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SOURCES OF REVENUE.

Finance is a subject that troubles most, if not all, ringing organisations, but the Midland Counties Association have found such an excellent way out of money difficulties that they have just decided to invest in eighty pounds' worth of Savings Certificates. This is a very practical proof of the Association's excellent financial position, but it would not be possible upon the ringing members' contributions alone. Thanks largely to the energy and powers of persuasion exercised by the President, they have built up an honorary members' list of imposing proportions, the names including some of the most influential in the society's area.

This solution of the monetary problem is one which most other associations profess to seek, but which few successfully achieve. The clergy in most parishes are sought out, but in the majority of the associations honorary membership is very largely limited to the parsons. If the example of the Midland Counties Association were followed, the honorary roll would be much wider in scope, and, after all, there is every reason why it should be. Personal influence and tact go a long way in these matters, and while every association may not have at its head a President so influential as Alderman Chambers, yet in every parish the ringers ought to be able, either directly or through their incumbent, to bring in their leading Churchfolk. An ordinary appeal coming from an official of an association might have little or no result, but personal approach through local channels is more than likely to meet with success. We have often wondered why some of the associations, whose finances are a source of perpetual anxiety to its officers, do not organise a really active campaign for increasing the ranks of honorary members. The Midland Counties Association has shown that it can be done.

Again, to supplement the funds, there is another course open, a course to which we have previously drawn attention. Why should not each tower pay an affiliation fee—apart from the individual member's contribution? This fee ought to be provided in each case out of the general church funds, and we believe would in most instances be readily contributed through the churchwardens or parochial councils if the proposal were adopted and properly brought before those concerned. Only recently we advanced several reasons why such a course should commend itself to associations, and we believe it would prove an important contribution to the revenue if adopted. Several associations have recently declared the greatest embarrassment in regard to funds, but the two methods advocated

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above—the expansion of the hon. members' roll and the institution of an affiliation fee—seem to us to offer far more promising prospects of replenishing depleted coffers than schemes for peal booking fees or a charge for annual reports. Even if there be any hesitation over the adoption of a new policy by the institution of affiliation fees, there can, at any rate, be nothing to prevent an intensive campaign in enlisting new honorary members.

TWELVE BELL PEAL.

PAINSWICK, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5013 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt.

JOHN D. MATTHEWS Treble	LEWIS W. GOODWIN 7
JOHN SPARROW 2	ERNEST E. DAVIS 8
ARTHUR N. HARDY 3	JOHN W. CORNFORD 9
ALBERT C. V. GROOM 4	GEORGE CARD 10
THOMAS NEWMAN 5	CECIL J. MATTHEWS 11
RICHARD BEVAN 6	FRANK SMITH Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by JOHN D. MATTHEWS.

TEN BELL PEALS.

SOUTHOVER, LEWES, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5929 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE R. PYE Treble	JOHN S. GOLDSMITH 6
WILLIAM J. KEMP 2	CYRIL PEASE 7
CHARLES T. COLES 3	ROBERT J. DAWE 8
ISAAC G. SHADE 4	ALFRED J. TURNER 9
JAMES E. DAVIS 5	JAMES A. HART Tenor

Composed by J. S. GOLDSMITH. Conducted by C. T. COLES.

This peal was rung to celebrate the 77th birthday of Mrs. Goldsmith, mother of the ringer of the 6th, and the peal, comprising 77 times 77 changes, was specially composed for the occasion. It was also a birthday peal for Mr. J. A. Hart.

NOTTINGHAM.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. GILES,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt.

WILLIAM FAREY, SEN. Treble	GEORGE BASHFORD 6
FRED WILFORD 2	HARRY PETTETT 7
*FRANK ROWLINGS 3	WILLIAM J. ROGERS 8
HENRY KEY 4	FRED HOPPER 9
†THOMAS LAW 5	ALFRED MONK Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by W. J. ROGERS.

Rung to commemorate the Patronal Feast of St. Giles. * First peal on 10 bells. † First peal away from the tenor. ‡ First peal of Grandsire Caters.

LONDON.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON, STEPNEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY Treble	ERNEST BRETT 6
HERBERT LANGDON 2	JAMES SCHOLES 7
HARRY FRANKS 3	RICHARD F. DEAL 8
CHARLES W. ROBERTS 4	JAMES GEORGE 9
ROBERT W. GREEN 5	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by HERBERT LANGDON.

Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

DEANE, BOLTON, LANC.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.
(BOLTON BRANCH.)

On Monday, August 20, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE PINCOTT Treble	PETER CROOK 5
TITUS BARLOW 2	WILLIAM PENNINGTON 6
ERNEST CUTSFORTH 3	THOMAS B. WORSLEY 7
RICHARD P. HEALD 4	PETER NUTTALL Tenor

Composed by J. W. WASHBROOK. Conducted by T. B. WORSLEY.

LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, August 25, 1923, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 23 cwt. in D flat.

STEDMAN H. SYMONDS ... Treble	LAWRENCE POULSON 5
ARTHUR SYMONDS 2	ARTHUR MAXIM 6
*THOMAS CHENERY 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 7
*GEORGE WIFFEN 4	WILLIAM R. J. POULSON ... Tenor

Composed by D. PRENTICE. Conducted by L. W. WIFFEN.

T. Chenery hails from Long Melford, A. Maxim from Foxearth, the brothers Wiffen from Braintree. * First peal in the method.

ISLEWORTH, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 25, 1923, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS'. Tenor 16½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. HOLLIER ... Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY 5
FREDERICK G. GODDARD ... 2	ARTHUR HARDING 6
JOSEPH MILNER 3	WILLIAM WELLING 7
*MISS PHYLLIS M. MOSS ... 4	GEORGE SPENCER Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING.

* First attempt for a peal of Stedman.

WHITTLE-LE-WOODS, LANCASHIRE.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 25, 1923, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt.

HERBERT LUCAS Treble	FRED RIGBY 5
*ALFRED BLOGG 2	GEORGE BRADLEY 6
COLIN SALISBURY 3	WILLIAM LANCASTER 7
WILLIAM SHARPLES 4	JOHN H. GARTSIDE, JUN. ... Tenor

Composed by J. THORP. Conducted by WM. LANCASTER.

Rung as a welcome to the Vicar (Rev. T. H. Priestnall) who has recently been instituted to the living of St. John's. * First peal 'inside.'

IPSWICH, SUFFOLK.

THE NORWICH ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH
DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, August 27, 1923, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 CHANGES;

Tenor 15½ cwt.

JAMES DURRANT Treble	EDWARD EVANS 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY 6
WILLIAM P. GARRETT 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... 7
*T. WILFRED TAFFENDER ... 4	GEORGE E. SYMONDS Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by G. E. SYMONDS.

* First peal of Cambridge. Arranged for Messrs. Taffender (2) and Evans who were on a holiday.

STANSTED, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, August 28, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN,

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

Tenor 13 cwt.

*HERBERT W. WATTS ... Treble	WALTER PRIOR 5
WILLIAM T. PRIOR 2	THOMAS JORDAN 6
GEORGE JORDAN 3	THOMAS J. WATTS 7
HENRY J. TUCKER 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Composed by F. A. HOLDEN. Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

* First peal in the method. First in the method as conductor.

DORCHESTER, OXON.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD

On Tuesday, August 28, 1923, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE ABBEY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... Treble	WILLIAM STONE 5
GORDON CAUDWELL 2	ALBERT E. LOCK 6
LEONARD TUPFREY 3	WALTER JUDGE 7
JACK JUDGE 4	JESSE BOWERMAN Tenor

Conducted by WALTER JUDGE.

GILLINGHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday, August 28, 1923, in Three Hours and One Minute,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

R. OCKWELL, R.N. Treble	THOMAS BEAUMONT 5
SAMUEL E. TAYLOR 2	CHARLES E. J. NORRIS 6
JOHN HAIGH 3	CL.-SGT. J. BENNETT, R.M. 7
FRANK BELSEY 4	WILLIAM HAIGH Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by CLER.-SGT. J. BENNETT.

STEYNING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 29, 1923, in Three Hours and Sixteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt.

FREDERICK PAGE Tenor	FRANK BENNETT 5
GEORGE SMART 2	GEORGE W. FAULKNER ... 6
WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 3	JOHN DEARLOVE 7
ALFRED W. GROVES 4	KEITH HART Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINES. Conducted by KEITH HART.

GRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, August 31, 1923, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF CANTERBURY MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

GEORGE POVEY Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... 5
GEORGE H. DAYNES 2	COL.-SGT. JAMES BENNETT 6
ISAAC G. SHADE 3	EDWIN BARNETT, JUN. ... 7
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 4	EDWIN BARNETT, SEN. ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. BARNETT, SEN.

* First peal in the method by all except the ringers of 4th and tenor.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. o qr. 25 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble	*WILLIAM TATE 5
REGINALD BROWN 2	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 6
*WALTER SCOTT, SEN. 3	OWEN H. GILES 7
RICHARD PAINE 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER Tenor

Composed by G. NEWSON. Conducted by W. T. TUCKER.

* First peal of Treble Bob. Arranged for Mr. Scott, of Newport, Isle of Wight.

LIVERPOOL.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, WOOLTON,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

CLAUDE I. DAVIES Treble	GEORGE R. NEWTON 5
GEORGE LUNT 2	JOHN WILKINSON 6
EDWARD CAUNCE 3	JAMES MARTIN 7
CLAUDE S. BENWELL 4	JOSEPH E. SYKES Tenor

Composed by J. HUNT.

Conducted by G. R. NEWTON.

First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a farewell peal to Archdeacon Howson, who, on this day, left the parish for more important diocesan work.

CANNOCK, STAFFS.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LUKE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor about 16 cwt.

BENJAMIN GOUGH Treble	CHRISTOPHER WALLATER 5
JOHN PERRY 2	WILLIAM FISHER 6
HERBERT KNIGHT 3	THOMAS J. ELTON 7
EDWARD F. MITCHELL 4	BERT HORTON Tenor

Conducted by HERBERT KNIGHT.

First peal on the bells. The band are indebted to the Rev. L. A. Price (Vicar) and Mr. Churchwarden Jackson for their hospitality at the conclusion of the peal.

HARMSTON, Lincs.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt.

GEORGE FLINTHAM Treble	JOHN WALDEN 5
HAROLD MARCON 2	*WILLIAM H. LLOYD 6
GEORGE CHESTER 3	JOHN A. FREEMAN 7
CHARLES MCGUINNESS 4	ISAAC VICKERS Tenor

Conducted by JOHN A. FREEMAN.

* First peal of Stedman.

FEERING, ESSEX.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 18 cwt.

*WALTER ARNOLD Treble	WILLIAM KEEBLE 5
JAMES FLETTY 2	WILLIAM ELLIOTT 6
ANDREW SHUFFLEBOTHAM 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 7
FRANK CLAYDON 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF.

Conducted by W. KEEBLE.

* First peal of Major. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of 6 and 7.

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE S. MORRIS Treble	*J. LESLIE WILLARS 5
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON 2	*ERNEST J. JELLEY 6
HAROLD J. POOLE 3	JAMES F. CLARKE 7
ERNEST MORRIS 4	HARRY BROUGHTON Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE.

Conducted by H. BROUGHTON.

* First peal of Surprise.

STAUNTON-ON-ARROW.—On August 9th, at St. Peter's Church, 720 Bob Minor: Nealie Garraway 1, Trevor Jones (Kington) 2, J. Preeco 3, A. Talbot 4, W. Evans (Kington) 5, G. Barker (Ware, Hert. lardshire), conductor, 6. First 720 of Minor by ringers of 1 and 2.

DRIGHLINGTON, YORKS.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1.

Tenor 16 cwt.

*SIDNEY SADLER Treble	*WILLIAM BARTON 5
HARRY DAVISON 2	JOSEPH BROADLEY 6
*JOHN AMBLER 3	PERCY J. JOHNSON 7
GEORGE ROBINSON 4	THOMAS B. KENDALL Tenor

Conducted by PERCY J. JOHNSON.

* First peal in the method.

HEATHFIELD, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 2, 1923, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 11 cwt.

ALFRED J. TURNER Treble	CHARLES T. COLES 5
ISAAC G. SHADE 2	CYRIL PEASE 6
GEORGE R. PYE 3	ROBERT J. DAWE 7
WILLIAM J. KEMP 4	JAMES E. DAVIS Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON.

Conducted by G. R. PYE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

WORLINGWORTH, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, September 2, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. oqr. 3 lb.

ALFRED S. WIGHTMAN Treble	WALTER RUFFLES 5
WILLIAM J. GROOM 2	LESLIE C. WIGHTMAN 6
ERNEST E. GRIMES 3	NORMAN R. BAILEY 7
GEORGE A. WIGHTMAN 4	WILLIAM C. RUMSEY Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by W. J. GROOM.

FIVE AND SIX BELL PEALS.

WHITWELL, ISLE OF WIGHT.

THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Friday, August 10, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN AND ST. RADGUND,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Double Court, Oxford Bob, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 7 cwt.

E. G. BENSON (St. Cath.) Treble	W. H. J. HOOTON (QUEENS') 4
J. BUTLER (FITZW. HALL) 2	E. M. ATKINS (S. CATH.) ... 5
J. B. WOOLLEY (JESUS) ... 3	J. B. WILLIAMSON (TRIN.)... Tenor

Conducted by E. M. ATKINS.

First on the bells and first tower bell peal of Minor in the island also first seven-method peal of Minor by the Guild.

CHALE, ISLE OF WIGHT.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Wednesday, August 15, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 4 six-scores of St. Simon's, 8 of Plain Bob, 10 of Stedman, 20 of Grandsire.

Tenor 8 cwt.

E. M. ATKINS (S. CATH.) ... Treble	J. B. WOOLLEY (JESUS) ... 3
J. BUTLER (FITZW. HALL) 2	J. B. WILLIAMSON (TRIN.) ... 4
W. H. J. HOOTON (QUEENS') Tenor	

Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

First peal on the bells; first peal of Doubles on the island; also first peal of Doubles by the Guild.

COALBROOKDALE, SHROPSHIRE.—On August 23rd, at Holy Trinity Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 46 mins., 'Thuristans': A. S. Bayley 1, R. Evans 2, T. E. Abbott 3, W. D. Wase (conductor) 4, J. Hanley 5, B. Rixon 6, J. Garbett 7, A. Garbett and G. L. Hewitt 8. Rung, with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect and sympathy to Mrs. Howells, wife of one of the sidesmen at the above church, immediately after the interment. The 'whole pull and stand' was also rung.

RATCLIFFE-ON-THE-WREAKE, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 25, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 six-scores, with 10 different callings. Tenor 5½ cwt.

KENNETH ELLIOTT Treble	ALBAN DISNEY 3
*WALTER P. WHITEHEAD... 2	ROWLAND BARROW 4
WILLIAM H. CLARKE Tenor	

Conducted by W. H. CLARKE.

* First peal of doubles. First peal on the bells, which have recently been rebung.

WRENTHAM, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Tuesday, August 28, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Single Oxford Bob, Double Oxford, Double Court, Plain Bob, Woodbine, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob. Tenor 10½ cwt.

JOHN SPENCER Treble	ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 4
*JOHN LARTER 2	GEORGE LEE 5
EDGAR BAILEY 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

* First peal in seven methods.

GRESENHALL, NORFOLK.
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, August 29, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three 720's of Oxford Treble Bob, and four 720's of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

GEORGE LOVE Treble	WILLIAM B. DUNCAN... .. 4
FREDERICK R. WILBY ... 2	BENJAMIN HAMMOND 5
ARTHUR BERWICK 3	TONY PRICE Tenor

Conducted by TONY PRICE.

Quickest peal on the bells.

BRINDLE, LANCASHIRE.
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION
(PRESTON BRANCH.)

On Friday, August 31, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different 720's. Tenor 12½ cwt.

*FRED BLACKLEDGE Treble	†HERBERT BLACKLEDGE ... 4
WILLIAM LANCASTER ... 2	JOHN H. GARTSIDE 5
WILLIAM SHARPLES 3	WILLIAM FOWLER Tenor

Conducted by W. SHARPLES.

* First peal. † First peal 'inside.' First peal of Oxford Treble Bob Minor by the Preston Branch.

WENHASTON, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 of Double Oxford, and two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob and Plain Bob, each called differently. Tenor 14 cwt.

JOHN SPENCER Treble	JOHN LARTER 4
*ERNEST BAILEY... .. 2	GEORGE LEE 5
ALBERT J. L. NAUNTON ... 3	FRANCIS W. NAUNTON ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANCIS W. NAUNTON.

* First peal in four methods on an inside bell. Quickest peal on the bells.

GET YOUR
RINGING
FRIENDS
TO SUPPORT

THE RINGING
WORLD

BY
TAKING
A COPY
EVERY
WEEK.

LOWICK, NORTHANTS.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

HARRY CHAPMAN... .. Treble	AMOS SMART... .. 4
ARTHUR BELLAMY 2	RICHARD DUNKLEY 5
JOHN R. MAIN 3	REGINALD C. LOVEDAY ... Tenor

Conducted by REGINALD C. LOVEDAY.

The conductor's 50th peal of Minor. Arranged to oblige Mr. H. Chapman, of Manchester, who was spending his holidays in the district.

RODMERSHAM, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Double Oxford, Oxford Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, College Single, Kent Treble Bob, Plain Bob, and Oxford Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.

SAMUEL E. TAYLOR Treble	THOMAS JULL 4
*GEORGE KENWARD 2	WILLIAM J. WALKER 5
CHARLES TUMBER 3	WILLIAM NYE Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM NYE.

* First peal in seven methods.

HANDBELL PEALS.

BIRMINGHAM.

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

On Thursday, August 30, 1923, in Three Hours and Fourteen Minutes,
IN THE CATHEDRAL BELFRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 size B flat.

THOMAS RUSSAM 1-2	GEORGE F. SWANN 7-8
ALBERT E. NORMAN 3-4	*EDGAR C. SHEPHERD ... 9-10
ALBERT WALKER 5-6	MORRIS J. MORRIS 11-12

Composed by J. E. GROVES. Conducted by A. E. NORMAN.

* First peal of Stedman Cinques on handbells and first attempt.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

On Friday, August 31, 1923, in Two Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,
IN A RAILWAY TRAIN,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANGES;

JOHN SPARROW 1-2	CECIL J. MATTHEWS 5-6
JOHN D. MATTHEWS 3-4	*THOMAS NEWMAN 7-8

Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by J. D. MATTHEWS.

* First peal of Major 'in hand.' This peal, believed to be the first rung in a train, was commenced at Paddington, and completed on the other side of Stroud, having thus been rung in the six counties of Middlesex, Bucks, Berks, Oxford, Wilts, and Gloucester.

LONDON.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

On Friday, August 31, 1923, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes,
IN ST. CLEMENT DANES CHOIR VESTRY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S ODD BOB ONE PART.

HERBERT LANGDON 1-2	CHALLIS F. WINNEY 5-6
WILLIAM T. COCKERILL ... 3-4	E. ALEXANDER YOUNG ... 7-8

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Umpires: THOMAS BENNEY and CHARLES W. ROBERTS.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Thomas Benney.

WORKSHOP.—On Wednesday, August 22nd, 720 Bob Minor: W. Roberts 1, Miss A. Taylor 2, G. Hardwick 3, G. Gabbitas 4, A. Johnson (conductor) 5, H. Jordon 6.

The following peals were rung by the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association during a holiday spent in Sunderland by Mr. Reginald D. Marshall, of Deptford, London:

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.

On Saturday, September 1, 1923, in Three Hours and Forty-Three Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5017 CHANGES;

Tenor 37½ cwt.

WILLIAM H. BARBER ... Treble	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
† REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... 2	JOHN FOREMAN ... 8
THOMAS T. GOFTON ... 3	ALFRED F. HILLIER ... 9
* EDWARD A. HERN ... 4	ERNEST E. FERRY ... 10
RICHARD THOMPSON ... 5	JOSEPH E. KEEN ... 11
WILLIAM STOREY ... 6	A. M. HALL ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARVER.

Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

* First peal on twelve bells. † First peal of Cinques. The composition contains the extent of the 5-6's and 6-5's in both positions.

WHITLEY BAY, NORTHUMBERLAND.

On Monday, August 20, 1923, in Three Hours and Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

RICHARD A. GOFTON ... Treble	R. ALDER GOFTON ... 5
* REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... 2	JOSEPH A. GOFTON ... 6
JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 3	STEPHEN W. STRATFORD ... 7
WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... 4	THOMAS T. GOFTON ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDORFF.

Conducted by T. T. GOFTON.

* First peal of Surprise 'inside.'

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

On Saturday, August 25, 1923, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

SIR A. P. HEYWOOD'S VARIATION.

Tenor 14½ cwt.

THOMAS STEPHENSON ... Treble	ROBERT WALKER ... 5
JOHN J. LEIGHTON ... 2	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 6
REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... 3	THOMAS H. NAISBY ... 7
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

Mr. J. J. Leighton has now rung a peal on every bell in this tower.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

On Tuesday, August 28, 1923, in Two Hours and Forty-Eight Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 11½ cwt.

WILLIAM L. GOFTON ... Treble	JOSEPH E. KEEN ... 5
EDWARD A. HERN ... 2	ERNEST E. FERRY ... 6
* REGINALD D. MARSHALL ... 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

* First peal in the method, and 25th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. J. E. Keen.

SUNDERLAND, DURHAM.

On Thursday, August 30, 1923, in Three Hours.

AT THE CHURCH OF S. IGNATIUS THE MARTYR,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5640 CHANGES;

Tenor 13 cwt.

GEORGE S. TAYLOR ... Tenor	* REGINALD E. MARSHALL ... 5
JOHN J. LEIGHTON ... 2	THOMAS H. NAISBY ... 6
MICHAEL F. HARRISON ... 3	JOSEPH W. PARKER ... 7
WILLIAM STORY ... 4	ROBERT L. PATTERSON ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by JOSEPH W. PARKER.

* First peal in the method. Rung in honour of, and on the eve of the golden wedding of Mr. John Naisby (father of the ringer of the 6th), who commenced his ringing career at Sunderland 50 years ago.

AT THE LOUGHBOROUGH CARILLON.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

Where are the brave, the strong, the fleet?

Where is our English chivalry

Wild grasses are their burial-sheet

And sobbing waves their threnody.

O loved ones lying far away,

What words of love can dead lips send?

O wasted dust! O senseless clay!

Is this the end? Is this the end?

Oscar Wilde.

Among the plethora of war memorials throughout the length and breadth of the country, no other stands out in such bold relief as that of Loughborough, Leicestershire. Still in its infancy as a borough town, Loughborough has raised such a monument to its sons who are sleeping their last long sleep in the soil of France, and in other lands, that the whole Press of the nation applauded the action. Known only by its staple industry of bell founding, what better memorial could be devised than a carillon in a tower and a place which become holy ground in its association with those who made the great sacrifice, for so long as the bells remain, so long will their memory be kept green, and rightly so—lest we forget.

At the dedication of the tower and bells on Sunday, July 22nd, never had been seen such a mighty concourse of people in the history of Loughborough, and in all probability, never will again. Chevalier Denyn, of Malines, Belgium, the reputed premier carillonneur of the world, 'opened' the bells, and continued a series of concerts throughout the following week to the delight of thousands.

It was arranged that the quarterly meeting of the Midland Counties Association should synchronise with the carillon festival, and it was held accordingly on Saturday, July 28th. Although at all times when held at Loughborough the association can rely on a bumper meeting—the previous best being 250 visitors—on this occasion, no less than 375 sat down to an excellent tea, given entirely free by the generosity of Messrs. Taylor, in honour of the occasion. The Fearon Hall was packed; not an inch of room was wasted and the stairways were called into requisition to accommodate the multitude of ringers that came from all parts of the kingdom, and it is highly probable that this constitutes a record for any ringers' meeting.

After grace had been lustily sung at the close, the business meeting was proceeded with. The chair was occupied by the president (Ald. R. B. Chambers, J.P.), who was supported by Ald. W. Moss (Mayor of Loughborough) the Mayoress, the Ven. Archdeacon of Loughborough, Mr. Denison Taylor, Mr. Pryce Taylor, Mr. A. C. Wright, hon. secretary, and other officials of the society.

In welcoming the association to Loughborough, the Mayor paid a tribute to Messrs. Taylor and Co. saying that the carillon might not have become an accomplished fact but for their loyal co-operation, the largest bell of the 47 forming the carillon, and weighing no less than four tons, being their gift, in memory of the sons they had given to the country and lost. His Worship intimating his willingness to become an honorary member, his name was put to the meeting, and carried with acclamation.

The president, as usual, handed in another batch of new honorary members for election, and about twenty ringing nominations were also accepted.

The financial position was commended, and it was decided to invest a portion of the large balance at the bank in £20 worth of War Savings Certificates, these maturing to the value of one hundred pounds in five years.

Grants of three guineas each to the bell funds of West Hallam and Oyston were made, the opinion being that the money was well spent in assisting deserving cases of restoration.

In this connection it may be intimated to other associations that have financial difficulty, that no better way of augmenting their resources exists than the creation of a large honorary members' list, pointing out to them that a portion of the balance may be applied to the relief of necessitous cases of bell restoration.

For the places of next meetings, Bakewell and Ilkeston were decided upon.

Hearty votes of thanks were passed to Messrs. Taylor and Co. for their unbounded hospitality, and this was responded to by Mr. Denison Taylor. Thanks were also accorded to the ladies present, the Mayoress and Mrs. R. B. Chambers, and to the local branch for their great help in handling the problem of catering.

As may be expected the bells of All Saints were in evidence all the afternoon—and during the business meeting too much so—as were also the bells of the foundry. The majority had come however, to hear the bells of Queen's Park, where thousands had gathered to listen to the famous carillonneur, who showed an amazing skill in a varied repertoire, ranging from Chopin's 'March Funebre' and 'The Wedding March' from 'Lohengrin,' to old English ballads.

The carillon has undoubtedly done much to popularise bell music, whether it will affect change ringing adversely remains to be seen.

At present tune ringing is a delight to the musical ear, and the 'carillon meeting' at Loughborough will be a day to be long remembered.

W. W.

ANCIENT DURHAM BELLS.

On Thursday, August 23rd, a party of ringers from Darlington visited the village of Heighington and rang on the bells of St. Michael's Church, 288 Kent Treble Bob Minor, 120 Bob Minor, 120 Stedman Doubles, 120 of Grandsire Doubles, and a second touch of 288 of Kent Treble Bob Minor; also a course of Grandsire Triples, 120 of Grandsire Doubles, and a 120 of London Surprise Minor on the handbells.—On Saturday, August 25th, 180 Bob Minor and a 360 of Bob Minor were rung, the following ringers taking part: Messrs. W. D. Lister, of St. John's; F. W. Lupson, G. W. Park, W. N. Park, Roland Park, W. Oliver and F. Cooke, of Holy Trinity, Darlington; Mr. C. S. Burdon, of London; and Mrs. Blenkinsopp, J. Beck, H. Hall, of the local band.

These bells are a ring of six, the first three being pre-Reformation bells dating from about 1430. The treble has the arms of the Neville family, and the figure of the Virgin and the Child in bold relief, and the following inscription:—

'O Mater Dia Me Sana Virgo Maria.'

The second and third bells have also Latin inscriptions on them. They were augmented to six in 1883 by the addition of three larger bells, cast by Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, the tenor weighing 15½ cwt.

Two peals have been rung on them, one in seven mixed Minor methods on January 25th, 1896, and one of Surprise Minor in seven methods on January 22nd, 1910, by visiting bands.

'ARRANGED,' NOT 'COMPOSED.'

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Are not composers wasting your space when they ask you to publish such peals as those of Stedman Caters by Mr. Daltry, which appeared in your last issue? There are thousands of this class of peal; in fact, Henry Johnson and John Carter have had them for years. By all means let us have original compositions, but such peals of Caters as you published last week are merely 'arranged,' and not 'composed.'—Yours, etc.,

ALBERT WALKER.

Birmingham.

THE FIRST TRUE PEAL OF GRANDSIRE.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—If the writer 'Bob Minor' consults the late J. W. Snow, don's 'Grandsire,' pages 122 to 125, he will find what he requires, and on page 64 the figures of the peal.

R. G. BLACK.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT FULHAM.**

The Southern District of the London County Association held a very enjoyable meeting at All Saints', Fulham, on Saturday. The beautiful ring of ten bells attracted a large number of ringers from all parts, including Canterbury, Hillingdon, Croydon, Chiswick, Ealing, Willesden, etc. A number of kindred associations were represented, especially the Middlesex County Association, the secretary of the South and West District (Mr. W. H. Hollier), Messrs. Trollope, Hewett, etc., and last, but not least, a member of the fair sex from Hillingdon being present.

It is very gratifying to notice how members of these associations intermingle at each other's meetings, showing the true brotherhood of the belfry.

The secretary (Mr. F. W. Goodfellow) took charge of the proceedings in the absence of the Master (Mr. H. Mance), who was on holiday. Some good ringing took place, and the following methods were rung: Double Norwich and Superlative Surprise Major, Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Kent Treble Bob, and Cambridge Surprise Royal.

Mr. J. W. Driver is to be thanked for welcoming the association, and for contributing to make the meeting such a success.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

The quarterly meeting of the Winchester District of the Guild was held at Hursley by kind permission of the Vicar (the Rev. J. R. Husband) on Saturday week. The bells were available during the afternoon and evening, and kept going to Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Bob and Double Norwich, Superlative and Cambridge Major. Tea took place at the Club Room, near the church, the Vicar being in the chair. Members were present from Diphden, Romsey, Ringwood, Portsea, North Stoneham, Southampton, Winchester, St. John's, Hillingdon and the local band.—Apologies were received from Mr. Geo. Williams, Mr. Pullinger, and Mr. W. Andrews.

Three probationers from the local band were elected members.—A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, and to the local band for having everything ready.—The Vicar, replying, said he hoped that some of those present would come over to Hursley and score the first 5,000. If they did he would place a board in the tower recording the event.

Afterwards the bells were kept going till 8.15. The annual meeting will take place at Southampton on Saturday, Nov. 3rd, due notice of which will be given in the 'Ringing World.'

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

Our leading article last week brings us the information that Mr. W. H. Fussell has for nearly forty years been collecting information with regard to old peals. He has extracts (kindly handed to him by Mr. R. A. Daniel) from the British Museum records of the London Scholars and the Union Scholars, and he has procured particulars of the early peals of the principal London and Birmingham Societies, as well as the peals of Samuel Lawrence, of Shifnal; James Barham, of Leeds, and William Rayner, of the Isle of Wight.

Here, then, the Central Council have a splendid opportunity of securing what we suggested last week by making Mr. Fussell their official peal historian.

Occasionally there is a joke against ourselves, and we can laugh with those who laugh at us. Most of our readers noticed the recent advertisement for a set of handbells, 'tenor 15 cwt.,' and many humorously pointed out the obvious mistake. Now we have got into 'Punch,' whose terse comment is 'Hefty fellows, these campanologists.' After all, it is something to have added to the gaiety of the nations.

Secretarial posts are usually difficult to fill, but two nominations have been received for the post of ringing secretary to the Lancashire Association, and the members will have to make their choice when they meet at Kendal on Sept. 15th.

For a youth of 15, Wilfred Taffender's performance last week was not a bad one. He cycled the 75 miles from Camberwell to Ipswich, and rang a peal of Cambridge Surprise Major, within the space of 13½ hours, finishing off the evening by taking part in touches on handbells.

A few of the old Sussex boys are arranging to get together for a ringing week in mid-October, making Brighton the centre.

We have been requested to ask our readers if there is any possibility of ascertaining where and when the first six-score of Grand-sire or Bob Doubles was accomplished.

It is said that Mr. I. G. Shade, having now retired from business, is contemplating taking up ringing in earnest. By George!

A peal of Bob Triples, in which John Holt took part, was rung at St. George's, Southwark, on Sept. 9th, 1750.

An old tablet in the belfry at St. Mary's, Coddensham recorded the fact that 'on Thursday, September ye 10th, 1741, was rung in this steeple, by ye Crowfield Society of ringers, a compleat peal of five thousand and forty of Gathrine's Triples, being the first true peal that ever was pricked with two Doubles only.'

This peal is presumed to be Garthorn's peal of Grandsire Triples, to which reference was made in a recent issue.

The first peal of Superlative Surprise Major in Wales, was rung at Llangollen, on Sept. 13th, 1907, conducted by the late Bertram Prewett.

RICHARD F. DEAL'S 150 PEALS.

Mr. R. F. Deal, despite a lengthy sojourn in Australia and service overseas in the war, has several interesting performances among the 150 peals which he has completed:—

	Rung.	Conducted.
Minor (3 methods)	1	1
Grandsire Triples	10	9
Stedman Triples	48	6
Bob Major	1	
Kent Treble Bob Major	21	9
Double Norwich Major	15	
Cambridge Surprise Major	2	
Superlative Surprise Major	4	
Grandsire Caters	1	1
Stedman Caters	25	2
Double Norwich Caters	1	
Double Norwich Royal	1	
Forward Royal	2	
Kent Treble Bob Royal	6	1
Stedman Cinques	8	1
Cambridge Surprise Maximus	1	
Kent Treble Bob Maximus	3	1
Total	150	31

The Stedman Cinques include the record (12,675) at St. Saviour's, Southwark, on Whit Monday, May 21st, 1923; also a peal at St. Paul's Cathedral, London, on Feb. 13th, 1909, in honour of the 90th birthday of the late Dean Gregory. The Cambridge Maximus was the first to be rung in the Metropolis, at Cornhill, on January 28th, 1911.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Every member of the Oxford Diocesan Guild must feel that your article devoted to the subject of the Guild's annual festival and the publishing of the letters from Mr. Twitchen and Mr. Edwards, will greatly assist the desired end of obtaining equal privileges for all. My certificate of membership is No. 305 dated June 14th, 1882, and I call to mind the year previous when the East Berks and South Bucks Society joined forces with the Oxford Society thus forming the Diocesan Guild. Now, Sir, I would ask members to peruse any report of the annual meetings, held during its existence, successively in the various places in Berks, Bucks and Oxon, and discover any reason for not continuing that procedure. On the contrary, they show how successful they were because of being recognised as part of a valuable Guild operating in the whole diocese. If this is not the case, I am open to correction. Therefore, as loyal members let us see that common rights be enjoyed so that the Guild may continue to flourish as of old.—Yours sincerely,
J. W. WILKINS.
Hughenden Road, High Wycombe.

NORTH BUCKS BRANCH DISCUSSES FESTIVAL MEETING-PLACE.

A quarterly meeting of the North Bucks Branch was held at Buckingham on Saturday, when quite a large gathering attended representing the following towers: Bletchley, Beachampton, Calverton, Emberton, Linslade, Maids Moreton, Newport Pagnell, Stony Stratford, Great Horwood, and the local ringers. The bells, a grand peal of eight, were set going at 2.30 p.m. until 4 p.m., when the members adjourned for tea. After this had been partaken of the secretary (Mr. W. Sear) reported that he had no special business to bring before the meeting, but a general discussion took place with reference to the work of the branch, and various opinions were expressed on the controversy that had arisen in the other part of the county in regard to holding the annual festival of the Guild at Oxford each year. It was hoped that some satisfactory arrangement would be arrived at without causing any ill-feeling throughout the various branches that all helped to uphold the tradition of the Oxford Guild.

The Secretary said that he did not wish to voice his personal opinion on the matter until he knew what was actually going to take place, but whatever happened he would have to do what the members wished whether it was in favour of the annual festival being always held at Oxford, or in the three counties, Oxon, Berks and Bucks, respectively, each year.

After the discussion, a presentation was made to Mr. W. Sear in recognition of his services to the branch as secretary for nearly 10 years. The gift was in the form of a sum of money, and the presentation was made by Mr. W. Smith, of Newport Pagnell, in the absence of the chairman (the Rev. L. Moxom).

The Secretary, in accepting the present, said how glad he was to receive a small remuneration, but what he appreciated most was the action of the members rather than the value of the present, because it showed that what he had done in the interests of the branch during the past had been done to the satisfaction of its members, and that he would continue to try and serve them to the best of his ability. While such loyalty continued amongst them he felt sure that the North Bucks Branch would always be one of the prominent branches of the Oxford Guild. It was the hearty co-operation that he received from all towers that had built the branch up to what it was, consisting of 29 towers in union with a membership of nearly 200.

The usual votes of thanks were accorded to all those who helped to make the meeting a success.

A short service was afterwards held, conducted by the Rector (the Rev. C. C. T. Naters), and further ringing took place the methods rung varying from Grandsire and Stedman Triples to Cambridge Surprise Major.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CENTRAL DIVISION AT HENFIELD.

A very successful meeting of the Central Division was held at Henfield on Saturday, August 26th, when close on 60 were present. Ringing commenced at 2 and continued until 4.45, when all assembled at the Parish Hall, where a most generous tea had been provided by the Misses Dixon Brown at which they presided, supported by the Master (Mr. J. T. Rickman), the Revs. B. J. Boodle (curate), C. P. Williams (Vicar of Ditchling), F. G. Beddard (Vicar of Burgess Hill), and the churchwardens.

The usual business meeting followed, and was mostly of a routine nature. The following were elected members: George Mansbridge, Hurstpierpoint; Stafford H. Green and John S. Goldsmith, non-resident; the Rev. F. G. Beddard (Vicar of Burgess Hill), hon. member.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Misses Dixon Brown for their great kindness in providing tea, and for their presence; the Rev. B. J. Boodle for conducting the service in the absence of the Vicar; and

the Vicar of Ditchling for his eloquent address. The Vicar of Burgess Hill also assisted at the service.

A collection for the benevolent fund amounted to £1 2s. 4d. Ringing was then resumed until 8 o'clock, Superlative, Cambridge, London, Bristol, New Cumberland and Yorkshire Surprise being amongst the methods rung.

The following towers were represented: Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicholas'), Burgess Hill, Bolney, Heene, Henfield, Hurstpierpoint, Lindfield, Shipley, Shoreham, Steyning, and independent and non-resident members were also present.

The best thanks of the association are due to the Henfield branch, who made such excellent arrangements, and worked hard to make the meeting a success.

A PEAL IN THE TRAIN.

CUMBERLAND YOUTHS' NEW RECORD.

A unique performance appears in our peal columns this week, the Cumberland Youths, while travelling down from London to Painswick upon an excursion, having rung a handbell peal in the train.

There have, we believe, been previous attempts by various handbell parties to achieve this, but never with success, one such effort, we recollect, having been extinguished through the train running into a tunnel.

As will be seen from the footnote, the peal last Friday was begun at Paddington, and finished after the train had passed Stroud, having thus been rung in six counties, viz., Middlesex, Bucks, Berks, Oxford, Wilts, and Gloucester.

A peal on the sea and peal in the train have been rung: When may we expect to read of a peal in a travelling motor-car or a flying aeroplane?

A BIRTHDAY PEAL.

PLEASANT WEEK-END IN SUSSEX.

As recorded elsewhere, a peal of Stedman Caters was rung at Lewes on Saturday, to celebrate the 77th birthday of Mrs. Goldsmith, of Southover, a lady well known to a large number of ringers who have visited the tower there from many parts of the country. There have been bells at Southover for over two centuries; and for something like a hundred years succeeding generations of Goldsmith were ringers at this tower. Mrs. Goldsmith has been a worshipper at the church for over fifty years, but her connection with it has been even more intimate than that of an ordinary member of the congregation, for it is here that she was married, and, after the death of her husband in 1884, she carried on for sixteen years the duties of parish clerk, which office her husband and his father before him had long occupied. Few outside the actual ranks of ringers have surpassed her interest in ringing, with which her family have been so closely connected, and it was, therefore, not without fitness that her birthday should be honoured by a peal.

The band was gathered from a wide area, a contingent from London and beyond making the journey by road. 'Elizabeth,' with the main party, left the Monument at 1 p.m., but the traffic out of the Metropolis, and obstructed roads about Croydon, put a curb upon her paces, with the result that the County Town of Sussex was not reached as soon as was anticipated. This party, consisting of Messrs. G. R. Pye (Romford), C. T. Coles (Walthamstow), C. Pease (Chelmsford), J. E. Davis (Westminster), and I. G. Shade (Greenwich), found the rest of the company awaiting them in the tower, the band being completed by Messrs. R. J. Dawe and A. J. Turner (Lewes), W. J. Kemp (Clapton), J. A. Hart (Uckfield) and J. S. Goldsmith (Woking). Without waste of time on preliminaries, except to elect to the Sussex Association those who were not already members, the bells went off into Stedman Caters, and came home at the end of 3 hrs. 53 mins. of excellent ringing, the peal, specially composed by the Woking member of the party, consisting of seventy-seven times seventy-seven changes. This number was considered the most fitting, in the absence of sufficient time to ring what was originally spoken of, namely, 7777. And here it may be added that the composer, who learnt to ring at this church, desires to express his thanks to the band, and especially for the assistance given by Messrs. R. J. Dawe and C. T. Coles in making the arrangements. Incidentally the peal also formed a birthday celebration for Mr. J. A. Hart, and it is the longest peal on ten bells rung in Sussex.

After the peal the ringers had 'high tea,' at which they were waited upon by Mrs. Goldsmith, and Mrs. J. S. Goldsmith and Mrs. Kemp (who was touring with her husband) also joined the party.

On Sunday morning there was a full muster for service ringing, courses of Bristol and Cambridge Surprise Major, and touches of Stedman Caters, in which some of the local men took part, being rung.

In the afternoon, 'Elizabeth' went off loaded above her recognised capacity, over some hilly Sussex roads. But she behaved well, and brought her cargo safely to Heathfield, where a capital peal of Cambridge Surprise Major was rung, and concluded a quite enjoyable week-end's ringing.

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RINGERS' OUTINGS.

ACROSS THE BRISTOL CHANNEL.

On August 25th, St. John's ringers, Cardiff joined with the All Saints ringers, Newport, for their annual outing, when Ilfracombe was visited. Together with several of the wives, they crossed the Bristol Channel, and a nice trip was made, the few who were rather upset soon making amends on reaching terra firma. On arrival, the party were met by that genial Ilfracombe ringer, Mr. R. Dadds, who had made the necessary arrangements for lunch. Time was rather limited, which did away with any speech-making, and tracks were made for the Parish Church, where the bells were quickly raised and sent off into changes. After several touches a hasty move to the street below, where a charabanc was waiting to take the visitors to Coombe Martin, and the drive was much enjoyed. A hearty welcome was received at Coombe Martin, and at once the bells were requisitioned, and found to be a light musical ring of eight recently installed. After all had tried their hand, the return journey was made through the picturesque village back to Ilfracombe. A sharp thunderstorm was encountered, but did not mar the spirits of those who had made the trip. Time would not permit of a stay to sample the ring of six, which shortly, it is stated, will be increased to a ring of eight. The steamer was again boarded, where a fine spread was done justice to on the way back. Home was reached in good time, after a thoroughly good day's outing, and opportunity is now taken of thanking Mr. Dadd, for his kindness, and to the incumbents for the use of the bells.

EALING RINGERS' RIVER TRIP.

On Saturday, August 18th, the ringers of the above-named church (strengthened by several friends from London) held their annual outing, which this year took the form of a river trip, ringing being a secondary thought. The party, 18 in number (with a suspicious-looking hamper), left Ealing by the 9.30 a.m. train, and arrived at Maidenhead at 10.15 a.m. No time was lost in reaching Boulter's Lock, where a steam launch was boarded en route for Caversham. As soon as the company had settled down the contents of the hamper were revealed, and also greatly appreciated. During the journey, handbells were brought out and good practice put in. Henley was reached at 2 p.m., and here the party went 'ashore,' and made their way to the Little White Hart Hotel, where arrangements had been made for dinner. Time was limited, and at 3 p.m. the launch was again making its way up river, the scenery, which was magnificent, being greatly admired. Caversham was reached at 4.30 p.m., and having gathered up all the 'dead' ones, a move was made to the Central Cafe, Reading, for tea. Mr. J. R. Mackman joined the company here, and later piloted the ambitious ones to the tower of St. Laurence's, where two touches of Stedman's Caters were brought round. A move was then made to St. Peter's, Caversham, where, through the kindness of Mr. R. T. Hibbert, the key of the tower was obtained, and a touch of Stedman's Triples rung. After light refreshment, steps were turned to the station, and Ealing reached at 9 p.m., thus ending a day long to be remembered by all who had the pleasure of taking part in it. The band take this opportunity (through 'The Ringing World') of thanking the Rev. W. Fothergill Robinson for the very great privilege extended to them, the Vicar of St. Peter's, Caversham, Mr. J. R. Mackman, and that good friend, Mr. R. T. Hibbert for their kindness and the trouble taken in making the day such a great success.

WICKWAR RINGERS' OUTING.

On Saturday, August 11th, the Wickwar (Glos.) ringers had their outing, accompanied by the Rector and a few friends. Starting at 8 a.m. by charabanc, in delightful weather, the first stop was made at Marshfield, where the party was met by Mr. Lewis the local captain. After touches of Doubles and Minor, with tenors covering, a move was made for Bradford-on-Avon, through pretty country. The 'go' of the eight bells here was disappointing, the dry weather having affected the wooden frame. After ringing some unnamed 'Surprise' in an attempt to raise them in peal, short touches of Doubles and Minor were rung on the front six. Proceeding to Trowbridge, which was reached at 12.15, dinner was found to be ready. This over, the party was met by Mr. Sam Hector, who after showing them over the tower and pointing out objects of interest, helped to raise the splendid ring of ten. The 'go' of the bells was 'topping.' A move was then made for Westbury, where the eight bells, were 'it' absolutely, and were only left at 4.30 with many expressions of regret. Up to this time the time-table had been kept almost to a minute, but owing to the majority of the party desiring to go to Chippenham by the longer but prettier route, which took them close under the Westbury White Horse, Chippenham was reached much later than the scheduled time. After a meat tea it was intended to visit both towers, each with a ring of eight, but time would only permit a pull at the Parish Church. Here, thanks to the help of the

locals, the best ringing of the day was indulged in, touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Major being brought round in fine style. Chippenham was left about 8.15, and home reached just before 10 o'clock, everybody having thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The ringers, through the medium of 'The Ringing World,' wish to thank the incumbents of the various churches for the use of the bells, and to the tower keepers and others for so kindly meeting them and having everything ready, which to a great extent was responsible for making the outing so enjoyable and successful.

NATAL'S FIRST LADY RINGER.

WEDDING AND PRESENTATION AT DURBAN.

On Saturday, August 4th, at St. Mary's Church, Greyville, Durban, the wedding was solemnised between Mr. Alec. Booth and Miss Mary Hume, who was the first lady ringer in Natal, and probably in south Africa. After the ceremony the ringers 'fired' the bells 21 times (the bride's age), and rang a merry peal.

On Thursday, August 9th, a pleasant social evening was spent at the residence of Mr. Simpson, leader of St. Mary's Guild, the occasion being a presentation to the bride, by the St. Mary's band, of a handsome dinner gong in the form of a church bell, mounted on a beautifully polished teak stand, and suitably inscribed, the inscription reading as follows: 'Presented to Miss M. R. Hume (first lady ringer in Natal) on the occasion of her marriage, August 4th, 1923, by her fellow-ringers of St. Mary's, Greyville.'

The whole of the work entailed by the making of the present, with the exception of the inscription, was done by members of St. Mary's Church.

Mr. Simpson, who made the presentation on behalf of the ringers, said he hoped that now she was married Mrs. Booth would not be lost to the tower altogether. The bride, in responding, thanked the ringers for their present, and said it was not her intention to leave them altogether.

Songs and musical items were rendered by Miss Daisy Wright, Miss Olive Clements, Miss Clarkson and Miss Enid Prickett.

10,400 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

A PEAL WITH DOUBLE BODS.

By F. H. DEXTON.

The following is the composition rung at the Bell Foundry, Loughborough, on May 6th, 1922, and is interesting from the fact that it is the greatest number of changes ever rung in Superlative Surprise.

23456	54	B	W	3-4	H
40200					
53462	x			x	
36524	x			x	
62345	x			x	A
24653	x			x	
24536	x			x	
65324	x				
43265	x				
52643	x				B
36452	x				
53216	x				
25346					A
32546					A
54326					B
35426					A
43526					A
52436					B
23564	x			x	
36245	x			x	
64352					
64523	x			x	
35264				x	
42635				x	
56342				x	
42556				x	
63542				x	
25463				x	C
34625				x	
56234				x	
34256				x	
25456					C

The first 5-4 is 5th's from the front, treble leading, followed half a lead later by 4th's from behind, treble in 8th's.

The 2nd 5-4 is 5th's from behind treble in 8th's, followed in the next half lead by 4th's from the front, treble leading.

59 of the 60 course ends and 56 each M and W, have tenors together.

SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

NORTH STONEHAM, HANTS.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service, 608 Bob Major: E. Dumper 1, G. Williams 2, G. Pulinger 3, C. J. Fray 4, W. G. Edwards 5, E. Collins (Ringwood) 6. W. T. Tucker (conductor) 7, C. H. Giles 8.

READING.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, at St. Giles' Church, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (1,260 changes), in 53 mins.: L. T. Osborne 1, A. W. Osborne (conductor) 2, G. Wheeler 3, G. Cook (first quarter in the method) 4, A. Bailey 5, H. Egby 6, H. Osborne 7, J. F. Barnes 8. All the above are service ringers at St. Giles.

WEST EALING, MIDDLESEX.—At St. Stephen's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, in 46 mins., also a touch of Bob Major: W. H. Hollier 1, E. J. Walsom 2, C. Edwards 3, E. Harris 4, P. E. Clark 5, F. W. Townsend 6, A. E. Macdonald (conductor) 7, F. S. Palmer 8. Arranged for the ringing of the 6th who was on a visit from Poole, Dorset, and as a birthday compliment to Mr. H. Langdon.

MARKET DEEPIING.—At the Parish Church, on Sept. 2nd, for evening service, 720 of Primrose Surprise Minor: H. Hayes 1, H. M. Day (conductor) 2, A. Riggall 3, W. A. Day 4, Jos. Landon 5, G. H. Wells 6.

LIVERPOOL.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for evensong at the Church of Our Lady and St. Nicholas, 680 Grandsire Cinques: W. Fisher 1, A. Bacon 2, E. Jones 3, C. Benwell 4, G. R. Newton (conductor) 5, F. Gilmour 6, E. Bumphrey 7, J. Martin 8, W. H. Pickett 9, A. P. Knights 10, J. E. Sykes 11, E. Counce 12.

WICKEN, NORTHANTS.—For evening service, on Sept. 2nd 216 Stedman Triples a course of Kent Treble Bob Major and a course of Grandsire Triples, the local band being assisted by Mr. E. Yates and T. Tompkins, of Stony Stratford.

HAWKHURST, KENT.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: F. Rummery 1, O. Waghorn 2, W. A. Penfold 3, K. Pattenden 4, J. Powell 5, W. Freeman 6, G. Billenness (conductor) 7, H. M. Batchup 8. Composed by the late G. Watson, of St. Leonards, and arranged for W. Freeman of Lincoln, who is working at Benenden, Kent, for a few months; K. Pattenden (Rye), and F. Rummery (Teynham).

FEERING.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: R. Porter 1, R. Fisher 2, J. C. Newman 3, G. Hayward 4, C. Rogers 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6.

HANLEY, STOKE-ON-TRENT.—At the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, on Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service 447 Grandsire Triples: C. Corner 1, E. Landon 2, S. Cordall 3, F. Wilford, Northampton (conductor), 4, T. Hurd 5, J. Prophet 6, P. Shucker 7, W. Degg 8.

NUNEATON.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, on Sept. 2nd 448 Cambridge Surprise Major: D. H. Argyle 1, E. Martin 2, F. Wilford (Northampton) 3, E. Stone 4, W. Horton 5, A. Wilkerson 6, J. F. Clarke 7, T. W. Chapman (conductor) 8. Also 416 Double Norwich, and a bob course of Stedman.

FAIRFORD, GLOS.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: G. Law 1, T. Smith 2, B. Guy 3, G. Winter 4, H. Accock 5, J. Hope 6, L. Stillwell (conductor) 7, J. Smith 8. Arranged for the ringers of 2nd and 7th, who hail from Windsor.

GREEN'S NORTON, NORTHANTS.—At St. Bartholomew's Church, on Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for evening service, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Bob Minor, in 44 mins.: Geo. Mansfield 1, A. Mansfield 2, Fred Lucas 3, J. M. Gray 4, A. Booth 5, J. Wilfred Sharp (conductor) 6.

WEST HAM.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service, 467 Grandsire Caters: A. Pye 1, L. Pye 2, E. D. Smith 3, J. Waghorn 4, A. Prior (conductor) 5, F. Newman 6, H. Hayden 7, A. Baynes 8, J. Moulle 9, T. Joyce 10.—For evening service, 1,260 Grandsire Triples, in 47 mins.: W. Theobald 1, A. Prior (conductor) 2, J. Scholes 3, G. Hayden 4, A. Scambler 5, A. Baynes 6, E. D. Smith 7, T. Joyce 8.

PORTISHEAD.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for evening service, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 45 mins.: C. O. Grievos 1, Miss G. Broad (first quarter-peal) 2, Miss A. Stokes 3, Miss D. Willett 4, E. Goldstone 5, Miss G. Dobbs (conductor) 6, W. Gillingham 7, J. Nisbet 8.

THORNHAM MAGNA, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday afternoon, Sept. 2nd, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: W. E. Garrard 1, G. Brown 2, A. J. Berry 3, G. Kemp 4, E. F. Poppy 5, G. Cattermole (conductor) 6. The above was rung to oblige W. E. Garrard, of London, who was on a short holiday.

WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.—On Sunday, August 26th, 360 Bob Minor: G. Balls 1, G. Clarke 2, W. Leggett 3, D. Elliott 4, E. Leggett (conductor) 5, F. Clarke 6.

OLVESTON.—On August 26th, for evening service a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples, in 44 mins.: F. Samsion 1, F. G. Cooper 2, S. Poole (first quarter-peal) 3, F. L. King 4, W. A. Lewis 5, E. Hayward 6, R. Brough (conductor) 7, J. Hancock 8. R. Brough hails from Croydon, S. Poole from Thornbury, the rest from Berkeley.

BANSTEAD, SURREY.—On Sunday, August 26th, for evensong, at the Parish Church of All Saints, a quarter-peal (1,260 changes) of Grandsire Triples, in 48 mins.: W. H. Hobson (first quarter-peal) 1, F. G. Woodiss 2, W. H. Joiner 3, J. Howes 4, W. S. Smith 5, O. W. R. Grimwood 6, R. I. George 7, W. H. Hewett (conductor) 8.

BUCKNALL, STAFFS.—On August 26th at St. Mary's Church, 720 Plain Bob: Harry Billings 1, Alice Wheeldon 2, C. Bowen 3, Alice Preston (conductor) 4, Wm. Wheeldon, junr., 5, Wm. Fradley 6.

WALLASEY, CHESHIRE.—On Sunday, August 26th, at St. Nicholas' Church, for morning service, 720 London Surprise Minor: A. Howard 1, J. Greasley 2, E. Parry 3, A. Sparks 4, T. Rogers 5, J. Griffin (conductor) 6. Also for evensong, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: E. Lloyd 1, J. Greasley 2, E. Parry 3, T. Hammond 4, T. Rogers 5, J. Griffin (conductor) 6. This is the first occasion on which two different extents of Surprise have been rung for service on the same day in Wirral.

WIGGENHALL ST. MARY, NORFOLK.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, 720 Bob Minor, on Sunday, August 26th: A. Wick 1, H. Baker 2, C. Donald 3, I. Emmerson 4, W. Rose 5, F. Rose (conductor) 6. First 720 on the bells for over 20 years. The bells need the attention of the bell hanger very badly.

HARWELL, BERKS.—On Sunday August 26th, 720 Bob Minor: H. C. Mulford 1, W. E. Napper 2, J. Butler 3, W. Hitchman 4, W. H. J. Hooton (conductor) 5, R. G. Rice 6. Also 120 Stedman Doubles, and touches of College Single and Oxford Bob.

EAST HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On Sunday, August 26th, 504 Grandsire Triples: W. A. Goodenough 1, Miss M. A. Butler 2, W. E. Napper 3, J. Butler (conductor) 4, W. V. Webb 5, T. East 6, R. G. Rice 7, W. Warwick 8. Also another 504: W. A. Goodenough 1, T. East 2, W. E. Napper 3, J. Butler 4, W. V. Webb 5, W. H. J. Hooton (conductor) 6, R. G. Rice 7, W. Warwick 8.

RINGER'S ESCAPE FROM DROWNING.

PLUCKY RESCUE BY HIS WIFE.

A cool head and courageous effort by Mrs. Elsie Hairs, saved the life of her husband, Mr. Frank I. Hairs, while bathing near Surfleet a week or two ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Hairs went for a swim, and while in the water Mrs. Hairs noticed her husband in difficulties. Swimming rapidly to his assistance she was just in time to prevent him going down for the last time. By almost superhuman effort, she dragged him to the side of the river, and her calls for assistance were answered by two men at work not far off. By the time they arrived, and were able to pull Mr. Hairs on to the bank, Mrs. Hairs herself had almost reached the point of exhaustion. Mr. Hairs was soon brought round again, and is happily no worse for his unpleasant experience. He undoubtedly owes his life to his wife's plucky rescue, Mrs. Hairs being an excellent swimmer. The accident was witnessed by their only child, who was on the river bank.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.

CHESTER-LE-STREET TOWER REOPENED.

St. Cuthbert's Church, at Chester-le-Street, the ancient and now growing town about midway between Durham and Newcastle, dates from the 11th century, and is on the site of the original wooden church built about 885. For some months the fine peal of eight bells have not been rung owing to repairs being required at the base of the spire, but these repairs have been almost completed and to celebrate the reopening a joint meeting of the Eastern and Western Districts of the Durham and Newcastle Association was held there on Saturday last. Members attended from Darlington, Shildon, Tanfield, Gateshead, Sunderland, and Houghton-le-Spring. Touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples, Kent Treble Bob Major and Bob Major were rung, and during the afternoon the Rector (the Rev. Dr. F. H. Jackson) dedicated a very handsome peal board, commemorating the first peal rung by a lady member of the association. The peal referred to was rung on May 13th, 1922, being 5,056 of Kent Treble Bob Major in 3 hours and 17 minutes, the treble being rung by Miss Ada Donnison, a member of the local band. The board has been made to match three others already erected, and was supplied by Mr. J. Thompson, builder, Chester-le-Street, the beautifully carved canopy being added by Mr. F. Sheraton, the secretary of the branch.

Tea was partaken of in the Parish Hall, and the Rev. A. W. Lister, of Tanfield, on behalf of the members, thanked the Rector for his kindness in inviting the association, and the local members for the hearty welcome received.—The Rector, in replying said he hoped that many such happy meetings would be held there in the near future.

Mr. James Anderson expressed, in a few well-chosen words, the thanks of the Ringers' Guild to the Rector and churchwardens for their kindness in providing the very handsome addition to the belfry which had been unveiled that afternoon. Ringing was kept up until a late hour.

NOTICES.

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MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Finchley on Saturday, September 8th. Bells available from 3.30. Short service at 5.30. Tea at 6 o'clock. All members and friends welcome.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 49, Wood Street, E.17.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.—South and West District.—Our next meeting will be held at Sunbury on Saturday, September 8th, when ringers and friends will be welcomed. Ringing from 3. Tea will be arranged for 5 o'clock.—W. H. Hollier, Hon. Sec., 29, Duke Road, W.4.

NORWICH, ST. EDMUNDSBURY AND IPSWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A practice meeting of the above district will be held at Halesworth (8 bells) on Saturday, September 8th. The bells at Chediston (6) will also be available. Both towers open for ringing at 2 p.m. A good attendance is requested.—F. C. Lambert, Dist. Hon. Sec., 54, Thorofare, Halesworth.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Bedale on Saturday, September 8th. Bells (8, tenor 24 cwt.) available for ringing all day. Tea will be provided at Megson's Cafe. Members 1/-, non-members 1/6.—T. Metcalfe, Hon. Sec., 26, High Street, North Ormesby, Middlesbrough.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—A general meeting of the Yorkshire Association will be held at Otley on Saturday, September 8th. Bells of Parish Church (8) available throughout the day. Tea will be provided at a charge of 1/6 per head. Divine service 4.15 p.m. Bells of Guiseley parish church (8) also available throughout the day.—P. J. Johnson, Hon. Gen. Sec., 90, Blackman Lane, Leeds.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Harrold on Saturday, September 8th. Bells from 2.30. Tea at the Wheatsheaf Inn at 5 o'clock. All ringers and friends welcome.—H. L. Harlow, Dist. Sec., 14 Newnham Lane, Bedford.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Southern District.—A meeting will be held at Horley on Saturday, 8th September. Tower open 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Tea 5.45 p.m. All ringers cordially invited.—H. F. Ewins, Hon. Sec., 27, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Peterstone, Marshfield, on Saturday, September 8th. Service at 4.45. Meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., 29, Barrack Hill, Newport, Mon.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-Eastern District.—A meeting of North-Eastern Division of Essex Ringers will be held at Harwich on Saturday, September 8th, when the Vicar, the Rev. E. A. Mills, will kindly entertain all members to tea at 5.30.—R. W. Stannard, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Eccleston on Saturday, September 8th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m.—W. Taylor, Branch Sec., Tower House, Penwortham, Preston.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A meeting of this branch will be held at Burbage on Saturday, September 8th. Bells (5) available 3.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—F. Cotton, Local Hon. Sec., Hinckley.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Chippenham on Saturday, 8th September. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock.—H. A. Hearl, Hon. Branch Sec., 5, The Knoll, Swindon.

ROMNEY MARSH GUILD.—The next meeting of the above will be held at Rye, Sussex, on Saturday, September 8th. The bells will be available for ringing from 2 p.m.—H. Balcomb, Hon. Sec., Appledore, Kent.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Northampton District.—A special meeting will be held at Wooton on Saturday, September 8th. Bells (5) at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—T. Tebbutt, Dist. Sec., 53, Louise Road, Northampton.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Christchurch District.—A district meeting will be held at Lymington on Saturday, September 8th. Bells from 3.30. Tea at 5 o'clock.—G. Preston, Dist. Sec., Christchurch.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.—Established 1637.—Meetings for practice will be held at Southwark Cathedral on September 11th; St. Magnus, Lower Thames Street, on the 13th and 27th; *St. Mary le Bow, Cheapside, on the 18th, and St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 20th, all at 7.30 p.m. *Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Secretary, Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Tring on Saturday, September 15th. Bells available 3.30. Short Service at 5 p.m. Tea and business to follow.—W. Ayre, Dist. Sec., School House, Leverstock Green, Hemel Hempstead.

LADIES' GUILD.—Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Wraxall, near Bristol, on Saturday, September 15th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Tea provided at the Battle Axes Hotel for those who require it, and notify me before September 12th. Business meeting to elect officials for the ensuing twelve months.—Edith Smith, 23, Somerset Street, Kingsdown, Bristol.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Grimsby on Saturday, September 15th. Bells of St. James' (8), and St. Andrew's (8) available. Service at St. James' at 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 (free to members who produce their receipt for current year's subscription, non-members 2/-), at the Church House, Bull Ring, for those who notify Mr. W. H. Heyhoe, 18, Legsby Avenue, Grimsby, by the Tuesday previous.—F. S. W. Butler, Hon. Sec.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A district meeting will be held at Royston on Saturday, September 15th (8 bells). Ringing from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and meeting at Beale's Cafe, price 1/3 each. There is a late train leaving Royston

for Hitchin and London at 9.25 p.m. A good attendance is respectfully requested.—F. R. Bacon, Hon. Dist. Sec., 21, Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, September 15th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service in Church at 4.30, business meeting to follow. Election of officers takes place at this meeting. Will all those intending to be present kindly notify me not later than Tuesday, September 11th?—A. J. Skelding, 7, Cecil Street, Stourbridge.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The September meeting of the Western Division will be held at Bramley on Saturday the 15th.—The new peal of bells will be available for ringing after the dedication by the Right Rev. the Bishop of Knaresborough. Tea will be provided free for all those who make application to Mr. J. W. T. Holgate, 50, Westover Road, Bramley, not later than September 11th. For further particulars see circulars.—F. Hopwood, Hon. Dis. Sec., 8, Keswick Street, Lais-terdyke.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual meeting will be held at Kendal with Ambleside on Saturday, September 15th. Kendal bells (10) available all day; Ambleside (8), until 1.30 p.m. 3 p.m. Service at Parish Church, Kendal. 4 p.m. tea in Parish Hall at 1/6. 5 p.m. meeting. Will those intending to be present at tea kindly advise Mr. W. Atkinson, 8, Wildman Street, Kendal, not later than Wednesday, September 12th?—W. H. Shuker and J. H. Banks, Hon. Secs.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—St. Albans District.—The next meeting will be held at Hatfield on Saturday, September 15th. Bells available at 3 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—Wm. Nash, North Mymms, Hatfield, Dist. Sec.

DEVON GUILD OF RINGERS.—North-Eastern Branch.—The annual meeting will be held at Holcombe Rogus (6), on Saturday, September 15th. Bells available at 2.30. Service at 4.45. Tea at 5.15. Those requiring tea should send their names to me by Tuesday, Sept. 11th.—Rev. Fitzwilliam Carter, Withleigh Vicarage, Tiverton, Devon.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Limington, near Ilchester, on Saturday, September 15th. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Visitors requiring tea should give early notice to F. Farrant, North Street, Martock.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Luton District.—A meeting will be held at Houghton Regis on Saturday, September 15th. The bells will be available at 3 o'clock.—A. E. Sharman, Hon. Sec., 199, High Street, Dunstable.

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Woodbridge District.—A practice meeting will be held at Ufford on Saturday, September 15th. Bells (8) available from 2 o'clock. All ringers heartily invited.—Chas. E. Fisher, Hon. Dist. Sec.

CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Kettering District.—A special meeting will be held at Grettton (5), on Saturday, September 15th. Tea at 5 o'clock. Harringworth (6) available after tea. Those requiring tea please notify me by Tuesday, September 11th.—R. G. Black, Dist. Sec., Geddington, Kettering.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Dunster on Saturday, September 15th.—E. E. Burgess, Hon. Sec., Dunkery, Greenway Avenue, Taunton.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Meetings for September.—St. Clement Danes, Monday, 17th, 7.30 p.m.; St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, Monday, 24th, 7.30 p.m. All welcome.—J. Bullock, Hon. Sec., 56, Halliford Street, Islington, N.

WINCHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Basingstoke District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramley on Saturday, September 22nd. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 4.30. 6d. per head will be allowed towards the cost of tea to all members informing me not later than Sept. 15th.—Charles D. P. Davies, Hon. Dist. Sec., Deane Rectory, Basingstoke.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—The Jasper Whitfield Snowdon, and Past Officers of the Yorkshire Association Commemoration Dinner will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Change Alley, High Street, Sheffield, on Saturday, September 22nd, at 6 p.m. prompt. The chair will be taken by the Venerable J. Russell Darbyshire, M.A., Archdeacon of Sheffield. The bells of All Saints (8), Ranmoor (8), and Handsworth (8), will be available for visitors from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., and St. Mary's R.C. (8) and the Cathedral (12), from 2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Earlier party ringing by arrangement. Applications for dinner tickets (5s. 6d. each), must reach the undersigned not later than first post Tuesday, September 18th.—Sidney F. Palmer, Hon. Sec., 87, Bradley Street, Crookes, Sheffield.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting of the Association will be at Bake-well on Saturday, 29th September.—A. C. Wright, Hon. Sec.

HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting and six-bell contest will be held at Meltham on Saturday, September 29th. Draw for order of ringing at 2.45 p.m. Tea will be provided at 1/6 each to those who send word on or before Monday, Sept. 24th, to 30, Bankfield View, Halifax.—L. Hargreaves, Sec., 30, Bankfield View.

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CENTRAL NORTHANTS ASSOCIATION.—Guilborough District.—A monthly meeting will be held at West Haddon on Saturday, September 15th.—Usual arrangements. Will those requiring tea please notify me by 12th inst.?—W. Bott, Hon. Dist. Sec., Guilborough.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Loughborough District.—A monthly meeting will be held at Hugglescote on September 15th. Bells (8). Ringing at 3 o'clock.—J. Saddington, Dist. Sec., 27, Chapman Street, Loughborough.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.—Mr. F. A. Salter has removed from 28, Newtown, Thetford, to St. David's, Derby Road, Nottingham.

CAERLEON RINGER'S BEREAVEMENT.

We regret to record the death of Herbert Watts, son of Mr. George Watts, of Caerleon, Mon. Mr. George Watts is a regular service ringer at the parish church, and the bells were rung muffled on Saturday, August 11th as a mark of respect. The deceased was at camp at Porthcawl with the Monmouthshire Territorials, and was seized with pleurisy on August 4th, and passed away suddenly on the 7th. He was interred at Caerleon Churchyard on Saturday, Aug. 11th. The sympathy of all ringers will go out to the parents and family in their sad loss.

A 'SPLASH' IN THE NORTH.

The young London ringer, Reginald D. Marshall, made quite a 'splash' when at Sunderland for a fortnight, not only in the sea at Roker, although he did a deal of that, but in the way of peal ringing. Six attempts were definitely arranged, and of these five were accomplished. The other, Cambridge Royal at North Shields, could not be started for, owing to the late arrival of the pair from Sunderland. However, some good ringing was done on the bells, including 720 of Cambridge Royal. A further attempt was made to get a bob and single peal of Stedman Triples, but was not successful. In addition to peal ringing, Mr. Marshall did three Sunday's service ringing at St. Ignatius, including touches of Superlative and Cambridge Major, Stedman Triples, and a quarter-peal of Double Norwich.

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GIRENCESTER, GLOS.—On Sunday, August 26th, for evening service at the Parish Church, 665 Grandsire Caters: R. W. Watts 1, F. Edwards 2, F. W. Bond 3, J. King 4, W. G. Cook 5, W. H. Hayward 6, H. C. Bond 7, G. Dore 8, F. J. Lewis (conductor) 9, W. Peachey 10.—On Sunday, Sept. 2nd, for morning service, at Holy Trinity Church, Watermoor, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes): F. Edwards 1, R. Edwards 2, W. G. Cook 3, W. C. Cuss 4, H. R. Acock 5, J. Hope (conductor) 6, F. J. Lewis 7, W. Peachey 8. Mr. R. Edwards was on a visit from Tenterden, Kent, and Messrs. Acock and Hope are from Fairford.

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