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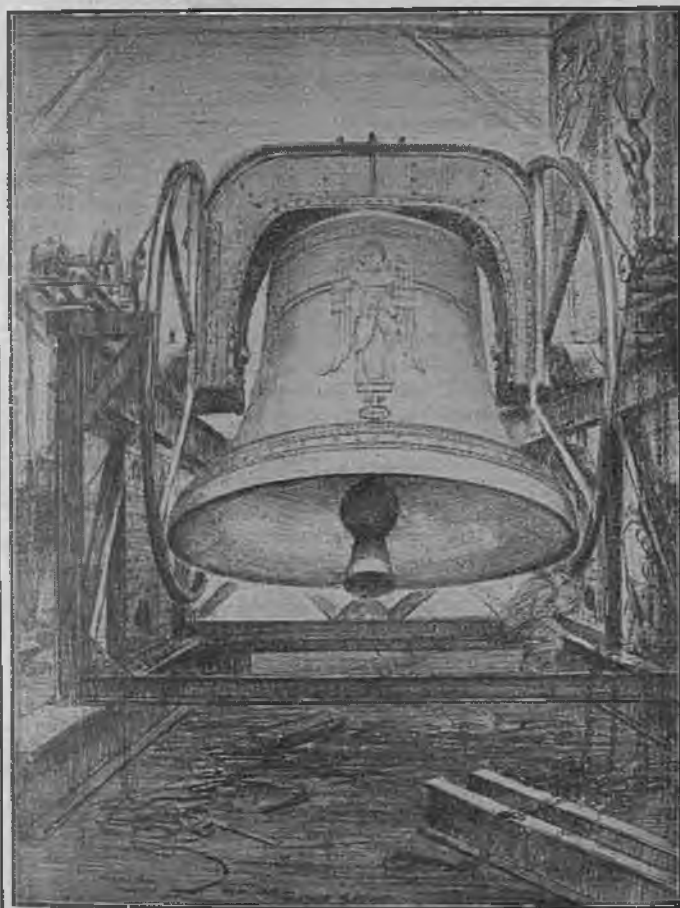
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### A LEAD AND A CHALLENGE.

There were many matters discussed at the annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association which made it an important one, but probably the question of most far-reaching effect was that which resulted in placing on the minutes definitions with which all peals must comply in future before they will be acknowledged and recorded by the association. This is at once a lead and a challenge to the Central Council. The actual rules laid down differ little from those of the Council, but the differences are important. Into the merits of these differences we do not propose to enter on this occasion, but the Midland Counties Association give a lead to the Council by showing that a settlement of disputed points is desired among ringers and by demonstrating that there is no valid reason why the question should not be determined—not necessarily on purely scientific lines but on lines which meet with the views of the general body of the Exercise. Those views may change later, and, if they do, the rules can be amended accordingly. The Midland Counties Association knew what they wanted and they have laid down their regulations accordingly. At some other time the members may think it desirable to revise these requirements, and when that time comes they will not, we imagine, hesitate to do so. Rules of this kind are not like the laws of the Medes and Persians—unalterable. They should reflect the highest standard which ringers are prepared to recognise. The Central Council could settle their definitions on precisely the same grounds. Last year they got rid of an awkward question on the subject of peals of Minor and Doubles by indefinitely deferring it.

And here comes the challenge. If the Council is not prepared to settle such questions—and it is to promote uniform recognition and acceptance of decisions on points of this kind that is particularly the Council's business—then the associations are going to settle these matters for themselves, and in doing so they will diminish the authority and prestige of the Council. The Midland Counties Association decided to set up their own definitions of what shall constitute a peal before they will recognise it. These definitions differ in certain particulars from those which now exist in the rules of the Council and if other associations follow suit, there may well be set up a number of varying codes for peal ringing. The difficulty of the Council's position is that, while it has a set of definitions it winks at breaches of its rules, because a section of the Council is not satisfied with the code as it stands. There ought to be only one standard for peals throughout the Exercise, but unless the Council faces the situation, the

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action of the Midland Counties Association may be followed by others and much that the Council has stood for in the past may be lost. Every association has a right to say what it will admit as a peal, but the whole aim since the Council was founded, nearly forty years ago, has been to unify these various views. It would be a pity if at this stage the Council let slip their recognised authority because, while waiting to see which way the cat jumps, they decline to make up their mind upon the present requirements of the Exercise.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19 cwt.

ARTHUR DEAN ... .. Treble	EDWIN F. PIKE ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. HEWETT ... 2	CHARLES W. ROBERTS ... 7
*ARTHUR H. SMITH ... .. 3	JAMES E. DAVIS ... .. 8
GEORGE MARRINER ... .. 4	ERNEST BRETT ... .. 9
JOHN T. KENTISH ... .. 5	RICHARD F. DEAL ... Tenor

Composed by F. DENCH.

Conducted by JAMES E. DAVIS.

\* First peal in the method. The 100th peal of Cambridge by W. H. Hewett.

LONDON.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON  
DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MAGNUS-THE-MARTYR, THAMES STREET.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

*NORMAN W. GENNA ... .. Treble	FREDERICK W. ROGERS ... 6
*ALFRED E. PITSTOW ... 2	GEORGE B. COLE ... .. 7
†GILBERT R. GOODSHIP ... 3	JAMES BENNETT ... .. 8
ALFRED T. GREENWOOD ... 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE, SEN. 9
GEORGE R. PYE ... .. 5	WILLIAM PYE ... .. Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS.

Conducted by WILLIAM PYE.

\* First peal of Royal in the method. † First peal in the method with a bob bell.

EPSOM, SURREY.

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5091 CHANGES;

Tenor 16 cwt. in E.

DAVID WRIGHT ... .. Treble	FREDERICK G. WOODISS ... 6
CHARLES H. KIPPIN ... .. 2	DANIEL D. COOPER ... .. 7
FRANK E. DARBY ... .. 3	AMOS W. CLARK ... .. 8
*FRANK JENNINGS ... .. 4	FREDERICK E. COLLINS ... 9
HERBERT J. SKELT ... .. 5	*JOHN AVERY ... .. 7 & 10

Composed by E. BENNETT.

Conducted by FRANK E. DARBY.

\* First peal of Stedman Caters. First peal of Stedman, also of Caters as conductor.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

MARKET DRAYTON, SHROPSHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, April 26, 1930, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 17½ cwt.

HARRY OVERTON ... .. Treble	JAMES H. RIDING ... .. 5
ALAN M. HICKMAN ... .. 2	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 6
HARRY F. HOLDING ... .. 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 7
*WILLIAM J. CHESTERS ... 4	EDWARD V. RODENHURST ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by J. H. RIDING.

\* First peal on eight bells.

STANDISH, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. WILFRID,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 12½ cwt.

JAMES MARSH ... .. Treble	ERNEST BIRCHALL ... .. 5
JAMES WM. GROUNDS ... .. 2	WILLIAM SHARPLES ... .. 6
JOHN BOOTH ... .. 3	BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS ... .. 7
JOHN RICHARD TAYLOR ... .. 4	JOSEPH RIDYARD ... .. Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS. Conducted by BENJAMIN A. KNIGHTS

Rung to celebrate the 70th birthday of Mr. J. W. Grounds' father, who was a ringer at this church for 43 years.

CODDENHAM.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

CARTER'S TWELVE-PART.	Tenor 16½ cwt.
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN ... Treble	GEORGE A. FLEMING ... .. 5
CHARLES W. PARKER ... .. 2	HARRY LISTER ... .. 6
*THOMAS SPARROW ... .. 3	CHARLES A. CATCHPOLE ... .. 7
SHELFORD SPARROW ... .. 4	JOHN GOOCH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by G. A. FLEMING.

\* First peal in the method.

HAGLEY, STOURBRIDGE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE DUDLEY AND DISTRICT GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

GROVES' TRANSPOSITION OF PARKER'S TWELVE-PART.

WALTER FARLEY ... .. Treble	GERALD SWALLOW ... .. 5
CHARLES WM. COOPER ... .. 2	WILLIAM GOODMAN ... .. 6
JOHN PRICE ... .. 3	JOHN GOODMAN ... .. 7
WILLIAM GREEN ... .. 4	GILBERT GUEST ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN GOODMAN.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Gilbert Guest.

CHIDDINGSTONE, KENT.  
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S BOB AND SINGLE.	Tenor 19½ cwt.
HARRY SEAL ... .. Treble	ERNEST EVEREST ... .. 5
*FREDERICK LONGLEY ... .. 2	GEORGE EDWARDS ... .. 6
CHARLES BAKER ... .. 3	ARTHUR WILES ... .. 7
HAROLD HUNTLEY ... .. 4	LESLIE EVEREST ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GEORGE EDWARDS.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells since the rehanging of the two tenors in ball bearings by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston. This peal was rung in honour of the 31st wedding anniversary of the local captain (Mr. A. Longley). The last peal, six years ago, was rung on his silver wedding, and thanks were accorded to him for his kind hospitality after the peal. E. Everest has now completed the octave in the tower. Rung also as a jubilee peal for the association.

REDDISH, STOCKPORT.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Tuesday, May 6, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ELISABETH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.	Tenor 13½ cwt. in F.
ALFRED BARNES ... .. Treble	*FRANK TWIGG ... .. 5
*ERNEST BENNETT ... .. 2	ALLEN F. BAILEY ... .. 6
FREDERICK PAGE ... .. 3	HAROLD JACKSON ... .. 7
PETER LAFLIN ... .. 4	†JOSEPH WILSON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HAROLD JACKSON.

\* First peal in the method. † First peal of Stedman Triples by Mr. Wilson, who was elected a member of the Chester Guild prior to starting. Rung on the 20th anniversary of the accession of His Majesty.

NORTH LOPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, May 4, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 10½ cwt. in F sharp.

GEORGE LAND ... .. Treble	ALBERT G. HARRISON ... .. 5
ERIC G. BENNETT ... .. 2	CHARLES E. LOVETT ... .. 6
GEORGE W. JEFFS ... .. 3	CHARLES F. GOODMAN ... .. 7
NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. 4	WILLIAM STEGGALL ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

Arranged for Mr. G. W. Jeffs, of Titchmarsh, Northants.

LONG EATON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, May 5, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S No. 1.	Tenor 11 cwt.
F. S. PRICE ... .. Treble	J. BAILEY ... .. 5
A. R. HICKTON ... .. 2	*J. H. JOYNER ... .. 6
A. H. WARD ... .. 3	W. R. DRAGE ... .. 7
*F. W. TURNER ... .. 4	E. C. CHASTY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT H. WARD.

\* First peal.

DISS, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 6, 1930, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5086 CHANGES;  
Tenor 24 cwt. in D.

WILLIAM IRELAND ... .. Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. 5
ARTHUR W. LEEDER ... .. 2	CLEMENT J. MORE ... .. 6
JOHN SOUTER ... .. 3	WILLIAM STEGGALL ... .. 7
ALBERT G. HARRISON ... .. 4	GEORGE ARCHER ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

This peal was arranged and rung as a compliment to Mr. William Ireland on his 78th birthday, and to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the King's accession.

BOLTON, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, May 6, 1930, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 17½ cwt. in E.

GEORGE PINCOTT ... .. Treble	*CHRISTOPHER GUDGEON ... ..
JOHN POTTER ... .. 2	JOHN H. C. MASSEY ... ..
*PETER CROOK, JUN. ... .. 3	JAMES W. GROUNDS ... .. 7
JOHN BOOTH ... .. 4	PETER CROOK ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by JOHN POTTER.

\* First peal in the method. 150th peal as conductor. Rung to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the King's reign, and P. Crook's quarter-century as a ringer.

ALDERSHOT, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL-THE-ARCHANGEL,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

REGINALD J. WHITFORD ... Treble	WILLIAM DENYER ... .. 5
MISS NANCIE DENYER ... .. 2	*PERCIVAL L. ELDRIDGE ... .. 6
*WILL H. VIGGERS ... .. 3	RICHARD HASTED ... .. 7
CHARLES WM. DENYER ... .. 4	LCE-SERG. E. J. BRAGG

GREN. GDS. ... Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by R. HASTED.

\* First peal. Rung to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the accession of H.M. King George V. to the throne. The ringers of the 5th, 4th and 2nd are father, son and daughter. The conductor hails from Farnham, Surrey. The rest are members of the local band, and regular Sunday service ringers. Immediately the bells stopped, the Vicar, the Rev. H. Le Fleming, congratulated the ringers on their success, and said he would have a board made recording the performance, and placed in a suitable position in the ringing chamber.

PENKRIDGE, STAFFORDSHIRE.  
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.  
On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,  
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART. Tenor 16½ cwt.

*FRED BIRKS ... .. Treble	RICHARD J. WARRILOW ... 5
*FREDERICK R. WIGGIN ... 2	W. HAROLD JONES ... 6
HERBERT F. EVANS ... 3	JOHN PERRY ... 7
JOHN WARRILOW ... 4	CHARLES J. BASTONE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. HAROLD JONES.

\* First peal in the method away from the treble.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
G. LINDOFF'S SIX-PART, No. 2. Tenor 10 cwt.

E. HARRY STONELEY ... .. Treble	RICHARD C. BELTON ... 5
JOHN H. SWINFELD ... 2	MAURICE SWINFELD ... 6
JOSEPH BAILEY ... 3	JAMES GEORGE ... 7
CHARLES DRAPER ... 4	PERCY W. YATES ... Tenor

Conducted by M. SWINFELD.

This composition is now rung for the first time.

GUILDFORD, SURREY.

THE GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  
On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
PITSTOW'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.  
Tenor 23 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb.

JOHN S. GOLDSMITH ... .. Treble	GEORGE E. CLODE ... 5
GEORGE WILSON ... 2	WILLIAM R. MELVILLE ... 6
WILLIAM J. ROBINSON ... 3	ALFRED H. PULLING ... 7
C. ERNEST SMITH ... 4	WILLIAM T. BEESON ... Tenor

Conducted by ALFRED H. PULLING.

Rung in honour of the 20th anniversary of the King's accession.

SHOREHAM-BY-SEA, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  
On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,  
A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 14½ cwt.

GEORGE WILLIAMS ... .. Treble	JACK M. CRIPPS ... 5
KENNETH SNELLING ... 2	KEITH HART ... 6
NELSON ELLIOTT ... 3	FREDERICK W. CRIPPS ... 7
ROBERT SWIFT ... 4	OLIVER SIPPETTS ... Tenor

Composed by NATHAN J. PITSTOW. Conducted by G. WILLIAMS.

Rung as a compliment on the 73rd birthday of the conductor.

HEENE, WORTHING, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, May 8, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH,  
A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;  
Tenor 10½ cwt.

HENRY STALHAM ... .. Treble	FREDERICK N. SMEATON ... 5
CHARLES GEARY ... 2	FRANK BENNETT ... 6
ALFRED W. GROVES ... 3	HENRY COLLEY ... 7
MRS. F. I. HAIRS ... 4	EDMUND H. LINDOP ... Tenor

Composed by HENRY DAINS. Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.  
Mr. Geary, who hails from Long Eaton, was elected a member of the association previous to starting.

SHEFFIELD.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Thursday, May 8, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,  
A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;  
Tenor 15 cwt.

HARRY BOWER ... .. Treble	PERCIVAL A. KNIGHTS ... 5
RALPH S. LONG ... 2	SIDNEY F. PALMER ... 6
HAYDN THORPE ... 3	JOHN THORPE ... 7
*ALBERT SMITHSON ... 4	*FRANK SHACKLETON ... Tenor

Composed by J. J. PARKER.

\* First peal in the method.

STOKE MANDEVILLE, BUCKS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,  
A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 9½ cwt.

*HENRY B. WHITNEY ... .. Treble	*ALBERT FLEET ... 5
ARTHUR E. SHARMAN ... 2	*REGINALD J. SCOTT ... 6
*FREDERICK J. PLUMMER ... 3	JOSIAH NICHOLLS ... 7
ALFRED KING ... 4	*FREDERICK VICARS ... Tenor

Composed by WM. WILSON. Conducted by ARTHUR E. SHARMAN  
\* First peal of Major. † First peal of Bob Major on tower bells.  
First peal on this octave of bells.

CHESWARDINE, SHROPSHIRE.  
THE SHROPSHIRE COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. SWITHUN,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;  
Tenor 9 cwt. in G.

WILLIAM SAUNDERS ... .. Treble	ARTHUR PRITCHARD ... 5
HARRY F. HOLDING ... 2	RICHARD T. HOLDING ... 6
HARRY OVERTON ... 3	WILLIAM WEATHERBY ... 7
JAMES H. RIDING ... 4	EDWARD V. RODENHORST ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by J. H. RIDING.  
First peal of Oxford on the bells and first in the method by the association. In this musical composition the 2nd dodges only three times with tenor in 7-8.

GORING-ON-THAMES, OXON.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES;  
Tenor 8½ cwt.

*LEONARD JOYCE ... .. Treble	ALBERT E. LOCK ... 5
MRS. ALBERT E. LOCK ... 2	JOHN NOBES ... 6
JAMES ABERY ... 3	PERCY DYKE ... 7
JONATHAN HONEY ... 4	GORDON CAUDWELL ... Tenor

Composed by J. FLEMING.

\* First peal in the method.

MILNROW, LANCASHIRE.  
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;  
Tenor 20 cwt.

STEPHEN PARRY ... .. Treble	GEORGE STAFF ... 5
HAROLD HAMER ... 2	JOHN H. G. MASSEY ... 6
WALTER STAFF ... 3	HERBERT DAVENPORT ... 7
JAMES B. SHAW ... 4	WILLIAM HORAN ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by WILLIAM HORAN  
Arranged and rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Harold Hamer.

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## BOURN, CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

## THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND HELENA,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt. in F.

ERNEST IZZARD ... .. Treble	JOHN W. WARD ... .. 5
MISS KITTY WILLERS ... .. 2	A. GEORGE RIVERS ... .. 6
CHARLES W. COOK ... .. 3	ERNEST G. HIBBINS ... .. 7
ROBERT G. KING ... .. 4	T. REGINALD DENNIS ... .. Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by ERNEST G. HIBBINS.

This peal was specially arranged for the treble ringer, a member of the local band, it being his first attempt for a peal. It was also a birthday peal for the conductor.

## HATFIELD, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(DONCASTER &amp; DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

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

Tenor 18 cwt. 2 qr. 18 lb. in E.

MILTON C. FOWLER ... .. Treble	JOHN R. BREARLEY ... .. 5
WILLIAM A. WOOLER ... .. 2	JOHN A. BREARLEY ... .. 6
J. EDWARD CAWSE ... .. 3	PERCY GLEDSTONE ... .. 7
GEORGE CLARK ... .. 4	ARNOLD HILL ... .. Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSE

First peal in the method on the bells.

## KENNINGHALL, NORFOLK.

## THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

*HENRY TOOKE ... .. Treble	ALBERT G. HARRISON ... .. 5
ERIC G. BENNETT ... .. 2	†WALTER R. FARROW ... .. 6
ALPHEUS J. BERRY ... .. 3	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... .. 7
CHARLES F. GOODMAN ... .. 4	NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. Tenor

Composed and Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First in method. † First 'inside' in method.

## BREWOOD, STAFFS.

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND CHAD,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 22½ cwt.

CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... Treble	JOHN PERRY ... .. 5
JOHN C. ADAMS ... .. 2	EDWARD F. MITCHELL ... .. 6
BENJAMIN GOUGH ... .. 3	HERBERT KNIGHT ... .. 7
ROBERT PICKERING ... .. 4	THOMAS J. ELTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN PERRY.

Rung as a silver wedding peal for Mr. and Mrs. John Perry, also as a birthday peal for Miss Gough, daughter of the 3rd ringer.

## GREAT BARDFIELD, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 16 cwt. in F.

FRANK CLAYDON ... .. Treble	*WILLIAM PIPER ... .. 5
JOSEPH JENNINGS ... .. 2	WALTER SMITH ... .. 6
FREDERICK RIDGWELL ... .. 3	ERNEST TOWNSEND ... .. 7
WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. 4	ARTHUR SAUNDERS ... .. Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by WILLIAM KEEBLE.

\* First peal in the method.

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On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. DUNSTON-IN-THE-EAST, CITY,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

*EDWARD J. BROWN ... .. Treble	RONALD BULLEN ... .. 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... .. 2	LEONARD H. BAYBUTT ... .. 6
WILLIAM H. THEOBALD ... .. 3	CECIL PIPE ... .. 7
GEORGE A. CARD ... .. 4	EDWARD D. SMITH ... .. Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER

\* First peal.

## CHESTER.

## THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-WITHIN-THE-WALLS,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 14 cwt. in F.

JOHN E. BIBBY ... .. Treble	GEORGE R. JONES ... .. 5
MISS NORAH M. BIBBY ... .. 2	LESTER L. GRAY ... .. 6
WILLIAM BIBBY ... .. 3	JAMES MORGAN ... .. 7
HENRY W. WILDE ... .. 4	JAMES C. E. SIMPSON ... .. Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY. Conducted by J. C. E. SIMPSON.

## CLANFIELD, OXON.

## THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

TAYLOR'S SIX-PART.

Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 16 lb.

CHARLES J. GARDINER ... Treble	EDWARD C. HUGHES ... .. 5
ROBERT W. HYNER ... .. 2	CUTHBERT I. J. PEARCE ... .. 6
FRANK WHEELER ... .. 3	WILLIAM B. KYNASTON ... .. 7
*HUBERT TAYLOR ... .. 4	THOMAS CLARKE ... .. Tenor

Conducted by CUTHBERT I. J. PEARCE.

\* First peal of Triples. First peal as conductor. William B. Kynaston was elected a member of the Guild before starting the peal.

## SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

## HOLMER, HEREFORDSHIRE.

## THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, May 1, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

## A PEAL OF BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven 720's, each called differently.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE SOLEY ... .. Treble	WILLIAM DOWNES ... .. 4
FRANK DOWNES ... .. 2	WILLIAM DUGGAN ... .. 5
WALTER EVANS ... .. 3	WALTER TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by WALTER TAYLOR.

## WELFORD, NORTHANTS.

## THE PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

With ten different callings.

Tenor 15 cwt.

ERNEST BOTT ... .. Treble	ARTHUR MARLOW ... .. 3
*GEORGE HOLLICK ... .. 2	ERNEST MARSH ... .. 4
RONALD RUSSELL ... .. Tenor	

Conducted by A. MARLOW.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells. Rung as a birthday compliment to E. Marsh.

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At the Parish Church of St. Peter,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**  
Being seven different 720's. Tenor 18 cwt. (approx.).

EDWARD E. TIDY ... .. Treble	LEONARD A. TIDY ... .. 4
H. F. HYLTON TIDY ... .. 2	ALFRED J. BULL ... .. 5
HUGH R. THORPE ... .. 3	DANIEL COOPER ... .. Tenor

Conducted by LEONARD A. TIDY.

Believed to be the first Surprise peal on the bells. It is 16 years a peal was rung on these bells.

HANLEY CASTLE, WORCESTERSHIRE.  
THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.  
(WESTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Oxford, College Single, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 14 cwt.

FRANK LAWRENCE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM RANFORD ... .. 4
ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... .. 2	FRED HAWKES ... .. 5
WILLIAM NIBLETT ... .. 3	CHARLES CAMM ... .. Tenor

Conducted by C. CAMM.

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(MACCLESFIELD BRANCH.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. John,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being three 720's of Plain Bob Minor, two 720's each of Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

*FRANK L. RONAN ... .. Treble	JACK TIPPER ... .. 4
*ARTHUR CHALLINOR ... .. 2	JOHN WORTH ... .. 5
WILFRED STEVENSON ... .. 3	*WILLIAM GAYES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by JOHN WORTH.

\* First peal in three methods.

WITHAM, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Cambridge Surprise, Kent Treble Bob, Oxford Treble Bob, and one 720 of Woodbine. Tenor 18 cwt.

GEORGE WIFFEN ... .. Treble	HORACE J. MANSFIELD ... .. 4
WILLIAM H. P. MELLIN ... .. 2	ERNEST W. BRIGHT ... .. 5
WILLIAM S. BUTLER ... .. 3	FRED CHALK ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ERNEST W. BRIGHT.

WALSHEAM-LE-WILLOWS, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, May 4, 1930, in Three Hours,

At the Church of St. Mary,

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

Being seven 720's, each called differently. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

*ALBERT CLARK ... .. Treble	PERCY L. JOHNSON ... .. 4
ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... .. 2	DAVID WHITING ... .. 5
KEITH WHITILE ... .. 3	GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL ... .. Tenor

Conducted by GARNHAM A. BLAXCELL.

\* First peal. First peal on the bells for the Guild and since 1903. Mr. A. Clark was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting the peal.

**YOUNG WHITWICK RINGER'S DEATH.**

On Sunday, May 4th, eight members of the Midland Counties Association rang a half-peal of Grandsire Triples at St. John's Church, Whitwick, with the bells half-muffled, as a mark of respect to Norman Underwood, who was a young, regular and progressive ringer at the above church. The ringing was well struck and brought round in 1 hr. 29 mins.: John Rawson 1, Walter Fern (conductor) 2, George Butler 3, Horace Moulton 4, Horace Over 5, Alfred Underwood 6, John W. Rawson 7, Charles Freeman 8.

NORTH LOPHAM, NORFOLK.  
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Nine Minutes,

At the Church of St. Nicholas,

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

Seven different extents. Tenor 10½ cwt. in F sharp.

ERIC G. BENNETT ... .. Treble	NOLAN GOLDEN ... .. 4
ALPHAUS J. BERRY ... .. 2	*STANLEY HOLMAN ... .. 5
*STANLEY FOLLER ... .. 3	GEORGE LAND ... .. Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal at first attempt. Rung as birthday compliments to Mrs. Bennett, mother of E. G. Bennett, and to Mr. George Williams, Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild, to whom the conductor is indebted for many kindnesses.

DISEWORTH, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, May 10, 1930, in Two Hours and Forty-Six Minutes,

At the Parish Church,

**A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;**

Being two 720's of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob, called differently. Tenor 11½ cwt.

FREDERICK W. TURNER ... Treble	EDWARD JOYCE ... .. 4
CHARLES DAVIS ... .. 2	JOHN BOOTH ... .. 5
R. ALAN HICKTON ... .. 3	EDMUND C. CHASTY ... .. Tenor

Conducted by E. C. CHASTY.

The band wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

**HANDBELL PEAL.**

GOSFORTH, NORTHUMBERLAND.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL GUILD.)

On Saturday, May 3, 1930, in Two Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,

At 1, SALTERS ROAD,

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

Tenor size 15 in C.

JOHN ANDERSON ... .. 1-2	*WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON ... 5-6
WILLIAM H. BARBER ... .. 3-4	ADAM DEAS ... .. 7-8

Composed by C. CHARGE. Conducted by W. H. BARBER.

\* 50th peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Albert Walker, Deputy Ringing Master of the St. Martin's Guild.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**

**PRESENTATION TO LEWISHAM DISTRICT SECRETARY.**

The quarterly meeting of the Lewisham District was held at Dartford on Saturday, May 3rd. Touches in all the standard methods were accomplished during the afternoon and evening.

The Vicar (Rev. Lempiere D. Hammond) officiated at the service and gave a very interesting address based on a phrase in the association prayer.

After the service the members adjourned to the Church Hall to partake of a substantial spread, generously supplied by the Vicar, who occupied the head of the table, supported by Mr. A. Keyes, churchwarden.

The Vicar welcomed the company to Dartford, and after a short, witty speech, presented the district secretary (Mr. A. G. Hill) with a handsome canteen of cutlery, the gift of the members to mark Mr. Hill's recent marriage.

After a short but sincere expression of thanks and agreeable surprise by the recipient, the business meeting proceeded, the Vicar presiding.

One ringer was elected a member of the association, and the election of three members in the tower before peal attempts was confirmed.

Mr. E. Barnett, jun., (district representative) read a report of the proceedings at the committee meeting held at Canterbury on Easter Monday. This was adopted, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Barnett for an able report was accorded.

As the place of next meeting, Eynsford was most favoured, Farningham being chosen as an alternative should catering difficulties prove insuperable at Eynsford.

Mr. W. J. Jeffries moved a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, for his generous hospitality, and for presiding at the business meeting.—The Vicar asked Mr. A. Keyes to respond on behalf of Dartford. Mr. Keyes did so in a few well-chosen words, ending with an invitation to the association to visit Dartford again in the not too distant future.

This concluded a successful and well attended meeting, made more enjoyable by the presence of Mr. F. M. Mitchell, the general secretary of the association. The tower was then visited for further ringing.

**MUSICAL ASPECTS OF CHANGE RINGING.****FEATURES OF COMPOSITION EXPLAINED TO MUSICIANS.**

'Some musical aspects of change ringing' is the title of an interesting and instructive article by the Rev. F. Ll. Edwards in a recent issue of the 'Musical Standard.' After dealing with the distinctive features of bell music and briefly describing the rules and restrictions which govern methods, the writer says:—

'But while change ringers make it their object to ring a definite number of changes according to the rules of a particular method without repetition, they are by no means content to achieve that object without regard to the musical effect. The number of permutations that can be produced on a given number of bells is simply a question of arithmetical progression. The order in which those changes shall be produced is a matter for the composer, first the composer of the method, then the composer of a touch or peal according to the rules of that method. Great care and remarkable ingenuity are exercised in composition to obtain the most musical effects. Changes ending, for instance, with the tonic at the bottom of the scale preceded or followed by the leading note above are avoided as far as possible. Indeed a general principle is adopted of avoiding wide intervals, other than the sixth or octave, and keeping the deeper toned bells in juxtaposition, thus maintaining the traditional character of ecclesiastical music. Naturally, when all the permutations obtainable on a given number of bells are to be rung, even the least euphonious sequences have to be included; but it is just here that the composer exerts his ingenuity to the utmost, in separating the less musical changes from one another by considerable intervals, so as to relieve the ear of any succession of displeasing effects.'

'It is naturally to the practical bellringer that the science of change ringing chiefly appeals,' says Mr. Edwards at the close of his article, 'but the musical aspect of it presents so many points of interest, that any musician, without any such practical experience, might find it quite a fascinating study to make himself acquainted with the rules of one or two methods, master the principles of composition, and then endeavour to work out peals or "touches" containing the fullest proportion of musical effects. A professor of mathematics has ere now found the subject of sufficient interest to co-operate with a committee of change ringers in working out some of the technical problems involved. It may well be that the professional musician may likewise find interest in co-operating with the change ringer in the production of melodious sequences, to the mutual satisfaction of both.'

**LEARNERS AND DISTRICT MEETINGS.****A YORKSHIRE EXPERIENCE.**

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—We often read in 'The Ringing World' of secretaries of associations and district societies bemoaning the fact that their meetings are poorly attended, and is there any wonder that such is the case, for the way some meetings are carried out is enough to dishearten any learner, no matter how enthusiastic he may be? My experience at the meeting I attended at Rotherham on Easter Monday was that unless you can ring the advanced methods, such as London Surprise, Cambridge Royal, etc., it is no use spending the time and money to go. I was there over two hours, and the ringing I got was to pull a bell up and have a short touch of Kent Royal (which came to grief), and the rest of the time was spent waiting until the higher methods were done with. Someone suggested 'Double Norwich,' but this was soon turned down, and the hand contented themselves waiting for more to turn up, and remarking that there didn't look like being many there. However, there was a fresh arrival, who was evidently welcome by the reception he received, as he had only to get his coat off, pick up his rope, and 'Go next time, Cambridge Royal.' That satisfied me that my room was preferred to my company, and I disappeared, regretting I had spent so much time at a ringers' meeting.

I learnt afterwards that I was not the only unlucky one. Another member of our band, after waiting two hours for pull, had decided to give it up as a bad job, and was preparing to leave when one of the local band asked him where he was going. To this he promptly replied, 'Home, as it doesn't look to be much use staying here,' but he was persuaded to stay, and eventually he got a touch or two after waiting hours. Now, Sir, is there any wonder that young members will not attend meetings? I have frequently asked our members to go, but they say it is a waste of time and money, and when you can hear of those who do attend not having a pull at all, and others waiting for hours for it, my only fear is that, if this treatment of learners continues, in twenty years' time our art will have ceased to exist. I think this is a matter that should be carefully considered by those responsible for organising meetings, etc., who should see that someone is in charge to arrange for the same privileges to be meted out to the learner as well as the expert.

Trusting you will favour me with space in your columns, and thanking you in anticipation, yours faithfully,

S. HARRISON,

Secretary, Conisborough Parish Church ringers.

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## OUR 1,000th NUMBER.

### FEATURES OF A SOUVENIR ISSUE.

The one thousandth issue of 'The Ringing World,' which will appear next Friday, will be a noteworthy event in the long and chequered history of the ringing Press, which began in 1871 with 'Church Bells,' and has seen three other ringing journals, including 'Bell News,' established and disappear.

We intend to make our one thousandth number worthy of the occasion, and in this we have had the kind co-operation of the president of the Central Council, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies, Mr. J. Armiger Trollope and Mr. William Willson. All these names are known wherever ringing literature is read.

Canon Coleridge, although still only in the convalescent stage after his recent serious illness, is, with characteristic kindness, going to redeem a promise made some time ago, and write on 'Forty Years of the Central Council.'

The Rev. C. D. P. Davies' active touch with the ringing Press goes back to the early days of 'Church Bells,' and he will contribute an article on the influence of ringing papers on the Exercise.

Mr. J. Armiger Trollope will deal with the way in which technical questions, leading to the general advance of the art, have been furthered by the aid of the ringing newspapers.

Mr. William Willson, who contributed to the first number of 'The Ringing World,' will take a look back and deal with his subject in light and shade.

Several photographs, including a picture of Canon Coleridge, will illustrate the issue, which will be enlarged for the occasion, and will be one which, as we have pointed out before, ringers will most certainly desire to keep.

There are many who follow ringing affairs who only share a copy of the paper. Next week, we feel sure, everyone will want a copy to himself. Unless these extra copies are ordered TO-DAY, through a newsagent, or by TUESDAY NEXT from the Editorial Office of 'The Ringing World,' there may be disappointment. The edition will be limited, and there can be no reprint. The price will be 3d. through a newsagent, or 3d. post free from the Editorial Office, Woking.

Regular readers will render us a service if they will bring this announcement to the notice of non-subscribers. We intend to make the 1,000th issue a 'bumper' number; will ringers help to make our circulation next week a record?

## BELFRY GOSSIP.

Many of our readers will be interested to know that Messrs. John Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have in hand the recasting of the tenor bell (approximately 20 cwt.) of Limerick Cathedral peal of eight.

A young band is being formed at St. Lawrence Jewry, where there is the heaviest ring of eight in the City of London. Mr. A. A. Hughes has undertaken to instruct them.

It was at St. Lawrence Jewry that the first recorded peal of Court Bob Major was rung. This was by the Ancient Society of College Youths, and is recorded in their peal book as 'a peal of 5,040 Court Bob, being the first that was ever done.'

Thurstans' famous four-part peal was rung for the first time on May 18th, 1846. It was the outcome of years of effort to find the perfect peal of Stedman, and there was the keenest rivalry among composers of that day to get a peal with two singles only. The honour fell to Thomas Thurstans, of Birmingham, and Henry Johnson called it for the first time at St. Martin's Church.

On May 16th, 1883, Sam Wood, of Ashton-under-Lyne, called the peal of 16,608 Kent Treble Bob Major at Mottram-in-Longdendale, Cheshire.

The south-west tower and the ring of ten bells at York Minster were destroyed by fire on May 20th, 1840.

Next Wednesday is also the anniversary of the 13,054 Stedman Caters rung at Cheltenham in 1888, and of the 12,675 Stedman Cinques at St. Saviour's, Southwark, in 1923.

Thursday is the 31st anniversary of the 17,024 Double Norwich Major, at Kidlington, which the late James Washbrook called.

A peal of Grandsire Triples, at Grundisburgh, on April 12th, has been reported twice. Only one peal was rung.

Mr. S. Rowsell, of Staple Fitzpaine, has not missed ringing at his tower on Easter Sunday for 52 years.

## BOYS OF THE OLD BRIGADE.

Last week Mr. William Ireland, of Diss, Norfolk, celebrated his 78th birthday by ringing in a peal of Double Norwich Major. Mr. Ireland, who is an original member of the Norwich Diocesan Association (founded 1877), conducted its first peals of Bob Major (March 6th, 1878) and Kent Treble Bob Major (March 19th, 1879). He also called a 7,296 and a 10,272 in the latter method in 1880, which remained the Treble Bob record for the association until it was surpassed on June 6th, 1892.

Another Diss veteran, Mr. John Souter, took part in Mr. Ireland's birthday peal. He is in his 80th year, and is looking forward to taking part in an attempt to raise the association's Double Norwich record, which at present stands at 11,040.



## NEW PEAL OF TEN AT BANBURY.

## ROUND TOWER DIFFICULTIES SURMOUNTED.

Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., of Loughborough, have just completed the recasting of the bells of Banbury, Oxon, and have turned the old ring of eight into a lighter peal of ten.

Late in the year 1928 the bells were condemned as unsafe and ringing had to be stopped. The restoration needed much anxious consideration on the part of the church authorities owing to the unusual construction of the tower, which is circular in plan. One of the defects of the old peal was that, in order to get all the bells into a round tower, they had not been properly hung in a complete bell-frame, but were hung upon baulks of timber, some of which abutted directly on the masonry of the walls, on which they exerted a detrimental thrust. It was, therefore, decided to adopt the custom, practised in some towers, of hanging the new peal in two tiers. Mr. Ernest Ravenscroft, F.R.I.B.A., one of the diocesan surveyors, who has had a very large experience of belfries and towers, had been appointed the architect to supervise the rehanging of the Banbury bells, and after he had in-



BANBURY PARISH CHURCH TOWER AND ENTRANCE.

spected the tower and the plan of the two-tier bell frame, he condemned the proposals. Although this expedient is quite acceptable in towers the masonry of which is equally substantial throughout their height, the thrust of the upper tier would, it is said, have come in the Banbury tower against a portion where the louvre openings render the masonry weaker.

The Church Council had several anxious discussions on the matter. The alternatives were to replace the present peal of eight, with two bells recast and such retuning as the varying nature of a mixed peal would render possible, with a new iron frame and modern fittings; or to recast the present peal with one of the semi-tones and a new treble bell into a lighter ringing peal of ten bells, all of which could be hung on one level. The latter course was eventually agreed upon by the Council, and Messrs. Taylor produced a plan which the archi-

teet and the Diocesan Advisory Committee approved. The Chancellor of the Diocese granted an amended faculty on November 11th last and Messrs. Taylor were given instructions to proceed with the work. Although the bells had been with them since June, they had, of course, been unable to move, even with the preparatory work, as the two schemes under consideration were widely different.

Excepting the new treble, the bells have been recast from the old metal, and the identity of each bell has, therefore, been preserved, and the original inscriptions on the individual bells have been retained. Two bells partake of a memorial character: Mr. T. H. Boote and Miss Boote have given the new treble bell in memory of the late Mrs. Boote and the Misses Dorothea and Clarice Boote, and the eighth bell has been given in memory of the late Mrs. Sarah Carter by Mr. George Carter, her husband, and his family and her sister.

The weights and inscriptions are as follow:—

Treble.—Note G sharp. Weight 4 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. Inscription—Given by Thomas Henry Boote and his daughter Alice Elizabeth in memory of Elizabeth (wife) and Dorothea and Clarice (daughters), Banbury, 1930.

Second.—Note F sharp. Weight 4 cwt. 3 qr. 3 lb. Inscription—This and two other new bells with the clock and chimes were erected to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, 1837-1897. This bell was presented by John Phillips Barford, J.P., 1897. Recast 1930.

Third.—Note E. Weight 5 cwt. 10 lb. Inscription—This bell was given by Frederick Earl of Guildford to the borough of Banbury. John Briant Hertford fecit 1820. Recast 1930.

Fourth.—Note D sharp. Weight 5 cwt. 2 qr. 8 lb. Inscription—John Pain, James Hill, Thomas Nasby, C. Wardens. John Briant Hertford fecit 1820. Recast 1930.

Half tone in chimes only.—Note D. Weight 5 cwt. 2 qr. 15 lb. Inscription—Cast 1897, recast 1930 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Fifth.—Note C sharp. Weight 5 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lb. Inscription—George Lucas, James Lane, Samuel Gardner, Church Wardens. Matthew Bagley made mee 1753 i h. Recast 1930.

Sixth.—Note B. Weight 6 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. Inscription—Recast 1897, again recast 1930 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Half tone in chimes only.—Note A sharp. Weight 6 cwt. 3 qr. 11 lb. Inscription—Cast 1897. Recast 1930 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Seventh.—Note A. Weight 7 cwt. 2 qr. 12 lb. Inscription—John Pain, John Fry, John Pearson, Church Wardens. Matthew Bagley made me 1779. Recast 1930.

Eighth.—Note G sharp. Weight 9 cwt. 2 qr. 11 lb. Inscription—Henry Bagley made mee 1669. Given in memory of Sarah Carter by George Carter (her husband), his family and Eliza Foskett (her sister) 1930. Recast 1930.

Ninth.—Note F sharp. Weight 13 cwt. 6 lb. Inscription—Recast 1852, again recast 1930 by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Tenor.—Note E. Weight 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb. Inscription—That all may come and non may stay at home i ring to sermon with a lusty boome. Philip Style Gent, John West, Thomas Abraham, Ivner and Thomas Sutton, Church Wardens 1667. Recast 1930. h b.

The total weight of the ringing peal will be 80 cwt. 24 lb., against 89 cwt. 2 qr. 2 lb. of the former peal, the weight of the new tenor bell being 17 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb., against 21 cwt. 2 qr. of the old tenor.

The bells were formally dedicated by Bishop Shaw at an impressive service held on Sunday, April 13th, but at that time the work had not been fully completed, and no change ringing took place, except a course of Stedman Triples.

The cost of the work has been over £200, and it is hoped to complete the fund by a 'bell day,' which the Mayoress of Banbury organised and which was held yesterday week.

## MUFFLED BELLS.

At Great Horkesley, Essex, on Sunday, May 11th, for malins, 720 Oxford Treble Bob: H. T. Pye 1, J. Bowell 2, S. Davy 3, D. Elliott 4, W. Keeble 5, W. J. Nevard (conductor) 6. Rung with the bells fully muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. E. J. Nevard, for 16 years churchwarden, who was interred in the presence of a large congregation the previous Monday in the Parish Churchyard. After service, with the bells half-muffled, 720 Cambridge: H. T. Pye 1, J. Bowell 2, W. J. Nevard 3, D. Elliott 4, G. Jennings 5, W. Keeble (conductor) 6. The deceased churchwarden was well known and very highly respected by a large circle of friends, and was a cousin of Mr. W. J. Nevard, of Great Bentley.

At St. Mary's Church, Broughton Ashley, Leicestershire, on Thursday evening, May 8th, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Doubles (1,280 changes) in 50 mins.: C. E. Carr 1, J. Brunt 2, F. Bodycote 3, A. Bodycote 4, H. Bird (conductor) 5. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rev. Bertram William Machin, who had been the Rector at this church during the last nine years, and who died from pneumonia after only a few days' illness, and was interred in the churchyard earlier in the day. For the memorial service on Sunday evening, 720 Grandsire Doubles: J. Brunt 1, C. E. Carr 2, H. Bird 3, F. Bodycote 4, A. Bodycote (conductor) 6.

### SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL MEETING.

The proceedings at the annual general meeting of the Sussex County Association at Brighton, on Saturday, May 3rd, commenced with ringing at the towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' from 2 till 3.30, and a good proportion of those attending the meeting—over 80—was in attendance from the commencement. At four o'clock a special service was held at St. Nicholas' Church, conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. H. Collinson). The Bishop of Lewes (one of the vice-presidents) gave the address.

'You have a privilege that is not given to the conductor of a band, nor to a famous singer; nor even to a preacher. The sound of your work is heard, but you remain hidden,' said the Bishop. He described change ringing as a science and an art which required entire unselfishness. 'Change ringing itself,' he added, 'requires great skill, memory, and endurance.' It was a work they could not do properly, however, without remembering it was a spiritual work. It was the sight of little villages, with their churches and spires, that made the beauty of Sussex. The church spires were the first things one noticed in any town, and they appealed to the tenderest traits in the human heart. The spires were built to hold bells, and England was a bell ringing island. The bells were bound up with the family, social and national life of the country, and, indeed, it was a well-known fact that in Russia, when they wanted to put down the social life of the country, the first thing they did was to silence the bells. 'You cannot compare the band or orchestra with the music of the bells,' he added; 'but it is not bells generally, but church bells, which appeal to the heart. I think there is some wonderful mystery in the bells, for as soon as the sounds float over the country they assimilate themselves with the surroundings.'

The collection on behalf of the Benevolent Fund amounted to £12s. 6d.

A meat tea was provided at Morley's Pavilion Restaurant, at which the Bishop of Lewes presided, but was unable to remain for the meeting which followed. The Master, Mr. J. Thornton Rickman, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Bishop for his presence with them, also for his address.—The Bishop suitably replied.

The Master presided at the business meeting, at which the following new members were elected: Mr. S. E. Armstrong, Good Shepherd, Brighton; Mr. J. Woolgar, Hurstpierpoint; Mr. A. Bleach, Mr. A. F. Rapley and Mr. T. E. P. Pavey, Steyning.

The report and balance sheet were presented and adopted.

#### A SOUND FINANCIAL POSITION.

The report showed that the various activities of the association had been maintained. The standard of ringing was satisfactory, and the attendance at the various divisional meetings was fairly good. One particularly pleasing feature was the large proportion of young men at those functions. The hope was expressed that some of them would begin to conduct peals of Grandsire Triples and Bob Major, especially in the country parishes. The association continued to remain in a sound financial position, due in a large measure to invested capital. The balance in hand was £128. The appreciation of the association was expressed to the clergy of affiliated towers for their generous support. In return, the association mentioned that in cases where advice was required as to the condition of existing peals, or of new work, they were prepared to place capable and experienced men at their service. The report appealed to its members to make Sunday service ringing their first object. Fifty-three peals were rung during 1929, which compared favourably with the past four years.

The following officers were elected: President, the Right Rev. G. K. A. Bell, D.D.; vice-presidents re-elected en bloc; Master and hon. treasurer, Mr. J. Thornton Rickman; hon. general secretary, Mr. A. D. Stone; hon. peal secretary, Mr. F. Bennett; hon. auditors, Mr. W. C. Hart and Mr. R. J. Dawes; representative to Central Council, Mr. J. Thornton Rickman.

Brighton and Haywards Heath were proposed for the next annual meeting, a very close vote being in favour of Haywards Heath.

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of St. Nicholas' for the service and to the various incumbents for the use of the bells, also to the gentleman who kindly presided at the organ.

The towers were again visited for ringing, the methods rung ranging from Grandsire to Surprise Major and Royal. The tower of the Good Shepherd had been obtained for ringing from 7.30 till 9 p.m., but, to the disappointment of many, the tower was closed after half an hour's ringing on account of illness.

The towers represented at the meeting were Battle, Lower Beeding, Burgess Hill, Chichester, Crawley, Cuckfield, Eastbourne (St. Saviour's), East Grinstead, Hastings (St. Clement's), and Christ Church, Blacklands), Horsham, Lewes (Southover), Lindfield, St. Leonards (Christ Church), Rudgwick, Sanford, Shoreham, Steyning, Twineham, and Warnham, together with non-resident members, including an old Sussex friend, Mr. G. Williams, Master of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild.

**WEST CLANDON, SURREY.**—For evening service, on Sunday, May 4th, 720 Kent Treble Bob: H. Harding, sen., 1, A. Walker (first extent Treble Bob inside) 2, G. Grover 3, J. Goacher 4, F. Day 5, F. Bennett (conductor) 6.

### WARWICKSHIRE GUILD. NO CHANGE IN TITLE.

The 23rd annual meeting of the Warwickshire Guild was held at Warwick on Saturday, May 3rd, the majority of the towers being represented. The bells of St. Mary's (10) were raised in peal soon after three o'clock, and touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters were rung. A service was held in the chancel of the beautiful old church, the Vicar, Rev. A. D. Henwood officiating. The Guild's form of service was used, and the hymns, 'Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven,' and 'Soldiers of the Cross, arise,' were sung. The Vicar gave a short and inspiring address, and Mr. H. Argyle, one of the Guild's Central Council representatives, read the lesson.

Tea was partaken of at the Dale Temperance Hotel, 48 members and friends sitting down, including the Vicar and his churchwarden.

The business meeting followed, the Vicar being voted to the chair. Arising out of the minutes, the question which had been deferred for a year was brought up—that of altering the name of the Guild to that of the Coventry Diocesan Guild. The meeting was strongly in favour of the retention of the title the Guild has held for 23 years.

The balance sheet, showing a balance at the beginning of 1930 of £21 10s. 10d. was passed.

The Hon. Secretary (Miss D. E. Lewis) then read a report of the year's activities. Quarterly meetings had been held at Stoke-in-Coventry, Coleshill, and Nuneaton, and monthly meetings at Clifton, Exhall, Fillongley, Brinklow, Arley, Newbold, Bulkington and Stoke. The Guild has a membership of 263, 36 members having been elected during 1929.

Only seven peals were rung in the twelve months following April, 1929—one of Bristol Surprise Major, one of London Surprise Major, one Cambridge Surprise Major, one of London Surprise Minor, and three of Cambridge Surprise Minor. Two were rung at Nuneaton, two at Allesley and one each at Shilton, Fillongley and Stoke, twenty-three members taking part, the conducting being shared among Messrs. F. W. Perrens, J. H. White and H. G. Summers.

The report was adopted.

The election of officers next took place. The following were re-elected: President, Rev. J. L. White (Vicar of Nuneaton); hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss D. E. Lewis; hon. auditor, Mr. O. J. Hunt; representatives on Central Council, Messrs. H. Argyle and F. W. Perrens; and the district secretaries, the latter being elected en bloc.

Mr. T. W. Chapman, who has been Ringing Master for some years past, would not stand again, and Mr. J. H. White was therefore elected to fill the post.

The meeting places for the next three months were selected as follows: Bickenhill for May, Whitnash for June and Southam for the July quarterly.

Thirteen new members were elected, while the names of three who had been elected prior to peals were ratified.

The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Rev. A. D. Henwood for acting as chairman and for his splendid address at the service, and to Mr. Tibbetts, his churchwarden, for his interest in the service and the meeting.—Mr. Tibbetts briefly responded on behalf of the Vicar and himself.

The ringers then returned to the tower, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Caters, Treble Bob Royal, Cambridge Surprise Royal and London Surprise Major were rung, bringing to a close a very enjoyable and successful meeting.

### THE DEVON GUILD. BRANCH MEETING AT COCKINGTON.

The spring meeting of the Mid-Devon Branch of the Devon Guild was held at the renowned Cockington village on Saturday, when, in spite of the inclement weather, a good number of ringers were present from Exeter, Kenn, Christow, Buckfastleigh, Torquay, Paignton and Brixham, as well as the local ringers. There was also present the Rev. E. S. Powell (president of the Guild), Mrs. Powell and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cave, of Bristol. The ring of six bells were well utilised during the afternoon, touches of Grandsire and Stedman Doubles being rung.

A service was held in the fine old church, conducted by the Vicar (Rev. H. C. Studdy), the lesson being read by Mr. F. J. Laxton, chairman of the branch. The Vicar gave an excellent address, and based his remarks on the story of Esau selling his birthright.

The visitors then adjourned to the Parish Hall, where a substantial tea was awaiting them, and this was followed by the business meeting, presided over by Mr. F. J. Laxton (chairman). For the next meeting, to take place on Saturday, October 4th, Chudleigh was proposed, as well as Brixham and Churston combined. On a vote being taken, the latter was carried.

The Chairman proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for conducting the service, and for his address. The organist and blower were also thanked.—The Vicar suitably replied, paying a special tribute at the same time to his own ringers. He consented to become an hon. member of the Guild.

The Chairman extended a very hearty welcome to the visitors from other branches, etc., and Messrs. E. Shepherd (Exeter) and W. A. Cave (Bristol) suitably replied.

This concluded the business, and the visitors went to St. Mary Magdalene Church, Upton, Torquay, where touches of Grandsire and Stedman Triples were rung.

### MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. THE CONDITIONS FOR PEALS.

*To the Editor.*

Sir,—In my report of the annual meeting of the Midland Counties Association published last week, the proposition made by Mr. W. E. White regarding the standard for peals is not quite correctly given. I should therefore be obliged if you will requote this again as below, thus avoiding any misunderstanding that might occur.—Yours sincerely,

ERNEST MORRIS,

General Hon. Secretary.

That each peal acknowledged and recorded by the association must comply with the following conditions:—

1. All peals must commence from and finish with rounds.
2. On five bells, a peal must consist of not less than 42 true and complete 120's, each commencing from and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 120's, and/or one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions.
3. On six bells, a peal must consist of not less than seven true and complete 720's, each commencing from and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 720's and/or one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions.
4. On seven bells, a peal must consist of not less than 5,040 true and complete changes, commencing from and finishing with rounds. It may be lengthened by the addition of any number of 5,040's, and/or one shorter touch fulfilling the above conditions.
5. On eight bells and upwards a peal must consist of not less than 5,000 true and complete changes commencing from and finishing with rounds.
6. Splicing of 5 and 6, 6 and 7, 7 and 8, 8 and 9, etc., bell methods will not be recognised in any peal.

The proposition was agreed to at the general meeting as well as in committee.

### THE INSURANCE OF CHURCH BELLS.

*To the Editor.*

Dear Sir,—In your timely leader on Insurance in this week's issue of 'The Ringing World' you say: 'If the bells are specially included, they are much more likely to be insured at their real replacement value.' This depends a good deal upon how recently the policy was issued or revised. It must be remembered that the price of everything has risen considerably in the last few years, and that in the case of total loss there are not many things that could be replaced at what they cost twenty years ago.

In revising the policy on our church and its contents here we requested the advice of the bell founders, organ builders, and clock makers; and in each case we found that the sum for which the items were insured was little more than half what we should have to pay for replacement in the event of a total loss, though the policy was not very old.

It is clear that it is not sufficient to have the bells specially included in the insurance at their cost price; the policy must be brought up to date.—Yours faithfully,

J. B. M. RIDOUT.

Swanage.

### GARSTANG PARISH CHURCH BELLS RESTORED.

There was a crowded congregation at St. Helen's Parish Church, Garstang, Lancs, on Easter Sunday afternoon, when the bells were rededicated by the Lord Bishop of Blackburn.

The bells have been retuned and sandblasted and rehung on ball bearings with all up-to-date fittings, the work having been carried out by Messrs. Gillett and Johnston, of Croydon, who were represented at the opening by Mr. J. W. Trappitt, who had hung the bells. The restoration of the bells is only part of an extensive church restoration scheme, the tower and belfry also undergoing repair. The tower was erected so far back as the 15th century, and from recent investigations it was discovered that some of the massive oak beams were suffering from the ravages of the death watch beetle, which is causing much havoc to many old and historical buildings in various parts of the country.

On the occasion when the bells were rehung a hundred years ago they were rung all day by ringers from Preston, Blackrod, Croston, Leyland, Ribchester and Walton, and on Easter Sunday the old tradition was maintained, the local ringers being assisted by representatives of the Preston Branch of the Lancashire Association. The opening touch was rung by the local ringers, while after the service 720 Kont Treble Bob Minor was rung by members from Penwortham, Leyland St. James', Preston, and Brindle.

The service, which was simple and impressive, was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. C. F. Hood, while the Bishop gave an inspiring address.

The ringers present expressed their appreciation of the improvement both in the tone and 'go' of the bells.

### WITHERNSEA'S RING OF SIX.

#### NEW TREBLE DEDICATED.

An impressive service was held at St. Nicholas' Church, WitherNSEA, on Wednesday evening, May 7th, when the dedication of the new treble bell, which completes the ring of six, took place in the presence of a large congregation. The bell is the gift of the WitherNSEA branch of the Girls' Friendly Society, and is inscribed:—

LAUS DEO.

THE WITHERNSEA G.F.S. GAVE ME.

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The service, which was fully choral, commenced with the singing of the hymn, 'We love the place, O God.' After the lesson and collects, the choir, churchwardens, clergy, crossbearer, and the Bishop proceeded to the base of the tower, where the dedication ceremony was performed by the Right Rev. Bishop Heywood, who pronounced the dedicatory prayers whilst holding an extended rope of the new bell.

Immediately after the dedication, the new bell was rung alone six times, and then the full peal of six were rung in rounds for a minute, the congregation standing. The processional hymn, 'Lifted safe within the steeple, now our bells are set on high,' was then sung, whilst the choir, clergy, and Bishop returned to the chancel.

In an eloquent address the Bishop commended the work of the G.F.S. in giving such a valuable addition to the church, and also paid a glowing tribute to the art of change ringing, which showed he was no stranger to the belfry. After the sermon, the hymn, 'O worship the King' was sung, followed by the Blessing and the recessional hymn, 'Come, let us join our cheerful songs.' After the service, the congregation were invited to ascend the tower to the ringers' room to see the bells being rung, and about a hundred availed themselves of this opportunity. Touches of Bob Minor, Grandsire, and Bob Doubles, were rung by the local ringers, with friends from Sutton-on-Hull, the following taking part: G. Dowling, M. Dixon, T. Sheppard, C. Tomlinson, E. E. Taylor, P. J. Metcalfe, J. Pickering, S. Webb, A. E. West, H. Rodmell, L. Rodmell, and Misses N. Dalton and W. Webb.

The work of adding the treble has been carried out by Messrs. J. Taylor and Co., Loughborough, as described in our issue of April 11th.

### GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

#### DISTRICT MEETING AT YORKTOWN.

Success attended the district meeting at Yorktown on Saturday, May 3rd, when about 40 members and friends were present. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and at 4.30 the Guild's service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. R. M. Curwen). Tea and business meeting followed, the Vicar taking the chair, supported by Admiral F. P. Walker (hon. treasurer of the Guild) and the District Ringing Master, Mr. R. Hasted. The Vicar apologised for the absence of Miss Middleton, a life honorary member of the Guild.

One ringing member and six honorary members were elected.

Admiral Walker proposed, and Mr. F. Nye seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells, for taking the service and for presiding at the meeting, to the organist for his services, to the local band for making the arrangements, and, last but not least, to the ladies who provided such an excellent tea.

The tower was revisited at the close of the business, and the bells kept going in various methods until 9 p.m.

### THE MASONIC PEAL AT COLERNE

By kind invitation of Brother A. Prince, several of those taking part in the Royal Arch peal, rung at Colerne on April 24th, were the guests of 'Royal Albert Edward' Lodge at the Masonic Hall, Bath, on the previous evening. After witnessing a ceremony exceptionally full of interest, they were entertained to a sumptuous repast, and during the course of the evening the Worshipful Master referred to the presence of the 'Campanological Brethren,' and wished them good luck in the effort to establish a fresh record. The clerical member of the party contributed to the harmony of the proceedings with a folksong.

W. Bro. Northover, replying to the toast of 'The Visitors,' referred to interesting points of contact between Masonry and the College Youths.

The Masonic peal book was produced by Bro. A. A. Hughes for the inspection of the brethren, who regarded the illuminated entries with great admiration. So keen was the interest aroused in the forthcoming attempt that some of the Bath Masons motored up to Colerne the following day and listened to the peal.

### SEXTON FOR HALF A CENTURY.

The death has occurred of Mr. R. J. Woolridge, who for over 50 years had been sexton at the Parish Church of All Saints, Wandsworth. His family had held the office for several generations. He was buried on Saturday, and after the funeral a half-muffled quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples was rung in 54 minutes by Miss C. E. A. Gray 1, J. W. Chapman 2, W. Essery 3, J. Lee 4, J. H. Rimby 5, W. C. Stacey 6, E. E. Bish (conductor) 7, W. G. Grey 8.

### LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. REPRESENTATION ON DIOCESAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO BE SOUGHT.

The annual meeting of the Lincoln Diocesan Guild took place on Saturday, April 26th, when there was a good muster of members from all parts of the diocese, as well as of visitors from adjoining counties. By kind permission of the Dean and Chapter, ringing commenced at the Cathedral at 1.45. This allowed a good number to 'sample' the peal of twelve before service time at 3.30, when the ringers assembled in the Morning Chapel. The address was given by the Rev. Canon G. W. Jeudwine, Sub-Dean of Lincoln. Immediately this was over, all those present crossed the nave to the Ringers' Chapel, under the south-west tower, where the Right Rev. E. M. Blackie, Bishop Suffragan of Grantham, dedicated the memorial tablet erected to those members of the Guild who lost their lives in the war. About 100 members and friends gathered for tea at the Co-operative Hall.

At the commencement of the business meeting, the Sub-Dean (Canon Jeudwine) was elected president of the Guild and took the chair. The other officers were re-elected, namely, the Rev. H. Law James, Master; Mr. F. W. Stokes, hon. secretary; and Mr. F. F. Linley, hon. treasurer. Four representatives on the Central Council were also elected, namely, Rev. H. Law James, Rev. H. T. Parry, Mr. Rupert Richardson and Mr. G. Chester.

The President referred to the great loss the Guild had sustained by the death of their late president, Dean Fry, who had for many years taken a very lively interest in the work of the Guild, and largely through whose influence and help the augmentation of the Cathedral bells from eight to twelve had been made possible. He recalled to mind the opening of the bells on December 15th, 1928, when the late Dean, although in a very weak state of health after a serious illness, insisted on attending the service. The following resolution records the sense of loss felt by the Guild and the esteem in which the late Dr. Fry was held:—

'That this Guild places on record its respectful and profound attachment to its late president, Dean Fry, and also the humble and personal feeling of loss sustained by each member, as well as by the members as a body. It desires to acknowledge the thoroughness and magnitude of his work, especially in the Cathedral Church of the diocese, the augmentation of whose bells was largely due to him, and which, with many other acts of kindness, will be held as personal tributes to him.'

A resolution asking for representation on the Diocesan Advisory Committee was passed unanimously. This was brought forward by members of the Grimsby District in consequence of events in a parish in that district, where a certain amount of perfectly useless work had been done to the bells. The local ringers reported this at a district meeting, and consequently representations were made to the Church authorities, with the result that eventually something more satisfactory had been done, and the bells made ringable.

After the meeting, the ringers again visited the Cathedral tower and also the two six-bell towers of St. Peter-at-Gowts' and St. Botolph's.

An attempt to ring a course of Cambridge Maximus on the Cathedral bells during the evening unfortunately came to grief in the last lead, owing to one of the bells casting its rope.

### LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Leeds and District Society was held at Leeds Parish Church. The president (Mr. C. E. Lawson) occupied the chair and the towers represented were Armley, Rothwell, Holbeck, Batley, Headingley St. Chad's, Headingley St. Michael's, Hunslet and Drighlington.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mr. C. E. Lawson; vice-presidents, Messrs. T. Strangeway, J. Hey and W. H. Senior; ringing master, Mr. W. E. H. Ash; secretary and treasurer, H. Lofthouse.

The monthly ringing meetings list was left to the committee to arrange.

The balance sheet was read and accepted as a certain sign of the progress of the society.

The secretary's report showed an increase in the membership and also in the number of towers affiliated.

The amended rules of the society were read and approved, and it was decided to have them printed and to supply every member with a copy.

The secretary was instructed to write to the Vicar of Leeds and remind him that the bells of Leeds Parish Church were in urgent need of rehangings.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar of Leeds and to the local company brought the meeting to a close.

### IS IT THE FIRST?

At Lamberhurst, Kent, on Sunday, April 27th, for morning service, 720 Spliced Double Bob, Reverse Bob, Canterbury Pleasure and Fulbeck Bob: W. Marshall 1, J. Bassett 2, A. Marshall 3, D. Luck 4, A. Smith 5, A. Relfe (conductor) 6. These methods were spliced with Mr. Parker's 2nd's and 6th's splice, and the ringers would be pleased to learn if this is the first time that this splice has been used for plain methods.

### SUNDAY SERVICE TOUCHES.

SHALFORD, SURREY.—On Sunday, May 11th, for evening service, at the Church of St. Mary-the-Virgin, 720 Grandsire Doubles: K. A. Girdler 1, C. Bailey 2, H. E. Schupke 3, A. Lambkin 4, L. C. W. Hunter (conductor) 5, H. F. J. Gouldring 6. First 720 by all except ringers of 4 and 5. First 720 as conductor. Rung as a 15th birthday compliment to the treble ringer (May 12th).

DUFFIELD.—For evening service at the Parish Church, on Sunday, May 11th, in 43 mins., a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: S. Dawson 1, C. Draper 2, Miss E. Foulk 3, H. Hill 4, R. Boulton 5, G. Tandy 6, G. Warrington (conductor) 7, C. Bradley 8.

WINGHAM, KENT.—On Sunday, May 11th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,260 changes) in 42 mins.: S. W. Wells 1, J. Sharp 2, J. Eagles 3, H. Whitehead 4, C. R. Millway (conductor) 5, H. J. Saunders 6, L. Honess 7, Harrison Smith 8.

WEST CLANDON, SURREY.—For evening service, on Sunday, May 11th, 720 Carlisle Surprise Minor: A. Walker 1, F. Day 2, F. Bennett 3, J. Goacher 4, N. Harding 5, G. Grover (conductor) 6.

TOTTENHAM.—At All Hallows' Church, on Sunday, May 11th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: A. Racher 1, H. A. Barnett 2, E. A. Hull 3, W. J. Ellis 4, W. Dickinson 5, H. Ellis 6, C. A. Button (conductor) 7, H. W. H. Strickland 8.

DEPTFORD.—On Sunday, May 11th, for evening service, at St. John's Church (Lewisham High Road), a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples (1,344 changes) from Holt's Original: J. W. Colby 1, J. J. Lamb 2, C. Elliott 3, W. A. Martin 4, F. W. Thornton 5, E. B. Crowder 6, W. J. Jeffries (conductor) 7, A. Bennington 8.

CROYDON.—On May 11th, at St. Peter's Church, for evening service, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Caters: J. Adcock 1, D. Wright (conductor) 2, H. Wills 3, J. Trappitt 4, F. Larbey 5, W. Bulpitt 6, F. Leeks (first quarter-peal of Caters) 7, C. Dean 8, E. Denham 9, B. Newson 10.

OVER, CAMBS.—At the Parish Church, for evening service, a 720 Norwich Surprise Minor: F. Robinson 1, C. Robinson 2, F. C. Ginn 3, F. G. Gleaves 4, A. J. Ginn 5, F. Warrington (conductor) 6. For matins, 300 Bob Minor: R. Robinson 1, G. Whybrow 2, W. Bavin 3, D. Adams 4, F. Warrington (conductor) 5, R. Thoday 6.

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**NOTICES.**

**ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS** (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' on May 22nd and St. Michael's, Cornhill, on the 27th, both at 7.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's, Holborn, on the 29th, 8. \*Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

**LADIES' GUILD.**—Southern District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Aldershot on Saturday, May 17th. Bells available 3 o'clock. Tea 5 o'clock. All welcome.—Hilda F. Mills, Cairneyhill, Bridgefield, Farnham.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD** (Southern District) and the **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD** (South and West District).—A joint meeting will be held at Lambeth on Sat., May 17th. Bells from 3 p.m. Tea at 6. Service at 7.30 with address by the Vicar. Ringing till 9.15.—J. Herbert, 17, Grimston Road, S.W.6.

**SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.**—The festival will be held at Calne, Wilts, on Saturday, May 17th. Service in Parish Church at 12.30 p.m. Preacher, Ven. Archdeacon Coulter. Luncheon and annual meeting at Town Hall, 1.30, price 1s. 6d. Towers open: Bishop's Cannings, Calne, Melksham, Wootton Bassett (8), Bremhill, Bromham, Rowd (6), Compton Bassett (5), Devizes (3 towers).—F. Llewellyn Edwards, Hon. Sec., Kington Magna Rectory, Gillingham, Dorset.

**LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Abergavenny (Mon.) on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) available. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—John W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Barrack Rd., Newport, Mon.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Whittle-le-Woods on Saturday, May 17th. Bells available from 2.30.—Fred Rigby, Hon. Branch Sec., 8, Carrington Road, Chorley.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Peak District.—The next meeting will be held at Youghreave, near Bakewell, on Saturday, May 17th (not 10th as previously stated). Church of All Saints (8 bells, tenor 27 cwt.). It is hoped to make arrangements for tea. Visitors from other districts welcome. Reports ready. Subscriptions due.—J. E. Lewis Cockey, Hon. Dis. Sec., Leamwood, Dore.

**HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Western Division.—The next meeting will be held at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday, May 17th. Service at 4.30 p.m., followed by a tea and business meeting. The bells have recently been rehung on ball bearings. Hoping to have a good attendance.—J. Puplett, Hon. Sec., Aylesbury Road, Tring.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Burton District.—Next district meeting will be held at Overseal on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) ready 2.30 p.m. Reports on sale (6d.). Please see that we have a good meeting.—John Leach, Dis. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Radwinter on Saturday, May 17th, at 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea at 5.30. Those requiring tea kindly advise me.—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Tonbridge District.—The next meeting of this district will be held at Marden on Saturday, May 17th. Tower open at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Tea followed by business meeting after service.—W. Latter, Hon. Dis. Sec., 11, Dudley Road, Tunbridge Wells.

**NOTTINGHAM SOCIETY OF SHERWOOD YOUTHS** (Est. 1672).—The annual meeting of the above will be held at St. Mary's Church, Nottingham, on Saturday, May 17th. Tower open 5 p.m. Business meeting 7 p.m.—F. Blood, Hon. Sec., 91, Dame Agnes Street, Nottingham.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—The spring meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, May 17th. The bells will be available from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., to be followed by a ringers' service at 6 p.m. Ringing will be continued after the service. Tea 1/- each.—F. W. Hopgood, Hon. Branch Sec., 75, Kensington Road, Reading.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—Next meeting at St. Mary Magdalene, Enfield, on Saturday, May 17th. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service at 5. Meeting at 6. Tea at 1s. per head will be arranged at 5.30. Members and friends welcomed.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next meeting will be held at Kibworth on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (8) available from 3.30 p.m. Tea at the Rose and Crown Hotel at 5 p.m. Alban Disney, 3, Highgate, Aylestone Lane, Leicester.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Brinkworth on Saturday, May 17th. Bells (6) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30.—S. Hopper, 79, Edinburgh Street, Swindon, Wilts.

**THE SUFFOLK GUILD.**—Sudbury District.—A meeting will be held at Bures to-morrow, Saturday, May 17th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock.—L. A. Allington, Dis. Sec., 32, Acton Lane, Sudbury.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Brookfield Church, Gorton, on Saturday, May 17th. Bells ready 6 p.m. Subscriptions due.—J. Hall, Branch Sec., 22, Silver Street, Miles Platting.

**NORWICH & ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATIONS.**—A joint meeting of the West Norfolk and the Marshland branches of the above associations will be held at Watlington on Thursday, May 22nd. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., arranged for those who advise me in time.—W. J. Eldred, 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Shenfield on Saturday, May 24th. Bells (6) from 3 p.m. Tea 5. Meeting to follow. Will those intending to be present and requiring tea advise me by Tuesday, May 20th? This is essential.—E. J. Butler, 3, Eustace Road, Chadwell Heath.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Christchurch District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Brockenhurst on Saturday, May 24th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at 5. Those requiring tea please write to C. W. Tucker, St. Winifred's, Addison Road, Brockenhurst, Hants.—G. Preston, Dis. Sec., Christchurch.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**— Guildford District.—Meeting at Witley on Saturday, May 24th. Bells available 3 p.m. Tea and business meeting. Numbers for tea to me by Monday, May 19th, please.—G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., Merrow Cottage, East Clandon, near Guildford.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**— Derby District.—The first district quarterly meeting will be held at Derby on Saturday, May 24th. The bells of St. Luke's (8) will be available from 2.30 till 4.30 p.m., St. Alkmund's (8) will be available from 2.30 till 4 p.m., and the bells of St. Andrew's (10) will be available from 6 till 7.30 p.m. Business meeting at 4.30 in St. Luke's belfry. All ringers welcome. Will members who have not paid their subscription kindly do so at this meeting or send them. Reports for 1929 can be obtained? Seats can be reserved and tea obtained at King's Cafe, St. Peter's Street, on notice being given in the belfry during the afternoon.—George Freebrey, Local Hon. Sec., 81, Roe Street, Derby.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Northwich Branch.—A meeting will be held at Lower Peover on Saturday, May 24th. All ringers welcome. Bells (6) ready at 3.30.—H. Parker, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**— Fylde Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Singleton (6 bells) on Saturday, May 24th. Bells ready 3 p.m. Business meeting 6. A good attendance is requested.—C. Sharples, Branch Sec., 118, Dickson Road, Blackpool.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—A joint meeting of the Northern and North-Eastern Divisions will be held at Great Tey on Saturday, May 24th. Short service at 4.30. Tea and meeting at 5.15. All who intend to be present please notify Mr. Ridgewell, Queen's Road, Earls Colne, or R. W. Stannard, 12, Ireton Road, Colchester, Hon. secretaries of the two divisions, not later than May 19th, as only a limited number can be provided for?

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**— Sonning Deanery Branch.—Jubilee celebrations at Wokingham on Saturday, May 24th. Ringing at All Saints' and St. Paul's Churches from 3 p.m. Thanksgiving service in St. Paul's Church at 5 p.m. Preacher, the Ven. Archdeacon of Berkshire, Tea by kind invitation of the Rector in the Rectory garden at 6 p.m. Those ringers are welcome who notify me of their intention to be present. Latest date, Monday, May 19th.—W. J. Paice, Branch Sec., Merrel, California, Wokingham.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The annual meeting will be held at East Retford on Saturday, May 24th, when East Retford (10), West Retford and Ordsall (6) will be open for ringing from 2 p.m. Short service at the Parish Church at 4.30. Tea 5, business meeting to follow. Good bus and rail service from all directions. A good attendance is requested. All requiring tea must notify R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Sec., 34, High Street, Ordsall, Retford.

**BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**— Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Keysoe (5) and Riseley (5) on Saturday, May 24th. Ringing at Keysoe 2.30-4.30. Tea at Riseley 4.45. Ringing after tea. Please make an effort to support this meeting.—Percy C. Bonnett, Stagsden.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Witney and Woodstock Branch.—Spring meeting of above branch at Woodstock on Saturday, May 24th. Service 3 p.m. Preacher, Rector of Woodstock.—W. Evetts, jun., Hon. Sec., Hill Court, Tackley, Oxon.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**— Rochdale Branch.—A meeting will be held at Moorside, Oldham, on Saturday, May 24th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting at 6.30 p.m. All ringers welcome.—William Horan, Branch Sec., 2, Greenhirst Hey, Todmorden.

A CERT. for May 24th. **BUSHEY.**—Bells open from 3.30. Tea at 6.—C. H. Horton, 53, Aldenham Road, Bushey. Tel.—City 4270.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**— Western Division.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Warnham on Saturday, May 31st. Bells available from 2.30. Tea at the Sussex Oak at 5. All those intending to be present advise me not later than Wednesday previous to meeting.—A. W. Groves, Amherst, Dominion Road, Worthing.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**— North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Ewell on Saturday, May 31st. Tower open at 3 p.m. Service 5. Tea and meeting following. Those requiring tea please let me know not later than Tuesday, May 27th.—D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon.

**KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Canterbury District.—By the kind permission of the Rev. Canon Elnor, a bye-meeting will be held at Dover St. Mary's (8) on Saturday, May 31st. Bells available from 3 p.m. As this is the first meeting to be held at Dover since the war, it is hoped there will be a good attendance. Will those intending to be present, and requiring tea, please notify Mr. J. Eagles, 44, Clarendon Road, Dover, not later than Thursday, May 29th.—Percy W. Smith, Hon. Dis. Sec., Canterbury.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Leigh on Saturday, May 31st. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec., 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Blackburn Branch.—Our next meeting will be held at Darwen and Huddlesden on Saturday, May 31st. Bells available at Darwen from 3 p.m. Meeting at Huddlesden 6.30 p.m. Subscriptions due.—F. Hindle, Hon. Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry will be held at Stapleford (6) on Saturday, May 31st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Please notify Mr. A. E. Austin, 4, Hills View, Great Shelford, Cambs, by 29th.—F. Warrington, Dis. Sec.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western Division.—Special notice to all who are unable to attend Saturday meetings.—I am making provisional arrangements for a meeting at Dunmow on Wednesday, June 4th. Will those interested kindly write me?—C. Beeston, 5, King Street, Bishop's Stortford.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**— Preliminary Notice.—The 51st annual meeting will be held at Chelmsford on Whit-Monday, June 5th.—F. A. Pitstow, Gen. Sec. and Treas., 45, High Street, Saffron Walden.

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#### EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION. CHANGE IN OFFICERS.

The annual meeting of the East Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Association was held at Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts, on Easter Monday. The six bells, of which the tenor, 19 cwt., has recently been rehung on ball bearings, were ready at 5 p.m., and a few nice touches were brought round before the service, which was attended by 35 members, and was conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. J. Lowndes.

After service a party of 42 sat down to tea in the Parish Hall. In the absence of the president, the Vicar presided over the business meeting.

Mr. Wilson Dobb was elected president and Mr. Wilson Allin vice-president. The treasurer (Mr. Thomas Stimpson) was re-elected.

The secretary, Mr. H. G. Fretwell, who has left the district, was not present, and had intimated his intention to resign. Mr. J. W. England, The Common, South Normanton, Derbyshire, was elected in his stead.

The Ringing Master (Mr. J. Lord) is also leaving the district, and this announcement was received with regret. A resolution was passed that Mr. T. Bettison be invited to accept the office, and Mr. F. Knowles to assist.

The following were elected members of the Executive Committee: Messrs. G. Rogers, C. J. Partridge, W. Drake and F. Knowles. Nine new ringing members and three non-resident ringing members were elected.

The next annual meeting was fixed for Ripley, and quarterly meetings at South Normanton, Kirkby-in-Ashfield and Crich.

In proposing a vote of thanks of the late Ringing Master, Mr. E. Ashman voiced the appreciation of the association of his services, which was supported by Mr. J. W. England and carried with enthusiasm.

A vote of thanks to the Vicar, who had given the visitors a hearty welcome, to the organist, and to Mr. A. Munks, who had provided the splendid tea, concluded the meeting, and good use was made of the bells until about 8.30, when they were lowered in peal, and this brought to a close a successful meeting.

#### DEATH OF AN OLD RINGER.

It is with much regret that we have to record the death of Mr. William Clark, of Aldermaston, who died on Wednesday, April 30th, after being taken ill on the previous night. Mr. Clark, who was 61 years of age, was a ringer at Aldermaston, Berks, for 24 years, and before that at Theale, having been a ringer for about 45 years altogether. Ringing, and singing in the choir, were practically his only hobbies. He was a man who was always ready to help others in and out of the tower.

The funeral took place on Saturday, May 3rd. The bells were rung fully muffled before the service, and half-muffled after.

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