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SUBSIDIES.

The result of the article on this page last week has been to stir up at length something like a real interest in the subject which we put before our readers as a matter of considerable interest to them and importance to the Exercise, namely, the future of 'The Ringing World,' which is the only existing link between ringers throughout the country. Promises of support, if the paper is enlarged at an increased charge of a penny per week, have come in in much larger numbers, although we are still far off the desired end of receiving the 'yea' or 'nay' of every reader. As far as we have gone the views expressed are overwhelmingly in favour of the course we have proposed, as against the alternatives.

There is, however, one alternative to which we feel we must return, because we have received from more than one influential quarter the suggestion that it is the line that ought to be adopted in preference to raising the price, viz., that of a subsidy from the various ringing organisations. Arguments in favour of this have come to us from association officials who—and perhaps quite rightly—do not at the moment desire that their names should be connected with it, because they have had no opportunity of consulting either their Associations or their committees. But, coming from the sources to which we have referred, we feel we cannot lightly pass the matter over. We appreciate very deeply the fact that these gentlemen desire to see 'The Ringing World' backed financially by the organisations who are very largely dependent upon it for sustaining the interests of the members. There are, however, serious obstacles to this scheme which may not have been altogether realised by the proposers. Firstly, whatever is done needs to be done soon. Before all the Associations could be consulted—each one of them would have to have a matter like this formally before it at the annual general meeting—a year at least must elapse, and even at the end of that time it is perhaps doubtful if all the Associations would agree. Beyond this, however, is the amount which is involved. The suggestion is that the increased cost of the larger paper should be met by the subsidy, and that the subsidy should be based upon a grant of so much per thousand members. Now, the additional revenue which it is anticipated will be required to increase the size of 'The Ringing World' and put it upon a satisfactory basis is £500 per annum. Such a sum, we venture to think, is quite beyond the powers of ringing associations to guarantee. Assuming that in the aggregate there are twenty thousand members affiliated to the various organisations—we doubt if there are three-quarters of this number—it means that the suggested

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subsidy would have to be on the basis of £25 per thousand members. What Association would undertake this? These figures, too, to some extent, answer the other proposals put forward, and show that payment for peals, for instance, would be entirely inadequate as an alternative by itself. We believe these facts will enable the Exercise to see that the ringers must individually pay their share. If the remaining readers will at once send their post cards, we may be able to announce a decision next week.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-One Minutes,
At the COLLEGIATE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 33 cwt.

THOMAS H. REEVES Treble	WILLIAM A. COOPER... .. 7
FRANK W. PERRINS 2	BERT HORTON 8
ALBERT WALKER... .. 3	*ALFRED ROWLEY 9
FRANK J. SMALLWOOD... .. 4	WILLIAM H. LAWLEY 10
JAMES E. GROVES 5	HERBERT KNIGHT 11
WILLIAM FISHER... .. 6	THOMAS J. ELTON Tenor

Composed by JAS. E. GROVES. Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

Rung as a wedding peal for Mr. Thomas Roden, one of St. Peter's company. * First peal on twelve.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
At CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

ISAAC G. SHADE Treble	WILLIAM J. NUDDS 7
GEORGE R. PYE 2	*VICTOR BENNETT 8
HARRY MILES 3	ALBERT W. COLES 9
CHARLES T. COLES 4	REUBEN SANDERS 10
SAMUEL HOUNSLOW 5	WILLIAM PYE 11
RICHARD T. HIBBERT... .. 6	REV. CYRIL W. O. JENKYN Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

* First peal on twelve bells. W. J. Nudd's 300th peal.

CHELTENHAM, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Three Minutes,
At the CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES, 5015 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt. 2 qr. 16 lb.

WILLIAM T. PATES Treble	HAROLD HALFORD 7
WILLIAM IRELAND 2	WILLIAM HALE 8
ALBERT W. HUMPHRIS 3	GEORGE WALTERS 9
WILLIAM HASTINGS 4	FRANK COLE... .. 10
WILLIAM BRINKWORTH 5	JOHN BALLANGER... .. 11
ALBERT WRIGHT 6	JOHN PARSONS Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ALBERT WRIGHT.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,
At the PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 36 cwt. in C.

THOMAS RUSSAM Treble	*HARRY BROUGHTON 7
THOMAS MILLER 2	ARTHUR MASON 8
GEORGE F. SWANN 3	SAMUEL GROVE 9
J. FRANK SMALLWOOD... .. 4	ALF. PADDON SMITH... .. 10
ALBERT WALKER... .. 5	JAMES E. GROVES 11
MORRIS J. MORRIS 6	JOHN NEAL Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JAMES E. GROVES.

* First peal on 12 bells. Mr. Broughton came from Leicester and Mr. Mason from Croydon. Rung on the 100th anniversary of the first peal of Stedman Cinques rung out of London, which was a 6,600 on these bells on Dec. 28th, 1820.

TEN BELL PEALS.

CARDIFF.

THE LLANDAFF DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, Dec. 23, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5039 CHANGES;

Tenor 27 cwt. in D.

*ERNEST E. PEACOCK... .. Treble	WILLIAM HEATH... .. 6
WILLIAM B. BISS 2	WILLIAM BOLTON 7
JOHN BULLEN 3	FREDERICK VILES... .. 8
JOHN W. JONES 4	FRED CHAMBERLAIN 9
CLARENCE O. HOBBS... .. 5	SEYMOUR R. BARKER Tenor

Composed by J. ROGERS. Conducted by F. CHAMBERLAIN.

* First peal. Arranged specially for W. Bolton, home on holiday from Grimsby, and as a birthday peal for S. R. Barker. J. W. Jones' 150th peal.

AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 50 cwt.

WILLIAM E. BASON Treble	*FRANK R. COPEMAN 6
BEN S. THOMPSON 2	*CECIL V. EBBERTSON 7
GEORGE H. CROSS 3	JOHN A. GODFREY 8
ALBERT ROUGHT 4	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 9
JOHN MOY 5	GEORGE MAYERS Tenor

Composed by GEORGE H. CROSS. Conducted by W. E. BASON.

* First peal of Treble Ten. First peal of Royal as conductor.

WREXHAM, DENBIGHSHIRE.

THE SALOP ARCHIDIACONAL GUILD.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 28 cwt. in D.

ALFRED LEA, JUN. Treble	EDWARD ROWLAND 6
WILLIAM JONES... .. 2	CHARLES R. LILLEY... .. 7
*THOMAS CATHRALL 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY 8
EDWARD LLOYD 4	WILLIAM SAUNDERS 9
ALFRED LEA, SEN. 5	*JOHN LLOYD Tenor

Composed by HENRY HALEY. Conducted by C. R. LILLEY.

* First peal of Stedman Caters. † First peal on 10 bells. First peal of Stedman and first peal on ten bells by treble man, First peal of Stedman Caters for the Salop Guild.

NORWICH.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1920, in Three Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER MANGROFT,

A PEAL OF BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 43 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lb.

GEORGE H. CROSS Treble	CHARLES E. BORRETT... .. 6
*MISS A. MAY DURRANT 2	FREDERICK J. HOWCHIN 7
*GEORGE A. SPARKS 3	GEORGE P. BURTON 8
ALBERT ROUGHT 4	GEORGE MAYERS... .. 9
FREDERICK R. BORRETT 5	JOHN E. BURTON Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEO. H. CROSS.

* First peal of Royal. First peal of Royal in which a lady has taken part for this Association.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION AND THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF PAINSWICK YOUTHS.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, 1920, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

GEORGE ORCHARD Treble	ALFRED HANNIS 5
THOMAS BALDWIN 2	JOHN BALLANGER... .. 6
ALBERT WRIGHT 3	WILLIAM IRELAND 7
CHARLES GARDINER 4	FRANK COLE Tenor

Composed by H. HUBBARD. Conducted by A. WRIGHT.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. BARNABAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 15½ cwt.

HARRY DICKENS Treble	THOMAS H. REEVES 5
JONATHAN PRESTON 2	MORRIS J. MORRIS 6
GEORGE F. SWANN 3	WILLIAM J. MEERS 7
ALBERT T. SCRIVENS 4	ARTHUR GARDNER Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM J. MEERS.

Rung, at the request of the Vicar, in celebration of the notable success of a four days' bazaar in the Church House, and also as a birthday compliment to Thomas H. Reeves, ringer of the 5th.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BISHOPSGATE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THOMAS DAY'S SIX-PART.

WILLIAM J. NELDER Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS 5
JOHN THOMAS 2	WILLIAM A. ALPS 6
JOHN W. JONES 3	REUBEN SANDERS 7
THOMAS WALKER... .. 4	ASAPH S. PETTETT Tenor

Conducted by W. A. ALPS.

Rung in honour of the 14 Councillors for the Ward of Bishopsgate being returned to the City Council; and to celebrate the birthday of Councillor Weber Brown, and election of Mr. Thomas Walker, one of the Churchwardens, as Beadle of the Vintry Ward of the City.

CHRISTLETON, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(CHESTER BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE PART.

Tenor 10 cwt.

*WILLIAM ASTLE... .. Treble	ARTHUR NEWELL... .. 5
FRANK FOX 2	GEORGE R. JONES 6
ROBERT SPERRING 3	JAMES V. WRIGHT 7
WALTER THOMAS 4	ROBERT GREGORY Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE R. JONES.

* First peal. First peal as conductor and first attempt.

CLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

WILLIAM SHORT... .. Treble	SAMUEL GROVE 5
ALFRED DAVIES 2	CHARLES H. WOODBERRY 6
JOHN BASS 3	JOHN WITHERS 7
*ERNEST J. BROOKS 4	ROBERT MATTHEWS Tenor

Composed by F. BENNETT.

Conducted by R. MATTHEWS.

* First peal in a Surprise method.

DARTFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF PLAIN BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

HERBERT AUDSLEY Treble	RICHARD MORGAN 5
*WILLIAM J. WHEADON 2	ALBERT BATES 6
*FRANK ELLIS 3	JOHN WHEADON 7
†EDWARD BROWN... .. 4	T. GROOMBRIDGE, JUN. Tenor

Composed by C. H. MARTIN.

Conducted by T. GROOMBRIDGE.

First peal of Major on the bells since their restoration, and rung to commemorate the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan. All are members of the local band. * First peal in the method. † First on a working bell. First peal as conductor.

HENLEY, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 8 cwt. 3 lb. in A flat.

CECIL W. PIPE Treble	WILLIAM BURGESS 5
REV. WILLIAM C. PEARSON ... 2	ALBERT FLEMING... .. 6
GEORGE PRYKE 3	GEORGE FARNISH... .. 7
GEORGE BENNETT 4	GEORGE FLEMING Tenor

Composed by JOHN HOLT. Conducted by GEORGE FLEMING.
For calling see Ropesight, p. 101.

LUTON, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

LEWIS A. GOODENOUGH ... Treble	THOMAS BLACKBURN 5
ALFRED KING 2	*HARRY WOOD 6
*BERT WILSON 3	*THOMAS KENDALL 7
*HERBERT WOOD... .. 4	*FREDERICK HUNT Tenor

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF. Conducted by L. A. GOODENOUGH.

First peal in the method on the bells by an entirely local band.
The ringer of the 2nd has now rung a peal on each of the bells in the tower. * First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conductor.

STONEY STANTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

*ARTHUR CATTELL Treble	*CHARLES BROWN 5
CHARLES ALLSOP 2	JOSIAH MORRIS 6
T. HENRY WRIGHT 3	CHARLES H. BRIGGS... .. 7
*CHARLES H. WEBB 4	ERNEST MORRIS Tenor

Composed by the late CHARLES H. FOWLER.

Conducted by ERNEST MORRIS.

* First peal of Major. The above was rung specially as a token of respect to the memory of the composer, who died Dec. 12th, 1914.

HARMSTON, LINCOLN.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 11½ cwt.

GEORGE FLINTHAM Treble	WALTER WOOD 5
FREDERICK G. STOKES 2	JOHN H. FREEMAN 6
RUPERT RICHARDSON 3	WILLIAM DICKINSON 7
ARCHIE C. STOKES 4	F/Sgt. F.A. HOLDEN, R.A.F. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRED A. HOLDEN.

First peal of Major on the bells.

GRIMSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

Tenor 18½ cwt.

*FRED OVERTON Treble	CHARLES TAYLOR 5
ALONZO W. LONG 2	STEPHEN BROOMFIELD 6
JOHN W. SEAMER 3	EDWARD BROWN 7
WILLIAM H. REYHOE 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

* First peal of Major. First peal of Major on the bells since restoration in 1914. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. W. Seamer.

BIRSTALL, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 22 cwt.

WILLIAM B. SMITH Treble	GEORGE W. STEEL 5
GEORGE HUNT 2	FREDERICK W. DIXON 6
HARRY WALTERS... .. 3	FRANCIS BARKER 7
ARTHUR WALKER... .. 4	WILLIAM E. H. ASH Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by FREDERICK W. DIXON.

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Friday, Dec. 24, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.

JOHN FLINT Treble	ARTHUR KNIGHTS 5
FREDERICK E. SMITH 2	*ARTHUR P. KNIGHTS... .. 6
CHARLES MASON 3	GEORGE A. THOMPSON 7
ALFRED C. WRIGHT 4	WALTER ALLWOOD Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS, SEN.

* First peal.

HELMINGHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

EDWARD JENKINS... .. Treble	*WALTER RUFFLES 5
WILLIAM C. RUMSEY... .. 2	THOMAS H. CHAPPELL 6
ERNEST E. GRIMES 3	ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN 7
HARRY HALL 4	THOMAS WM. LAST Tenor

Composed by FREDERICK DENCH. Conducted by W. C. RUMSEY.

* First peal of Treble Bob and first attempt.

DEANE, BOLTON.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

FRED ABBOTT Treble	TITUS BARLOW 5
JOSEPH LOWE 2	PETER CROOK 6
THOMAS B. WORSLEY... .. 3	JOHN POTTER 7
GEORGE PINCOIT... .. 4	AMOS TRIPPIER Tenor

Composed by REV. H. EARLE BULWER. Conducted by JOHN POTTER

CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 24½ cwt.

WALTER ALLWOOD Treble	*FRED HILL... .. 5
REV. A. T. BEESTON 2	ALFRED C. WRIGHT 6
JOHN FLINT 3	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS 7
JOHN HOLMAN 4	SAM THOMAS Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY. Conducted by SAM THOMAS.

* First peal of London.

UFFORD, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, Dec. 27, 1920, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5050 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt.

LEONARD P. BAILEY Treble	JAMES M. BAILEY 5
ALLEN F. BAILEY 2	CHARLES F. BAILEY... .. 6
GEORGE BAILEY 3	CHARLES SAMPSON 7
ERNEST S. BAILEY 4	*CHARLES E. FISHER Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

First peal in the method on the bells. * First peal in the method and first attempt.

SIX BELL PEALS.

WELLINGORE, LINCOLN.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, Nov. 20, 1920, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being six 720's of Plain Bob and one of Canterbury Pleasure,
called differently. Tenor 11 cwt.

F/Sgt. F. A. HOLDEN ... Treble	W. WAITE 4
F. FLUCK 2	J. WILLOWS 5
W. PEARSON 3	J. WALLHEAD Tenor

Conducted by F. A. HOLDEN.

First peal ever rung by local band. First peal by all except ringers of treble and 5.

STONE-IN-OXNEY, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(ROMNEY MARSH AND DISTRICT GUILD.)

On Saturday, Dec. 18, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Consisting of two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and
three 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 13 cwt.

*FREDERICK UNDERDOWN ... Treble	ALFRED DAW 4
CYRIL WENHAM 2	FREDERICK G. BURT 5
GEORGE KENWARD 3	CHARLES W. PLAYER Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES W. PLAYER.

* First peal.

HANDBELL PEAL.

LEISTON, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH AND IPSWICH ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1920, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,
IN THE BELFRY OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE-BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 size in G.

ALLEN F. BAILEY 1-2	CHARLES F. BAILEY 5-6
ERNEST S. BAILEY 3-4	FREDERICK M. BAILEY 7-8
JAMES M. BAILEY 9-10	

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CHARLES F. BAILEY.

'THE RINGING WORLD.'**RINGERS REALISING ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE EXERCISE.**

The special appeal which we made last week to our readers to intimate to us whether they will support a larger paper at an increased cost, has brought us many further communications, but the replies are still far below the present total circulation. Of those that have at present, reached us almost all are in favour of the course we suggest, and what gratifies us still more is the fact that at numerous meetings recently the importance of the journal to the Exercise has been emphasised, and efforts—not without result—have been made to obtain extended support.

For instance, at the Preston Branch meeting of the Lancs Association, on Saturday, the Branch Secretary (Mr. E. R. Martin) made an appeal for wider support for 'The Ringing World,' and an interesting discussion followed, in the course of which Mr. Taylor, junr., proposed that the General Committee of the Association be asked to make a grant to the paper. It was pointed out that the Editor had said definitely that it was not subsidies that were wanted, but better support, and Mr. Taylor, in endorsing the remarks of the Branch Secretary, said he knew several towers in the branch where not a single copy was taken. He considered this was rather a disgrace.

At the Norwich and Ipswich Association, at Ips last week, the Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. L. Coleman) referred to the importance of giving adequate support to the paper, and condemned the practice of making one copy serve for a company.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Bedford District was held at Bedford on Saturday last. Service was held in St. Peter's Church, and an excellent address was given by the Rev. Canon Nowell. Tea was provided by the Misses Steel at St. Peter's Hall, and was very much enjoyed by members from Bedford, Thurlough, Harrold, Sharnbrook, Elstow, Willington, Sandy, Husbome, Crawley, Clapham.

At the business meeting, with the Rev. Canon Nowell in the chair, the Secretary's report was read and passed.

The Committee was re-elected en bloc, and Mr. H. L. Harlow was re-elected as secretary.—One new member was elected, and Canon Nowell an hon. member.—A vote of thanks to the Rev. J. E. Gilbert for the use of the bells and to Canon Nowell for presiding; to Miss E. Steel acting as organist; and the Misses Steel and Miss Leader for the tea, brought a most successful meeting to a close.

ROTHERFIELD.—At St. Denys Church, on New Year's Eve, for service, 240 Oxford Treble Bob Minor and 240 Kent Treble Bob Minor; also a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples at midnight in 45 min.: S. Russel 1, C. Harman, H. Hammond 3, E. Bishop 4, F. Hammond 5, E. Bishop, senr., 6, C. Brasier (conductor) 7, W. Hammond 8.

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THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

The First Session of the Eleventh Council (twenty-ninth meeting) will be held in the Church House, Westminster, on Whitsun Tuesday, 17th May. Reports of Committees, Notices of Motion, and any other business and matter for the Agenda should reach me not later than Saturday, 16th April.

Hon. Secretaries of Affiliated Guilds and Associations are particularly requested to take notice that affiliation fees are now due, and should be forwarded to me without delay, together with a list of names and full postal addresses of their representatives, newly elected or re-elected, to the new Council.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES,
Hon. Secretary.

Deane Rectory,
Overton, Hants.
8th January, 1921.

The foregoing notice is official, and is signed as such in my official capacity, but I must add a brief personal note to remind members of Council, with an expression of my warm thanks for the confidence reposed in me for eighteen years or thereabouts, of my firm purpose, expressed at the last London meeting, not to accept re-nomination to the office of hon. secretary and treasurer, and that it is, therefore, incumbent on them carefully to consider the question of finding someone of their number to succeed to the office.

CHARLES D. P. DAVIES.

SIX-BELL METHODS.

ALTERATION OF NAMES.

To the Editor.

Sir,—The Peals Analysis Committee desire to draw the attention of the Exercise to a peal in seven Minor Methods rung at Wath-on-Dearne on the 20th October, 1920, and duly published in 'The Ringing World' on the 5th November following.

Two of these methods—'Nelson's Delight' and 'Duke of Clarence'—are to be found under other titles in the Minor Methods Collection issued by the Central Council: for 'Duke of Clarence' is No. 9 in the 'Treble Bob Minor Methods, and is there called 'Denton,' and 'Nelson's Delight' is a Fourth's Place Delight Method, No. 24, under the title of 'Armley.' The peal No. 9 was rung by the Denton men on June 19th, 1914, and No. 24 by the same men on November 15th, 1914: each performance and naming having been duly announced in 'The Ringing World.'

In the course of correspondence, it now appears that 'Nelson's Delight' was rung at Wath-on-Dearne on the 5th November, 1910, and 'Duke of Clarence' at the same place on November 7th, 1908, both dates being prior to those on which the same peals were rung and named by the Denton men.

The prior claim of Wath-on-Dearne having been conceded by the Denton men, the committee would be glad if those who are keeping up the record of the unnamed peals in the collection would kindly alter No. 9 on page 10 to the 'Duke of Clarence,' and No. 24 on page 19 to 'Nelson's Delight,' so that the record may be in accordance with the facts as now ascertained.

May I take this opportunity of reminding conductors and others interested, that no unaltered peals belonging to 1920 will be included in the analysis, unless they have been duly published in 'The Ringing World' by the end of February?—Yours very faithfully,

ARTHUR T. KING, Chairman.

The Summit, Stevenage.

WESTBURY'S BIG TASK.

A £2,000 RESTORATION.

The annual meeting of Devizes Branch of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild was held at Trowbridge on January 1st, about 25 members being present, representing Hilberton, Warminster, Trowbridge, Holt, Devizes, Keevil, Westbury, Bath and Marlborough. During the afternoon and evening touches of Grandsire Triples, Stedman Triples and Bob Major were rung.

The meeting was presided over by the Chairman of the Branch (Mr. Hart), and the hon. secretary presented the balance sheet, which showed a small balance in hand, and was considered most satisfactory.

The Chairman made a special appeal to all ringers for help in the restoration of Westbury bells, which was costing no less than £2,000. He pointed out that Westbury had made a great effort, and had raised £1,500, and they all knew how difficult it was to raise the last few hundreds. In conclusion, he hoped that all ringers would do all they could to complete the great task that Westbury is undertaking.

The Chairman was unanimously re-elected, and Mr. H. F. Brown was elected hon. secretary, in place of Mr. S. Penler, resigned.—A hearty vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells concluded the business.

SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. DORCHESTER BRANCH'S SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

The annual meeting of the Dorchester Branch of the Salisbury Guild was held at Fordington St. George, Dorchester, when the towers represented were Buckhorn Weston, Charnminster, Dorchester, Fordington, Kington Magna, Swanage, Upwey, Wool and Wyke Regis. Good practice was obtained on the bells, and the Guild service was conducted in the fine old church by the Vicar (the Rev. R. G. Bartelott), who also gave an interesting address, which contained much historical data as to the bells and old Abbots of Dorset. The surpliced choir was in attendance and led the singing.

After the service there was an adjournment to the Moule Institute, where members and friends, numbering 34, sat down to an excellent tea generously provided by the Vicar, churchwardens and ringers of Fordington. The tables were floridly adorned, and the members were waited on by a willing band of ladies.

The business meeting followed, under the presidency of Mr. R. N. Dawes (chairman), who was supported by the Master of the Guild (Major Hughes D'Aeth), the general secretary (the Rev. F. L. Edwards), the Revs. R. G. Bartelott and C. A. Phillips (hon. secretary Wimbome Branch), the churchwardens and lady ringers from Charnminster and Dorchester, and officers of the branch. The Chairman tendered thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for inviting the Branch to Fordington, and especially thanked the Vicar for his most interesting address. He expressed pleasure at the presence of the Master and General Secretary of the Guild, warmly thanked the Fordington ringers for their kind hospitality, and also the ladies for the dainty manner in which the tea was prepared and served. The Vicar responded to these kindly expressions, and voiced pleasure at seeing the lady ringers present.

The Vicar and Mr. E. C. Dobell were elected hon. members, and Mr. Joshua Morris (Leicester) and Mr. A. W. Seymour (Bristol) were elected life members of the Guild.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. C. H. Jennings), in his annual report, said the past year had been quite up to pre-war standard. Four quarterly meetings had been held at West Lulworth, Bere Regis, Milton Abbey and Fordington. In addition to these meetings they had a special meeting at the opening of Bere Regis bells, and mention was made of the impressive service at St. Peter's, Dorchester, on July 17th, on the occasion of the unveiling of the memorial tablet to their brother ringers who fell in the great war, and best thanks were tendered to all who assisted at the service. Reference was made to the fact that the branch as a whole had not made such great strides in change ringing as was expected after the war. Members were asked to take the matter up more seriously, and go in for higher methods, and, as the Master had requested, where there were six bells to practise Minor. Dealing with restorations, the report stated that a new bell had been added to the existing peal at Bere Regis, and the others had been to the foundry of Meares and Stainbank, quarter turned and hung in steel frames, making a grand peal of six. The six bells at Frampton had also been rebung. There were other peals in the district that sadly needed rehanging and augmenting, and at Piddletrenthide, which had one of the most beautiful towers in Dorset and a tenor of over 20 cwt., they were unsafe for ringing. The same remark applied to the bells at Cerne Abbas. The membership of the branch had reached the record total of 112—an increase of 11 over last year. They welcomed their new hon. members and the Bere Regis band into the Guild. The secretary regretted that Mr. Wilken had been out of the district a good deal during the past year, but hoped to have his services in the future. Thanks were tendered to all who had entertained the members at all the meetings during the past year.

The financial statement showed receipts of £15 8s. 10½d., and expenditure of £9 17s. 8d., leaving a balance of £5 12s. 2½d.—It was resolved to place the 6s. remaining over from the fund of the memorial tablet to the branch funds. The accounts were adopted subject to audit. Several members spoke of the amount of work the secretary put in for the Guild, and as a small reward, and as an expression of their greatest thanks to him for the good work he had done for them for several years, they voted an honorarium of two guineas from the funds.—The Secretary said this had been sprang upon him, and he did not wish it, but the meeting would not hear of altering the decision.

All the officers were re-elected, namely, Messrs. R. N. Dawes (chairman), G. T. White (Ringing Master), W. J. Bengier (Deputy Master) and C. H. Jennings (hon. secretary and treasurer).

The next meeting was left in the hands of the secretary to arrange either at Hilton or Wyke Regis.

The Rev. F. L. Edwards recalled the fact that a resolution was adopted for the restoration of the peace bell throughout the diocese. That example was likely to be followed in the Diocese of Rochester as the result of an appeal recently made by the Bishop of that diocese in his 'Diocesan Gazette.' He also called attention to the fact that the funds of the Guild had become very low, the lowest in its history. The funds had been taken up by the extra cost of printing the great number of reports, and it was resolved that a recommendation should go forward from the branch to the general meeting of the Guild that

the annual subscription should be increased to 1s. 6d. or more, while the branch hoped to make a small grant to the general fund.

Congratulations were given to the writer on the article, which he had contributed to 'The Ringing World' on their branch meetings and the history of their churches and bells, etc.

The usual vote of thanks terminated another pleasant and happy meeting, and the ringers then repaired to the tower, and kept the bells going to 9 p.m., good practice being obtained in Bob Minor.

It may be interesting to ringers to know that at this beautiful church of Fordington, with its partly Norman aisle and its very noble 15th-century tower—a model of proportion—hang two of the bells that once rang in the peal of twelve at Bindon Abbey (a few miles from Fordington), and when this Abbey was suppressed and looted, the bells formed 'no small part of the plunder. The bells were to be divided between Wool and Coombe-Keynes, but Fordington rogues thought otherwise, and secretly carried off five of the bells, and hid them in a lane near by, still called Bell Drong. When night fell they carted off the bells. Hence the doggerel rhyme:—

Wool-streams and Coombe-Keynes, wells,
Fordington rogues stole Bindon bells.

The late Lord Bishop of Durham (Dr. Moule) was born at Fordington. His father, from 1829 to 1830, was Vicar of the parish, where he laboured for the social good of his parishioners, and the Moule Institute was erected to his memory. Almost in sight are Max Gate, the home of Mr. Thomas Hardy, the renowned novelist, and the thatched roof of Carne Rectory, once the home of the Dorset poet, the late William Barnes—deep student, true pastor, clear and tender seer of nature, and of man.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MANCHESTER BRANCH SECRETARY RETIRES.

The first meeting of the New Year was held as usual at Manchester Cathedral, when some 40 members and friends called in during the evening, and touches of Grandsire, Stedman and Treble Bob were rung on the 8 and 10 bells.

The business meeting was presided over by Canon Elsee, when apologies were read from two members, one of whom was on the sick list, and to whom the sympathy of the meeting was sent. The next meeting was arranged for Brookfield Church, four weeks hence.

The Branch Secretary wished to retire after 9½ years' service, and Mr. J. Hall, 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting, Manchester, was appointed in his stead, with a seat on the Central Committee.

Canon Elsee, in his remarks, wished the members the compliments of the season, and commented on several items which have appeared in 'The Ringing World' of late. He informed the members of what the Central Council were doing in the matter, and concluded with an appeal for more support for the ringers' paper.

After a vote of thanks to the retiring secretary, the authorities and ringers of the Cathedral, and the chairman, the bells were kept going until about 9.30.

PRESTON BRANCH.

A very successful meeting of this Branch was held at Preston Parish Church on Saturday, January 8th, over 40 members attending, representing some 12 towers in the branch. The bells were utilised during the afternoon in various Major and Minor methods, and service was held in the small chapel.—The Vicar of Preston (the Rev. A. J. Morris, M.A.) gave an address, remarking that it was the first time he had had the privilege of speaking to ringers, but he realised that they were members of a very high calling. He, therefore, exhorted his hearers to live up to their high calling, and in particular he asked them to be regular communicants.

After service, the party proceeded to the Cafe Orient for tea, which had been very kindly provided by the Vicar and wardens.

At the business meeting, under the chairmanship of the Vicar, Walton-le-Dale and Hoghton were chosen as the next two meeting-places, and three new members elected.

At the close of business, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Vicar and wardens for their generosity in providing tea and granting the use of the bells.—This was suitably responded to by Mr. Willan and Mr. Rawcliffe (churchwardens). Mr. Willan remarked that he thought the gathering was a very pleasant way of welcoming the new Vicar amongst the ringers.—Mr. Rawcliffe, in a humorous speech, said that some of the terms used by the secretary had rather mystified him, and he felt very anxious to find out a little more about ringing. He hoped that he should have the pleasure of meeting all present when next they came to meet at Preston (applause).

The Vicar said that when first approached about coming amongst them he was rather afraid, but he felt that he had been amply repaid, and if his coming had given pleasure to the company then they could rest assured that he also was pleased to have been with them that evening (applause).

The tower was again visited, and ringing kept up till 9 p.m., the methods rung during the day being Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Kent Treble Bob Minor and Major, Double Norwich; also Bob Minor and Cambridge Surprise.

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NOTICES.

The EDITORIAL OFFICE of the 'RINGING WORLD,' to which all communications should be sent, is 63, COMMERCIAL ROAD, WOKING.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting will be at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells ready 2 o'clock. Committee, 3.45. Tea, 5 o'clock. General meeting to follow. Tea at 2s. 6d. per head.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at the Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells ready at 3 o'clock. Meeting at 6.30 p.m.—J. Watson, Branch Sec., 33, Langham Road, Blackburn.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.—Quarterly meeting will be held at Willenhall on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921. Bells available at 3. Service in church at 5.15, with an address by the Vicar (Rev. T. H. P. Hyatt).—H. Knight, Hon. Sec. 15, Rigby St., Wolverhampton.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—The war memorial to fallen ringers will be unveiled and dedicated in Chelmsford Cathedral on Saturday, Jan. 15th, 1921, at 3.30 p.m., by the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, President of the Association. Tea, at 5 p.m., will be provided; 1s. 9d. each, at The Corn Exchange. The Cathedral bells will be rung half-muffled previous to the service. At 6 p.m. the muffles will be removed, and the bells will then be available for all ringers present.—C. H. Howard, Master, H. T. W. Eyre, Hon. Sec., The Temples, Witham.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rochdale Branch.—The next monthly meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 15th, at Milnrow. Bells ready at 3, meeting at 6.30. Subscriptions are now due.—T. K. Driver, Branch Sec., Middleton.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Deanery Branch.—Quarterly meeting, Jan. 15th, at Douling. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business 5 p.m.—I. B. Holmyard, Hon. Sec., Midsomer Norton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION (late the St. James' Society, Established 1824).—Southern District.—The annual meeting will be held on Saturday, Jan. 15th, at All Saints', Fulham, tower. Open from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Business meeting, election of officers, etc., at 8 p.m.—F. A. Smith, Hon. District Sec., 14, Oxford Avenue, Merton Park, S.W.19.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bristol Branch.—The annual meeting of the above branch will be held at St. Stephen's, Bristol, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Bells (10) available 3 p.m. Service in church 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow, about 5 p.m., at the C.E.M.S. House, St. Stephen's Street. Business, election of branch officers.—P. B. Williams, Branch Hon. Sec., 22, Bruce Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bedworth on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting in the Schools at 5 o'clock.—Joseph H. White, Hon. Sec., 59, George Eliot Road, Coventry.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Broughton on Jan. 15th. Bells (5) open at 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—R. F. Turner, Hon. Dis. Sec., 160, St. Peter's Avenue, Kettering.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Central District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at St. Giles', Camberwell, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m., followed by tea and business meeting.—A. J. Trappitt, Hon. Dis. Sec., 47, Beddington Grove, Wallington.

LADIES' GUILD.—Southern District.—A combined practice will take place at Aldershot on Saturday, Jan. 15th, at 6 p.m. It is hoped that members will attend.—H. F. Mills, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning Deanery Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at St. Paul's, Wokingham, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.45, business meeting after. Ringing at All Saints' and St. Paul's before service and after meeting.—F. Dentry, Hon. Sec., Twyford, Berks.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Saviour's, Bacup, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Bells ready 3.30 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m. Subscriptions are due. Reports to hand.—J. H. Haydock, Branch Sec., 31, St. Paul's Street, Ramsbottom.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—West Tyne Division.—A combined practice will be held at Hexham on Saturday, Jan. 15th. All ringers welcome. Bells available afternoon and evening.—B. C. Dixon, Hon. Sec., 80, Fern Dene Road, Gateshead.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at the Bolton Parish Church, not St. George's, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Bells available 4 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Sec.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on Saturday, Jan. 15th. Bells ready at 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea can be conveniently obtained near church.—F. G. Symonds, Hon. Dis. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—A District meeting will be held at Sturry on Saturday, Jan. 15th, at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Subscriptions for this year are now due and can be paid at this meeting.—E. G. Buesden, Hon. Dis. Sec., 3, Hackington Terrace, Canterbury.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will take place at Netherton on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells will be available at 3 p.m. Service in the church at 4 p.m. Tea will be provided in the Church House at 1s. 6d. per head. Business meeting afterwards. Will all members who intend to be present at tea kindly let me know not later than Jan. 19th, as I have to give a definite number to the caterers?—A. Davies, Hon. Sec., 29, Hampton Street, Netherton, Dudley.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Sleaford on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells open at 2 p.m. Meat tea at 4.45 p.m., at Turner's Cafe, South Street. Those requiring tea please notify me by Jan. 17th.—S. Proctor, 72, Bridge End Road, Grantham.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—The annual meeting will be held at Southgate on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells available from 2.30 p.m. Service at 5.30. Tea at the Woolpack at 6 o'clock, followed by business meeting. A charge of 1s. 3d. will be made for tea, and all requiring same must advise me by the 20th

inst. Will members please note that the annual subscription for 1921 is due, and is now 1s. 6d.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Annual meeting at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Tea at 6 p.m. sharp, to those who notify me by the 19th.—H. J. Bradley, Christ Church Schools, Willesden Lane, N.W.6.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. Wotton-under-Edge Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Thornbury on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service at 5. Tea and business, 5.30. Visitors please notify me not later than Jan. 18th.—W. A. Lewis, Branch Hon. Sec., Ham, Berkeley, Glos.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22nd, at St. Peter's, Nottingham. Tower open 2.30. Tea 5 o'clock at Barker's Cafe, Bridle-Smith Gate. Business meeting to follow.—Thos. H. Kirby, Hon. Sec.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next Quarterly meeting will be held at Shireoaks on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells available from 2 to 8.30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Tea will be provided at a moderate charge for those who advise F. Hargreaves, 4, Shireoaks, Worksop, not later than Jan. 19th.—H. Haigh, Hon. Sec.

BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Chew Deanery Branch.—The Annual meeting will be held at Long Ashton on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells available 2.30. Service at 4 o'clock. Tea and business meeting 5 o'clock. Those who require tea please notify by 19th.—Percy Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The Annual meeting of the above will be held at Mersham on Saturday, Jan. 22nd. Bells available from 2 to 4.30. Service at 4.30. Tea by the Guild at 5 o'clock, followed by the usual business meeting. Will members intending to be present at this meeting please notify me not later than Jan. 18th.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., The Priory, Appledore, Kent.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—The subscription of 1s. 8d., which entitles members who have not attended twenty times in the past year to vote on matters of finance, is now due. Meetings will be held at St. Magnus on Jan. 26th, and *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 25th. *Business meeting afterwards at headquarters. All at 7.30 p.m.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

SALOP GUILD.—Annual meeting at St. Chad's, Shrewsbury, on Saturday, Jan. 29th. Ringing 2.30 p.m.; committee meeting 4; service 5; tea in St. Chad's Room 5.40, 1s. 6d. each if ordered by 26th from Hon. Sec. Meeting after tea.—Rev. F. Tennison, Hon. Sec., St. Alkmund's Vicarage, Shrewsbury.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Dartford on Saturday, Jan. 29th. Further particulars next week.—T. Groombridge, Hon. Dis. Sec., 35, Albany Road, Chislehurst.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The Annual meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held on Saturday, Jan. 29th, at St. Peter's, Earlsheaton. The bells at Earlsheaton (8), Dewsbury (8) and Thornhill (6), will be available throughout the day. Tea, at 1s. 3d. per head, for which all applications must reach Mr. G. H. Hardy, 281, Middle Road, Earlsheaton, not later than Jan. 25th. Divine service at Earlsheaton Church at 4 p.m., preacher

Rev. F. Wolde, M.A., Vicar of Dewsbury.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—The Annual General meeting will be held at St. Martin's, Epsom, on Saturday, Feb. 5th. Further particulars later.—Charles Dean, Sec., 59, Wellesley Road, Croydon.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. John Carter's address is now 25, Lessing Street, Honor Oak Park, London, S.E.23.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.—Meetings for practice: St. Martin's first Monday in the month at 7.30 p.m.; second Saturday, St. Bride's, 5 p.m.; third Monday, Shoreditch, 7.30 p.m.—H. J. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

PUBLICATION.

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GOING AHEAD.

All over the country bands are forging ahead with method ringing, making up the leeway of the war-time years. Among recent interesting touches which have reached us are the following:—

LEICESTER.—At St. Martin's Church, on December 13th, for Confirmation service, 720 Cambridge Surprise Royal: P. Harrison 1, G. Cleal 2, W. Mundy 3, H. J. Poole 4, L. E. Allen 5, S. Cotton 6, M. Needham 7, H. Broughton 8, H. G. Jenney 9, H. Dexter 10. All the ringers belong to St. Martin's, and this is the longest length in the county and by the band.

PAIGNTON.—Devonshire Guild, Mid-Devon Branch.—On Dec. 15th a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1260 changes), from Holt's Original, in 51 mins.: A. Reynolds 1, Mrs. F. T. Gover 2, T. Collings 3, J. Collings 4, O. Austin 5, F. T. Gover (conductor) 6, H. T. Hole 7, F. Farnell 8. First quarter-peal of Triples by all the band except the conductor. First quarter-peal of Triples on the bells, and first quarter-peal of Triples by members of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devonshire Guild.

WORCESTER.—At St. Helen's, Worcester, on December 20th, a quarter-peal of Cambridge Surprise Major (1344 changes): T. Walters 1, F. W. Neate 2, S. Holt 3, W. O. Jones 4, G. Hinton, junr., 5, W. Lewis 6, J. J. Jeffries 7, W. Page (conductor) 8. First quarter-peal of Surprise Major by all except Messrs. Jones and Page, and the longest length in a Surprise method ever rung in the City of Worcester.

BILLINGBOROUGH, Lincs.—At St. Andrew's Church, on Dec. 26th, for evening service, in 25 mins., 720 Single Court Minor: W. E. Allen 1, G. Carpenter 2, A. Chilton 3, H. Louth 4, W. R. Hare (conductor) 5, J. S. Betts (Lincoln) 6. With the exception of the ringer of the 6th, all are members of the local band, and this was their first 720 of Single Court.

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The annual meeting of the Gainsborough District was held at Gainsborough on Saturday, January 8th, ringers being present from Brigg, Corringham, Scotter and Bigby, in addition to the local company. Ringing took place during the afternoon and evening, in different methods. A short service was held, at which the Rev. E. V. Clapton officiated. An excellent tea was provided at 6, Spital Terrace, and was followed by the business meeting.—Mr. F. F. Linley presided, and was supported by Mr. E. Dawber (churchwarden), Mr. Mawditt (sexton), and the Rev. H. T. Parry (Rector of Bigby). Apologies were read from absent members, also a most interesting letter which the district secretary had that morning received from Mr. J. C. Tinker, a former and much respected member of the Gainsborough company, and now residing at Gisborne, New Zealand.

The following new members were elected: Messrs. Harold Green, Brigg, Fred Spittlehouse, Corringham and A. H. Blades, Gainsborough. The whole of the officers were re-elected en bloc, except that Mr. J. T. Ladd was elected Ringing Master in the place of Mr. J. C. Tinker.

The places selected for district meetings were as follows: Messingham, April 16th; Corringham, June 18th; Stow and Willingham, July 16th; Brigg, August 20th; Kirtou Lindsey, Sept. 17th.—Mr. C. H. Baker proposed that the district secretary be instructed to write the Rev. Canon Baker, giving the support of the Gainsborough district in his attitude respecting the bells and the ringing of the same being kept under the control of the incumbent as at present.—This was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Chairman gave a very instructive address on constancy and local history, from a religious point of view. His remarks were thoroughly endorsed by the Rev. H. T. Parry, who also made a most interesting speech on the subject.

Votes of thanks to the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells, to the Rev. E. V. Clapton for conducting the service; Mr. Mawditt for his assistance; Mr. and Mrs. T. Whelpton for their excellent catering; the donors of the tea; and Mr. F. F. Linley for presiding, were passed and duly responded to.

The Secretary was also requested to write Mr. J. C. Tinker, on behalf of those present, expressing their appreciation of his welcome letter, and at the same time conveying to him their very best wishes. Subsequently further ringing took place, and a very pleasant meeting was brought to a close.

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