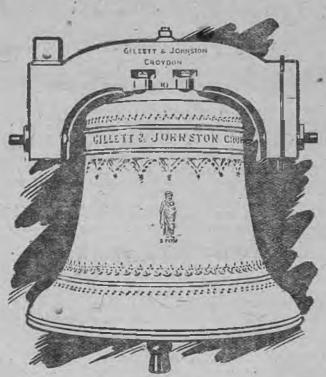


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#### MIDLAND COUNTIES' FINANCE.

The question of finance, upon one phase of which we had something to say last week, entered largely into the discussions at the annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association. The necessity arose for electing a new treasurer, and the choice of the meeting falling upon Mr. William Willson, that gentleman had something to say upon his views as to how the finances of the association should be managed. It is well to have an understanding in essential matters like this, particularly when there is a change of officials, for then there can afterwards be no complaint that a particular policy has been initiated with-

out the knowledge of the members. Another financial problem resulted in a change of the association's secretary. Mr. W. E. White, who has most efficiently discharged the duties for several years, intimated that he was unable to continue unless his services were. remunerated by the honorarium of £10 which he had received in the past. Upon this point the members split, and the result was that Mr. White declined to accept nomination again, and Mr. A. Wright was elected to fill the breach. The association is admittedly short of funds, and no doubt this fact, coupled with the principle involved, settled the question. It is of course one which the members of an association are alone competent to decide, for in this, as in most matters, there are two sides. The work in conducting the affairs of an organisation of the size of the Midland Counties Association is by no means light, if it is to be efficiently done, and where it makes considerable demands upon a man's time, it is quite arguable that his services are worth tangible acknowledgment.

On the other hand, where amateur pastimes are concerned, it is a generally recognised principle that those who undertake executive offices do so in a purely honorary capacity, and for the love of the hobby they desire to serve. Thus it is that in practically all the ringing associations no payment is made, even as an honorarium, to secretaries, and the motives which actuate those who take the view that such offices should be entirely unpaid will not be misunderstood. With many, the matter is one of principle, but there are those who, while they will acquiesce in payment being made when there are funds available, nevertheless take up the attitude that when the bank balance is low, the curtailment of this kind of expense should be the first step in retrenchment. With those who take this latter view we are not in agreement. If it is a question of principle, the objection is valid and must be given full weight to. But to refuse to meet a fair liability merely because the funds of the organisation are below high water

mark is one that is not commendable.

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#### TEN BELL PEALS.

BEDDINGTON, SURREY.

ANGIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHORCH OF ST. MARY.

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 CHANCES;

	I	enor	21 cwt.		
Major J. H. B. HESSR	7	reble	ALFRED J. TRAPPITT		6
FREDERICK G. SYMONDS		2	WILLIAM S. LANGDON		7
HERBERT LANGDON		3	THOMAS LANGDON		8
CHARLES W. R. GRIMWO			CAPT. J. H. R. FREEBORN		
John Howes		5	WILLIAM H. PASMORE	7	`enoi

Composed by York Green. Conducted by Herbert Langdon.

TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saurday, April 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,
At the Abbey Church.

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE GATERS, 5057 CHANCES;

		Tenor 2	eal cwt.
THOMAS BALDWYN	***	Treble	*FRANK SMITH 6
			CHARLES W. DYSON 7
FRANCIS S. WILSON		3	ERNEST E. DAVIES 8
JOHN AUSTIN			Ex Sgt. Joseph Williams 9
JOHN W. JONES		5	SGT. ERNEST MORRIS Tenor

Composed by Edgar Guise. Conducted by John Austin.

\* First peal. Arranged for Sergt. Morris, of Leicester, and for J. W. Jones, of Newport, Mon.

DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, April 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5057 CHANCES;

GILBERT GUEST Treble	HARRY JEAVONS 6
FRANK G. BURLEIGH 2	
JOHN GOODMAN, SEN 3	ALBERT T. SCRIVENS 8
HERBERT SHEPPARD 4	ABRAHAM GREENFIELD 9
JOHN GOODMAN, JUN 5	WILLIAM MEEK Tenor

Composed by the late WILLIAM MICKLEWRIGHT.
Conducted by John GOODMAN, JUN.

This peal was specially rung as a compliment to Messrs. F. R. McDowell and J. McDougall Tait on their re-election as churchwardens of the Parish Church for the fifth year in succession, also as an appreciation of their services to the church during the past four years. It was also a birthday compliment to Mrs. John Goodman, wife of the conductor.

#### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PICKERING, YORKS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 8, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.
Tenor 13 cwt. in F.

			- DIL	3 -				
J. THOMAS			7	'yeble '	L. RODMELL	***	144	5
H. RODMELL			411	2	T. Morton	***	***	6
					W. MIDDLETON			
C. P. BRADLEY					A. E. West	***	***	Tenor
Conducted by John Thomas.								

The conductor was elected a member of the Yorkshire Association before starting.

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LINDLEY, YORKSHIRD, THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION,

On Saturday, April 19, 1919, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor I	83 cwt.		
Treble	HERBERT DRANSFIELD	***	10.0
2	JOHN W. JONES	111	6
	12m . marc 10 . n 11111		- 77

N. ARTHUR HUDSON ... WILLIAM CLARK ... ... ... 3 WILLIAM JOYCE ... ... 4 JOSEPH E. SYKES ... ... TEMOP Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

Conducted by Joseph E. Sykes. Rung in honour of the wedding of Charles H. Craven, the respected conditator of the Lindley band, which took place that morning also as a birthday compliment to Mrs. Edwin Sykes, the conductor's grand-mother, in honour of her 89th birthday. John W. Jones hails from Newport, Mon.

EARLSHEATON, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Salurday, April 19, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

Tenor 13% clvt.

ERNEST II. SIMPSON Trebe	el John W. Jones	5
THOMAS B. KENDALL 2	FIRTH HOPWOOD	- U
AV Augure Hernedy 2	LOSEPH BROADLEY	7
HEMINGWAY DRANSFIELD 4	HERBERT DRANSFIELD	I GROY

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by THOMAS B. KENDALL.

DRIGHLINGTON, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Sunday, April 20, 1919, in Three Hours and Three Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL.

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE ROB MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tener 16 cwt.

IOSEPH BROADLEY	 2	reble	JOHN PALFRAMAN	5
EDWARD CRABTREE	 	2	FIRTH HOPWOOD	0
W. ARTHUR HUDSON	 + 4 1	3	FRANCIS BARKER	
JOHN W. JONES		1	HERBERT DRANSFIELD	1 87101
C.	 	A T	MARIE POLLITT	

Conducted by Joseph Broadley.

NORTHOWRAM, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Tuesday, April 22, 1919, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tonor 16 cut

	Tr. 20 13 40 0		
JOSEPH BROADLEY	Treble	W. ARTHUR HUDSON	-
ERNEST II. SIMPSON		ALBERT JAGGER	
WILLIAM CEARR		'Joseph Greenwood	
JOHN W JONES			I enor
		17	

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by Joseph E. Sykes.

\* First peal.

Mr. J. W. Jones takes this opportunity of thanking the many friends he made on his tour in Yorkshire for their exceptional kindness, and especially Mr. J. E. Sykes for arranging the four peals recorded above.

MACHEN, MONMOUTHSHIRE. LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Two Minuics, AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

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

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.						
·HAROLD CASSELL	***	T	reble	WILLIAM PIKE	***	5
Percy Jones		***		GEORGE COOKE		
+STANLEY VOZZEY	***		3	FRANK BOUCHIER		7
ALBERT ADDICOTT	***	-	4	THOMAS LOVE		Tenor
	Co	nduc	tod b	v G. Cooke.		

First peal away from tenor. | First peal inside. | First peal. First peal as conductor.

SIBLE HEDINGHAM, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Seventren Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

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

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			0.1			
*HARRY WISEMAN		Treble	'ARTHUR WASH		416	5
LEWIS WISEMAN		2	1SIDNEY HALE		200	n 6
Thomas Daven		3	STANLEY WILD	NG	+19	7
THARRY PERKINS		\4	*CECIL BARKER	***	166	I smor
•	Can	mosed by	B. ANNABLE.			

Conducted by LEWIS WISEMAN.

First peal of Major by all the band except the conductor. First peal on the bells since the addition of the two new trebles.

First peal † First in the method as conductor. ‡ F.
 Major. The above are all members of the local company.

HORNOHURCH, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

#### A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES :

		798 01111		
ARTHUR C. CHAPLIN	Trelile	LEONARD A. PYE	***	··· 5
GEORGE R. PVE	2	HARRY F. DAWKINS	***	D
ISAAC G. SHADE	3	WILLIAM J. NUDDS	160	7
ARTHUR MASON		WILLIAM PYE	400	I CHOP

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by George R. Pyr.

CORSTON, BATH.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. On Monday, April 21, 1919, in Two Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5849 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. FIGLT'S TEN-PART.

HENRY W. BROWN	 7	reble	CHARLES DENSLEY	vis.	.5
GEORGE TEMPLE	 	2 "	CHARLES W. BELL		6
RICHARD J. COUSINS	 	3	GILBERT H. HARDING		7
FREDERICK C. RICH	 	+	THOMAS HOGSFLESE	****	l endr

Conducted by GILBERT H. HARDING.

This was the quickest peal on the bells, also in Bath and district.

SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

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

Tenor 21 civi, in E.

"LEONARD MANNERING Treb	le   THOMAS MANNERING	5
F/SGT.F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. 2	WILLIAM E. SPICE	6
SAMUEL E. TAYLOR 3	ERNEST J. DOBBIE	
ARTHER H. PALMER 4	EDWARD A. G. ALLEN	T cnor

Composed by the late HENRY DAINS. Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

' First peal in the method.

ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Three Hours and Ten Mingles,

AT THE CHERCHLOF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

		I J WILLI	
BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS	Treble	FREDERICK E. SMITH	5
* JOSEPH H. ILIFFE	2	ARTHUR KNIGHTS	0
EDWARD C. GOBEY		JAMES PAGETT	
HENRY HARRISON	4	WALTER ALLWOOD	2 6801

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR ISHGHTS.

\* First peal of Treble Lob Major.

ERITH, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, April 22, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.	Tenor 18 cwt.
EDWARD J. ILOTT	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN 6
	LLIAM J. JEFFRIES.

WARFIELD, BERKS.
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

(East Berks and South Bucks Branch.)
On Tuesday, April 22, 1919, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,
At the Parish Church of St. Michael,

#### A PEAL OF CRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5060 CHANCES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.	Tenor 131 cwt.
THOMAS S. SMITH Treble	PERCY E. JONES 5
George H. Gutteriuge 3	WILLIAM H. FUSSELL U
JOHN BRANT, SEN 3	J. HERBERT CROPLEY Tenor
Conducted by CorrL	

Arranged for Mr. Weatherby, of Market Drayton, who was on a visit to Camberley for Easter Week; the conductor hails from Kidderminster, and is stationed at Windsor with the Coldstream Guards. Both were elected life members of the Guild before making the attempt.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.
On Tuesday, April 22, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,
At the Parish Church,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF	PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.	Tenor	ii cwt.
	Treble   JOHN BASS		
THOMAS J. SALTER	2 CHARLES CAMM	*** 611	6
GORDON CHECKETTS	3 WILLIAM SHORT	:::	7
ROBERT G. KNOWLES	4 WILLIAM RANFO	RD	Tenor
Candi	setul by WHILLAN SHOPT		

First peal on eight bells by the ringer of the treble.

MALVERN LINK, WORCESTERSHIRE, THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Tuesday, April 22, 1919, in Three Hours and Pive Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATHIAS,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

	Tenor	16½ cwt.	
ERNEST BARBER	Treble	ERNEST GIBBS	5
WILLIAM SHORT	2	GORDON CHECKETTS	6
JOHN BASS	3	CHARLES CAMM	7
WILLIAM RANFORD	4	ROBERT G. KNOWLES	Tenor
Compose	ed by the la	ate I. R. PRITCHARD.	

Conducted by William Short.

NUNEATON, WARWICKSHIRE.

THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Thursday, April 24, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

#### A PEAL OF BOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 CHANGES;

	the cwt. in E.	
ROWLAND POLLARD Treble HUGH J. BALGOMBE 2		
E. MAURICE AKKINS 3 ERNEST STONE 4	WILLIAM T. COX	7
Composed and Conc	ducted by E. M. ATKINS.	

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#### CUBITT TOWN.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,
AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5060 CHANGES;

Į	HOLTS' ORIGINAL.	Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 4 lbs.
Į	CHARLES T. CLARK Treble	*WILLIAM G. RAWLINGS 5
ı	THOMAS H. HAWKINS 2	HARRY HOSKINS 6
ı	FREDK. WM. RICHARDSON 3	
ı	JOHN J. LAMB 4	DALBY HODGSON Tenor
ı	Conducted by Frederic	K WILLIAM RICHARDSON.

• First peal in the method with a bob bell.

EVERCREECH, SOMERSET.
THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 26, 1919, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes.
At the Church of St. Peter,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' VARIATION OF	L'ARKER'S	TWELVE-PART. To	anor z	ig civil.
*W. E. STILES	Treble	SAMUEL B. HAWKI	NS	5
HENRY J. TRIM	2	THOMAS F. KING	110	6 -
ISAAC B. HOLMYARD				7
Joseph T. Dyke	4-18 4	*THOMAS GRIFFIN		Tenar
Condu	cted by In	OSEPH T. DYKE. =		

• First peal.

#### SIX BELL PEALS.

MONK'S ELEIGH, SUFFOLK.
THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.
On Saturday, April 12, 1919, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
At the Church of St. Peter,

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

Being two 720's each of Oxford a	and Kent Treble Bob, and three of
Bob Minor, each called differ	ently. Tenor 18 cwt.,
LEGNARD HEAD Treble	ARTHUR SYMONDS 4
	ARTHUR KEEBLE 5
ALBERT CATTERWELL 3	WILLIAM STIFF Tener
Conducted by	S II Symovne

This peal was rung deeply muffled for three ringers of this tower, Edward Hollex, Robert Keeble, and Charles Varo, who lost their lives in France; the last named, when called up, was gardener to the Rev. E. J. Teesdale, Burstow, Surrey.

ISLIP, NORTHANTS.
THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPFONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.
On Easter Monday, April 21, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

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

l	Being two 720's of '	Woodbine, two of Oxford, and three of Kent Treble
ľ	Bob.	Tenor 12½ cwt.
I	ABTUOD BOLLANY	Turble   Grover Ricropp

ARTHOR BELLAMY ... ... Treble | George Baseord ... ... 4
LEONARD J. WYMAN ... ... 2 | JOHN R. MAIN ... ... 5
THOMAS JERVIS ... ... 3 | REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor
Conducted by R. C. LOVEDAY.

First peal of Treble Bob Minor by all except the conductor. First peal away from treble by John R. Main. Rung as a birthday peal to L. J. Wyman.

### HALE MAGNA, LINCOLNSHIRE. THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Friday, April 25, 1919, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,
At the Church of St. John the Baptist,

#### A PEAL OF MINOR, 5048 CHANGES;

Being two each of 720's of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob, and three 720's Bob Minor, each called differently. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN T. HOLMES... ... ... Treble | WILLIAM DICKINSON ... ... 4
F/SGT.F.A.HOLDEN,R.A.F. 2
CHRISTOPHER WARD ... ... 3

Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

Arranged for ringer of the 5th, also as a birthday compliment to Miss E. Wood, organist of this church. The visitors wish to take this opportunity of thanking Messes. Dickinson and Wood for their kind hospitality on this and many other occasions.

#### HANDBELL PEALS.

SOLIHULL, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Monday, April 21, 1919, in One Hour and Fifty Minutes, AT MALVERN VILLAS, NEW ROAD,

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

Being seven 720's.

\*Daniel Matkin... ... i.—2 | Edgar C. Shepherd ... ... 3—4 Harry Bragg ... ... 5—6 Conducted by Edgar C. Shepherd.

Witness: CHARLES BRAGG.

\* First peal and first attempt This is believed to be the first peal of Minor on handbells for the Guild.

ARMLEY, LEEDS.
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, April 27, 1919, in Two Hours and Six Minutes, AT 10. MITFORD ROAD.

#### A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

\*Malcolm Moorhouse ... :-2 | \*Gerald Moorhouse... ... 5-6 form Wm. Moorhouse ... 3-4 | Miss Olive L. Lumley ... 7-8 Composed by A. Knights.

Conducted by MALCOLM MOORHOUSE. Umpire: MR. PERCY J. JOHNSON.

\* First peal on Treble Bob.

First peal of Treble Bob on handbells by all. An attempt was made to ring this peal on April 12th, the conductor's 14th birthday, but it came to grief after ringing over 3,000 changes.

#### ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

AN EXTENDED TITLE.

On Easter Monday the Ely Diocesan Association held its annual On Easter Monday the Ely Diocesan Association held its annual general meeting at Huntingdon. Ringing commenced during the morning on the six bells at Alf Saints' Church, touches of Plain Bob, Cambridge Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob Minor being rung. Subsequently, the Association's form of service was held in Alf Saints' Church, conducted by the Venerable the Archdeacon of Huntingdon. The Acting General Secretary (Mr. A. E. Austin) was at the organ. After the service, the ringers proceeded to Godmanchester, and on the eight bells touches of Double Norwich Major and Grandsire Triples were rung. St. Mary's, Huntingdon, was then visited, and a touch of Kent Treble Bob Major brought round. At 3.30 p.m., the business meeting was held at the George Hotel, Huntingdon, presided over by the Rev. H. B. Woolley, Vicar of Long Stanton. The next annual meeting was fixed to be held at Bury St. Edmunds. the Rev. H. B. Woolley, Vicar of Long Stanton. The next annual meeting was fixed to be held at Bury St. Edmunds.

The General Secretary, Mr. T. R. Dennis, and Treasurer, Mr. F. C. Turner, Newmarket, were re-elected.—Mr. D. H. Elliott, Grent Henry.

near Sudbury, was elected as auditor.

It was decided that in future the title of the Association should be

' Ely and St. Edmundsbury Diocesan Association.'

The chairman congratulated the General Secretary. Mr. Dennis, on coming safely through the war, and welcomed him back to the Association: he also congratulated the Acting General Secretary upon what he had done to keep the Association alive during the absence of

Votes of thanks were passed to the Archdeacon of Huntingdon for conducting the service, and to the incumbents of the churches for the At the conclusion of the meeting a meat tea was provided at the George Hotel, and afterwards further ringing took place at St. Mary's and All Saints' Churches. Ringers were present during the day from Cambridge, Melbourn, Long Stanton Dry Dray-ton, Ramsey, Wilburton, Great Shelford, Great Henny, Northampton Leatherhead (Surrey), and other places.

The quarterly meeting of the Central District of the Surrey Association was held at Epsom on Easter Monday. The bells at St. Mar-tin's and Christ Church, Epsom, and at the Parish Church, Ewell, were open during the afternoon and evening, and touckes in various methods were rung by the members, about 50 of whom were present. A special ringers' service was held at St. Martin's, conducted by the Rev. W. Bainbridge Bell, who gave the members a hearty welcome. Tea followed in the church room, the catering being carrieout under the personal supervision of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown, and the Vicars of both the Epsom Churches were present. The Vicar of St. Martin's presided at the business meeting which followed.

A letter of apology for absence was read from the hon, secretary. Four peals, which have been recorded in the 'Ringing World ' were ordered to be entered in the peal records as performances by the As-

Mr. York Bramble, of St. Peier's, Groydon; Mr. Arthur Wood, of Martin's, Epsom; Mr. W. and the Misses V. and N. Shorter, Mrs.

L. J. Barnes and Mrs. William Shepherd, all of Oatlands Park, were elected members of the Association.—A hearty welcome was accorded to Mr. F. Woodiss upon his recovery from severe wounds and subsequent serious operations, and the meeting concluded with the hearty thanks of the members to the respective incumbents and steeplekeepers for the use of the bells, and to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown and their friends and helpers for their labour and trouble in arranging for and serving the tea.

NEW BELLS AT PICKERING, YORKS.

DEDICATION SERVICE.

The new peal of eight bells at the Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Pickering, was solemnly dedicated to the service of God by the Archbishop of York on Monday evening, April 7th. The arrangements for the ringing had been entrusted to Mr. A. E. West, of Sutton-on-Hull, and he invited a number of well-known ringers from Hull, Sutton, and Beverley, to accompany him. The party left Hull early on the morning as the 7th, breaking the invited party left Hull early on the morning of the 7th, breaking the journey at Malton, where, by the kind permission of the Vicar, touches of Kent Teble Bob Major and Grandsire Triples were rung on the bells of St. Leonard's Church, followed by a most excellent luncheon at an adjacent commercial hote! Pickering was reached about 4 p.m., and after a good old-fashioned Yorkshire tea ' at the White Swan (the headquarters for the night', the company proceeded to the church for the service. In addition 16 the bells, a beautiful brass tablet to the memory of those fallen in the way was also dedicated. Immediately following the dedication a few rounds were chimed on the Ellacombe apparatus, after which hells were raised in peal, and ringing of touches indulged in until 10 p.m., while subsequently handbell ringing was kept up at the hoter until a late hour.

The following morning was enjoyably spent in ringing various touches and in looking round the heautiful gardens of Dr. and Mrs.

Mr. A. A. Hughes had been expected to represent the founders.

Messrs. Mears and Stainbank, of Whitechapei, but he was unfortunately prevented by illness from attending. He was represented by Mr. John Thomas, who, after being elected a member of the Yorkshire Association, conducted the peal of Grandsire Triples, which is recorded in another column, and which was rung in the afternoon. recorded in another column, and which was rung in the afternoon. In addition to the members who rang in the peal, Messis, G. T. Miller, J. S. Calvert, A. Turner and J. Highfield had been invited. The party returned to Hull the same night, after a very pleasant outing.

On behalf of the ringers. Mr. West desires to extend warm thanks to the Vicars of Pickering and Malton for the use of the bells, and also to Dr. Kirk and Mrs. Kirk for their kindly interest and hospitality, and last, but not least, to the verger for his valuable assist.

#### WAR MEMORIAL AT MITCHAM.

TABLET UNVEILED IN THE BELFRY.

On Easter Day, before the evening service at the Parish Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Mitcham, the Rev. C. Aubrey Finch (Vicar), Alderman R. M. Chart, Dr. T. Cato Worsfold (churchwardens), Mr. J. D. Drewett, Master, Surrey Association and Mitcham Society, and D. Drewett, Master, Surrey Association and Mitcham Society, and members of the Mitcham Society, together with relatives and friends, assembled in the church tower for the nurpose of unveiling and dedicating a marble tablet erecked in the beffry to the sacred memory of those members of the society who felt in action during the war.

The tablet which is the gift of Mr. J. D. Drewett, whose son is among the fullent is of an appropriate design and noble character, investibled as follows.

inscribed as follows -

Sacred to the memory of members of the Mitcham Society and Surrey Association of Change Ringers who fell in action in the Great War.
1914-1918.

Douglas Walter Drewett, 1st Cameron Highlanders, killed in action October 3rd, 1918. Benjamin Arthur Morris, 4th Coldstream Guards, killed in action

November 28th, 1917.

Stanley Smith, 9th East Surreys, killed in action, March 18th, 1917
'They died that we might live.'

Rest in Peace.

It is proposed to establish a fund in connection with the memorial the money to be invested, and any interest that may accrue therefrom is to be used for the purpose of assisting any member of the Mitcham Society who may be in need of help.

#### ST. CLEMENT DANES' SANCTUS BELL.

At St. Clement Danes, Strand, where the hells are to be relining in time, it is bound, for the neace celebrations, there is a Sanctus bell, over very old, eight at the top of the steeple. When the church clock strikes the hours, the Sanctus belt reneat, the strokes. It has a rich ilvery Lone, and is now used for services. St. Clement is said to have suffered mariye lom in A.D. 100 by being thrown into the sea with an anchor round his neck. A large anchor in stone can be seen on the parapet of the roof at the eastern end of the church, and the anchors emblem is very prominent in various parts of the interior,

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#### GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL GATHERING AT GLOUGESTER.

The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association was held at Gloucester on Easter Monday. Arrangements had been made for 54 members to travel from Bristot, Thornbury and Falfield by motor touring car, and this means of transit was taken full advantage of Leaving Bristol at 8.40 a.m. the party had full opportunity of seeing the splendid country. Internal troubles were responsible for one or two stoppages, but Gloucester was reached in good time for a ring, and then dinner. After the dinner the ringers (sad to say, not all of them!) went to the beautiful Cathedral, and a short service was held, in the course of which some interesting and historical information was given by the preacher.

The business meeting followed, and some strong comments were passed by some of the members who did not appreciate the way in which the balance sheet was submitted, owing to branch secretaries not sending in their accounts in time. However, the meeting was convinced that steps will be taken by those at fault, and the matter soon The annual meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Associa-

vinced that steps will be taken by those at fault, and the matter soon put right for all time.

All the officers were re-elected, and complimentary remarks passed upon their services.

Mr. A. Wallace moved a rote of thanks to the Master for arranging the great Memorial Service at St. Philip's Church, at Bristol on February 22nd; and Mr. R. J. Wilkins suggested that a suitable memorial such as a marble or brass tablet should be crecked in both Cathedrals to commemorate the men who had failen. The matter was left in the Secretary's hands to see what could be done, and for the Master to get permission from the Bishops.

In view of the cost of upkeen of the Association it was unanimously agreed to charge a small affiliation fee to all towers in the Association area. It was also agreed that all members ringing peals should pay for the upkeen of the peal book, the charge to be 2d, per member

The Master (the Rev. M. E. Thorold) spoke very strongly on the lack of support given by many ringers to the 'Ringing World.' The writer would like to point out to Branch Sceretaries that a good dear of their success depends largely on the 'Ringing World.' If all ringers were to take in the paper there would be no difficulty in knowing when meetings were being held. This would save the Association much trouble and postage expense. Now that the war is over and things are settling down again, members should do their share in the matter of ringing and ensuring its future. It is hoped that all Gloucester and Bristol members will take the advice of the Master and become readers of the 'Ringing World.'

A vote of thanks was passed to the Dean of Gloucester and to the other incumbents who had allowed the use of their bells. It was regrettable that the Cathedral bells could not be rung, but the ringers

are assured that ringing will be resumed there shouly.

The meeting lasted practically 34 hours, and was attended by over 70 members.

Very little time was allowed for seeing Gloucester, because the party for Bristol had to leave at 7.30 p.m. They had a good send-off, and reached Bristol in fine style at 10.20 p.m. ' E. G.

#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

At the annual meeting held at Glow ster, on April 21st, 1919, it was unanimously agreed that peal ringing members should pay 2d, per peal per member for the upkeep of the Association's Peal Book; the money to be collected by the conductor at the end of the peal, and immediately dispatched, with the composition, to the Peal Secretary. Mr. W. Cave, 10, Lilymead Avenue, Totterdown, Bristol. This applies to all peals rung after April 21st, 1919, and their immediate insertion in the new peal book is guaranteed.

EDGAR GUISE (Hon. Secretary).

#### OXFORD GUILD AT WINDSOR.

The Easter gathering of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch of the Oxford Diocesan Guild at Windson on Easter Monday proved a

A unique address was given by the Dean of Windsor at the service at the Parish Church, where £1 10s, was collected in aid of the King Edward VII. Hospital (Windsor), nearly 90 members being present.

The business meeting brought a hundred together, the Mayor of Windsog presiding. A full report will appear in a later issue.

#### A HELPING HAND,

For the benefit of the widow and children of the late Mr. Joseph Ridyard, members of the Lancashire Association, of which the deceased ringer was a vice-president, are organising a draw in which the prizes include a set of handbells, and other articles. Those who wish to lend a helping hand in this matter can do so by sending to Mr. A. Trippier, The Glen, Eccles; Mr. W. Wolsteneroft, 103, Victoria Street, Ashton-under-Lyne; or Mr. W. H. Shuker, 106, Bank Street, Clayton, Man-chester. The tickets are only id each.

#### WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WAR MEMORIAL WINDOW TO BE PLACED IN CATHEDRAL CLOISTERS.

. The annual gathering of the Worcestershire and Districts Association, on Paster Monday, was the twenty-eighth occasion on which the meeting has been held at Worcester, and apparently it has now become almost a fixture, for next year's meeting is to be held there, and there are no signs of any wish for a change. This year's gathering was of especial interest, inasmuch as one saw so many who had been serving their country, and had now returned with all their old enthusinsm for ringing, and also many young beginners-a healthy sign of reconstruction in our Exercise.

The general meeting was held as usual in the Cathedral Chapter House, with the President, the Very Rev. W. Moore Ede, D.D., in the chair. At the commencement, the President introduced two new members of the Cathedral clergy, the Rev. Canon Lacey and the Key Barrington Raker, who were elected honorary members, Canon Lacev being made a vice-prosident. Several performing and two life mem bers were also elected.

After the annual peal had been arranged—to be conducted by Mr. C. Camm at Upton-on-Severn—the question of the best form of a memorial to fallen members was discussed. The committee had obtained the canction of the Dean and Chapter to put a stained glass window in the Cathedral cloisters, and reported to the meeting that they considered this would be a most suitable form of memorial. The this would be a most suitable form of memorial. The members decided to necept this proposal, and an appeal will be issued to all members to do their utmost in showing their gratitude to, and doing henour to the memory of, those who have given their lives in the war. As the cost of this window will be considerable, if is honed every single member will give us large a donation as possible. Mr. A. E. Parsons, 148, Station Rd., Old Hill (Master), was appointed trea-

The Master called attention to the poor support given in many quarters to the ringing paper, and urged everyone to purchase a copy for themselves, so that by increased support the publication might be

continued and improved. At the election of officers, it was decided to ask the new Bishop of the Biocese to become patron, all the other officers being re-elected.

Owing to an alteration in the time of the service in the Cathedral, it was impossible for the members to attend, but the Dean, who had promised to give an address, announced at the end of the meeting that he had his notes with him, and would, if it was wished, give a short address. This he kindly did, and then explained the windows in the cloisters, and showed the one which would be reserved for the Association's war memorial.

After undergoing the ordeal of being photographed, a move was made to St. Helon's Church House, where, owing to it having been found impossible to got a caterer to undertake the task, to a had been arranged by Mr. W. H. Johnson. He and Mrs. Johnson went to a lot of trouble in this matter, and a hearty vote of thanks was passed to them, and to the other ladies who assisted.

Full edvantage was taken during the day to utilise the opportunities of ringing at the various towers in the city, although owing to inconremiences in the train service, a number of members had to be off to the station early in the evening, and, as one had the experience of journeying to Worcester in the morning in the guard's van, where there were no less than 60 other passengers, one wonders how return journey was made.

In this year's annual report of the Association is published the roll of honour, which, although not quite complete, contains the names of 116 members who have served in H.M. Forces, 22 of whom have fallen It is hoped, that all corrections and additions to this list will be sent to the Secretary, as, when complete it is to be illuminated in a special

#### PETERBORQUCH AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

I successful quarterly meeting was held at Woodston, on Easter Monday. About 40 members were present, representing Chatteris. Whittlesey, March Bourne, Edenham, Market Deoping, and the local bands. The service was held at St. Augustine's, Woodston the Rector (the Rev. N. J. Raper) officiating, and giving an at lives from the 150th Psalm. Lot everything that hath breath praise the Lord 1. In a interaction discussed he population. the Lord.' In an interesting discourse, he reminded the ringers of the valuable service they rendered to their fellow-man.

After the los, the business meeting was presided over by Mr. G.

Barker. Five new members were elected, and it was decided to hold monthly meetings, in addition to the quarterly ones, and these will be advertised in 'The Ringing World.'-The Secretary appealed for more members to take in the only ringing paper, if only to save the Associa-tion the expense of sanding notice, to individual members.

#### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

The 37th annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association was held at Derby on Easter Monday, when the bells at All Saints', St. Alknown's, St. Andrew's and St. Peter's were available for ringing during the day.

The general meeting was held in St. Peter's parochial rooms in the afternoon, and owing to the absence of the president (Mr. John W. Taylor) through serious illness, Mr. W. Wallace was voted to the chair.—The treasurer's accounts, showing a balance in hand of £27 148 11d. was passed, on the proposition of Mr. Chas. Draper (auditor).

seconded by Mr. J. H. Swinfield.

The retiring officers were thanked for their services, and the secretary asked to send a letter to Mr. Taylor sympathising with him in his illness.—Mr. J. W. Taylor was re-elected president, and Mr. R. B.

Chambers, of Derby, elected vice-president.

Mr. W. C. Wakley and Mr. Wm. Willson had been nominated for the treasurership, but Mr. Wakley withdrew his nomination, as he was leaving the Midlands for Devonshire.-Mr. Willson having explained his views as to the management of the financial affairs of the Association and promising rebrenchment and reform if elected, his nomination was put to the meeting, and carried nem, con.-Mr. W. E. White, who who been nominated for re-election as secretary, explained that he could not carry on the work unless he received an honorarium of £10. and as there seemed to be a faction in the room strongly opnosed to the granting of any honorarium he did not wish to be re-elected. Several members, including Messrs. J. Griffin, A. C. Wright and Wm. Willson, spoke against an honorarium being voted on account of funds being at so low an ebb, and of the difficulty of getting in subscriptions. Mr. Willson drawing a comparison between the soldiers fighting for one shilling per day and the secretary drawing an honorarium of £19 per annum.

Mr. A. C. Wright offered to accept the post as secretary without honorarium, and to give 25 to the Association—On the proposition of Mr. C. Draper, seconded by Mr. T. White, Mr. Wright was elected.

Three life and twenty-nine ringing members were unanimously ad-

The committee recommended that the next three quarterly meetings should be held at Bakawell Melton Mowbray, and North Winafeld and there being no other proposition from the meeting these were deeided unon.

Mr. Charles Drayer made a handsome present to the Association of six bound volumes of the association's annual reports, a bearly rate of thanks being passed to him on the proposition of Mr. W. E. White conded by Mr. J. H. Swinfield.

Votes of thanks having been passed to the evergy for the use of Ho. hell and to the local mambers for arranging the meeting an adjourn. ment was made to the Co-operative Refreshment Rooms, where hetwoen sixty and seventy members and friends sat down to ten. Afterwards a return was ma'e to the various towers for further ringing.

#### WAR MEMORYAT AT ARKSEY

SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF RINGERS' EFFORTS. Arbsey is a small village three miles from Doneaster, and is justly proud of its picturesque and interesting twelfth century church, and its lovely bells (the original number being five), which are claimed to be one of the finest rings in Morkshire. The tenor (10 cwt.) is dated 1622, with an inscription:-

God send them Heven that heare me ryng.

Others are dated 1657, 1673 and 1718. Another belt was added in honour of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee by the late Alderman W Chadwick, of Arksey Hull, who also had the bells retuned and relung Two new bells have now been hung to complete the octave, to commemorate the sacrifices of the fallen. and to celebrate the coming of peace. One bell bears the inscription: In memory of the fallen, 1911.

1919.' and on the other, ' Peace after Victory, 1919.'
The full octave was rung for the first time on Easter Sunday morning for early service (7 a.m.), when several good louches of Grandshe Triples were rung by the local band. The excellent tone and quality of the new bells were greatly admired by all who heard them, and the greatest possible praise is due to Messrs. John Taylor and Co Loughhorough, who have carried out the work to the entire satisfertion of the ringers, who have, on their own initiative, organised and worked the scheme. They have collected nearly the whole, of the amount required, and, considering that this is a small country village amount required, and, considering that this is a small country village it reflects great credit on the local band, seeing that no individual theorition has exceeded five guineas. The ringers are also renerors viving the whole of their salaries, as vingers, to the project, until the debt is cleared off. They are also erecting a trass memorial tablet in addition, with the names of the mon from the parish, who have fallen in the war This splendid effort should be an incentive for other bonds to Go and do likewise.

The Dedication service is fixed for Whit-Monday, and will be performed by the Bishop of Sheffield

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#### SHEFFIELD AMALGAMATED SOCIETY.

PRESENTATION TO WORKSOP'S V.C. RINGER.

A very successful a ceting of the Sheffield and Old East Derbyshire Amalgamated Society was held at Worksop, on Easter Monday. Ringers, to the number of between 50 and 60, attended from Anston, Risers, to the number of between 50 and 50, attended from Anston, Bolsover, Bolsterstone, Eckington, Ecclesfield, Gainsboro', Killamarsh Mansfield, Norton, Rotherham, Sheffield, Staveley, Warsop and Worksop. Some good ringing was done in a great variety of methods, including Minor, Triples and Major. Tea was generously supplied by the Worksop company in the Old Gate House, the Vicar (the Rev. Canon D'Arey, Rural Dean), presiding, supported by Mrs. D'Arey, the Rev. F. E. Franks, Sergt. W. H. Johnson, V.C., Mrs. Johnson, etc. After tea a short business meeting was held, at which Mr. H. Haigh asked ten a short business meeting was field, at which Mr. H. Haigh asked Mrs. D'Arcy to hand to Sergt. Johnson, a silver inkstand, in the shape of a bell, from the members of the Society, in recognition of the distinction he had won in the field. Mr. Haigh said he could testify to the splendid services rendered by Sergt. Johnson to the Works—company in the tower, and the company were proud of him. He (the speaker) had written to over 100 soldiers, and the letters he received from Sorgh Johnson were always bright and cheerful.

Mrs. D'Arcy, in a neat speech, handed the gift to him, remarking that none of them could adequately express their appreciation of the recipient's services. Such deed, as those performed by Sergt. Johnson should be an incentive to all at home to lead true Christian lives—leyal to God, loyal to King, and loyal to country.

Sgt. Johnson, who was accorded a great ovation, thanked the members for their kindness. He was glad that the Worksop company belonged to such a progressive society as the Sheffield Society.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the local company, Mr. Haigh

In moving a vole of thanks to Cenon D'Arcy for presiding, and to les D'Arcy for her presence, the Hon, Secretary (Mr. S. Thomas) Mrs. D'Arcy for her presence, the Hon, Secretary (Mr. S. thanked the Canon for his constant support given to the society; as to the little present, the ringers of the district felt they could not allow the opportunity to pass without denoting their appreciation of Sergt. Johnson's valour, as it was believed that he was the only ringer who had gained the highest award that the British Army can bestow.—Canon D'Arcy, in reply, said he was always glad to welcome the Association to the Priory Church. The Association's good impressions of Worksop ringers and himself were largely due to Mr. Haigh's

After this pleasant little ceremony came more ringing on the tower bells, Sergt. Johnson taking a rope in his first touch of Stedman Triples. Ringing went on until nearly 9 o'clock, when a splendid

'fall' brought a pleasant and entirely successful meeting to a close. The silver inkstand, which was supplied by Mr. J. Comber, of Woking, bears the following inscription: 'Presented to Sergt, Wm. H. Johnson, V.C., 1/5th Sherwoods, by the Sheffield and Old East Derbyshiro Society of Ringers to commemorate the occasion of his being awarded the Victoria Cross, October 3rd, 1918.'

Sergt. Johnson received three presents last week. The Druid, gave him a coloured portrait of himself; the congregation of Priory Church, a handsome timepiece and £10 4s. in eash.

#### GREAT YARMOUTH'S NEW CLOCK.

The turret clock, which, as announced in our last issue, was denicated on Saturday week at Gt. Yarmouth Church, was manufactured by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, and is built on the latest principles, with simple lockings and Lord Grimthorpe's double three legged gravity e-capement. The pendulum is 5ft. 6in long, weighs 11 cwt., and is compensated for all weathers. When the clock is brought into perfect going order it is guaranteed to keep accurate time within three seconds a week. The dial is of cast-iron in four segments, measures 12ft. in diameter, and weighs one ton. The hour figures are sures 12ft, in diameter, and weighs one ton. The hour figures are 20in, high, and the minute marks 3in, high, The minute hand is 6ft long. The chines are Westminster Chines, and for the 'quarters' strike on hells 3, 4, 5, and 8 of the ring of twelve in the tower. The 'quarters' are stopped automatically from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. 'no hour strikes on the tener hell (30 cwt.), the lirst blow being at the hour exactly. The hammers are taken off the bells by a single movement of a lover placed in the bell chamber when the bells are to be healed. The weights for the motion, quarter and hour strikes weigh in all 18 owt. in all 18 owt.

in all 18 owt.

To commenorate the opening of the clock the ringers at the Parish Church rang a touch of 539 Grandsire Caters: R. Christian 1. Lieut. R. Thompson 2, W. Arnott 3, G. H. Hammonds 4, A. Webber 5, C. Dean (representing Messrs, Gillett and Johnston), conductor, 6, L-Corpl. A. E. Richards 7, W. Lee 8, D. Hayward 9, H. Wright 10.

Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, it is interesting to recall, were responsible for the large clock at the Law Courts in Lendon, and also for the clock overlooking the Harbour at Buenos Agres, which has four 15ft dials.

#### NOTICES.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.-Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wraxall on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells available 3 o'clock. Divine service 4.30; tea and business meeting 5.30.—George Yeo, Hon. Sec., Long Ashton.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Notting-ham District.—A meeting will be held at Beeston Parish Church on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells available from 3 to 8 p.m. All ringers welcome. —T. H. Kirkby, Hon. District

Sec., 7, Selkirk Street, Carrington.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Maidstone District.—At West Malling, on Saturday, May 3rd, the annual district meeting will be held. Bells ready at 3 o'clock; service at 5; tea 5.45; business meeting after. All ringers welcome. -Stephen Hayzelden, Lower Street, East Farleigh, Maidstône.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION .- Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Mary, Lewisham, on Saturday, May 3rd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service 5.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting to follow. The Vicar has kindly promised to provide tea.—T. Groombridge, Hon. District Sec., 35, Albany Road,

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Stockport Branch. -A memorial service for those members of the branch who have fallen in the war will (p.v.) be held at St. Mary's Church, Stockport, on Saturday, May 3rd, at 5 o'clock. The Rev. F. A. Screeton, M.A., Vicar of Norbury, will preach the sermon. Members are especially requested to make an effort to be present and join in this tribute of respect and gratitude.—Rev. A. T. Beeston, Hon. Sec., New Mills.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. Frome and Midsemer Norton Deanery Branch .- The annual meeting will take place at Shepton Mallet on Saturday, May 3rd. Service at 4 p.m.; tea and business at 5. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. All ringers, whether members or not, will be heartily welcome. - I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., School House, Midsomer Norton, Bath.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION .- South-Western Division .-A district meeting will be held at Barking on Saturday May 3rd. Bells available from 3.30 p.m.; business meeting in the Tower 5.30 p.m. All ringers welcomed.—E. Butler, Hon. District Sec., 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath. LADIES' GUILD.—Midland District.—The half-

yearly business meeting of the above will be held at St. Nicholas' Church, King's Norton, on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells (8) available at 3.30; Service in church at 4.30; tea at 5.15 for those who notify me not later than Wednesday, April 30th, free to members, others 1/- each; this will be followed by the business meeting. Gentlemen welcomed.

-S. Pigott, 41, Cemetery Road, Smethwick.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD .- Guildford District .- The next District meeting will be held at Witley on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock; Service at 5; tea to follow. Subscriptions should be paid at this meeting.—John J. Jones, Hon. Sec., 3, Bridge

Street, Guildford.

SHEFFIELD AND OLD EAST DERBYSHIRE AMALGAMATED SOCIETY. — The annual meeting will be held at Ranmoor (8 bells) on Saturday, May 3rd. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Business meeting in the Parish Room at 5.30 p.m. It is urgently desired that all members who can will attend this meeting .- Sam Thomas, Hon. Sec., 164, Greystones Road, Sheffield.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.— Established 1637.—Meetings will be held at Southwark Cathedral on May 27th, at St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on May 15th and 29th, at °St. Giles', Cripplegate, on May 6th, and \*St. Paul's Cathedral on May 20th, all at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards at 'The Coffee Pot,' Warwick Lane, E.C.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Rd., Clapham, S.W.4.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Dorchester Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on Thursday, May 8th. Bells (8) (also Fordington, 6) available from 2.30 p.m. Guild service at 4, followed by tea and meeting. All ringers welcome.—C. H. Jennings, Hon. Sec., Sunnyside Road, Wyke-Regis,

Weymouth.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—
The next meeting of the above District will be held at Sutton-on-Hull on Saturday, May 10th. By kind permission of the Vicar, the bells (6) of St. James' will be available all day. Address by the Rev. G. A. Coleman at 4 p.m.; tea at 5, business immediately after. Sutton is easy of access, about four miles from Hull. It is the wish of the vice-president that this meeting should be a success as it is a long-standing invitation.—W. Hinton, Hon. District Sec., 5, Volta Street, Selby.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern Division.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Braintree on May 10th. Bells available from 2 p.m Service, with address, 4.30; tea will be provided by kind invitation of the Master of the Essex Association and the Vicar of Braintree, to all who send me notice of their intention of being present not later than May 6th. Subscriptions for 1919 are now due.—B. Redgwell, District Sec., Rayne.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—A general committee meeting will be held at Reading at the Great Western Railway Temperance Union Institute on Saturday, May 10th, at 3 o'clock, to arrange for Annual Festival and general business. A good attendance is required. It is hoped and expected that the Master will be in the chair. The Temperance Institute is adjoining the G.W.R. Station, turn to right on coming out of station.—R. T. Hibbert, Sec., Warren House Lodge, St. Peter's Avenue, Caversham.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Brighton on May 10th. Business meeting at 3.30 in Parish Room; tea at Gloucester Hotel 4.45, 3/- each (1/6 to members); Service at St. Nicholas' Church at 6. Ringing: St. Peter's Tower 1.30 to 3.30, St. Nicholas after the service. Members who will be present for tea let me know by May 7th. Half railway fares without limit.—11. R. Bu'cher, General 11on. Sec.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Sudbury Archdeacoury.—A meeting will be held at Lavenham, Saturday, May 10th. Bells available at 2 p.m.; tea and business meeting 4 o'clock, 1/6 non-members, 9d. members. The rector (Rev. G. H. Lenox Conyngham) and Churchwardens (Mr. C. Mellis and Mr. H. C. Steed) have promised to be present. All those who intend being present at tea, kindly let me know not later than May 5th.—A. Symonds, Acting District Sec., 41, Market Lane, Lavenham, Suffolk.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Milverton on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available all the afternoon.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., 62, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

WORCESTERSHIRE 'ND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Southern Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Overbury on Saturday, May 10th. Service will be held in church at 5 p.m. Tea will be provided by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Lea, in the Village Hall, at 5.45 p.m., for those who send me their names not later than the Tuesday previous. The bells (6) will be available before and after service.—James Hemming, Branch Sec., 29, Church Bank, Great Hampton, Evesham.

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LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Caerphilly (and not at Penarth as arranged, owing to local circumstances) on Saturday, May 10th, at 4.30.—Rev. Connop L. Price, M.A., John W. Jones, Hon. Secs., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—A meeting of the Winchester District will be held at Hursley on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available from 2.30. Tea in Parish Room at 5 o'clock.—James W. Elkins, District Sec., 20, Culver Road, Winchester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.
The next meeting will be held at Coppull on Saturday,
May 10th. Tower open for ringing at 3 o'clock.—A. E.
Woodhouse, Hon. Sec., 112, Victoria Road, Walton-le-Dale.
GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL. DIOCESAN ASSO-

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL. DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Bristol Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warmley on Saturday, May 10th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting. Will members who intend being present at tea kindly advise me not later than May 6th?—W. Stafford, Branch Hon. Sec., 16, Queen's Road, St. George, Bristol, E.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.

—A meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Twickenham, on Saturday, May 10th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea will be arranged if possible. All ringers welcome.—W. H. Oram, Hon. Sec., 25. Crown Street, Harrow.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Tonbridge District.—The annual meeting of this district will be held at Chiddingstone on Saturday, May 17th, 1919. Tower open at 3. Service in church at 5. Tea after service, followed by business meeting. All members intending to attend must notify the District Sec. not later than Tuesday, May 13th. Subscriptions are now due, and should either be sent to the District Sec. or paid at the meeting.—W. Latter, Hon. District Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Clitheroe on Saturday, May 17th, 1919. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Yorktown District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Pirbright on Saturday, May 17th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 o'clock. Tea and meeting afterwards. Will all ringers intending to be present please notify me not later than Tuesday, May 13th? All ringers welcome. Brookwood Station, L.S.W.R., about one mile.—G. Miles, Hon. Sec., Owlsmoor, Camberley, Surrey.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, by kind permission of the Rector, on Saturday, May 17th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Short service 5.30 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting. All ringers welcome—W. H. Oram, Hon, Sec., 25, Crown Street, Harrow.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—A meeting for practice and social intercourse will be held on Saturday, May 17th. Fuller particulars next week.—A. D. Barker, Northern District Master, 49, Noel Street, Islington, N.I.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—

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