results have fully justified the action, for an attendance of seventy-five members at a district meeting speaks for itself as to the enthusiasm that exists. Another method of stimulating interest in the art is the organising of combined practices, where numbers are of no consequence, but the ringing is the important thing. These practices have served their purpose well during the war; they will serve an equally good purpose during peace.

Unity of effort is what is required, and if in every district throughout all our associations, ringers set out with a definite plan before them, the revival of the art will be rapid and lasting. And while we are on this topic, may we say a word for the ringers' own paper. Much of the interest of ringing lies in the knowledge of what is being done by others; friendly rivalry stimulates action, and there would be little progress without the means of inter-communication. The only source of information which is at the disposal of members of the Exercise is "The Ringing World," and when we are urging activity in the belfry, and unity of action among ringers to promote the art, we feel it is not out of place to ask ringers to give their support to the journal which, so to speak, holds the Exercise together. It is only through this newspaper that ringers can keep in touch with the doings of their confreres, not only in other parts of the country, but often in their own associations, and by adding to the support which is given to "The Ringing World," ringers will also be serving their own ends. We appeal, therefore, to all members of the Exercise to lend their aid, and they may rest assured that the greater their support, the better the journal that will be at their service.

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The following peals have been rung in celebration of the Allied victory and the signing of the Armistice :—

## TWELVE BELL PEAL.

CITY OF LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Four Hours and Five Minutes,  
At St. Paul's Cathedral,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5014 CHANCES;**

Tenor 62 cwt.

EDWIN HORREX ... .. Treble	ALBERT A. HUGHES ... .. 7
CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... .. 2	REUBEN SANDERS ... .. 8
HERBERT LANGDON ... .. 3	CHARLES S. BURDEN ... .. 9
HENRY R. NEWTON ... .. 4	ALFRED B. PECK ... .. 10
WILLIAM E. GARRARD ... .. 5	WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... .. 11
EDWARD WALLAGE ... .. 6	WALTER PRIME } ... .. Tenor
	SAMUEL E. JOYCE }

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILLIAM T. COCKERILL.

## TEN BELL PEAL.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE.

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

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,  
At THE PARISH CHURCH,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5017 CHANCES;**

Tenor 19½ cwt. in D.

WILLIAM KENT ... .. Treble	MORRIS J. MORRIS ... .. 6
FREDERICK S. PRICE ... .. 2	CHARLES WILLIAMS ... .. 7
GEORGE WALKER ... .. 3	I/A.M. STANLEY BRAGG ... .. 8
ALBERT WALKER ... .. 4	JAMES L. WELLS ... .. 9
CHARLES DICKENS ... .. 5	GEORGE YENDALL ... .. Tenor

Arranged by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by ALBERT WALKER.

No. 5 Carter's Broadsheet.

Arranged for 1st Air Mechanic Stanley Bragg, who was home on leave, and for F. S. Price, who hails from Beeston, Notts.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

SWINDON, WILTS.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(SWINDON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At CHRIST CHURCH.

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

PITSTOW'S VARIATION.

Tenor 13 cwt. 1 qr.

HERBERT W. BISHOP ... .. Treble	THOMAS RICKETTS ... .. 5
ALFRED LAWRENCE ... .. 2	ERNEST BISHOP ... .. 6
ROBERT W. HYNTER ... .. 3	CHARLES J. GARDINER ... .. 7
THOMAS ROBINSON ... .. 4	ALBERT E. W. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST BISHOP.

In addition to being a thankoffering for the triumph of the Allies, this peal was rung as a birthday compliment to Thomas Robinson with the band's hearty wishes for 'many happy returns.' It was also the first peal rung by H. W. Bishop, of Wanborough, Wilts, formerly of Bishop's Stortford.

SELBY.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
At THE ABBEY OF SS. MARY AND GERMANUS,

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

W. MATTHEW'S 12-Part.

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qrs. 20 lbs.

JAMES JACKSON ... .. Treble	FREDERICK CRYER ... .. 5
HENRY FAIRLAM ... .. 2	WILLIAM HINTON ... .. 6
ERNEST STORR ... .. 3	SERGT. E. MORRIS, A.S.C. 7
ARTHUR HULL ... .. 4	GEORGE RIPPON ... .. Tenor

Transposed and Conducted by SERGEANT ERNEST MORRIS, A.S.C.

Rung also in honour of the Rev. Dr. Solloway, D.D., Vicar of Selby Abbey, being made a Canon of York Minster.

\* First peal. All the band belong to Selby except the Conductor, who hails from St. Margaret's, Leicester, the above being his 50th peal as Conductor.

ASHTEAD, SURREY.  
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, November 13, 1918, in Three Hours,  
At the Church of St. Giles.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

EDWARD E. DODD ... .. Treble	JOHN WYATT ... .. 5
CHARLES E. READ ... .. 2	WILLIAM COOK ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. CORBETT ... .. 3	ARTHUR DEAN ... .. 7
ALFRED L. BROWN ... .. 4	*ALFRED S. DIXON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM H. CORBETT.

\* First peal and first attempt.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.  
THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.  
(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Wednesday, November 20, 1918, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John the Baptist.

**A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 6040 CHANCES;**

Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.

JOHN FOREMAN ... .. Treble	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... .. 5
CHARLES L. ROUTLEDGE ... .. 2	WILLIAM W. SINCLAIR ... .. 6
BERT HORTON ... .. 3	BENJAMIN C. DIXON ... .. 7
ERNEST E. FERRY ... .. 4	WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. Tenor

Composed by SIR A. P. HEYWOOD.

Conducted by C. L. ROUTLEDGE.

The conductor's 200th peal.

TYLDESLEY, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Parish Church of St. George.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

BANK'S SIX-PART. Tenor 11½ cwt. in G.

HUGH WATTS ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM HINDLEY ... .. 5
JAMES ALLRED ... .. 2	ROBERT ALLRED ... .. 6
JOHN T. ALLRED ... .. 3	WILLIAM SMITH ... .. 7
HARRY ALLRED ... .. 4	JOHN HAMPSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ROBERT ALLRED.

\* First peal. This is the quickest peal yet rung on the bells. The ringer of the seventh hails from Leigh.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.  
(ROSSENDALE BRANCH)  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, November 12, 1918, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

VICAR'S SIX-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

JAMES TAYLOR ... .. Treble	ORMEROD EASTWOOD ... .. 5
THOMAS HARRISON ... .. 2	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 6
SAM'L. LORD ... .. 3	JOHN T. WRIGHT ... .. 7
LAWRENCE TAYLOR ... .. 4	JOHN W. ORMEROD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.  
(ROSSENDALE BRANCH)  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, November 23, 1918, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Nicholas.

**A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;**

SHEPHERD'S SIX-PART. Tenor 15 cwt.

ED. ISHERWOOD ... .. Treble	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. 5
THOMAS HARRISON ... .. 2	ORMEROD EASTWOOD ... .. 6
SAM'L. LORD ... .. 3	STANLEY PICKUP ... .. 7
JOHN H. HAYDOCK ... .. 4	JOHN W. ORMEROD ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

Rung to commemorate the silver wedding of the Conductor.

Mr. Ed. Isherwood, who hails from Shandforth, late of Bury, was made a member of the Association before starting for the peal. Mr. J. H. Haydock hails from St. Paul's, Ramsbottom, Stanley Pickup from St. Saviour's, Bacup, the rest are local ringers.

**RE-UNION OF RINGERS AT CROYDON.**

GREAT GATHERING AT THE BELL FOUNDRY.

Saturday last will long be remembered by all who were privileged to attend the meeting held by the London County Association at Croydon, to which a special invitation had been extended to all London, Surrey and Kent ringers, through the kindness of Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. The bells of St. Peter's and St. John's were available for the ringers from three, and were kept busily engaged until five p.m. The visitors, naturally paid great attention to St. Peter's, and, sad to relate, many were unable to get a pull on this magnificent peal of ten, owing to the great number attending. The ringing in which Miss E. K. Parker, Miss Orlebar, and other ladies, took part, included Stedman and Grandsire Caters and Treble Bob Royal, but the touch of the day, according to general opinion, was three long courses of Stedman Caters, composed and conducted by one of the oldest and most highly respected members of the London County Association, Mr. A. J. Perkins, of Biddington. Although considerably over 70 years of age, Mr. Perkins made it quite clear that he is still capable of displaying the master spirit, and it is hoped that ere long he will be conducting a peal to celebrate the signing of peace. At 5 p.m. a flashlight photograph was taken in the tower, and the party then proceeded to the new canteen recently opened by the Duke of Connaught at Messrs. Gillett and Johnston's works, where tea was served, upwards of 300 sitting down. Here the spirit of good fellowship was indeed in evidence, and not a single item had been omitted which could contribute to the comfort and well-being of the guests. A splendid repast had been kindly provided by Mr. C. F. Johnston, and to this, needless to say, ample justice was done. Tea over, another flashlight photograph was taken.

The Rev. L. J. White-Thompson, Vicar of Croydon (recently appointed Archdeacon of Canterbury), addressed the company, welcoming the ringers. He proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. C. F. Johnston for his hospitality, and the motion was received with acclamation.

Mr. Johnston responded, and in the course of a few well-chosen words of welcome, expressed his great pleasure in having present that great company of the ringers.

The Vicar of St. Peter's proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the canteen staff for the excellent arrangements made and carried out, coupled with the name of Mr. Charles Dean, whose untiring energy is well known in ringing circles, and highly appreciated.

With clockwork regularity the programme was proceeded with, and a delightful concert programme was carried out. The artistes included Mr. C. F. Johnston, Miss Nora Johnston, Mr. Harry Cadden, Mr. D. Wright, Mr. Leonard Taylor, etc., the accompaniments being played by Mr. Stringer. Selections on handbells by Mr. C. F. Johnston was a pleasing feature, and were particularly well received and greatly enjoyed, as was a cornet solo by a performer of no mean attainments, who, with all the other entertainers, was connected with the firm. Five stalwarts (one at least whose modesty knows no limit) mounted the stage and rang a well-struck course of Stedman Caters, viz., G. M. Kilby 1—2, Miss E. K. Parker 3—4, W. A. Alps 5—6, W. Wise 7—8, T. Groombridge, senr., 9—10.

Many of the party during an interval took the opportunity of having a look round the factory, where the night shift was in full swing, and, piloted by the courteous and genial general manager, Mr. Housman, the party were taken through the various shops, and were greatly interested in this truly wonderful hive of industry. Returning, the inner man was again catered for and the revels continued, but owing to the clock creeping silently along, many had perforce to seek train and tram to their various destinations, declaring that it was a re-union worthily commemorating the armistice, also the sweeping aside of the restrictions imposed upon ringing by that busy-body, lately called D.O.R.A.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

There was a good attendance at St. John's Church, Hillingdon, on Saturday last, when the South and West District of the Middlesex Association held a meeting. The District Master (Mr. Thomas Beadle) presided.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar (the Rev. R. M. Carrick) for so kindly allowing the use of the bells, and to Mr. W. Honor for the energy shown by him in making the arrangements. It was proposed to have the next meeting at West Ealing on December 14th, subject to permission being granted. Everyone was pleased to see Mr. H. H. Chaviller again, after his recent illness. He rang one of the light bells to a short touch to show that he was willing. The members also had the company and help of Messrs. J. Pratt and F. Hughes, of the local band; also Messrs. C. Edwards, W. H. Oram and J. Payne.

After a capital tea at a near-by hostelry further ringing was indulged in, and curiously enough the last touch proved far and away the best (at least, so everyone said). It was Grandsire Caters: W. Lawrence 1, Miss Gladys Bateman 2, Miss Nora Williams 3, G. H. Gutteridge 4, R. Holloway 5, B. Bewer 6, W. Henley 7, A. Beckenale 8, W. Honor 9, A. Harding 10.



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## THE ARMISTICE.

THE BELLS CELEBRATE THE ALLIED VICTORY.

The following items of news tell how, throughout the land, the bells have taken their part in celebrating the signing of the armistice, which completes the defeat of the enemy:—

At St. Albans the bells at the famous old Abbey, and at the three other churches with peals, were rung on Armistice Day.

The Spalding Parish Church bangel had a busy day, and spread the joyous news over a wide district. They began at their church, and then by motor-car, reached the following villages where they set the bells going, to the great delight of the parishioners: Fulney, Moulton, Whaplode, Holbeach, Gedney Fleet and Long Sutton. They reached Spalding again in time to ring the bells in the evening, after a really good day's work. The ringers were: Richard Mackman, Harry Eley, Councillor J. T. Brown, H. Harris, A. J. Adecock, R. Smith, E. Andrew and C. Stiles.

Ringers in the Selly Oak district combined to visit towers in the neighbourhood, joy bells being rung at Edgbaston, Selly Oak and King's Norton. The visitors were met at the last-named church by Ald. J. S. Pritchett and the Vicar (Canon H. Price), both of whom expressed their thanks to the band for coming to the church to aid in the ringing on such an auspicious occasion. Those who took part were: C. Webb, J. Johnson, W. Bryant, E. J. Dowler, H. Withers, J. Eaton, G. Pigott, W. Ball, and V. Hemus, with Canon Price and Ald. Pritchett.

## PORTSMOUTH AND EDINBURGH.

The bells of St. Mary's and St. Thomas', Portsmouth, were much in evidence on Monday, November 11th. By kind permission of the Admiral Superintendent of the Royal Dockyard the ringers were allowed to leave work to ring the bells, and sufficient ringers were mustered to man both peals of bells. At 12 noon, simultaneously with a service in front of the town hall, and with hooters blowing, both peals 'fired,' and continued to ring at intervals. At 3 p.m. the bands changed over, and the following touches were rung. At St. Thomas': 504 Grandsire Triples: A. Davis 1, E. Reynolds 2, F. Burnett 3, J. Symons 4, J. Harris 5, F. J. Cullum (conductor) 6, E. J. Harding 7, F. Edney 8. 504 Stedman Triples: E. Reynolds 1, C. Groves 2, F. Burnett 3, J. Symons 4, F. J. Cullum 5, J. Harris 6, E. J. Harding (conductor) 7, F. Edney 8. At St. Mary's: 504 Grandsire Triples: F. W. Rogers (first 504) 1, E. Reynolds 2, C. Groves 3, J. Symons 4, A. C. Collins 5, W. Wheeler 6, E. J. Harding (cond.) 7, G. Cooper 8. In the evening, at both churches, further touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples, were rung, those taking part, in addition to the above, being Mr. A. T. King, I.S.O., Mr. Bond, Mr. Holloway, and visitors from Gosport.

At St. Cuthbert's, Edinburgh, during the day, on November 11th, the bells were rung at various times by members of the society, and members from St. Mary's Cathedral Society. The ringers included: E. F. Price, W. B. Sampson, J. Whitson, J. Paris, J. Ritchie, Miss M. S. Taylor and Miss J. Edie, while the others who took part rang a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 50 mins.: Miss E. L. Hall 1, J. Gardner 2, T. R. Taylor 3, Miss A. I. Whitson 4, Miss P. E. Hogg 5, H. Mann 6, W. G. S. Heathcote (conductor) 7, D. Stocks 8. This is the longest touch by all except the ringers of the 3rd, 7th and tenor.

## OXFORD GUILD OPERATIONS.

Members of the East Berks and South Bucks branch of the Oxford Guild had previously discussed peace ringing, and with limited numbers available made an excellent rally on receiving the tidings of great joy. To ensure as many rings of bells as possible being sounded on the day, parish bands in Berks and Bucks amalgamated. On Monday afternoon, at 4 p.m., the following members attended St. Mary's Tower (Slough) in response to the summons of the 'whipper-in,' Mr. G. F. Leader: Sapper G. Martin, R.E. (Boyne Hill), Sapper A. Oliver, R.E. (Salt Hill), Sapper C. T. Leech, R.E. (Salt Hill), Corporal E. Mallard, R.E. (Eastbourne), Misses Mona and Gladys Bateman (Stoke Poges), Misses D. M. and M. R. Leader (Slough), Messrs. J. J. Parker and W. Henley (Farnham Royal), W. Bateman (Stoke Poges), G. T. Leader (steeplekeeper), A. Perryman, W. B. Good, C. J. Shreeve, A. Leader (Slough), and the hon. secretary, Mr. W. H. Fussell.

Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were soon echoing over the town from this fine ring of bells, conducted by Messrs. Martin and Henley. It was impossible to get them going earlier, men having to 'down tools' on receipt of a telegram, soldiers leaving their depot by kind permission of the Adjutant of the R.E.'s, and again the last sad rites of burial for several inhabitants who were laid to rest in peace near the tower had to be performed. No man of military age not serving in the Forces took a rope in the first joyous round, and a record of names is given by which it will be seen that the ladies halved the honours: Mr. C. J. Shreeve 1, Miss M. Bateman 2, Miss Dorothy Leader 3, Miss May Leader 4, Miss Gladys Bateman 5, Sapper Leech 6, Sapper Oliver 7, W. B. Good 8. The vice-president of the Branch (Canon Elliot) was present in the belfry, and gave the visitors a welcome, with thanks for their help on such an appropriate occasion.

The bells were again pealed soon after 7 o'clock for thanksgiving service. Leaving sufficient hands to carry on at Slough, the party was divided at 5 o'clock, some cycling to Stoke Poges, and others to Farn-

ham Royal. At the former tower the team was able to ring Bob Minor, conducted by Mr. W. Henley, and the peace peal consisted of three six scores of Grandsire Doubles: C. J. Shreeve 1, G. Bateman 2, G. Leader 3, W. Henley 4, W. Bateman (conductor) 5, and E. Mallard 8.—Canon Barnett thanked the ringers personally, and made appropriate remarks on the happy termination of the war, and quoted an interesting anecdote concerning the late Kaiser's brother. The musical process of 'falling in peal' concluded the ringing at Stoke.

At Farnham Royal the visitors found four young pupils with their tutor, Mr. J. J. Parker, eagerly awaiting them at 7 p.m. The Rector, the Rev. F. M. Hargreaves, and Mr. Churchwarden Withall were present, and after prayers, heartily joined in by all—a company of 18 ringers—the eight bells were set going in a glad peace peal of rounds, the team being: Harold Dowling 1, Ethel Dowling 2, Hilda Dowling 3, Leslie Dowling 4, G. Martin 5, J. Elderfield 6, Rev. F. M. Hargreaves 7, and W. Henley 8.

Touches of Grandsire, Oxford Bob and Stedman Triples were brought home, conducted by Messrs. Henley, Parker, and Martin respectively. By a kindly forethought—it was Mr. Anonymous again—the flagging energies of the men, after their arduous evening's work, were revived with simple refreshment provided at short notice. If only simple cheer, it was the sweetest partaken of by those present for many a year. It will be noticed that three pairs of sisters took the ropes of peace, and three clergymen were in their respective bellfries on the day, which is a county record in itself.

#### TWO FAMOUS VETERANS.

The Exercise will be delighted to read that, among the celebrations of the Allied Victory has been a peal at St. Paul's Cathedral. This was rung on Saturday last, and the band included the veteran, Mr. Edwin Horrex.

Another veteran, the oldest ringer in England, rang at Guildford on Armistice Day. This was Mr. John Heathorn, who is 95 years of age, and who, in his young days rang with ringers who had rung in celebration of the Victory of Waterloo. A wonderful link with a century ago!

The removal of the restrictions on ringing have resulted in the resumption of practices at St. Paul's Cathedral and St. Martin's, Birmingham, among other celebrated towers.

On Saturday last, the Wyke Regis band, with the soldier ringers in the district, journeyed to Abbotbury for the purpose of ringing the bells for the celebration of the signing of the armistice. Here, through the depletion of ringers, the bells have been rung very little during the war. The ringers were met by the local captain, Mr. H. Cozens, who had everything in readiness.

The church, dedicated to St. Nicholas, dates from the early part of the 16th century, has an embattled tower, containing an old peal of six bells (tenor about 12 cwt.). The treble, 2nd and 3rd are by Hibbie, 1775, while the 5th is inscribed: 'To see in what estate they live and nothing to the poor they give to, 1636. H.G., W.H., I.T.' The 'ro' of the bells is excellent, and during the afternoon and evening several fine touches of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles, Kent Treble Bob, and Plain Bob Minor were rung. Three 120's of Doubles were rung to give the three local men left a chance to ring the tenor. A 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor was brought round, by: Pte. S. V. Crabb, Dorset Regt. (Imminster), 1. Lee-Corpl. D. Williams, Dorset Regt. (Bournemouth), 2. Sapper F. Booth, R.E. (Emberton), 3. C. H. Jennings 4, L. W. Wiffen (cond.) 5, A. J. Rose 6. The same band also rang 720 Bob Minor. These are the first 720's on the bells, and the villagers were delighted to hear their sound. The thanks of the ringers are due to the Vicar, the Rev. C. O. Brutton (who, to the regret of all, is leaving the district), for providing tea, and to the local captain, Mr. H. Cozens.

#### FROM ALL QUARTERS.

**SALEHURST, SUSSEX.**—On Monday, November 11th, the bells of St. Mary's Church were 'fired,' and then a well-struck 720 Grandsire Doubles was rung with 6-8 covering, and the bells again 'fired.' J. Goodsell 1, F. Morgan 3, W. Perry 4, W. Hoad 5, T. Booth 6, A. Edwards 7, L. French 8. Further 'firing' afterwards took place, an old Salehurst ringer, Mr. H. French, taking part. Later, with the assistance of Mr. J. Blake, of Hawkhurst, an attempt was made for Taylor's Bob and Single peal of Grandsire Triples, but that unfortunately came to grief after two hours' excellent ringing: J. Goodsell 1, F. Morgan 2, W. Perry 3, J. Blake 4, T. Booth 5, A. Edwards (conductor) 6, W. Hoad 7, L. French 8.

**LLANBRADACH.**—Llanllaf Association. — On Tuesday morning, November 12th, at All Saints' Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), in 50 mins.: \*Miss L. Nottley 1, \*Miss M. Giffen 2, P. Boucher 3, Wj. Pike 4, (S. Voysey 5, P. Jones 6, G. Cooke (conductor) 7, \*H. Carsel 8. \* First quarter-peal of Triples + First quarter inside.

**CAERPHILLY.**—On Tuesday evening, Nov. 12th, at St. Martin's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins., by the same band as at Llanbradach, except that the tenor was rung by T. Love, the ringers of 1, 2, 5 and 8 belong to Llanbradach, and the rest to Caerphilly.

**RUMNEY, S. WALES.**—On Nov. 11th, at St. Augustine's Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 40 mins. John H. Pacey 1,

Mrs. A. Thompson 2, Miss Frances Millward 3, Miss May Dunn 4, Miss Hilda Howells 5, Henry Pacey (conductor) 6. Also another quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles, in 43 mins.: Miss A. Millward 1, Mrs. A. Thompson 2, Miss E. Thompson 3, Miss May Dunn 4, Miss Hilda Howells 5, Henry Pacey (conductor) 6. Touches of Grandsire Doubles were rung during the evening by the foregoing ringers, and also J. Thompson and Miss Ethel M. Pacey.

**BRAINTREE.**—At the Parish Church, immediately upon receipt of the official news on Monday, November 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): F. Webb 1, G. Lindridge 2, H. E. Hammond 3, C. H. Howard (conductor) 4, W. H. Dyson 5, A. Shuffelbotham 6, E. F. Slade 7, W. H. Harms 8. The bells were again rung and fired in the evening, conducted by G. Lindridge and A. Shuffelbotham.

**BOCKING, ESSEX.**—At St. Mary's Church, 350 Grandsire Triples and 928 Kent Treble Bob, rung by: H. Coote, F. Radley, A. Shuffelbotham (conductor), F. Warren, G. Lindridge, W. H. Dixon, E. Radley, L. W. Crow, W. Moore, C. Lambert and W. Grimwade. Charles Bearman, aged 81, for many years leader of the Bocking ringers, took part in a few rounds.

**CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.**—On Monday, Nov. 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters (1259 changes), at the Priory Church: Miss C. Sparshott 1, W. A. Cave (composer and conductor) 2, Rev. R. H. Whitford 3, E. V. Hinton 4, W. G. Stone 5, S. Best 6, S. Sparshott 7, A. Woolf 8, A. Davies 9, G. Preston 10.

**ACTON.**—At St. Mary's Church, touches of Stedman Triples and Grandsire Triples were rung on Monday, Nov. 11th, and the bells fired. The following took part: Robt. Holloway, W. H. Hollier, J. W. Frain, A. Harding, C. Brown, W. Lawrence, C. Edwards, C. Roote, Miss Jones, G. Vickery, G. Hes, A. W. Davis.

**OSWESTRY, SALOP.**—At the Parish Church, on Monday, Nov. 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): G. Thompson 1, R. T. Evans 2, J. Hughes 3, R. Martin 4, R. Edwards 5, G. Williams 6, E. Jones (conductor) 7, G. Beaton 8.

**WALKDEN.**—On Monday, Nov. 11th, after firing and 'Queen's,' a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 44 mins., by: John Denner 1, J. Worthington 2, J. Welsby 3, A. Potter 4, S. Oakes 5, M. Berry 6, J. Potter (conductor) 7, Jas. Denner 8.

**CROYDON.**—Surrey Association.—At the Church of St. Peter, on Monday, Nov. 11th, 518 Grandsire Triples and a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: C. Dean 1, W. Bulpit 2, H. Wills 3, G. Bart 4, F. Lathier 5, D. Wright (conductor) 6, C. Kitching 7, F. Hermon 8.

**CHELMSEFORD, ESSEX.**—At the Cathedral, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), on the back eight, in 50 mins., by the following: A. Whight 1, A. Speller 2, H. Edwards 3, J. Wood 4, P. Tinson 5, H. Allen 6, H. Richell 7, W. Pease 8.

**MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND.**—On Monday afternoon, November 11th, at the Parish Church of SS. Peter and Paul, 720 Grandsire Minor: L.-Cpl. G. C. Collins, A.O.C. 1, R. Tall 2, J. Constant 3, R. Constant 4, F. Hayes 5, A.-M. E. M. Mitchell, R.A.F. (cond.) 6. 720 Plain Bob: C. Freed 1, F. Hayes 2, G. Jones 3, Air-Mechanic F. Mitchell 4, J. Avis 5, G. Morad (conductor) 6.

**MERSTHAM.**—At the Parish Church, on November 11th, 720 Grandsire Doubles: H. Morley 1, Miss Orlebar 2, E. Atkins (conductor) 3, C. Killick 4, A. Wood 5, W. Francis 6.

**DALTON-IN-FURNESS.**—On Monday, Nov. 11th, at noon, the bells were fired, and short touches of Bob Minor were rung. A 560 was brought round, by Miss E. M. Suart 1, Miss Lindsay 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, T. Suart 4, J. Huddleston 5, J. Burrows (conductor) 6, T. R. Jackson (cover) 7. In the evening, the bells were 'fired,' and 560 Bob Major rung: T. R. Jackson 1, Miss Lindsay 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, Miss E. M. Suart 4, T. Watson 5, J. Huddleston 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, J. Burrows (conductor) 8. Also 336 Bob Major: T. R. Jackson 1, Miss Lindsay 2, T. Watson 3, Miss Suart 4, J. Huddleston 5, W. H. Dennison 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, J. Burrows (conductor) 8. For thanksgiving services, on Nov. 13th 732 Bob Minor: J. Burrows 1, Miss Lindsay 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, T. Watson (conductor) 4, J. Huddleston 5, T. Suart 6, W. S. Forshaw (cover) 7.—On Sunday, Nov. 17th, for morning service, 784 Bob Major: T. R. Jackson 1, Miss Lindsay 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, Miss Suart 4, J. Huddleston 5, T. Suart 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, J. Burrows (conductor) 8. For evening service, 816 Bob Major: Pte. E. H. Simpson, 2nd South Lancashire Regt., 1, J. Huddleston 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, Miss E. M. Suart 4, W. H. Dennison 5, T. Suart 6, W. S. Forshaw 7, J. Burrows (conductor) 8. After evening service, 672 Bob Major: T. R. Jackson 1, Miss Lindsay 2, Miss Gilchrist 3, J. Huddleston 4, W. H. Dennison 5, T. Suart 6, Pte. E. H. Simpson 7, J. Burrows (conductor) 8.

**WASHINGBOROUGH.**—On Monday, Nov. 11th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes): W. Clarke 1, T. Kent 2, H. Knott 3, J. Walden (conductor) 4, T. Clarke 5, W. Walker 6, J. Hutton 7, E. Walker 8. Also on November 15th, a quarter-peal by: T. Kent 1, J. Walden 2, H. Knott 3, W. Clarke 4, T. Clarke 5, W. Walker 6, J. Hutton (conductor) 7, E. Walker 8.

**RAWTENSTALL.**—At St. Mary's Church, a date touch of Grandsire Triples (1918 changes) was rung for the evening thanksgiving service, on Monday, November 11th, in 1 hr. 8 mins.: S. W. Riley 1, G. E. Rolleston 2, T. Rollerson 3, H. F. Shaw 4, G. H. Hargreaves (conductor) 5, A. Newman 6, J. Rollerson 7, E. Timbers 8.

### THE COLLEGE YOUTHS.

At the annual meeting of the College Youths, last week, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Mr. A. A. Hughes; hon. treasurer Mr. L. A. Hughes; trustees, Mr. C. F. Winney and Mr. W. Prime; senior steward, Mr. R. Sanders; junior steward, Mr. C. H. Horton; hon. secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill.

### THE D.C.M.

Ringers will join in congratulating Mr. T. Walker, hon. secretary of the London County Association, upon the distinction gained by his son, Lance-Corpl. Thomas Norman Walker, who has been awarded the D.C.M. Lance-Corpl. Walker is 19 years of age, and a Lewis gunner, and he won his decoration while serving with the Royal Fusiliers. Although not yet a change ringer, he often used to ring the tenor behind in good style, and he is an excellent tune ringer on handbells.

### PENTRE RHONDDA RINGER DIES OF WOUNDS.

The St. Peter's company, Pentre Rhondda, loses a promising young ringer, by the death, in France, from wounds on October 20th, of Pte. Frank Wines, of the Welsh Regiment. He had only been in France seven weeks.

He was the son of the treasurer of the Pentre Rhondda band. Deceased had rung only one peal, which was Oxford Treble Bob Major. In addition to being a ringer, Pte. Wines was also in the choir.

It was arranged to ring a half-muffled peal of Grandsire Triples on Saturday last, but one of the band was taken ill, and, therefore, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes) was rung instead, in 50 minutes: G. Cross 1, B. Davies 2, J. Cross 3, Tom Page (conductor) 4, T. Hamlin 5, H. Page 6, W. Page 7, F. Chamberlain 8. The band passed a vote of sympathy with the bereaved parents.

### THE LATE MISS DOROTHY WHITE.

#### FUNERAL AT COTGRAVE.

The funeral of the late Miss Dorothy White, one of the Cotgrave ringers, and second daughter of Mr. W. E. White, the hon. secretary of the Midland Counties Association, took place on Monday, Nov. 11th, at the Parish Church. The flags in the village, which had been flying since the news was received of the signing of the armistice, were lowered to half-mast, as the solemn procession made its way to the church. The Rev. F. C. Cursham and the Rev. C. J. Sturton were the officiating clergy. The sad rites commenced with the singing of the hymn, 'Jesu, lover of my soul,' and the singing of the Nunc Dimittis marked the close of a very impressive service in the church.

At the graveside the mourners and friends joined in singing the hymn, 'There is a blessed home,' and, after the Blessing, the last two verses of 'Sun of my soul' were sung. The bells were then rung half-muffled by the Cotgrave ringers, and later in the evening a date touch, consisting of 478 of Plain Bob Doubles and two 720's of Plain Bob Minor, was rung in 1 hr. 20 mins., as a token of respect by the following band: G. Newell (Radcliffe) 1, Walter White (conductor) 2, Rev. C. J. Sturton (Orston) 3, W. E. White 4, Frank Spencer (Radcliffe) 5, T. Squires 6.

Farewell! in home and love,  
In faith and peace and prayer,  
Till He whose home is ours above  
Unites us there.

### RAISING AND LOWERING.

#### To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—With reference to the Rev. F. Ll. Edward's letter, I think the better way is to raise and lower singly from the treble in rotation, when not done 'in peal.'

However, I am pleased to have had the views of both Messrs. Lawrence and Edwards, and trust they will do their utmost to alter the abominable practice of raising and lowering bells 'all in a heap,' as I presume they are anxious it should be done in an orderly manner.

Perhaps I should explain my reason in writing on this subject.

I understand that several peals of our church bells are for ever silent, owing to injunctions, etc., surely deeply regrettable, and should be extremely sorry to know of any more peals being closed down, especially when such things might, perhaps, be avoided.

At the meeting at Messrs. Gillet's and Johnston's works, on Saturday, Canon White-Thomson, the new Archdeacon of Canterbury, in his remarks, said it was most outrageous that the Kaiser and the Germans should have caused our beautiful English bells to be silent even for one moment, but surely it is more outrageous that our own people should have the bells stopped for ever.—Yours truly,

Brockley, S.E. F. W. RICHARDSON.

LONDON.—London County Association.—On Sunday, August 18th, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, on handbells, in 39 mins., at the residence of Mr. T. Walker, 50, Cannon Street, E.C. 4: F. G. Symonds (first quarter-peal in hand) 1—2. T. H. Taffender (conductor) 3—4. W. A. Alps 5—6. T. Walker 7—8.

### LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the Rossendale Branch was held at St. Paul's, Ramsbotham, on Saturday week, when 16 members attended from Ramsbotham, Rawtenstall, Newchurch, Bacup, and Deane (Bolton). During the afternoon and evening touches were rung of Grandsire, Bob Minor, etc., a short break being made for the ringers to partake of a hot potato pie, which the Vicar kindly provided the only disappointment being that there were not more present to enjoy the appetising meal.

In the absence of the Vicar from the meeting, which he was unavoidably prevented from attending, Mr. George Hargreaves, of Rawtenstall, was voted to the chair. It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. Saviour's, Bacup, at a date to be arranged later.

Thanks were given to the Vicar for his hospitality, and to the ladies for attending upon the needs of the party. Thanks were also given to the Vicar and wardens for use of bells, and to the ringers for having everything in order.

Ringings were then again indulged in until nine o'clock.

#### MANCHESTER BRANCH.

On Saturday week, a very successful meeting of the Manchester Branch was held at St. John's Church, Miles Platting. Ringers were present from Ashton-under-Lyne, Barlow Moor, Bolton, Eccles, Pendlebury, Pendleton, Prestwich, Middleton, etc. During the afternoon Canon Elsec (President of the Association) put in an appearance, but regretted he could not stay to the meeting.—Mr. Harry Chapman presided over the business proceedings, and gave a hearty welcome to the visitors. Miss Doris Ogden, of Ashton-under-Lyne, was elected a member, and Manchester Town Hall was chosen as the next meeting-place, on December 7th, providing there be no general election on that date, otherwise it will be held on the 21st.—A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rector, and to local ringers for having things ready.

### LADIES' FIRST 720.

At St. Augustine's Church, Woodstone, for morning service, on Oct. 13th, 720 of Plain Bob Doubles was rung by the following ladies: Miss B. Armstrong 1, Miss P. Hare 2, Miss K. Williams 3, Miss F. Culpin 4, Miss A. Parkins 5, Miss E. Parkins 6, Miss F. Culpin conducted two six-scores, and four were conducted by Mr. H. Hoare standing in the belfry. This is the first time a 720 has been rung by a whole band of ladies. These ladies had their first lesson in handling a bell the week before last Christmas. The striking was very good throughout the 720, and great credit is due to them for the way they have persevered in attaining their present efficiency.

### RINGER'S WEDDING.

The wedding of Miss Bond, of Yaxley, and Sergt. H. Day, R.A.F., son of Mr. F. Day, the well-known bell hanger, and Mrs. Day, of Eye, took place at Yaxley Church on Thursday of last week. In the evening, the Eye ringers met at the Parish Church, and rang touches in honour of the occasion. At the conclusion they enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Fredk. Day at their residence, where toasts were honoured, interspersed with courses on the handbells. Included in the many presents was a handsome cruet, presented by the Eye ringers and a few ringing friends.

### MR. C. L. ROUTLEDGE'S 200 PEALS.

	Rung.	Conducted
Kent Treble Bob Maximus .....	2	
Stedman Cinques .....	1	1
Oxford Treble Bob Royal .....	2	1
Kent Treble Bob Royal .....	6	2
*Stedman Caters .....	12	1
*Grandsire Caters .....	1	
London Surprise Major .....	8	4
Cambridge Surprise Major .....	3	2
Superlative Surprise Major .....	17	8
Oxford Treble Bob Major .....	4	2
*Kent Treble Bob Major .....	42	8
Woodbine Treble Bob Major .....	1	1
Double Norwich Major .....	21	5
Double Oxford Bob Major .....	1	1
Duffield Major .....	1	
Bob Major .....	7	2
Stedman Triples .....	43	17
Grandsire Triples .....	10	3
Bob Triples .....	7	2
Seven Surprise Minor Methods .....	1	
Seven Minor Methods .....	12	5
Totals .....	200	65

\* One of each on handbells retained in hand, three in all



## NOTICES.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Manchester Town Hall on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Bells available from 3.30; meeting at 7 p.m.—W. Wolstencroft, Branch Sec.

**SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.**—The practice announced for St. Bride's to-morrow (Nov. 30th) is postponed.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (late St. James' Society), Estab. 1824.—A by-meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 30th, at the Church of all Saints, Fulham. Ringing will commence at 4 p.m. All ringers invited.—T. Walker, Hon. Sec.

**DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.**—The next quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at the Old Church, Smethwick, on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells available at 3.30. Service in church at 4.30, to be conducted by the Vicar (Rev. Canon Astbury); business meeting afterwards.—Herbert Sheppard, Hon. Sec., 113, Himley Road, Dudley.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS' ASSOCIATION.**—WESTERN BRANCH.—A quarterly meeting of this Branch will be held at St. Helen's, Worcester, on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Service at 4 o'clock, business meeting afterwards. A tea will be arranged for if possible.—R. G. Knowles, Madresfield, Malvern.

**THE LADIES GUILD.**—A meeting of the Southern District will be held at Shere, near Guildford, on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea at 5.30. Gentlemen cordially invited.—E. K. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Burnley, on Saturday, Nov. 30th. Bells ready at 3 o'clock.—J. Watson, Branch Sec.

**HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—WESTERN DIVISION.—A meeting will be held at Oxhey and Bushey on Saturday, November 30th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5.30 p.m. Meeting to follow in the Institute, Bushey.—Hon. Secs., F. A. Smith, 85, Glencoe Road, Bushey, Herts, and F. Edwards, 24, Glencoe Road, Bushey, Herts.

**PARISH CHURCH, HIGH WYCOMBE.**—On Saturday evening, Nov. 30th, from 6.15 till 8.15, touches with bells muffled will be rung as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr. W. T. Horne.

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.**—Estab. 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on December 3rd, Southwark Cathedral on the 10th, St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 12th, at St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on the 17th, all at 7.30 p.m. The sum of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not met the society twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due.—W. T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—ROCHDALE BRANCH.—The next meeting will be held at Oldham Parish Church on Saturday, Dec. 7th (12 bells). Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at dusk. Subscriptions due.—T. K. Driver, Hon. Sec., 99, Hunter Street, Middleton.

**LADIES GUILD.**—WESTERN DISTRICT.—A meeting will be held at St. Phillip's, Bristol, on Saturday, December 7th. Bells available from 2 until 7 p.m. Divine Service at 4.30. Tea in the schoolroom at 5 p.m. Meeting to follow. Members and friends cordially invited.

Will those who require tea kindly notify me not later than December 2nd?—N. Gillingham, Portishead, Somerset.

"BRISTOL'S OWN" Lady Handbell Ringers will, by arrangement, give a few handbell selections after the business at the Ladies' Guild meeting at Bristol on Dec. 7th.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Liverpool Diocesan Guild.—A meeting will be held at Garston on Saturday, December 7th. Bells ready at 3; service at 5; meeting at 5.30. Members intend being present please send word to Sec.—Rev. E. C. Collier and Walter Hughes, Hon. Secs.

**STOKE ARCHIDIACONAL ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at Stoke on Saturday, December 7th. Bells ready at 4 p.m. Tea in the Church Institute at 5.20 p.m.; please notify Mr. S. Churton, 11, Lonsdale Street, Stoke-on-Trent, of how many intend to be present not later than Wednesday, December 4th.—J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., 51, Dunrobin Street, Longton

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Rossendale Branch.—The next branch meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, December 14th, 1918. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 7 o'clock. Subscriptions are now due. Reports to hand.—John H. Haydock, Branch Secretary, 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

**BISHOP RYDER'S, BIRMINGHAM.**—Notice is hereby given that the bells at above Church will be available for united practice on Monday evenings from 7.45 to 9 p.m.—W. H. Carrod, Hon. Sec., Potters-Hill, Aston, Birmingham.

**ST. MARY'S, PUTNEY.**—Ringing practice will be held at the Steeple every Wednesday from 7.30 p.m. till 9.30, commencing Wednesday, Dec. 4th. All ringers welcome.—C. E. Collis, Secretary.

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St. Andrew's Tower, Blunsdon	...	10	0
St. John's Tower, Wroughton	...	2	6
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