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The Exercise owes a debt of gratitude to Bristol United Ringing Guilds for many things which that body has done during the twelve years or so of its existence. Apart from an increased activity in local ringing affairs which it brought about, it inaugurated the 'Bristol dinner,' an annual 'gathering of the clans' from all parts of the country which has done not a little to add to the pleasurable social side attached to ringing. The Guilds have also been responsible within the last three years for two very happy holiday weeks for ringers, one of which has just terminated, but perhaps the most useful work of all which the Guilds have taken in hand has been the issue of 'The Ringers' Directory.'

The issue of such a publication was often talked about, but the Bristol United Ringing Guilds were the first to have the courage and enterprise to launch the undertaking. The directory has gone through three issues, beginning in a very modest way, and increasing in size and value with every edition. Now a new issue is contemplated and subscribers are invited. The method of compiling the directory is simplicity itself. The subscriber sends his name and address and the name of his tower, his association and office (if any), and with the information he forwards a shilling postal order, which entitles him not only to have his name inserted but also to a copy of the directory. Thus every ringer can, and should, have his name included in the publication and have a copy of the publication for his own use.

Subscribers are invited not merely in order that they may see their own names printed in the directory, but that other people may see them also. The value of the publication lies in the information which it gives to the Exercise at large. There are many occasions when a ringer wants the address of someone with whom he can correspond in some distant tower, outside the limits of his own association. There is no source of information to which he can turn, without at any rate a good deal of circumlocution, except the Ringers' Directory, and the more complete this is the more valuable it becomes to everyone. The use of the directory does not, however, end with its list of names. Particulars are given of towers and association officials, and a feature which we hope may again find a place in it is a pretty comprehensive collection of service touches. All these things, apart from the individual directory, which is of course its main object, add to its usefulness to ringers of all classes, whether they happen to be travellers or 'stay-at homes.' It is the importance of your name and address to other people that matters most in a directory. You never

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## TWELVE BELL PEALS.

KIDDERMINSTER, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 6007 CHANGES;

Tenor 24 cwt. 2 qr. 22 lb. in D.

WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... Treble	JOSEPH D. JOHNSON ... 7
WILLIAM SHORT ... 2	GEORGE F. SWANN ... 8
THOMAS HEMMING ... 3	C. HOWARD STANLEY ... 9
DANIEL T. MATKIN ... 4	SIDNEY T. HOLT ... 10
ROBERT MATTHEWS ... 5	CHARLES CAMM ... 11
THOMAS W. LEWIS ... 6	JAMES GEORGE ... Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT.

First peal on twelve bells as conductor. Rung as a birthday com-  
pliment to Mr. John Woodberry, president of the St. Mary's Society,  
Kidderminster.

OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5007 CHANGES;

Tenor 31 cwt.

HARRY G. FOXELL ... Treble	*ERNEST J. TAYLOR ... 7
MARGARET E. REYNOLDS ... 2	EDGAR HUMFREY ... 8
SYDNEY C. LODGE ... 3	WALTER F. JUDGE ... 9
CHARLES H. PULLEN ... 4	GEORGE HOLIFIELD, JUN. ... 10
FRANCIS E. TAYLOR ... 5	EDWIN HIMS ... 11
*REGINALD W. REX ... 6	RICHARD WHITE ... Tenor

Composed by C. H. HATTERSLBY. Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE

\* First peal of Cinques.

SURFLEET, LINCOLNSHIRE.

THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Thirty-Four Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 12 cwt. 9 lb.

EDWIN H. LEWIS ... Treble	JAMES E. DAVIS ... 7
MRS. R. RICHARDSON ... 2	*GEORGE E. FEIN ... 8
CHARLES T. COLES ... 3	ROBERT RICHARDSON ... 9
GEORGE R. PYE ... 4	FREDERICK W. STOKES ... 10
LEWIS SNELL ... 5	JOHN A. FREEMAN ... 11
JAMES BENNETT ... 6	JOHN WALDEN ... Tenor

Composed by JOHN CARTER. Conducted by CHARLES T. COLES.

\* First peal on twelve bells.

## TEN BELL PEALS.

WIMBORNE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, August 31, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Four Minutes,

AT THE MINSTER CHURCH OF ST. CUTHBERTA,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANGES;

Tenor 29½ cwt.

GEORGE HOLIFIELD, SEN ... Treble	WILLIAM A. CAVE ... 6
LOUIS J. LOCKYER ... 2	†HERBERT A. MITCHELL ... 7
*MISS MARCIA WHITE ... 3	WILLIAM C. SHUTE ... 8
*ANTHONY V. DENT ... 4	WILLIAM E. CHEATER ... 9
EDWARD T. GRIFFIN ... 5	*HARRY GILLARD ... Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by WILLIAM A. CAVE.

\* First peal on ten bells. † First peal of Stedman.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On Sunday, August 18th, for morning service,  
a quarter-peal of Bob Major (1,264 changes): H. Worboys (first  
quarter-peal) 1, E. G. Cottis 2, R. Penn 3, G. W. Faulkner 4, C. Penn  
(conductor) 5, C. E. Faulkner 6, C. Willmington 7, E. G. Moore 8.

## LEICESTER.

## THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Thursday, September 5, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARGARET,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5067 CHANGES;

Tenor 32½ cwt.

REV. E. G. BENSON, St. Cath. ... Treble	*REV. A. G. G. THURLOW, Selwyn ... 6
F. E. HAYNES, St. Cath. ... 2	*R.D. St. J. SMITH, Selwyn 7
W. H. J. HOOTON, Queen's 3	C. W. WOOLLEY, Selwyn 8
F. S. POOLE, Sidney ... 4	S. H. WOOD, Magd. ... 9
REV. H. S. T. RICHARDSON, Trin. ... 5	E. M. ATKINS, St. Cath. ... Tenor

Composed by JAMES E. GROVES. Conducted by F. E. HAYNES.

\* First peal on ten bells.

## EIGHT BELL PEALS.

## SCARBOROUGH, YORKSHIRE.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 31, 1935, in Three Hours and Eighteen Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 21 cwt.

*DEREK M. SHARP ... Treble	JOHN CHAMBERLAIN ... 5
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER ... 2	HARRY GIBSON ... 6
JOHN W. HOBSON ... 3	LEONARD RODMELL ... 7
WILLIAM A. BRECKON ... 4	ARTHUR E. WEST ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

\* First peal in the method.

## AVERTON GIFFORD, DEVON.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Sunday, September 1, 1935, in Three Hours and Nine Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLLIS' IRREGULAR FIVE-PART, No. 1. Tenor 13 cwt. in F sharp.

JOHN R. SANDOVER ... Treble	ALFRED W. MYERS ... 5
CHARLES R. LILLEY ... 2	THOMAS G. MYERS ... 6
HENRY G. LEWIS ... 3	CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER ... 7
JAMES E. LILLEY ... 4	BERTRAM H. COOPER ... Tenor

Conducted by CHARLES R. LILLEY.

Specially arranged to enable Mr. J. R. Sandover, of Heavitree, to ring a peal at his native place and in the tower where he learned to ring over 40 years ago.

## EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX.

## THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 2, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Two Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

PITSTOW'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 15½ cwt.

RICHARD V. FULLER ... Treble	FREDERICK H. DALLAWAY ... 5
HAROLD S. HODDEN ... 2	EDWARD W. BRAY ... 6
ERNEST GOWER ... 3	ALFRED C. PANKHURST ... 7
FRANK BENNETT ... 4	*LOUIS W. FAULKNER ... Tenor

Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal. Rung with half-muffled clappers as a last tribute of respect to Eastbourne's oldest ringer, the late Mr. T. Lewis.

## PLYMPTON, DEVON.

## THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 4, 1935, in Three Hours &amp; Twenty-Eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 25½ cwt.

AUBREY L. BENNETT ... Treble	THOMAS G. MYERS ... 5
MISS KATH. M. BRADFORD ... 2	THOMAS J. LOCK ... 6
G. HARRY MYERS ... 3	A. WILLIAM MYERS ... 7
SIDNEY O'SHAUGHNESSY ... 4	CHRISTOPHER R. WALKER ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS G. MYERS.

Arranged for Miss K. M. Bradford and Mr. T. J. Lock, of London.

## ILKESTON, DERBYSHIRE.

## THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 5, 1935, in Three Hours and Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb.

RALPH NARBOROUGH ... Treble	HENRY HARRISON ... 5
EDWARD C. GOBEY ... 2	WILLIAM THORNLEY, JUN. ... 6
JOHN E. HOBBS ... 3	FREDERICK A. SALTER ... 7
WILLIAM THORNLEY, SEN. ... 4	EDWARD F. GOBEY ... Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by E. F. GOBEY.

Rung to celebrate the 105th birthday of Mrs. Rachel Swain, of Flitwick, Beds, great-aunt of the ringer of the 2nd and great-great-aunt of the conductor; also to commemorate the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gobeys.

## COLCHESTER, ESSEX.

## THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

## A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

GEORGE JENNINGS ... Treble	ALAN ANDREWS ... 5
MAURICE LING ... 2	ERNEST DURRANT ... 6
WILLIAM J. NEVARD ... 3	HORACE A. WRIGHT ... 7
URBAN WILDNEY ... 4	EDWARD E. DAVEY ... Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by E. E. DAVEY.

Rung as a birthday compliment to H. A. Wright.

## MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

## A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6056 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

HERBERT E. AUDSLEY ... Treble	HENRY T. WILSON ... 5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN ... 2	EDWIN A. BARNETT ... 6
ROLAND PARK ... 3	EDWARD J. BEER ... 7
GEORGE J. BUTCHER ... 4	HARRY HOVERD ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.

Rung for the marriage of Cyril M. Mitchell, a member of the local band, and Miss Phyllis Wilder.

## QUEENSBURY, BRADFORD.

## THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

## A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

ERNEST H. SIMPSON ... Treble	HARRY DAVISON ... 5
EDGAR WHITELEY ... 2	THOMAS B. KENDALL ... 6
*MISS MARY WHITE ... 3	WILLIAM AMBLER ... 7
*KENNETH SIMPSON ... 4	SAM LONGBOTTOM ... Tenor

Composed by T. B. WORSLEY.

Conducted by WILLIAM AMBLER.

\* First peal. Rung as a birthday compliment to the ringers of the treble and 6th.

## WITHYHAM, SUSSEX.

## THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

## A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 6024 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt. 9 lb.

*FREDK. J. LAMBERT, SEN. Treble	FRANK BENNETT ... 5
STAFFORD H. GREEN ... 2	WILLIAM R. MADGWICK ... 6
*MISS FRANCES HUMPHREYS 3	*HERBERT MARKWELL ... 7
A. WINGFIELD DURHAM ... 4	FREDERICK WHITE ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK BENNETT.

\* First peal in the method. Miss Humphreys' 50th peal.

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ECKINGTON, DERBYSHIRE.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION  
(SHEFFIELD DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Peter and Paul,

**A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16½ cwt.

A. PERCIVAL KNIGHTS ... Treble	WILLIAM H. TURTON ... 5
ARTHUR KNIGHTS ... 2	JOHN W. SYKES ... 6
*HARRY WARDURTON ... 3	RICHARD R. REECE ... 7
PERCY J. JERVIS ... 4	THOMAS E. LEE ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR KNIGHTS. Conducted by A. P. KNIGHTS.

\* First peal. The composition, No. 269, is now rung for the first time.

SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas,

**A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5376 CHANGES;**

Tenor 16 cwt.

WILLIAM HOLLINGWORTH Treble	HAROLD BARSLEY ... 5
*ARTHUR I. HOLMES ... 2	GEORGE LADD ... 6
JOHN CURRY ... 3	CYRIL R. BURRELL ... 7
ARTHUR J. FARR ... 4	*JOHN G. AMES ... Tenor

Composed by H. JOHNSON. Conducted by JOHN G. AMES.

\* 100th peal. Rung on the eve of the patronal festival.

HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.  
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At the Church of St. Michael,

**A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

WILLIAM H. FUSSELL ... Treble	WILLIAM HENLEY ... 5
ROLAND BIGGS ... 2	HARRY WINGROVE ... 6
GEORGE MAYERS ... 3	GEORGE MARTIN ... 7
FREDERICK G. BIGGS ... 4	TONY PRICE ... Tenor

Composed by G. LINDOFF. Conducted by GEORGE MARTIN.

First peal in the method by G. Mayers, of Norwich.

WEST WYCOMBE, BUCKS.  
THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

CHALLIS F. WINNEY ... Treble	EDWARD J. MURRELL ... 5
CHARLES POTHECARY ... 2	THOMAS J. FOWLER ... 6
PERCY E. CLARK ... 3	PERCY E. NEWTON ... 7
J. E. LEWIS COCKEY ... 4	JOSEPH S. HAWKINS ... Tenor

Conducted by C. F. WINNEY.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. Tom Benney, who attained his 84th birthday on August 31st.

ELVEDEN, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sunday, September 8, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-Nine Minutes,

At the Memorial Tower of SS. Andrew and Patrick,

**A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 6058 CHANGES.**

MIDDLETON'S.

Tenor 17 cwt. in F.

*JAMES W. PAUL ... Treble	HENRY TOOKE ... 5
RUSSELL W. CURSON ... 2	ERIC G. BENNETT ... 6
NOLAN GOLDEN ... 3	CECIL V. EBBERTSON ... 7
WALTER R. FARROW ... 4	WILLIAM J. CLOVER ... Tenor

Conducted by NOLAN GOLDEN.

\* First peal of Cambridge. One hundredth peal by the ringer of the sixth, in 73 of which the ringer of the third has taken part.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.  
THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and One Minute,

At the Church of St. Nicolas,

**A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5024 CHANGES;**

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.

D. CECIL WILLIAMS ... Treble	REGINALD A. REED ... 5
WILLIAM LINTER, JUN. ... 2	A. JOHN RANCE ... 6
*HAROLD P. REED ... 3	GEORGE WILLIAMS ... 7
REGINALD C. H. CONNOLLY ... 4	FREDERICK W. BURNETT ... Tenor

Composed and Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

\* First peal of Major. Rung as a wedding compliment to Miss Sybil M. King, of Stoneham Park House, Southampton, and Mr. Richard A. S. Jerome, of Claricade Gardens, London, who were married in the above church in the afternoon.

**SIX BELL PEALS.**

NUNNEY, SOMERSET.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, August 31, 1935, in Three Hours,

At the Church of All Saints,

**A PEAL OF SURPRISE MINOR, 6040 CHANGES;**

Being 720 each of Lightfoot, Wells, London, Surfleet, Beverley, York and Cambridge. Tenor 12 cwt.

JOHN E. METCALFE ... Treble	DAVID MACKAY ... 4
NORAH G. WILLIAMS ... 2	RONALD G. BECK ... 5
KENNETH FORD ... 3	JOSEPH T. DYKE ... Tenor

Conducted by R. G. BECK.

First peal in seven methods on the bells.

HAMPTON, EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

(SOUTHERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, August 31, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Double Bob, Double Oxford, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.

ROBERT G. KNOWLES ... Treble	GEOFFREY J. HEMMING ... 4
WILLIAM RANFORD ... 2	THOMAS W. LEWIS ... 5
JAMES HEMMING ... 3	CHARLES CAMM ... Tenor

Conducted by GEOFFREY J. HEMMING.

COLNE ENGAINE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

(St. Andrew's Guild, Earls Colne.)

On Sunday, September 1, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Andrew,

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

Being 720 of Double Court, two 720's of St. Clement's and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt. in G.

*FREDERICK C. TOWNES ... Treble	ALEC M. GENERY ... 4
REGINALD G. SIMMONDS ... 2	ROBERT C. LYON ... 5
ALBERT L. DIXEY ... 3	GEORGE R. TOWNES ... Tenor

Conducted by G. R. TOWNES.

\* First peal in three methods. The band are all regular Sunday service ringers at the above church.

ABBEYDORE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Thursday, September 5, 1935, in Two Hours and Forty-Seven Minutes,

At the Abbey Church,

**A PEAL OF STEDMAN DOUBLES, 6040 CHANGES;**

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 9 cwt.

CHARLES L. SADLER ... Treble	ALFRED T. POULTON ... 4
ERNEST COX ... 2	WILLIAM POSTON ... 5
JOHN J. WEBB ... 3	HENRY G. WILKS ... Tenor

Conducted by W. POSTON.

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ELMORE, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.  
THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  
(GLOUCESTER BRANCH.)

On Sunday, September 1, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

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

Being ten six-scores of Grandsire and 32 of St. Dunstan's, each called differently.

Tenor 13½ cwt.

JACK DEAN ... .. Treble	ERNEST J. MATTHEWS ... 4
HARRY BARNETT ... .. 2	ALBERT MARTIN ... .. 5
TOM WORRALL ... .. 3	CHARLES HODGES ... .. Tenor

Conducted by ALBERT MARTIN.

This peal was rung for Sunday evening service.

BENINGTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.  
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  
(EASTERN BRANCH.)

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,  
At the Church of All Saints.

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

One extent each of Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Plain Bob, Double Court, Kent Treble Bob and Single Court.

Tenor 11 cwt.

GEORGE W. BURRELL ... .. Treble	*JAMES SHARPE ... .. 4
HARVEY E. BURRELL ... .. 2	WILLIAM WILKINSON ... 5
ARTHUR YOUNG ... .. 3	WILLIAM E. CLARKE ... Tenor

Conducted by WILLIAM E. CLARKE.

\* First peal of Minor and first extent in all methods.

SIBLEBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.  
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

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

Being two extents of Kent Treble Bob and five of Plain Bob.

Tenor 23 cwt.

*REGINALD A. ALEY ... .. Treble	*ERNEST F. PAYNE ... .. 4
ALBERT L. WARD ... .. 2	*GEORGE T. H. WALKER ... 5
†HUGH BELL ... .. 3	VERNON TAYLOR ... .. Tenor

Conducted by VERNON TAYLOR.

\* First peal in two methods. † First peal 'inside.' Rung in honour of the incumbent's silver jubilee as Vicar of Sibleby.

KELVEDON, ESSEX.  
THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Twenty-One Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Mary.

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

Being 720 each of York, Durham, Canterbury, Newcastle, London, Wells and Cambridge.

Tenor 21 cwt. in E.

WILLIAM KEEBLE ... .. Treble	JOSEPH ELLIOTT ... .. 4
CHARLES W. BURTON ... .. 2	AMBROSE MASON ... .. 5
WILLIAM T. ELLIOTT ... .. 3	CHARLES BUTTON ... .. Tenor

Conducted by AMBROSE MASON.

First Surprise peal as conductor. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Elliott, who kindly entertained the band after the peal.

HARROLD, BEDS.  
THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Three Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Peter.

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

Being 720 each of Cambridge Surprise, Woodbine, Oxford and Kent Treble Bob, Canterbury Pleasure, Oxford Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 13 cwt.

CHARLES W. CLARKE ... .. Treble	WILLIAM STOCK ... .. 4
*DONALD COCKINGS ... .. 2	HENRY W. GAYTON ... .. 5
HERBERT L. HARLOW ... .. 3	PEARL INSKIP ... .. Tenor

Conducted by HENRY W. GAYTON.

\* First peal in seven methods 'inside.'

SANDAL MAGNA, NEAR WAKEFIELD, YORKS.  
THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  
(BARNSLY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,  
At the Church of St. Helen.

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

Being 720 each of Sandal, York, Royston, Wragby, Felkirk, South Kirkby and Killanarsh.

Tenor 13 cwt.

J. WILLIAM MOXON ... .. Treble	FRANK ATKINSON ... .. 4
ARTHUR PANTHER ... .. 2	HAROLD CHANT ... .. 5
ERNEST CUTT ... .. 3	DANIEL SMITH ... .. Tenor

Conducted by D. SMITH.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. C. D. Potter, of Barnsley, who reached his 77th birthday on September 2nd.

CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.  
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Fifty-Seven Minutes,  
At the Parish Church.

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

Consisting of one 720 of Woodbine, two each of Oxford and Kent Treble Bob and Plain Bob.

Tenor 11½ cwt.

HERBERT C. FORDHAM ... Treble	PERCY L. JOHNSON ... .. 4
WILLIAM GOODSON ... .. 2	ARTHUR P. BALLARD ... .. 5
GEO. W. BLOOMFIELD ... .. 3	THEODORE E. SLATER ... Tenor

Conducted by T. E. SLATER.

First peal in four methods on these bells.

**HANDBELL PEALS.**

SOUTH WIGSTON, LEICESTER.  
THE CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY GUILD.

On Monday and Tuesday, September 2 and 3, 1935, in One Hour and Forty-Four Minutes.

At 52, BLABY ROAD,

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

Tenor size 11 in G.

F. E. HAYNES, St. Cath. ... 1-2	W. H. J. HOOTON, Queen's ... 5-6
C. W. WOOLLEY, Selwyn ... 3-4	S. H. WOOD, Magdalene ... 7-8

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD. Conducted by W. H. J. HOOTON.

CHORLTON-CUM-HARDY, MANCHESTER.  
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 7, 1935, in Two Hours and Thirty-Eight Minutes,  
At 120, NICOLAS ROAD,

**A PEAL OF STEEDMAN CATER, 5043 CHANGES;**

Tenor size 15 in C.

J. W. WASHBROOK ... .. 1-2	ALLAN F. BAILEY ... .. 5-6
HAROLD JACKSON ... .. 3-4	ALFRED BARNES ... .. 7-8
PETER LAFLIN ... .. 9-10	

Composed by J. CARTER. Conducted by ALLAN F. BAILEY.

Witness—Alfred L. Booth.

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mrs. J. W. Washbrook.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**

SOUTHERN DISTRICT AT CHART.

A meeting of the Southern District of the Surrey Association was held at Limsfield Chart on Saturday, September 7th. Several promising young ringers were waiting for a pull when the tower opened at 3 p.m. The local band had gone to Limsfield Church to ring for one of their colleagues (Mr. J. Knight) on the occasion of his wedding, for which 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor was rung after the ceremony.

At Limsfield Chart the bells were set going to rounds and call changes; after the return of the local band change ringing was enjoyed.

Service was conducted by the Rev. J. M. Lewis, and the lesson read by Alderman Temple Newell, J.P., of Reigate. Tea at the Institute was followed by the business meeting, the Vicar taking the chair.

It was proposed that the next quarterly peal should be attempted at Limsfield Chart, the method to be London Surprise Minor, conducted by Mr. L. Tidy. The next meeting is to be held at Godstone in December.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for presiding at the meeting, and to Mr. and Mrs. Tidy for arranging tea.

Mr. Tidy said he would like to thank Mr. J. Manley, of Turner's Hill, for providing an iron handrail leading to the belfry at Limsfield Chart Church.—This was greeted with great applause.

A return was then made to the tower and the bells kept going till 9 p.m., the ringing ranging from rounds to London Surprise Minor. At the request of a lady ringer, a course of Grandsire Triples was also rung on the handbells.

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## FOR BEGINNERS.

### 'ROPE SIGHT.'

Different ringers find different difficulties in attempting to grasp the first stages of change ringing, but most of these troubles can usually be attributed to want of 'rope sight.' Elementary rope sight is the ability to pick out the rope which is rising or falling immediately after your own when you are hunting up, or in front of yours when you are hunting down, or, perhaps, more strictly, in the case of the bell in front of you, selecting the one which is going to pull down immediately before you.

The rope sight of the bell that is pulling after you as you hunt up is fairly easily acquired by the average beginner. He has to discover which bell is following him, because that is the bell he has got to follow at the next pull, and there is a fair amount of time in which to pick it out, after you have pulled your own bell. You should look for it immediately you pull off, because, once your bell is over the balance, nothing you can do will alter that particular blow. Therefore, you can instantly devote all your attention to looking for the next.

All the while you are plain hunting there is one 'tip' to remember which will help to simplify your task. Once you have struck over a bell and passed it, you will not strike over it again until you have struck over all the rest. Therefore, as soon as you have passed a bell in hunting up, you need not look out for it again until you get behind the others. This process of elimination reduces the limit of your search for the next bell at every change.

### HUNTING DOWN.

It is the hunting down that usually gives the beginner his greatest difficulty. There is much less time in which to find the bell that you have got to pull after. Instead of being the next bell to you, as when you hunt up, it comes to you from behind two other bells—the bell you are immediately striking over and the bell striking over the one you are to meet next. The bell next to you goes up, the other goes down (it is your 'course' bell) and you and the bell you are looking for then come together. By the time you see him, however, he is probably pulling off, and so you quickly have to follow suit.

Your 'course' bell can be a great help to you. He is the one you turned from behind, and, all the while the plain hunting lasts, will be the one you take off at lead. As soon as you have pulled off in one change, if you do not know which next to strike over, try and pick out the one your course bell is striking over. He will be your next.

Suppose you are ringing Doubles, and you are finishing your whole pull behind, you have got your own bell, you know your 'course' bell, you know the one you are already striking over—well, there are only two left, one of which is leading. With a little practice it ought not to be difficult to pick out the other, which is the one you want.

As soon as you leave fifth's place, there is only one bell besides your course bell and the one you are immediately following, so you ought not easily to mistake that. And when you strike in 3rd's there is, of course, only the bell you are striking over and your course bell (which is leading), and must be the last you want before you yourself lead.

If you are ringing Minor or Triples, the same process applies, and, although there are more bells below you when you start hunting down, some are 'so far away' that they hardly enter into your vision.

### COUNT YOUR PLACES.

Rope sight does not come immediately, but practice will bring it and you will probably get it quicker if you remember the points mentioned above. In addition, do not omit to count your places, that is, after leaving lead (if you are ringing Doubles), count yourself into second's, third's, fourth's, fifth's; fifth's, fourth's, third's, second's, lead. And remember that in hunting up you have to hold up a little, as, in ringing Doubles with a covering bell, for instance, six other bells (instead of five as in rounds, or when you are leading) have to strike between your two blows. In hunting down, you must pull in a little, as only four bells, instead of five, strike between your two blows.

Some ringers can hunt up and down fairly easily if they are at one end or the other and have all the bells on one side of them. If they are in the middle, they find themselves handicapped by having bells on each side of them. This difficulty is more likely to arise where the ringing is taking place on the back six of a ring of eight and there is a big gap between the tenor and the first of the bells in use.

What the beginner should do is to try and ignore that gap. Endeavour to imagine (particularly if it is a six-bell tower) that you still have all the bells on one side. If you had been ringing the treble, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 would be on your left. If you are ringing the 3rd, 4, 5, 6, 2, 3 are on your left. Stand facing the centre of the belfry and try to take in all the ropes without, or with only very little, movement of the head. It is often the fact that a ringer, who is constantly ringing at one end or other, faces towards the other ropes, rather than the centre of the belfry, that adds to his rope sight difficulty when he tries to ring one of the other bells.

**HOLLOWAY.**—At St. Mary Magdalene's Church on Sunday, September 8th, a quarter-peat of Grandsire Triples: A. E. Williams (first quarter-peat) 1, E. Holman 2, G. Kent 3, R. Charge 4, F. W. Corney 5, A. Turner (conductor) 6, George Charge 7, B. Brown 8.

## 'DISTRESSING AREA' VISITED.

### JOYS OF A WEST MIDDLESEX EXCURSION.

The land lying in the great Middlesex loop formed by the Thames and Colne is too low and flat to have much in the way of scenic pretensions, and, in view of the increasing outward 'spread' of London, its attractions are in the main confined to 'bits,' a church there, a cluster of cottages here, the number of which tends, alas, to diminish steadily.

Possibly it was the inclusion of three such 'bits' in the programme of a meeting of the South and West District of the County Association on Saturday last that attracted some of the two dozen ringers who attended. This particular area is somewhat distressing to association officials, as the 'card index' remains in at least four of the towers situated there.

Several of Britain's ten million cyclists were on view, while we must not forget the gallant half-dozen who walked. Seeing them plodding along the country lanes reminded one of the aftermath of a race meeting!

Bedfont's recently restored ring of six were the first objective. After ringing there, it would appear certain that the locals must be deaf. Otherwise they couldn't stand the noise. As one wag remarked, 'Thank heaven, they are not twelve!' Why is it that only too frequently bell restorations are completed without any apparent regard to the ears of both the ringer and the listener? After ringing several five and six-bell methods, the 'Hore Belisha Boys' moved off, all observing the limit (not the limit mentioned by the walkers after reaching Stanwell; they were told it was only a mile, etc., etc.).

Stanwell village continues to remain free from the encroachment of Greater London, and on that account alone is worth a visit. The church contains much of interest, including some excellent mural monuments. The lighting is provided both by the ancient oil lamps and the modern electricity! A large tower is surmounted by a tall spire, very much out of the perpendicular. The tenor of the ring of five was cast by Mears in 1766, weight 13 cwt. 14 lb.

We all know Doubles are so simple on paper, but on a ring like these, the practical exposition was not so easy. It was a useful experience, however, inasmuch that it directed the skill of the performers back to the elementary principles of handling the rope and attention to striking.

A certain Hertfordshire gentleman departed in the direction of Tring in a car and a cloud of dust, when the tea cup was nearly in his hand. Does he ever have tea on Saturdays? His absence was not so noticeable, perhaps, owing to the late arrival of the V.P. (meaning plus fives), who had walked half-way across Middlesex to be present! It was, in truth, a very jolly tea party, and he of the secretarial shorts (Middlesex style and so 'andsome) felt amply repaid for his secretarial labours.

On the road again (oh, for a pen'north on the bus) and so to Harmondsworth. He of the bare knees commandeered a car and returned to pack the walkers therein. Meanwhile, the cyclists had got the bells in order, and all the 'brass hats' had to do was ring 'em! They did so very well, and Surprising things were done after sly glances at diagrams. A good 'fall' in peal concluded the ringing.

It subsequently transpired that 'great was the fall thereof.' For the oldest inhabitant's parting words were, 'I enjoyed the run down, haven't heard it done for many a year.' Here he chuckled, and added, 'They allus be left up, and methinks they won't ring in the morning, 'cause they don't know how to pull they up.'

It was a chilly night, but fast pedalling and those knees encased in a 'Daily Mail' soon restored the Bark to the Barker!

## DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

### SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT WEST HARTLEPOOL.

A most successful meeting of the Eastern District took place on Saturday, September 7th, at West Hartlepool. Ringers were present from Whickham, Newcastle, Sunderland, Darlington, Jarrow and the local tower. A short meeting was held after tea, Mr. R. L. Patterson, vice-president, being in the chair.

After the loyal toast, the Chairman said he was pleased there was a better attendance at West Hartlepool, although it could be better still, but these meetings had shown what good could be done when six members were present from Jarrow after having a meeting there some time ago. They saw what could be done when meetings were held at 'out of the way' places.

Mr. J. Titt, of Darlington, moved a vote of thanks to the clergy for the use of the bells.

Mr. Brewis (Jarrow) moved a vote of thanks to the ladies for the splendid tea, and said he was pleased to be present at such a happy meeting.—Mrs. F. Robson replied on behalf of the ladies.

This being the last district meeting before the annual meeting at Durham, nominations were asked for for vice-president and secretary of the Eastern District, and Mr. R. L. Patterson and Mr. F. Robson were again nominated for the respective offices.

It was decided that the next meeting of the Eastern District be held at Sunderland after the annual meeting, and due notice will be given in 'The Ringing World.'

The bells were kept going during the afternoon and evening, the methods rung being Kent Treble Bob Major, Grandsire and Stedman Triples. A happy time was spent by all.

**BARNSELY VETERAN'S BIRTHDAY.**

As reported in the peal columns, a peal was rung at Sandal, near Wakefield, on Saturday, September 7th, in honour of the birthday of Mr. C. D. Potter, of Barnsley, who reached the age of 77 on September 2nd. Mr. Potter is president of the Barnsley and District Society, of which he was one of the founders. He also held the office of secretary for a number of years, but gave it up to make way for a younger member. He is the oldest member of the society, and the peal was rung with the good wishes of all the band, in which all the members of the society and his many other friends will heartily join.

**SUFFOLK GUILD'S DELAYED REPORT.**

On Saturday, August 31st, a district meeting of the Suffolk Guild was held at Grundisburgh, when about 30 ringers were present. After ringing on the eight bells, tea was provided at the Dog Inn, and was followed by the meeting, the chair being taken by the Rector.

It was decided that as the report books had been so long delayed through several causes, a report covering the two years should be issued about the end of January.

It was also decided to cancel the proposed Kelsale meeting in favour of Leiston if available.

Three new members (including two ladies from St. Matthew's, Ipswich) were elected.

Members were present from Ipswich, Woodbridge, Tuddenham, Otley, Ufford, Creetingham, Hasketon and two visitors from Boston, Lincs. After the meeting some of the party visited Burgh, Hasketon and Tuddenham St. Martin for ringing.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.****MR. C. W. COOK ELECTED DISTRICT SECRETARY.**

The annual meeting of the Ely Archdeaconry Branch was held in Cambridge on Saturday. The Rev. E. C. Essex conducted service in St. Benedict's Church and gave an inspiring address.

The business was transacted in the vestry. Miss K. Willers expressed a wish to be relieved of the district secretary's duties owing to her election as general secretary. She wanted, she said, to be free to give her undivided attention to the whole association.

Mr. C. W. Cook was unanimously elected to fill the double offices of District Ringing Master and district secretary.

The following District Committee were re-elected: Messrs. Dennis, Hibbins, Hurry, Martin and Webb.

It was decided to visit Barrington on October 19th.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. E. C. Essex and to the retiring secretary for her work.

**DEATH OF HORBURY VETERAN.****RINGER WITH MANY TALENTS.**

We regret to record the death of Mr. James Woffenden, of Regent Road, Horbury, at the age of 75 years, who passed away on Saturday morning, August 24th, at his home. He had been a member of the Horbury tower since 1894, and became conductor of the Horbury handbell ringers in 1890. This band won the first prize in the competitions at Belle Vue, Manchester, in 1896. About 20 years ago he toured America with the Horbury handbell ringers. Mr. Woffenden was formerly a bass singer in the Horbury Church choir and a trombonist in the Horbury Prize Band.

The bells at Horbury were rung muffled on Sunday, August 25th, to 756 Stedman Triples by H. Pickles 1, George Dews (Ossett) 2, H. Rowley (conductor) 3, E. Pickles 4, C. E. Kent (Ossett) 5, J. Milner 6, R. Thickett 7, George Bennett (Ossett) 8. And on Tuesday, for the funeral, touches of Kent Treble Bob Major by members of the local band, assisted by Messrs. C. D. Potter (Barnsley), H. Dransfield, J. Ruddlesden and W. Idle (Earlsheaton), J. Moorhouse (Wakefield), and G. Bennett (Ossett). A course of Grandsire Major was rung at the graveside on handbells by W. Idle 1-2, G. Bennett 3-4, H. Rowley 5-6, J. Moorhouse 7-8.

Mr. Robert Thickett, Mr. Herbert Rowley and Mr. G. F. Pickles are now the only remaining members of the original Horbury band. They all started in 1890 and have thus each given 45 years' continuous service.

**OUTING BEGUN WITH A PEAL.****YARNTON RINGERS MAKE UP FOR JUBILEE DISAPPOINTMENT.**

The ringers of St. Bartholomew's Church, Yarnnton, Oxon, held their outing on St. Bartholomew's Day, August 25th. The day started with an attempt to ring the Jubilee peal, which failed on May 6th, after 4,800 changes, owing to a misunderstanding. This time it was successful, and was noteworthy for several reasons. The ringers were the regular Sunday service band and it was only the second peal to be rung, although the bells have been in the tower for over 300 years. During the peal the 4th bell became loose on her headstock, and only the resolute and clever ringing of the conductor, Mr. Harry Floyd, brought the peal to a successful conclusion.

After a short rest, the ringers, together with the Vicar (the Rev. E. J. N. Aston) and the churchwardens (Messrs. S. Lay and A. Green), attended a supper in Oxford and a performance of the 'Jubilee Revue' at the New Theatre, Oxford. This brought to an end the day's programme, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

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## BELFRY GOSSIP.

It is reported that a duplicate of Westminster Abbey bells has been promised to Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria, British Columbia, by friends in England and Victoria.

Buckfast Abbey bells have now been taken out of the tower prior to recasting, with additional metal, by Messrs. Taylor and Co.

It is said that recently one of the monks, when ringing, had a narrow escape from death. He failed to let go of the sally, and was jerked out over the low parapet which surrounds the gallery from which, up to now, the bells have been rung.

He swung out into space with a sheer drop below him of 60ft. to the nave floor, but, clinging to the rope, he was pulled back to the gallery by the revolution of the bell. The monks, we are told, fell prostrate in thanksgiving for his escape.

To celebrate family events covering five generations, a peal was rung at Ilkeston, Derbyshire, last week. It celebrated the 105th birthday of Mrs. Rachel Swain, of Flitwick, Beds, the great-aunt of Mr. E. C. Gobey, and the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gobey. This must surely be another record.

Six nominations were received for one vice-presidency of the Lancashire Association, and nine nominations for the four places on the Central Council. Two names were submitted for the post of treasurer, and three for the election of two auditors. A general election, indeed! The voting has taken place and the result of the polls will be declared at the annual meeting, to be held at Preston on September 28th.

A peal ringing tour is in progress this week in Dorset. It is very largely a bachelor party. Fifteen towers are on the list. The ringers include Messrs. O. Sippetts, K. Snelling and N. Elliott (Crawley), K. Hart (Brighton), J. Cripps (Shoreham), W. Williams (London), G. Poppell (Bedwellty), F. W. Rogers, A. T. Greenwood, F. S. Bayley (Portsea), C. E. Smith (Godalming), C. E. Bassett (Petersfield) and W. Perkins (Irthlingborough).

To-morrow another tour starts in Wiltshire.

Mr. Pat Cannon is now residing at Portmadoc, Caernarvonshire, for an indefinite period on business. He is in a town with bells, but few change ringers. The nearest change ringing tower, he tells us, is Bangor, 30 miles away. But it will be a nice Sunday morning walk, won't it, Pat? And the Welsh mountains are very beautiful.

There must be some magnetic attraction about Grantham. We all know what happened to two prominent ringers during the August holidays. They can smile—well, smile just a wee bit—in their turn now, for the other day 'His Worship' of Surfleet, intending to go to Lincoln, was 'brought back to earth' when his wife asked him where he was going, and he woke up to find himself well away on the Grantham road. But, being in his own car, of course, he was not dependent on making a connection at Peterborough to get to his proper destination.

It has been decided to have the ring of five bells of Paulerspury Church, Northants, rehung with new fittings in new framework. The work is to be carried out by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

Mr. Fred Wilford, who recently gave up the office of Master of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild after many years' service, has retired from his appointment under the water authority at Northampton and has gone to live at Chapel Brampton.

Ringers with the Christian name of Ernest who would like to attempt a peal in London on Saturday, November 9th (the date of the A.S.C.Y. dinner), are asked to communicate with Mr. E. E. Holman, 61, Ruby Road, Walthamstow, E.17. It is hoped to arrange for a Surprise peal, or even two peals.

A workmanlike tenorman wore dungarees to 'beat the drum' to a peal of Grandsire Triples in a Hampshire tower the other day. If he hadn't he might have had to ring in a bathing suit, for his usual clothes were wet through after being caught in heavy rain.

But even that was better than a South Wales ringer a fortnight ago, who hadn't even got a bathing suit on, when his belt gave out in the middle of a peal.

The 'Barrabool' composition was rung for the first time on tower bells at Oversea, near Burton-on-Trent, on December 15th, 1934, conducted by Ernest Morris. That at Lewisham reported last week is the second time the composition has been rung on tower bells. The statement in our last issue was our mistake. We ought to have known better.

The peal rung at the Cathedral Campanile, Chichester, on August 24th, was to celebrate the 77th birthday, on Thursday, August 22nd, of Mr. H. J. Tucker, and many were the congratulations given to him at the conclusion of the peal by all the band.

The associations are getting to work again after the summer holidays. No fewer than 33 meetings, to be held on Saturday, September 21st, are advertised to-day in our notice columns.

## YOUNGSTERS' HALF-PEAL.

On Saturday, September 7th, the Burnham, Bucks, band made their first attempt for a local peal of Bob Major. Owing to the indisposition of two members of the band, it was found desirable to bring the bells home half-way, after 1 hour and 32 minutes' good ringing: \*B. O'Neill (age 14) 1, †R. Taylor (age 13) 2, J. E. Taylor (age 14) 3, †W. A. Cyster (age 15) 4, J. D. Taylor (age 15) 5, G. W. Limmer 6, G. H. Limmer 7, G. Gilbert 8. Another attempt is to be made in the immediate future. \* First attempt. † First 'inside.'



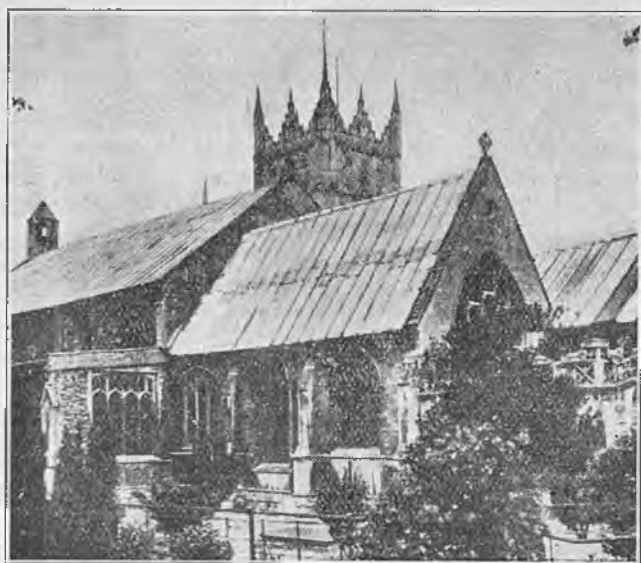
**THE FIRST PEAL AT WISBECH.****AN EARLY RINGING TOUR.****Norwich Scholars' Prowess at the Ropes.**

The peal of Bob Major at Wisbech, Cambs, a short time ago, described as 'the first peal on the bells since they were rehung by Mears and Stainbank, the only previous peal being Stedman Triples in 1906, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson,' recalls the first peal rung on the original bells of Wisbech, in the year 1771. These bells were a ring in F. The back eight of the present peal in E flat were originally cast at Downham and were opened on December 19th, 1823.

The peal rung in 1771 is of more than passing interest. It was the first peal on the bells and was one of a series rung by the Norwich Scholars, who, even in those distant days, had their 'ringing weeks.'

On this occasion they rang peals at Downham and Wisbech, opened the bells at Holbeach and, on the way home, took part in a ringing competition at Colfithall, which they won and, as prizes, received a new hat apiece.

Whether the ringers trudged the 70 miles to Holbeach and back again we do not know, but the experience evidently created an ambition to go further afield, for in the following year they made a journey to 'the cities of York and Lincoln and most of the remarkable towns in those parts, at which places they were treated in the politest manner and with the greatest respect, being universally esteemed for their skill in the much admired art of campanology.'



ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WISBECH.

What information we have of the excursions, and in those distant days the journey to York and Lincoln must, indeed, have been 'a great adventure,' is due to that assiduous collector of early ringing records, the late Mr. Samuel Slater, of Glemsford, Suffolk. From his voluminous manuscripts, his son, Mr. Theodore Slater, sends us the following extracts, which will be read with interest.

First of all there was the announcement of the opening of Downham bells, which appeared in a Norwich newspaper:—

'Downham Market—On Wednesday June 12th 1771 Will be opened at Downham in Norfolk A Peal of Eight Bells, the Tenor, Twelve Hundred Weight, the Treble four hundred in the Key of G. As there is no Particular Company proposed to open the bells such Ringers as choose to attend will meet with a kind reception by their humble Servant,

John Hall, at the Chequers in Downham Aforesaid. NB. A dinner will be provided Gratis.'

The Norwich men apparently did not attend the opening, but:—

'On Sunday June 23rd 1771 Was Rang at Downham in Norfolk, A Complete 5040 of Bob Major without changes alike or Bells out of course, And the first that ever was rang in that Steeple, Performed by Eight men from Norwich who completed it in 3 hours and 4 minutes.'

LIKEWISE On Monday June 24th 1771 Was Rang Another Complete 5040 Bob Major at Wisbech in the Isle of Ely, And the First that ever was Rang in that Steeple which was Completed in 3 Hours and 19 minutes

John Chamberlain Treble and called the Peal					
John Keopus	...	2	Simon Watling	...	5
John Dixon	...	3	John Dye	...	6
James Watling	...	4	John Howse	...	7
James Vines ... Tenor					

(The 2nd man's name is also spelt Keepers.)

(Continued in next column.)

**TO-MORROW'S AUSTRALIAN REUNION.****AN 'EMPIRE' GATHERING EXPECTED IN LONDON.**

The reunion of the Australian tourists in London to-morrow promises to be an interesting gathering.

It was on September 14th last year that the English bellringers sailed in s.s. 'Barrabool' upon their journey to the Antipodes, and visitors from many places are coming to join them in celebrating the anniversary of their departure upon a tour which made ringing history.

Indeed, the gathering promises to take on an Empire character, for in addition to the English ringers who visited Australia and New Zealand, the company, it is hoped, will include Mr. M. R. Taylor, one of the Hobart ringers, whom the tourists met in Tasmania, and Canon G. H. Ridout, of Johannesburg, South Africa.

A band of the tourists hope to attempt a peal in the afternoon at St. Clement Danes, 'Australia's church' in the Strand, where they meet as members of the St. Paul's Cathedral Society, Melbourne. All ten of those taking part have rung a peal at Melbourne Cathedral.

Other visitors will have facilities for ringing in the afternoon at St. Margaret's, Westminster, and St. James', Clerkenwell.

In the evening the party will sit down to dinner at the Bedford Head Hotel, Maiden Lane, Strand, and afterwards there will be an exhibition of Mr. Rupert Richardson's cinematograph pictures of the tour.

Not only will the tourists be very glad to meet each other once more, but the whole proceedings promise to be very enjoyable and interesting.

**LET US DANCE THE METHOD.**

To the Editor.

Sir,—Having read the Rev. E. W. Carpenter's novel way of teaching method ringing, described in the Beginners' column in your last issue, it has occurred to me that even more advanced ringers might get a lot of fun out of it. I'll warrant it would not be easy to get through a plain course of some of the advanced methods in this way.

It would be real fun to see eight London Surprise men 'walking' the method—they need not stop to ring handbells in between the steps, but just walk the 'blue line,' as it were. And why should not those who are fond of 'tripping the light fantastic toe' dance a course, or even a touch, of Stedman Cinques, a miniature 'Paul Jones' say, for the sixes in front, and a few waltz steps for each of the dodging places. It occurs to me that this would be good entertainment for dancers and spectators alike.

'TWO-STEP.'

**'A GREAT ADVENTURE.'****ALMOST SOLD OUT.**

So great has been the demand for 'A Great Adventure' that the book is almost sold out.

Those who promised, before publication, to purchase copies and have not yet forwarded remittance must do so by next Tuesday, the 17th inst., otherwise delivery cannot be guaranteed.

(Continued from previous column.)

Wisbech is 13 miles from Downham. On the following day the ringers went on to Holbeach, where they opened the new bells.

Holbeach in Lincolnshire—Also on Wednesday June 26th 1771 Was Opened at Holbeach A peal of Eight By the Aforesaid Company, Who gave Great Satisfaction to all the Gentlemen and Ladies who came on purpose to hear the Ringing at the Above-mentioned Place.

Also the Same Company (that rang at Downham and Holbeach) went to Colfithall on Monday July 1st 1771 And rang for the Hats which they won from all the Companys present.

John Chamberlain called a peal at St. Michael's Coslany on January 13th, 1772, and later in the summer of that year the Norwich men journeyed to York and Lincoln, as the following extract shows. It would have been interesting to know how they travelled.

'Last Monday, July 6th 1772, A Company of Ringers Belonging to St. Peter of Mancroft in this City Returned home from a Tour which they had made to the North. In this Excursion they visited the Cities of York and Lincoln and most of the Remarkable Towns in those Parts. At which Places they were treated in the Politest manner and with the Greatest Respect, Being Universally Esteemed for their Skill in the much Admired Art of Campanology. At Holbeach in Lincolnshire, they rang a Complete Length of "Eight In." At which Place Their names with the Bell each man rang Was set up in the Belfry of the Church.'

Mr. Theodore Slater adds the information that Samuel Slater wrote to Holbeach and made inquiries about the visit of the Norwich Scholars, but the Rector replied that no record of the peal existed at Holbeach as far as he knew. Mr. P. Sadler, who helped Samuel Slater to compile these MSS., was told by the old Norwich Scholars that a peal of 5,040 Bob Major was rung at Holbeach, but he was unable to get a complete record of the peal. Probably the tablet recording it was taken down at some time and never replaced.

## TASMANIA'S CATHEDRAL.

## PUBLIC DEMAND FOR RINGING PEAL.

The provision of a ringing peal of bells in the tower now being erected at St. David's Cathedral, Hobart, Tasmania, which, as mentioned in our issue of August 2nd, has been decided upon, was not secured without considerable effort.

When the English visitors arrived in the city last November the proposal which found favour with the authorities was for a chime of 13 bells, with tenor of 7 cwt. The tourists, led by Mr. Fussell at the civic reception which the Dean attended, used all their persuasive powers to secure that at least eight, if not ten, of the bells should be hung for ringing, and these of much larger size than was contemplated. It appeared as if this suggestion might be agreed to, but after their return to England information came that official opinion had swung back to a set of bells hung for chiming only.

We now know, of course, that other and wiser counsels prevailed, and that an order has been placed with Messrs. Taylor and Co. for 13 bells with a tenor of 15 cwt., eight of which are to be hung for ringing.

But the Tasmanian mail, which reached us recently, reveals that this decision was not come to without a good deal of pressure of public opinion, which came to the surface through the Press and elsewhere, and which was focussed in a leading article in 'The Mercury,' Tasmania's principal daily newspaper.

'Divergences of opinion,' said 'The Mercury,' 'may be expected in regard to the decision of the Dean and Chapter of St. David's Cathedral to put in a carillon instead of a peal of bells. A letter in "The Mercury" states the case very clearly when it says that a carillon "would tend to take away from the dignity" that is proper to a cathedral. Those who are familiar with some of the cathedrals in Britain will remember the magnificence of the peals which all of them have, and the peculiar individuality that such bells lend. There is something that is not only solemn and venerable, but which goes very deep into religious emotion, and seems unbreakably associated with it. It is the prerogative of a cathedral, more especially in the capital city of a State, to possess a peal of bells. Apart altogether from the technical side of the carillon, it has not, by its form, that imposing sense of grandeur that is felt when a full peal of bells is heard. It is smaller in every sense and less impressive, for it lacks the same depth of meaning, and speaks another language than the "full-throated clamour" that belongs to a peal. It may be that in reaching a decision the Dean and Chapter were influenced by questions of finance. If that is responsible for the choice of a carillon—and we hope it is nothing else—it is not improbable that a public appeal for funds would ensure the installation of a peal rather than a carillon. A cathedral is part of a city, and round it centres much of the religious life of the community. It is, therefore, deserving of all honour and every dignity, and, presuming that financial matters have affected the Dean and Chapter in their decision, an appeal to the general public might very satisfactorily enable them to revise it and give to St. David's Cathedral the peal of bells that would grace it with the lasting tribute of faith.'

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

## PRACTICE MEETING AT DORSET BEAUTY SPOT.

A very useful meeting for practice was held on a recent Thursday by members of the Dorchester and Wimborne Branches at the delightful village of Kingston, near Corfe Castle. The church is a cathedral in miniature and a noble piece of modern architecture bearing monumental witness to the munificence of the Earl of Eldon, who, it is said, spent £60,000 on it, and to the chaste and beautiful marble from the Purbeck quarries with which it is built.

The village also possesses another church, which was dedicated in 1880. It occupied six years in building. None of the work was put out to contract, the whole being entrusted to the estate workmen. Mr. G. E. Street, R.A., who was the architect, was in the rare and happy position of being bound by no restrictions as to cost or time. Every detail received his unremitting attention, and in building this beautiful village church, which forms so conspicuously striking a landmark, upon the steeply sloping hill, he achieved the 'master-piece' of his career.

The bells (eight) were cast by Messrs. Taylor and Co., Loughborough. They were retuned and two recast in 1924 with a tenor of 29½ cwt. in D. They are a sheer delight to ring on, the 'go' and tone being all that can be desired. The ringing chamber is ideal.

The 25 ringers present for the practice were from Dorchester, Bournemouth, Poole, Wareham, Wool and Wyke Regis. A call was made on the way to ring at Wareham. The practice started about 3.30, and, with a break for tea and a visit to the top of the tower to admire the view—the Isle of Wight, the Purbeck Hills, Dorset Downs and Lake Land, together with Corfe Castle, make a perfect picture—were kept going until 8.30. Stedman and Grandsire Triples and Bob Major were practised.

**HEAVYFREE, DEVON.**—On Sunday, August 11th, for evensong, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples: J. R. Sandover 1, C. R. Lilley (conductor) 2, A. L. Bennett 3, R. B. Roberts 4, C. Glass 5, R. Wilmington 6, C. R. Walker 7, A. Mitchell 8. A birthday compliment to Mr. R. Wilmington.

## A RINGER FOR 75 YEARS.

## DEATH OF SUSSEX VETERAN.

Death has removed one of the oldest change ringers in the county of Sussex in the person of Mr. Tom Lewis, of Eastbourne, who was in his 91st year. He commenced his ringing career at 14 years of age, and actually took part in the ringing at St. Mary's Parish Church as recently as the King's Jubilee last May. He had thus had an active span of ringing for no less than three-quarters of a century.



THE LATE  
MR. TOM LEWIS.

In the evening a half-muffled peal was rung.

The funeral took place on Monday, September 2nd. The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. F. P. Hughes), a full choir being in attendance. The Sussex County Association was represented by Mr. A. C. Pankhurst (honorary divisional secretary of the Eastern Division), Messrs. A. Gower and Ben Hobbs (St. Saviour's Church), Mr. and Mrs. F. Bennett (Brighton), Mr. G. Kenyon (local secretary of St. Mary's Parish Church tower), together with a large gathering of St. Mary's Parish Church ringers.

## DEATH OF MR. CYRIL HERBERT.

## A BEDFORDSHIRE STALWART.

The death occurred, somewhat suddenly, on September 5th, of Mr. Charles Cyril Herbert, of Woburn, Beds, at the age of 64 years. He had been in indifferent health for several years past, and suffered from heart attacks at varying intervals. He had a more than usually severe attack at midday on Thursday week, from which he never recovered consciousness.

The funeral took place on Saturday, the Vicar of Woburn (the Rev. Alan Hervey) officiating, assisted by the Rev. Albert Rust, of Husbome Crawley, president of the Bedfordshire Association.

Deceased's only brother, Mr. Ernest Herbert (who is now the sole remaining member of the family) and Mrs. E. Herbert were the chief family mourners, and others present were Miss Steel and Mr. A. King (vice-presidents), Mr. A. E. Sharman (hon. secretary) and numerous other members of the Beds Association from Woburn, Aspley Guise, Husbome Crawley, Linslade, Bedford, etc. Miss Clarke attended as representative of her brother, Mr. C. W. Clarke, who was unable to be present, as were quite a number of other prominent local and county ringers owing to illness and other causes.

At the end of the service the whole pull and stand and a course of Grandsire Triples was rung on handbells over the grave.

Cyril Herbert was born at Aspley Guise, Beds, but removed to Woburn in his early childhood. He became a member of the Bedfordshire Association (which his father was instrumental in forming) just 50 years ago, and was made a vice-president in 1924. His tally of peals was 77, which would undoubtedly have been very much larger had he not been a sufferer from paralysis of the hip, contracted in infancy. Although this was a severe handicap to him, especially in tower-bell ringing, he often showed great fortitude in 'sticking it out' to the end of many a peal.

When the Woburn company gained several promising recruits in the late nineties and became proficient enough to ring a peal, Cyril Herbert naturally fell into the position of foreman and conductor, and rapid headway was made under his tuition, especially in handbell ringing, as his father's home (and subsequently his own) was 'open house' to all and sundry, and handbell practice took place regularly twice a week, culminating in the scoring of a peal in each number from Triples to Plain Bob Maximus, the latter being the only peal on twelve bells rung in the county and by the association.

Other handbell 'records' for the county were performed from time to time, notably Kent and Oxford Treble Bob Major, Little Bob Major and Royal, and a non-conducted peal of Plain Bob Triples (Holt's Six-part), which the writer cannot trace as having ever been previously accomplished on handbells. In addition, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal broke down less than half a course from the end at the first attempt.

Cyril Herbert's death has widened an increasing gap, both locally and further afield, which it seems impossible will ever be again filled.

Seldom did a report appear in 'The Ringing World' of a visiting company of ringers to Woburn without a reference being made to their being met and welcomed by 'the brothers Herbert.'

Much sympathy is extended to his brother, Ernest, in his great bereavement. J. D. H.

## THE WEEK IN THE WEST.

By 'RIPONIAN.'  
(Continued from page 576.)  
'TOWER SNATCHING.'

Wednesday brought a day of real 'tower snatching,' nine towers being visited during the course of the run, and as the bells had to be pulled up in almost every case, the younger end of the party found themselves in great demand.

Bristol was left at 10 a.m. promptly, and a short journey, again enlivened by the Poppy chorus, with 'Dusty Rhodes' at the mouth organ, brought the excursionists to Chew Magna. This church, dedicated to St. Andrew, possesses a fine peal of eight, tenor 28 cwt. 1 qr. 15 lb., rebung and retuned by Mears and Stainbank in 1928. The church also possesses a painted chancel screen and interesting tombs.

Chew Stoke, only about one mile from Chew Magna, has a ground floor belfry and a light peal of six. After ringing here, a number of interesting Bibles in the church were found well worthy of inspection.

Proceeding to Compton Martin good use was made of the peal of six, tenor 16½ cwt. Some fine Norman work, particularly in the chancel, also engaged attention. One pillar raises an interesting architectural problem. It is obviously Norman in style, but the fluting on it reminds one of the Prentice Pillar in Roslyn Chapel, and is probably the work of a Tudor craftsman. It was at this village that the singers went astray, and wandering, quite by chance, into the village inn, persuaded an old lady resident, aged 83, to have a drink with them. She informed them that it was the first occasion in her life when she had had a drink in the morning. On the strength of this they took her photograph. We are told that the cider was quite above the average.

Ubley possesses a very small church, dedicated to St. Bartholomew, and the peal of six bells, tenor 12 cwt., is rung from the ground floor. Preserved in the church is a portion of an old bell recast in 1913 into the present peal. This fragment of the bell shows the Prince of Wales' crest and bears the date 1622. Several good touches were brought round, and 'Freddie,' the driver, who was, by this time, getting used to ringers, started up the engine as the bells came down.

After lunch the fine Church of St. Andrew, Blagdon, was visited. The church has been extensively but very carefully restored and possesses some good modern examples of craftsmanship in its windows and rood screen, the latter being a memorial to members of the Wills family. The bells go somewhat heavily, but are a fairly good eight with a tenor of just less than a ton.

### WEIGHT AND SEA.

The bells at Wrington, the next stopping place, are too well known to call for further praise. Sufficient then, let it be, to say that they are a splendid ten, with a tenor of 37 cwt. in C sharp. The visitors appreciated the opportunity of ringing them and tried to do them justice.

Upon arriving at Congresbury, the excursionists were pleasantly surprised to find not only a ground floor belfry, but also that the bells were up ready for use. They are a good peal of eight with a tenor of 35 cwt. Following the ringing, the journey was resumed to the inevitable 'Covered Wagon,' and Yatton was reached in time for tea. Afterwards there was ringing at the Parish Church on the peal of eight (tenor 22 cwt.), and the visitors had time to inspect the interesting church, which contains some fine examples of local craftsmanship, including the screens carved by the boys of the Yatton Night School, and a banner, the work of local ladies. There are several fine tombs in the church, which is well preserved. In the vestry is an interesting model of a bell, complete with fittings, which, unfortunately, proved unringable.

The steeple presents an odd appearance, as, owing to an error in design, it has never been completed, and terminates in a weathercock at less than half its intended height. St. Andrew's, Clevedon, was the last tower for the day. Here there is a fine peal of eight with tenor of 14 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lb. in E, hanging in a central tower. Those who managed to secure a pull in the earlier touches afterwards enjoyed a pleasant walk along the sea front to the Pier Hotel, where the party reassembled.

On the return journey, via the coast route to Bristol, the party were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Guise and their daughter, Peggy. The return journey was again enlivened by singing, and after one call to assuage the thirst of the choir, Bristol was reached rather later than usual.

The non-ringing ladies were found very useful during the tour, and particularly on this day, when they spent a great deal of time securing picture postcards of the various churches in which ringing took place. Perhaps this activity of theirs explains the mystery of why ringers take their wives with them on tour.

Thursday brought a very early start and a very long journey. Shortly after 8 a.m. the 'covered wagon' was en route for Devon to the strains of 'Roll along,' and, favoured by the weather and absence of traffic, was soon in Bridgwater.

Bill Thomas travelled with us on this occasion, and amused everyone by donning a small cricket cap bearing the figure of a bell and the letters B.U.R.C. and an enormous pair of spectacles attached to his coat by a length of window cord. Those who were familiar with the route pointed out to the less familiar the objects of interest, and included in this category all visible towers with peals of bells. Passing through Exeter, we climbed the long hill past the racecourse and then

stopped for a few minutes to admire the magnificent view obtainable from this point, cool the engine, gather heather and, in some cases, obtain a little refreshment.

### FAREWELL TO BUCKFAST ABBEY BELLS.

Buckfast was reached three minutes ahead of time. The magnificent Abbey was admired by all. The present ringing 'chamber' is, as many know, situated on a gallery running round the central tower, and is about 60ft. above the level of the Abbey floor. The bells, which are shortly to be removed for recasting, will, on their return, be hung higher up in the tower, now rising to completion, and the present bell loft will become the new ringing chamber. The tourists contented themselves with ringing rounds on the peal of twelve and with a touch of Grandsire Triples on the back eight. This peal of twelve, with tenor 28 cwt., have trebles which are not easy to handle, and the visitors were probably the last band to ring on this peal before their recasting, and the last to ring in this unusual ringing chamber. An inspection of the Abbey, which is exceptionally beautiful, was made. One member of the party had some difficulty in finding the entrance to the tower, and accidentally entered the Refectory, disturbing the monks at their midday meal.

Lunch was served at Buckfastleigh, but, owing to lack of waitresses and the immense appetite displayed by the choir, the tourists were considerably behind time when Buckfastleigh was left for the return journey. 'Freddie,' however, did his best, and, returning along the same road, avoided Dartmoor by some miles, and, on reaching Exeter, a rapid dash was made to St. Sidwell's, where one of the local ringers was patiently waiting. Time did not allow of much ringing on this peal of ten, but everyone had a pull, and the more energetic members of the party found time to visit the Cathedral for a few minutes.

An extra tower, St. James', Taunton, was, by invitation of Mr. James Hunt, included in the programme, and this gentleman was waiting patiently for the party when they arrived, rather late, in Taunton. Everyone had a pull on this ring of eight (tenor 20 cwt.), and noted with interest, in the belfry, a copy of 'A Great Adventure.' After securing a rather late tea, the journey was resumed to Bristol via Bridgwater, with plenty of songs to enliven the trip. One stop, for the benefit of the thirsty members, was made, and at 11 p.m. the party arrived back in Bristol, after a very pleasant day, having covered about 220 miles.

### INTERESTING FACTORY VISITS.

Ringling on Friday was rather limited, as there were two escorted tours of factories to make, and no ringing was included in the official programme. But, thanks to the activities of the Bristol ringers, two further towers were secured. About 9 a.m. they assembled at St. John's-on-the-Wall and rang several good touches on this pleasant peal of six (tenor 11 cwt.). This church is exceptionally interesting, as it is built on the city wall, the tower forming part of the wall itself. The lowest stage of the tower is an archway, giving, at one time, access to the city, and now providing a light traffic route. The interior of the church is interesting and contains some good wood carving.

The rest of the morning was spent in a visit to the famous factory of W. D. and H. O. Wills, which proved exceptionally interesting. The raw tobacco and the various processes of manufacture were seen, the spinning and compressing of the shredded leaves into more familiar forms were watched with interest. The stripping room, where the veins are removed from the leaves, was also interesting, but it was the cigarette making machines which attracted most attention. These machines were turning out familiar brands of cigarettes, including the humble 'Woodbine,' at an unbelievable rate, and were fascinating to watch. Equally interesting were the machines which packed the cigarettes into packets, manufacturing the packets, inserting the cigarettes, pictures, foil and paper, and finally placing the outer wrapper on the packet, and the requisite number of packets in a carton. Other processes, including the manufacture of cigars, were watched. The factory, despite the aroma of tobacco, which at times was almost overpowering, is exceptionally clean, and the 3,500 employees seem to be very happy in their work.

At the conclusion of the tour each member of the party was presented with a souvenir book and cigarettes or tobacco. Some, probably the nicer looking ones, also received a handsome cigar each. As a token of appreciation, the lady guides were invited to join the party at the social held in the evening.

After lunch in Bristol, the whole party again assembled at St. Stephen's, with the exception of one member, who turned up only a minute or two after. He had been having his hair cut, and those who were on the 1932 tour were not slow in reminding him of an occasion when he delayed the party for some time for a similar reason. A short journey brought the tourists to Somerdale, the factory of Messrs. Fry, the celebrated chocolate manufacturers, situated in ideal surroundings, and within sight of Keynsham Church. This again proved to be a very interesting experience, but the aroma was not as pleasant to the male nostrils as that of the tobacco factory. All the many processes through which the chocolate passes were seen, and the size and noise of the machines was rather surprising.

Clever packing machines were seen in action, and the dexterity of some of the girl workers called for admiration.

The number of steps climbed and descended during the two tours was large even for ringers, and tea in Messrs. Fry's huge dining hall was much appreciated. It was supplied at a purely nominal charge. Before leaving the factory each was presented with an edible souvenir of the tour. (To be continued.)



**'THE WORLD WE LISTEN IN.'**

MR. FILSON YOUNG THINKS RINGING MUST BE FUN.

In the current issue of 'The Radio Times,' Mr. Filson Young, who recently had an interesting article on bellringing as gleaned from the columns of 'The Ringing World,' returns to the subject, 'if only,' he says, 'to share some concentrated information with many readers.' 'You know,' he proceeds, 'I constantly get letters about matters written about on this page; but I don't think anything I have written here has produced so many entirely delightful letters as has the article on bellringing, published a few weeks ago. Bellringers must be very jolly people, but they seem to have minds like mathematicians. I am going to quote part of a letter I received from Ilminster, the erudition of which both staggers and allures me. Shall I try to learn change ringing? It sounds far more difficult than flying.'

And then Mr. Filson Young goes on to quote from a letter containing some of the fundamental principles of change ringing. He concludes:—

'Can you beat that for fun? Can you understand any of it? And isn't it exasperating? You feel certain that the writer not only knows what he is talking about, but believes that he is making it clear to you and me. I have had to leave out two quarto pages of his typewritten letter; but it is all in the same fluent, delightful vein. I believe that if I could understand it, I should be half-way to an expert change ringer. Nevertheless, the understanding of it seems hopelessly unattainable. But then so once did flying. And perhaps flying and ringing have something in common; for my friend ends his letter by telling me that "the first ten minutes' instruction made me a ringer for life."'

**COST OF TEAS AT KENT MEETINGS.**

ASHFORD DISTRICT SUPPORT THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The Ashford District of the Kent County Association once again held its annual meeting at St. Mary's, Ashford, on Saturday, August 31st. Upwards of 60 were present from Ashford, Canterbury Cathedral, Cheriton, Cranbrook, Brabourne, Egerton, Gravesend, Headcorn, Hythe, Newington, Pluckley, Sturry, Stowting, Tenterden, Willesborough and Wye. The Vicar, the Rev. Ronald Sinclair, conducted the usual service, giving a short and inspiring address, which was much appreciated. Miss Harman kindly presided at the organ.

Tea was provided by the association in the Parish Hall, at which the Vicar presided, supported by the general secretary (Mr. F. M. Mitchell) and the officers of the district.

At the business meeting the chair was taken by the Vicar until he had to leave, and then by Mr. F. M. Mitchell.

The question of combining the quarterly meetings with meetings of the Romney Marsh Guild was brought up for final discussion, and it was unanimously decided to combine them, at the discretion of the respective secretaries.

The quarterly meetings for the coming year are to be held at Biddeford, Headcorn, Hythe and Ashford, in December, March, June and September respectively.

Mr. P. Page was re-elected Master and thanked for his past services, as also were the Central Committee representatives, Messrs. E. S. Ruck and G. Tribe.

Mr. E. Conley was reappointed secretary, and Mr. G. Swaffer accepted the post of assistant secretary in order to take the office if or when Mr. Conley has to leave.

Five practising members and one non-resident life member were elected.

A resolution from another district, protesting against the action of the Central Committee in fixing the price allowed for district annual teas, was read.—The meeting unanimously decided that the amount was sufficient, and authorised its representatives to vote for the retention of the committee's ruling.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for the use of the bells, the service and his attendance, to the organist for her services, also to the general secretary for his visit to Ashford.

A collection for the Benevolent Fund amounted to 19s. Useful practice was put in on the bells during the afternoon and evening.

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ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—Meetings for practice will be held at St. Magnus' Church on the 19th, \*St. Paul's Cathedral on the 17th, Southwark Cathedral on the 26th, at 7.30 p.m. \*Business meeting afterwards. Annual dinner on Nov. 9th. — William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — North Norfolk Branch.—A meeting has been arranged for Saturday, Sept. 14th, at Upper Sheringham. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Please help to make this meeting a great success.—Nolan Golden, 35, Harlington Avenue, Reepham Road, Norwich.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Western Division.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Oxenhope, near Keighley, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available from 2 p.m. Tea, 1s. per head. — Wm. Ambler, Hon. Dis. Sec., 40, Littlemoor, Queensbury.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Northern Branch.—A meeting of the Grimsby District will be held at Barton-on-Humber on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) ready 2 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea, 5 p.m., in the Assembly Rooms, 1s. 6d. per head. Business meeting to follow. Hoping to have a good meeting. — H. Mingay, Hon. Dis. Sec., 394, Wellington Street, Grimsby.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Clifton on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Please come and make the meeting a success.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—A special meeting will be held at Stoney Stanton on Saturday, Sept. 14th, as a farewell to Rev. R. P. Farrow, who is leaving the district. Ringing from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by a social evening at the Sfar Inn. Light refreshments. Please notify A. Ballard, Hinckley Road, Stoney Stanton, Leicester. All ringers and friends cordially invited.—A. E. Rowley, Hon. Sec.

LADIES' GUILD. — Western District. — The next quarterly meeting will be held at Weston Bath, on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. — N. G. Williams, Hon. Sec., Weston House, Weston, Bath.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Guildford District. — Meeting at Haslemere on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. — G. L. Grover, Hon. Sec., East Clandon.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Llanbradach on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (8) available from 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting to follow.—J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Altery View, Newport, Mon.



**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The next meeting will be held at Misson on Saturday, September 14th. Visitors welcome.—C. R. Smith and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Central Bucks Branch.—A quarterly meeting of the above branch will be held at Great Horwood on Saturday, Sept. 14th. Bells (6) available from 2.45 p.m. Service at 4 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome.—F. Gibbard, Hon. Sec., 92 High Street, Winslow.

**ABBOT'S LANGLEY.**—Saturday, September 14th. Tower open 3.30. Tea at the Vicarage, 5.30. Ringing after business meeting till 8.30. Nearest station Kings Langley. Buses from St. Albans and Watford to church. Charming country. Ringing (tower and handbells) and good company, making an excellent afternoon's pleasure. Why not try it?

**DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSOCIATION.**—Wednesday Afternoon Guild.—A meeting of the Guild will be held at Houghton-le-Spring on Wednesday, Sept. 18th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers welcome. Ringing will be resumed after tea.—W. Sheraton, Hon. Secretary.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Manchester Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', Birch-in-Rusholme, on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 21st. Tower open for ringing at 6 p.m. A good attendance is requested in order to help a young band.—W. Brown, Hon. Sec.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Basingstoke District.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bramley on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells available from 2.30. Service at 4 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. Business meeting follows. All requiring tea please notify by Sept. 17th to Mrs. C. Osler, Fabians, Bramley.—J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec., Yateley.

**YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—A general meeting of the Association will be held at Birstwith, near Harrogate, on Saturday, Sept. 21st, when the new peal of 8 bells will be available from 2.30 p.m. to 9 p.m. A meeting of the general committee will be held in the schools at 4 p.m. Tea (1s. 3d.) also in the schools at 5 p.m., and all who require tea should notify Mr. Jackson Ewbank, Rose Cottage, Birstwith, by Wednesday, Sept. 18th. General meeting immediately after tea. There is an hourly bus service from Harrogate, leaving at a quarter past the hour. All outstanding subscriptions should be paid without further delay.—J. E. Cawser, Grange Villas, Ravenfield Common, near Rotherham.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at Greenstead Green on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6) from 2.30. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting. Will those intending to be present please send their names to Mr. A. A. Saunders, Greenstead Green, Halstead, not later than Wednesday, the 18th, or to me, F. Ridgwell, Dis. Sec., Queen's Road, Earls Colne?

**LEA, LINCS.**—A Ringers' Day will be held at Lea (1 mile from Gainsborough) on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6, tenor 13½ cwt., recently rehung) will be available from 2 to 9 p.m. The Rector will provide a free tea as usual, but only to those who notify me before Tuesday, Sept. 17th. All ringers will be welcome, and everybody who can handle a bell will be catered for.—Leslie Lunn, Lea Grange, Gainsborough.

**HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION** will hold a quarterly meeting and six-bell prize contest at Holmfirth on Sept. 21st. Draw 2.45 p.m. Tea provided, 1s. 6d. each, only to those who notify by Sept. 14th.—L. Hargreaves, 30, Bankfield View, Halifax.

**SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.**—Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Alfriston on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Tower open at 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 o'clock (1s. 3d. per head). Will those intending to be present let me know Wednesday previous to meeting?—A. C. Pankhurst, Div. Hon. Sec., 12, Bradford Street, Eastbourne.

**SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.**—Quarterly meeting will be held at Kinver on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells from 3 o'clock. Service in church at 4.45, with an address by the Rev. J. A. Mercer, Vicar. Tea (1s.) at 5.30. Bus leaves L.M.S. Station Yard, Wolverhampton, at 1.50 and every half-hour. Reports ready. Please send word by Tuesday, 17th inst.—H. Knight, 15, Rugby Street, Wolverhampton.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Leicester District.—The next quarterly meeting will be held at Sileby on Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) ready at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5, followed by business meeting. Notification for tea, to undersigned, not later than Wednesday previous.—Ernest H. Bagworth, Dis. Sec., 36, Turner Road, Leicester.

**SHERWOOD YOUTHS, NOTTINGHAM.**—Meeting Ruddington, Sept. 21st. at 5 p.m. New members and learners welcome.—I. B. Thompson, Hon. Sec.

**WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.**—The monthly practice meeting will be held at Bulkington on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6) available during afternoon and evening. Tea at 5 in the Church School, price 1/- . Frequent bus service from Coventry and Nuneaton.—Malcolm Melville, Gen. Hon. Sec., The Cottage, Ansty, Coventry.

**CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Stockport Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Bowdon on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. For tea please advise K. Lewis, 32, Brindley Avenue, Marple.—A. Whiting and K. Lewis, Joint Secs.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Reading Branch.—The autumn meeting of the above branch will be held at Shiplake on Saturday, September 21st. Ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 (9d. per head). Service at 7. All ringers welcome. Please let me know by Wednesday, the 18th, how many for tea.—E. G. Foster, Hon. Branch Sec., 401, London Road, Reading.

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**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Peterborough Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Maxey on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Service at 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me not later than Tuesday, Sept. 17th. Good bus service from Peterborough.—W. H. Waldron, Hon. Sec. 137, Scotney St., Peterborough.

**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Chesterfield District.—The next meeting will be held at Hope on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells open 3 p.m. Ringers make own arrangements for tea. Subscriptions are due.—J. P. Tarlton, 16, Bright St., North Wingfield, Chesterfield.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Chew Deanery Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Portishead on Saturday, September 21st. Bells available from 3 o'clock. Divine service at 4.30. Tea at The White Cot Dairy at 5. Business meeting to follow.—Percy G. Yeo, Hon. Local Sec., Long Ashton.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Farnham District.—A meeting will be held at Bagshot on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and business meeting in Church Hall 5 p.m. All welcome.—C. W. Denyer, Hon. Sec., 120, Ash Rd., Aldershot.

**WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Andover District.—A practice meeting will be held at Burghclere on Saturday, September 21st. Bells from 2.30. Please notify Mrs. Brindley, Burghclere Parish Room, for tea.—Rev. F. S. H. Marle, Hon. Sec.

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Bolton Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Westhoughton Parish Church, on Saturday September 21st, instead of 28th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Meeting 7 p.m.—Peter Crook, Hon. Sec. 203, Devonshire Road, Bolton.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Tewkesbury Branch.—Meeting at Deerhurst September 21st. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea to follow. Intending visitors please notify by Wednesday, 18th.—H. Wakeford, 63, Gloucester Road, Cheltenham.

**OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—The next practice has been arranged at Chesham (6 bells) on Saturday, September 21st, at 3.30 p.m. Tea at 1/- per head for those who notify me not later than September 16th.—A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough.

**ESSEX ASSOCIATION.**—South-Western Division.—A meeting will be held at Havering on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6 recently rehung) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who advise me by Monday, Sept. 16th, of their intention of being present. L.P.T. Bus No. 175 from Romford Station passes the church.—E. J. Butler, Dis. Sec., 313, Mawney's Road, Romford, Essex.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Archdeaconry of Wisbech.—The next meeting will be held at Northwold on Saturday, September 21st. Bells (8) available at 3 o'clock. Service at 4.30. Tea at 5.15. All ringers welcome.—Edward Barker, Dis. Sec., Shouldham, King's Lynn.

**ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Central Branch.—A meeting will be held at Littleport on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (8) available 3 p.m. All ringers heartily welcome. Please come.—F. Warrington, Mill Road, Over, Cambridge.

**EAST GRINSTEAD GUILD.**—A ringing meeting will be held at Lindfield on Saturday, September 21st, commencing at 3 p.m. All ringers welcome.—G. Lambert, Drummond Hay, Moat Road, East Grinstead.

**NORTH STAFFS AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.**—A meeting will be held at Uttoxeter on Saturday, September 21st. Tea will be provided for all who notify Mr. R. G. Lewis, 36, Heath Cross, Uttoxeter, not later than September 18th.—C. S. Ryles, Hon. Sec.

**BEDFORD ASSOCIATION.**—Bedford District.—A meeting will be held at Kempston on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (a fine peal of six) ready from 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m. You will be very welcome.—Frank C. Tysoe, Dis. Sec., Grange Road, Bromham, Bedford.

**GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Swindon Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Stratton-St.-Margaret on Saturday, September 21st. Bristol bus from Swindon Town Hall every half-hour, fare 3d. Eight bells, usual arrangements.—W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

**BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Bridgwater Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Chedzoy on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells (6) 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—C. Evans, Local Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

**LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.**—By kind permission, the Southern District will hold a meeting at St. Leonard's, Heston, on Saturday, September 21st. Bells 4—6, 7—9. Tea may be obtained at Express Dairy, G.W. Road, Cheap fares, Underground, to any Hounslow station, thence 1d. bus.—J. Herbert, Hon. Dis. Sec.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.**—North and East District.—A meeting will be held at Hendon on Saturday, Sept. 21st. Bells from 3 o'clock. Tea at 5, at usual terms. Service at 6 o'clock. Ringing afterwards. Please send advice for tea to Mr. G. R. Goodship, 14, Lorne Road, Wealdstone, not later than 18th inst. All ringers welcomed.—C. T. Coles, Hon. Sec., 21, Vincent Road, E.4.

**HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.**—Bridgnorth Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Highley, Salop, on Sept. 21st. Ringing 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Those requiring tea please notify me as soon as possible.—H. G. Thomas, Hildon, Victoria Road, Bridgnorth, Salop.

**REDRUTH, CORNWALL.**—The ring of six (tenor 13 cwt.), restored by Gillett & Johnston, will be rededicated by the Bishop of Truro on Sunday, September 22nd. Ringers' day, Saturday, September 28th. Bells available from 2 to 9 p.m. All ringers welcome. Tea for ringers at St. Andrew's Hall at 5 p.m.

**RAVENSTHORPE, NORTHANTS.**—The Lord Bishop of Peterborough will re-dedicate the bells at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25th. A ring of 5 bells restored by John Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

**BATH & WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.**—Cary Deanery Branch.—A meeting will be held at Babcary (6 bells) on Saturday, September 28th. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea and business to follow.—E. F. Creed, Dimmer Farm, Castle Cary.

**NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.**—The 8th annual cup contest will be held at South Anston on Saturday, Sept. 28th. The draw for order of ringing will take place at 2.45 p.m. Contest commence 3 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., for those who notify Mr. C. F. Fowler, North Aston, Sheffield, before Sept. 25th. The bells will be open for visitors after tea and meeting. Good attendance requested.—C. R. Smith and R. W. Stockdale, Hon. Secs.

**SURREY ASSOCIATION.**—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Barnes, on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells available 3.30 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea and meeting to follow. All ringers welcome. Those requiring tea please notify me by Wed., Sept. 25th.—D. Cooper, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Harrison's Rise, Croydon

**LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.**—Annual meeting at Preston, Saturday, September 28th. Ringing at Preston Parish Church (10 bells), Preston St. Mark's (6), Penwortham (8), Higher Walton (8). Service at Parish Church, 4 p.m. Tea in School, 5 (1/6 each to all who send their names to Mr. J. T. Bimson, 29, Euston Street, Preston, before Thursday, September 26th). Meeting 6.30 p.m. Mr. G. F. Woodhouse will demonstrate with his ringing machine from 2.30 to 3.30, and 5 to 5.30.—W. H. Shuker, 106, Bank Street, Clayton, Manchester, 11; A. Tomlinson, 188, Whalley Old Road, Blackburn.

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**MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.**—Quarterly meeting at West Hallam (Newark not available), Saturday, Sept. 28th. Bells (8) open from 2 o'clock. Committee meet 3.45. Short service 4.30. Tea (1s. 3d. per head) 5 p.m., followed by general meeting. Frequent bus service from Nottingham via Ilkeston; also buses from Derby. All attending must notify E. C. Gobey, 23, Shaw Street, Ilkeston, not later than first post 27th.—Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec.

**WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.**—The fourth annual dinner will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Tything, Worcester, on Saturday, Sept. 28th, at 6 p.m. The Very Rev. A. Davies, D.Litt., Dean of Worcester, will preside. Hotel situated two minutes' walk from Foregate Street Station, and car park available on premises. Bells available: All Saints' (10), St. John's (8) and St. Nicholas' (6), all 3 to 5.30 p.m. Tickets (3s. each) obtainable until Tuesday, Sept. 24th, from branch officers, Dinner Committee, or Joseph D. Johnson, Hon. Sec., Cheltenham Road, Sedgeborough, Evesham.

**GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (Chertsey District), **OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD** (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) and **MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION** (South and West District).—A joint meeting will be held at Staines on Saturday, Sept. 28th. Service at 5 p.m. in St. Peter's Church. Tea at 5.30 in St. Peter's Hall; price 1s. each. Notification re tea should be sent to your own Branch Secretary by the 23rd. Ringing arrangements: Wraysbury (8) 3—4.30, Egham (8) 3.30—4.30 and 7—8.30, St. Mary's, Staines (8) 7—8.30, St. Peter's, Staines (8), 3.30—5 and 7—8 p.m. All ringers and friends welcome.—F. E. Hawthorne, 4, Temperance Cott., Queen's Rd., Thames Ditton; A. W. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough; F. W. Goodfellow, 108, Pole Hill Road, Hillingdon Heath, Hon. Secs.

**COWBRIDGE, GLAM.**—The bells will be re-dedicated on Tuesday, October 1st, at 7 p.m. Ring of eight rehung in new frame by John Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

**TATTERSHALL, Lincs.**—The bells which have been restored and augmented to six by John Taylor & Co., Loughborough, will be dedicated by the Lord Bishop of Lincoln on Friday, October 4th, at 7 p.m.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS.**—The address of Mr. J. H. Riding is now 18, Swinderby Rd., Wembley, Middlesex.

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