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BELLS OUSTED BY GRAMOPHONE.

Recently we have been hearing of churches being equipped with amplifiers to 'broadcast' bells from a gramophone record when their towers have not been equipped with the genuine article. In place of the often discordant note of a single bell, with its irritating monotony, there is something to be said for such an installation, at any rate temporarily. There can, however, be little excuse for using mechanical substitutes in churches where a ring of bells is already in existence. Yet this is what appears to be happening at the celebrated Church of All Hallows, Tower Hill. The Vicar is the respected founder of Toc H, the Rev. 'Tubby' Clayton, and it is reported that a gramophone has been introduced to take the place of the bells, because the latter are unsafe. Such an action will be deeply deplored by all ringers. All Hallows' has a peal of eight, and if they have been allowed to get into a dilapidated condition, as so many other London bells have been, the fault lies first with the church authorities, whose responsibility it is to see that they are maintained in good order. The provision of a gramophone, which the authorities no doubt regard as a cheap way out, is, in our view, a deplorable means of escaping a liability to the church and a trust which has come down to them to be handed on to the future. We shall probably be told that there are no funds to carry out the necessary work to the bells. This is so often the excuse, yet time and again we hear of the bright example of poor parishes shouldering successfully the task of restoring or renewing their bells. Ebbw Vale, in the distressed area of South Wales, is an instance which we record this very week. We wonder if any real effort has been made to obtain the money for the work at All Hallows'. We can hardly imagine failure for such an appeal in connection with a church so justly famous as the home of Toc H.

But, having said this much, let us not be blind to the fact that one of the reasons why the bells have got into an unsafe condition is from lack of any interest in them by a regular band of ringers. Where there is a company of ringers the bells are naturally better cared for, and the defects brought to the notice of the authorities. It may be that long neglect has resulted in the present dilapidations. There are other London churches where the bells are similarly falling into decrepitude. Quite a number of peals of bells have dropped out of use from absence of interest on the part of ringers, even for occasional visits. London has far more bells than there are ringers to ring them, but it is a great pity that something cannot be done by the societies which cover the area to act jointly in getting a review of the whole position, with a view to a comprehensive reorganisation. It might save other bells

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from becoming so derelict that gramophones will be substituted and our fine old art still further ousted from the capital of the Empire. It could be done if there were a better spirit of co-operation among ringers in the Metropolitan.

TWELVE BELL PEALS.

WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

On Thursday, September 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Thirty-Nine Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CINQUES, 5019 CHANGES;

Tenor 26 cwt. 18 lb. in D.

JAMES S. EASTWOOD 1	EDGAR T. SMITH 7
CHRISTOPHER WALLATER ... 2	ARTHUR T. DUTTON 8
GEORGE W. HUGHES 3	AUBREY M. PICKERING ... 9
GEORGE E. OLIVER 4	HOWARD HOWELL 10
BARNABAS G. KEY 5	THOMAS J. ELTON 11
HARRY T. HIGGINS 6	WILLIAM A. WALKER Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by THOMAS J. ELTON.

Rung for the patronal and harvest festivals.

LONDON.

THE LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. SAVIOUR, SOUTHWARK.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 50 cwt.

FREDERICK G. SYMONDS ... Treble	ROBERT C. HEAZEL 7
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 2	*PHILIP A. CORBY 8
ERNEST J. KING 3	JOHN R. CRAMPION 9
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 4	EDWARD D. SMITH 10
THOMAS W. TAFFENDER 5	FRANK E. DARBY 11
RAYMOND G. COUSINS 6	JACK A. WAUGH Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES. Conducted by THOMAS W. TAFFENDER.

* First attempt for peal on 12 bells. A birthday compliment to the conductor.

TEN BELL PEALS.

SELBY, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 16, 1937, in Three Hours & Thirty-Seven Minutes

AT THE ABBEY CHURCH OF SS. MARY AND GERMANUS.

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5030 CHANGES;

Tenor 25 cwt. 2 qr. 20 lb.

GEORGE F. WILLIAMS Treble	HORACE S. MORLEY 6
THOMAS H. TAFFENDER 2	SIDNEY F. PALMER 7
JOHN H. LENTON 3	RONALD H. DOVE 8
THOMAS W. TAFFENDER 4	JOHN W. HOBSON 9
HARRY C. WALTERS 5	*ARTHUR ARMITAGE Tenor

Composed by J. CARTER.

Conducted by THOMAS H. TAFFENDER.

* First peal on ten bells.

NORTH STONEHAM, HAMPSHIRE.

THE WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Nineteen Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICOLAS.

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9 cwt. 26 lb.

GEORGE WILLIAMS Treble	REGINALD W. REX 6
*LEONARD KNOIT 2	REGINALD A. REED 7
FREDERICK S. BAYLEY 3	OWEN H. GILES 8
GEORGE PULLINGER 4	WILLIAM T. TUCKER 9
†LESLIE TREMER 5	ALFRED T. GREENWOOD Tenor

Composed by J. REEVES.

Conducted by GEORGE WILLIAMS.

* First peal of Royal. † First peal. Rung in honour of the wedding of Miss Norah Kathleen Dumper to Mr. Gordon Leslie Green, solemnised at the above church previous to the peal. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. E. Dumper, a member of the local band.

MINEHEAD.—On September 7th, for practice, a touch of 539 Grandsire Caters: R. Cook 1, J. Pugsley 2, C. Strawbridge 3, F. Date 4, W. Knight 5, L. Mason 6, G. E. Debenham 7, I. Farmer 8, G. W. Debenham (conductor) 9, W. Thorne 10. The longest touch on ten bells by all the band except ringers of treble, 2nd, 7th and 9th.

CREWE, CHESHIRE.
THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes,
At CHRIST CHURCH,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN CATERS, 5079 CHANCES;

Tenor 20 cwt.

ROBERT SPERRING Treble	HARRY OVERTON 6
JAMES H. RIDING 2	RICHARD D. LANGFORD ... 7
*FRED HARTMAN 3	SAMUEL JONES, JUN. 8
HARRY F. HOLDING 4	PERCY SWINDLEY 9
GEORGE A. PACKER 5	†JOHN R. PRICE Tenor

Composed by C. W. ROBERTS. Conducted by J. H. RIDING.

* First peal in the method. † First peal. S. Jones' 200th peal.

EIGHT BELL PEALS.

OLENT, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 15, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Eight Minutes

At THE CHURCH OF ST. LEONARD,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 6040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 11 cwt. 18 lb. in F. sharp.

WILLIAM H. BARBER Treble	SIDNEY O'C. HOLLOWAY ... 5
WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON 2	DANIEL T. MAYKIN 6
WILLIAM SHORT 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
WILLIAM C. DOWDING 4	ERNEST G. FLETCHER Tenor

Conducted by W. J. DAVIDSON.

Rung as a compliment to Alderman J. S. Pritchett, a vice-president of the association, and Mrs. Pritchett, on the celebration of their golden wedding.

HILGAY, NORFOLK.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 17, 1937, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

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

Tenor 17 cwt.

ALFRED E. BACON Treble	WALLACE COUSINS 5
ALBERT E. AUSTIN 2	CLAUDE COUSINS 6
*WILLIAM BUCKENHAM 3	ARTHUR G. BASON 7
FRANCIS G. GLEAVES 4	FRANK WARRINGTON Tenor

Composed and Conducted by FRANK WARRINGTON.

* First peal in the method. First peal of Double Norwich on the bells.

HANDSWORTH, YORKSHIRE.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

(SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.)

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-One Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

Tenor 12 cwt. in F sharp.

ARTHUR KNIGHTS Treble	JOHN J. L. GILBERT 5
FREDERICK CARDWELL 2	HAROLD CHANT 6
*JOHN E. TURLEY 3	DANIEL SMITH 7
ARTHUR PANTHER 4	NORMAN CHADDOCK Tenor

Composed and Conducted by ARTHUR KNIGHTS.

* First peal in the method. This composition (No. 259) is now rung for the first time.

EALING, MIDDLESEX.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Eight Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

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

Tenor 18½ cwt.

JOHN W. EDSTON Treble	WILLIAM H. COLES 5
*PHYLLIS HUMPHREY 2	FRANK CORKE 6
FRANCES BOTHAM 3	CECIL W. PIPE 7
JOHN H. BOTHAM 4	ALAN R. PINK Tenor

Composed by CYRIL E. LANXON. Conducted by ALAN R. PINK.

* First peal 'inside' in the method. The composition, rung for the first time, has only 4, 5 and 6 in 6th's. Rung to celebrate the birth of a son to Cecil W. Pipe.

BEACONSFIELD, BUCKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Ten Minutes,

At THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 21½ cwt.

PERCY NEWTON Treble	JESSE HARRISON 5
GEORGE MARTIN 2	†WILLIAM WELLING 6
KATHLEEN E. FLETCHER ... 3	HARRY WINGROVE 7
*REV. R. F. R. ROUTH 4	CECIL C. MAYNE Tenor

Composed by W. H. INGLESANT. Conducted by WILLIAM WELLING

* First peal in the method. † 400th peal.

UPTON-ON-SEVERN, WORCESTERSHIRE.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

ROBERT G. KNOWLES Treble	SIDNEY T. HOLT 5
WILLIAM SHORT 2	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT ... 6
WILLIAM J. DAVIDSON 3	THOMAS W. LEWIS 7
WILLIAM H. BARBER 4	CHARLES CAMM Tenor

Composed by J. W. PARKER. Conducted by SIDNEY T. HOLT.

STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND MARY,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5058 CHANCES;

Tenor 24 cwt.

GEORGE W. ABLITT Treble	CHARLES J. SEDGLEY 5
ARTHUR R. WOODARD 2	EDWIN A. CRACKNELL 6
MISS SYLVIA R. E. BOWYER 3	ARTHUR GRIMWOOD 7
GEORGE A. FLEMMING 4	HARRY D. LISTER Tenor

Composed by C. MIDDLETON. Conducted by CHAS. J. SEDGLEY.

Rung as a compliment to Mr. R. Brandle, of Ipswich, on his 86th birthday.

SWANAGE, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY-THE-VIRGIN,

A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANCES;

Tenor 22 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lb.

WILLIAM C. SHUTE Treble	LOUIS J. LOCKYER 5
*MRS. J. THOMAS 2	HARRY SMALE 6
JOHN THOMAS 3	*ARTHUR V. DAVIS 7
*WILLIAM G. YOUNG 4	FREDERICK G. COLE Tenor

Composed by H. DAINS.

Conducted by F. G. COLE.

* First peal in the method.

BLEWBURY, BERKS.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL,

A PEAL OF STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

HEYWOOD'S TRANSPOSITION OF THURSTANS' FOUR-PART.

Tenor 20 cwt.

*CHARLES E. GREGORY Treble	WALTER F. JUDGE 6
MARGARET E. REYNOLDS ... 2	RICHARD A. POST 7
*FREDERICK JAMES 3	WILLIAM GREENOUGH Tenor
FRANCIS E. TAYLOR 4	CECIL CORDERY Tenor
WILLIAM LAMBELL 5	

Conducted by F. E. TAYLOR.

* First peal in the method.

DARLEY DALE, DERBYSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Monday, September 20, 1937, in Three Hours and Five Minutes,

At THE CHURCH OF ST. HELEN,

A PEAL OF GRANDBIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANCES;

Tenor 17 cwt.

ERNEST PAULSON Treble	J. HENRY PAULSON 5
BERNARD ALLSOP 2	RONALD ALLSOP 6
*HAROLD E. AUSTIN 3	GEORGE H. PAULSON 7
JOHN AUSTIN 4	HERBERT E. TAYLOR Tenor

Conducted by JOHN AUSTIN.

* First peal on an 'inside' bell.

BRENCHLEY, KENT.
THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 22, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL.

Tenor 18 cwt.

MRS. T. FENNER Treble	LESLIE W. JARVIS 5
WILLIAM GORRINGE 2	TOM SAUNDERS 6
THOMAS E. SONE 3	LUTHER J. HONESS 7
HARRY BAKER 4	WILLIAM H. DARTNELL ... Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS E. SONE.

BARTON-ON-HUMBER, Lincs.
THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHERN BRANCH.)

On Wednesday, September 22, 1937, in Three Hours,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 2 lb.

JACK BRAY Treble	*PHILIP BARNES 5
MARTIN WALKER 2	*FRED JEFFERY 6
ARTHUR W. HOODLESS ... 3	JAMES CHAPMAN 7
FRED LACEY 4	HAROLD EASTOE Tenor

Composed by J. R. PRITCHARD.

Conducted by H. EASTOE.

* First peal of Major. First peal as conductor.

GREAT TORRINGTON, DEVON.
THE DEVONSHIRE GUILD.

On Wednesday, September 22, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Five Minutes,

AT THE PARISH CHURCH,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S TEN-PART.

Tenor 16 cwt.

CHARLES SANGWIN Treble	JOHN W. SANGWIN 5
A. WILLIAM MYERS 2	G. HARRY MYERS 6
H. FREDERICK MYERS ... 3	THOMAS G. MYERS 7
FREDERICK SANGWIN ... 4	WILLIAM J. SHEARS Tenor

Conducted by THOMAS G. MYERS.

MEASHAM, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Wednesday, September 22, 1937, in Two Hours & Forty-Eight Minutes

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. LAWRENCE,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th observation).

Tenor 10 cwt.

JOHN H. SWINFELD Treble	GEORGE L. ROSEN 5
JOSEPH BAILEY 2	SIDNEY O'C. HOLLOWAY ... 6
DANIEL T. MATKIN 3	JAMES GEORGE 7
CHARLES DRAPER 4	*GEORGE RIDGEWAY Tenor

Conducted by DANIEL T. MATKIN.

* First peal of Grandsire Triples. Arranged and rung for the harvest festival.

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday, September 23, 1937, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 19½ cwt.

HENRY GOLDING Treble	*ERNEST S. BRISTOW 5
BERNARD H. SWINSON ... 2	J. WILLIAM SHEPHERD ... 6
HERBERT GATES 3	WILLIAM J. RANDALL ... 7
WALTER AYRE 4	HORACE L. WAITE Tenor

Arranged and Conducted by WALTER AYRE.

* First peal and first attempt.

CRAYFORD, KENT.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Friday, September 24, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAULINUS,

A PEAL OF PULFORD BOB MAJOR, 5185 CHANGES;

Tenor 12½ cwt.

ERNEST H. OXENHAM Treble	HERBERT E. AUDSLEY 5
JOHN H. CHEESMAN 2	DEREK M. SHARP 6
JAMES BENNETT 3	EDWIN A. BARNETT 7
GEOFFREY V. MURPHY ... 4	HARRY HOVERD Tenor

Composed by H. W. WILDE. Conducted by E. A. BARNETT.

First peal in the method (O.C. Collection No. 40). E. A. Barnett's 250th peal.

ALDENHAM, HERTS.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST,

A PEAL OF EALING SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES;

Tenor 15 cwt.

JOHN E. ROOTES Treble	STEPHEN H. HOARE 5
HENRY HODGETTS 2	MAURICE F. R. HIBBERT ... 6
FRANCIS KIRK 3	HAROLD G. CASHMORE ... 7
CHRISTOPHER W. WOOLLEY 4	WALTER AYRE Tenor

Composed and Conducted by H. G. CASHMORE.

The first peal in the method on the bells, by all the band and by the association, and rung at the first attempt. Rung on the eve of the harvest festival.

HALSTEAD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 25, 1937, in Three Hours and Eleven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES;

Tenor 14½ cwt.

CLAUDE SNOWDEN Treble	BASIL REDGWELL 5
*MISS HILDA SNOWDEN ... 2	REGINALD MARTIN 6
*RONALD SUCKLING 3	LEWIS W. WIFFEN 7
FRANK CLAYDON 4	ALBERT WIFFEN Tenor

Composed by A. KNIGHTS.

* First peal in the method. Miss Snowden's fiftieth peal. Rung half-muffled as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Wall, a prominent churchworker in Halstead.

SIX BELL PEALS.

COLNE ENGAINNE, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, August 29, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-One Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

An extent each of Cambridge Surprise, Double Oxford, Double Court, St. Clement's, Plain Bob, Kent and Oxford Treble Bob.

Tenor 9½ cwt. in G.

GEORGE R. TOWNES Treble	ALAN R. ANDREWS 4
*DOUGLAS JENNINGS 2	RALPH BIRD 5
ALBC M. GENERY 3	RONALD SUCKLING Tenor

Conducted by R. SUCKLING.

* First peal in seven methods.

FONTWELL MAGNA, DORSET.

THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 11, 1937, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

JOHN S. SMITH Treble	WILLIAM C. SHUTE 4
EDWARD C. CHANT 2	W. JAMES JACKSON 5
WILLIAM G. DAMEN 3	HAROLD A. WOOLRIDGE ... Tenor

Conducted by W. C. SHUTE.

BIDDENHAM, BEDS.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

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

HERBERT FROSSELL Treble	REGINALD WEST 4
CHARLES W. CLARE 2	*CHARLES BROCHETT 5
MISS EVELYN STEELE ... 3	PEARL INSKIP Tenor

Conducted by PEARL INSKIP.

* First peal in seven methods. Arranged and rung on the anniversary of the Vicar's induction to the parish.

HARSTON, CAMBS.

THE ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Tenor 9½ cwt.

PERCY WEBB Treble	FRANK WARRINGTON 4
FRANCIS G. GLEAVES ... 2	T. REGINALD DENNIS 5
BERRY WAYMAN 3	CHARLES W. COOK Tenor

Conducted by C. W. COOK.

First peal on the bells.

CROFT, LEICESTERSHIRE.

THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,

A PEAL OF KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven different extents. Tenor 6½ cwt.

FRANK BAILLESS Treble	JOHN A. TIMSON 4
*GEORGE A. CHARLTON 2	ERNEST W. TIPLER 3
JOHN H. BAILLESS 3	FRANK K. MEASURES Tenor

Conducted by FRANK K. MEASURES.

* First peal in the method 'inside.'

CAPENHURST, CHESHIRE.

THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Saturday, September 18, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY,

A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being seven extents. Tenor 11 cwt. 3 qr. 15 lb. in G.

WILLIAM E. FLEICHER ... Treble	FRANK VARTY 4
*FRED HARTMAN 2	PERCY SWINDLEY 5
LESTER L. GRAY 3	THOMAS ROGERS Tenor

Conducted by F. VARTY.

First peal of London Surprise Minor by all the band and by the Guild.

WARBLETON, SUSSEX.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 10½ cwt. in G.

FRANK H. HICKS Treble	BERT STANDEN 4
LESLIE W. JARVIS 2	WILLIAM A. KITCHENSIDE ... 5
WILFRED BOOTH 3	FREDERICK BAKER Tenor

Conducted by W. A. KITCHENSIDE.

Arranged to enable B. Standen and F. Baker to ring their first peal.

WORMINGFORD, ESSEX.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sunday, September 19, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Two Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Seven different extents. Tenor 8 cwt. (approx.).

*JAMES H. EDWARDS ... Treble	ALBC M. GENERY 4
GEORGE R. TOWNES 2	RONALD SUCKLING 5
REGINALD G. SIMMONDS ... 3	†RALPH BIRD Tenor

Conducted by R. BIRD.

* First peal of Surprise. † First peal of Surprise 'inside.' First peal of Surprise on the bells.

HINTLESHAM, SUFFOLK.

THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Monday, September 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Thirty-Seven Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 720 each of Plain Bob, Double Court, Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Oxford Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob and Cambridge Surprise. Tenor 9 cwt.

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ALAN R. ANDREWS 2	EDGAR RIVERS 5
JAMES W. JENNINGS 3	URBAN W. WILDNEY Tenor

Conducted by EDGAR RIVERS.

* First peal in seven methods.

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THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Monday, September 20, 1937, in Two Hours and Forty-Five Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

A PEAL OF MINOR, 5040 CHANGES;

Being three extents of Oxford Bob and four of Plain Bob. Tenor 9 cwt.

*MISS HILDA M. WINTLE ... Treble	GEORGE JONES 4
ROBERT SPERRING 2	I. J. WILLIAM CLARKE 5
*ALBERT E. RICHARDS 3	JAMES MORGAN Tenor

Conducted by JAMES MORGAN.

* First peal. † 50th peal. Rung on the eve of St. Matthew's Day. (Other peal reports are unavoidably held over.)

PEAL NOTES.

MANY CELEBRATIONS.

At Barton-on-Humber the local ringers gave up their practice on September 22nd to enable a band to ring a peal on the eve of the harvest festival. Their kindness was much appreciated.

In this peal, which was Bob Major, Mr. Harry Eastoe scored his first as conductor, and he and Mr. Jack Bray 'completed the circle' in the tower.

The first peal on the bells of Great Torrington, Devon, since their restoration by Messrs. Taylor and Co., in 1931, was rung on September 22nd.

Mr. Edgar Rivers conducted a peal in seven Minor methods at Hintlesham, Suffolk, on September 20th. It was here that he rang his first peal nearly 40 years ago, namely, in 1898.

A peal of Minor was rung at Biddenham, Beds, on September 18th, in honour of the anniversary of the Vicar's induction to the parish.

In honour of the wedding of Miss Norah Kathleen Dumper to Mr. Gordon Leslie Green at North Stoneham, Hants, on Saturday, a peal of Kent Treble Bob Royal was rung on the light ring at St. Nicholas' Church. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. E. Dumper, one of the local band at North Stoneham.

A peal in another method from the Central Council's Collection—Pulford Bob Major—has been rung for the first time, at Crayford on September 24th, and was conducted by Edwin A. Barnett, who, at 18 years of age, has scored his 250th peal.

Miss Hilda Snowden rang her fiftieth peal and her first of Bristol Surprise Major on Saturday, when at Halstead, Essex, the bells were rung half-muffled for the death of Mr. Wall, a prominent church-worker.

Miss Hilda Wintle, who rang the treble to a peal of Minor at Tilston, Cheshire, on September 20th, is deserving of congratulations upon a faultless performance, although she had not rung Minor until a few days before the peal.

Arranged for Mrs. T. Penner (nee Miss C. Hoverd), of Matfield, the peal of Grandsire Triples at Brenchley, Kent, on September 22nd, was rung in honour of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Powell, of Hawkhurst, and as a 71st birthday compliment to Mrs. Dartnell, mother of the ringer of the tenor.

The peal of Ealing Surprise, the first in the method by all the band and the Herts Association, rung at Aldenham on Saturday, was the 25th peal together by Messrs. J. E. Rootes and M. F. R. Hibbert.

Two men were required to ring the tenor to the peal of Stedman Triples at Blawbury, Berks, on September 18th. It was the first in that method on the bells since 1906, when the late Rev. F. E. Robinson conducted one after the dedication of the two trebles. The band then comprised the Rev. G. F. Coleridge, W. H. Fussell, F. W. Hopgood, E. Humfrey, Rev. C. W. O. Jenkyn, W. Newell, Rev. F. E. Robinson and R. White.

Three generations of the Paulson family were represented in the band that rang a peal of Grandsire Triples at Darley Dale, Derbyshire, on September 20th. It was arranged as a farewell to Ernest Paulson, who has entered Chester College as a student in the teaching profession, and for Mr. John Austin, of Gloucester, who was visiting the district. It also celebrated the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Paulson.

The first peal of London Surprise Minor by the Chester Diocesan Guild was rung on September 18th at Capenhurst. It was also the first by all the band, and one of the ringers, Fred Hartman, had never rung a touch in the method before.

Mr. William Buckenham has now rung each bell at Hilgay, Norfolk, to a peal, completing the circle last Friday by ringing the 3rd to his first peal of Double Norwich.

The first peal on the bells at Harston, Cambs, rung on Sept. 18th, was a birthday compliment to Mr. Percy Webb, of Ickleton.

A peal of Double Norwich with 4, 5 and 6 only in 6th's was rung at Ealing on Sept. 18th, conducted by Alan R. Pink. The special interest in the composition is that it was produced by a young Cornishman, Cyril Lanyon, who is probably the first ringer of Cornwall to compose a peal.

Cyril Lanyon, who is a representative of the Truro Diocesan Guild on the Central Council, has produced several compositions and is a young ringer of great promise, who is handicapped by the isolation of Cornish change ringing.

Mr. William Welling, of Old Windsor, rang his four hundredth peal on Sept. 18th, when he called a peal of Superlative at Beaconsfield.

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THE COTSWOLD TOUR.

(Continued from page 631.)

The first tower on Wednesday was Northleach, Glos., only six miles from headquarters and situated on the main Oxford to Cheltenham road. The Church of SS. Peter and Paul is very large and has a square tower 100ft. high. As it was necessary to wait, owing to a short service, some of the party made the long climb to the top of the tower, where a wonderful view was obtained. It is recorded in the church that the squinces were left on as a spire was intended, but it was never built. Six of the bells bear the date 1700 and the name of the founder, Corr, of Aldbourne. The peal were rehung in new fittings and frame and two trebles added by Mears and Stainbank in 1897. The tenor is 18½ cwt. in E. Mr. R. W. Daniels, of Cheltenham, came over to have a short pull with the non-pealers before the peal commenced.

The bells are rather quiet in the ringing chamber, in fact it was quite difficult to hear one or two of them, and the draught of rope is long. A fine peal of Spliced London, Bristol, Cambridge and Superlative Surprise Major was rung in 3 hours and 13 minutes, the first of 'Spliced' on the bells and of Spliced Surprise Major by the association. The Vicar met the ringers after the peal and expressed great pleasure with the ringing.

After lunch, an eight-mile journey took the party to Burford in Oxfordshire. The assistant priest, the Rev. Lancelot Andrewes, welcomed us on behalf of Canon Emeries, who has held the living for 30 years and is shortly retiring. The Church of St. John the Baptist has associations with Cromwell, and it is recorded that quite a number of delinquents were locked in the church for refusing to fight. The church dates from about 1170 and shows traces of many alterations and different styles through the centuries. Three or four different roof levels can be seen and the tall spire is a landmark for miles.

The bells are rather a mixed lot. The tenor is 19 cwt. in E and pre-Reformation, but we thought them very musical and appropriately Superlative was the method chosen. The ropes hang anti-clockwise. Some excellent ringing was heard, but the peal 'went west' after 1½ hours. Outside the tower the band were met by Mr. Thomas Bond, a local bellfounder, who has recast and rehung quite a number of bells in the neighbourhood.

A TOWER OF RECORDS.

Appleton, in Berkshire, was visited on Thursday morning. Our arrival was a little after schedule, but Mr. Richard White was waiting and had everything in readiness. Most of the band had not previously visited this village, and there were many exclamations of surprise at the smallness of the tower. It did not seem possible that there could be room for a peal of ten bells. However, Appleton is very famous for peal ringing, and on the walls of the ringing chamber peal tablets record almost every conceivable length of Caters, from a mere 5,000 to the record length of 21,363 Stedman Caters rung on April 22nd, 1922, conducted by Herbert Langdon, and in which Mr. R. White rang the 9th.

However, we had not come to break any records as to length, and a start was made for Yorkshire Royal, which was successfully completed in 3 hours and 11 minutes, the first peal of Surprise Royal on the bells and of Yorkshire Royal by the Oxford Guild. The belfry is only about 8ft. square, but every bell is heard perfectly in the ringing chamber and the striking was excellent. There was one hitch about a course from home, when the 8th rope slipped, but fortunately regained the wheel at the next stroke. Mr. White was outside to offer congratulations, as also were the Holifields, senior and junior. A welcome visitor was Mr. George Williams, of Southampton, who called in on his way to friends in the district, and he heard the last hour of the peal.

All the week up to this point perfect weather, with glorious sunshine, had been experienced, but it rained hard on the short six-mile journey into Oxford. The Church of St. Martin and All Saints which we visited is situated in the High Street, but, being early closing day, no annoyance was caused by ringing. The church and tower were designed by Wren and are very like so many seen in London. This is Mr. W. F. Judge's 'home' tower and he rang in the almost perfect peal of London Surprise, completed in 2 hours 51 minutes, which brought our total of successes up to eight. It was the first peal of London on the bells and F. S. Bayley's 300th peal. The bells are a light, handy peal, easy to ring, with tenor 7 cwt. 3 qr. 10 lb. in A flat. The old six were rehung and augmented to eight by Mears and Stainbank in 1927. It was a long run home to Bourton, but good time was made.

HEAVY PEAL AND LONG DRAUGHT.

On Friday morning we had the shortest journey of the week, the 3½ miles run, practically all uphill, to Stow-on-the-Wold, Glos., situated over 800ft. above sea level and the highest point on the Cotswolds, with wonderful panoramic views. The tower captain, Mr. F. Davis, was waiting to welcome us. The bells are a heavy peal with long draught of rope. The third and sixth bear the date 1606, and the peal were augmented from six to eight and rehung by Taylor and Co. in 1897, the tenor being 30 cwt. in D. It was decided to attempt Bristol and this method certainly sounded wonderful on these grand bells. The peal was successful in 3 hours 34 minutes and excellent ringing was heard. This was the first peal of Surprise in the tower, the only previous peal of Major being one of Bob Major rung in 1930.

After lunch we had an eight-mile run on high ground to Chipping Norton, in Oxon, where the Church of St. Mary the Virgin is situated

in the lower part of this ancient town and has a square tower with a very nice peal of eight bells, tenor 14 cwt. in F, all cast originally by Rudhall, of Gloucester, in 1826. In 1907 they were recast by Mears and Stainbank and rehung by Webb and Bennett, of Kidlington, Oxon. The ropes are a good circle and the bells of pleasant tone. Yorkshire Major went well and a fine peal was brought round in 3 hours 10 minutes, the first in the method on the bells.

Saturday morning's attempt was at Bourton-on-the-Water, less than a quarter of a mile from headquarters, so, for the first time in the week, it was not necessary to get the coach out, and Peter had a rest. Some difficulty was experienced with the go of the 6th, but a little extra grease somewhat remedied matters and a start was made for Cambridge Major. This was a false start, however, but on re-starting an excellent peal was rung in 3 hours 3 minutes. Those who were not in the peal spent part of the morning in the village smithy watching Mr. Bernard Phillips demonstrate his art. However, I am afraid that very little work was done, listening to ringing certainly does interfere with work, but Mr. Phillips was glad to hear his bells rung so well.

On Saturday afternoon we were due at Kingham, Oxon, about eight miles from Bourton, reached via Stow-on-the-Wold. Here we found a very pleasant and handy ring of eight, with tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 14 lb. in G. We were told that a local gentleman, Mr. C. B. Young (since deceased), bore the cost of rehanging the bells about 15 years ago. A feature of the church is the stone pews. Spliced Surprise Major in four methods was attempted and went like clockwork for 1½ hours when it went 'up in the air,' and the subsequent inquest failed to solve the reason satisfactorily. However, this was only the third peal lost during the week, and we were all more than satisfied with 11 peals rung out of 14 attempts.

It still being early, a move was made to Cheltenham, 20 miles away, a lovely run, mostly on very high ground, over the Cotswolds. The party spent the evening in various ways, and before leaving for headquarters arrangements were made to ring at the Parish Church the next morning.

VISIT TO CHELTENHAM.

Punctually at 10 a.m. on Sunday we arrived at St. Mary's to find the local band ringing the bells up in peal, and it was a very good 'rise.' These are a very nice 12 with tenor 22½ cwt. in B flat, easy to handle and with a good circle. Stedman Cinques met with fair success, but a course of Cambridge Royal and a touch of Stedman Caters were perfectly struck. The local captain, Mr. W. Dyer, had extended a hearty welcome, which was greatly appreciated.

Back to Bourton for lunch, packing and settling up, and the party regretfully departed from this delightful little village, where they had received the best attention and been very comfortable. During the week we had covered hundreds of miles on and around the Cotswold hills, and the convenience of having our own coach and driver cannot be too well emphasised, for it enabled us to get about very quickly, with no waiting for buses or trains, and no long walks from stations.

Permission had been obtained to have a pull on the eight bells at Merton College, Oxford, on Sunday afternoon, and the party greatly appreciated the privilege, for these bells are seldom allowed to be rung. Messrs. W. F. Judge, H. Miles, V. Bennett, P. E. Taylor, R. A. Post and other members of the Oxford Society were awaiting us and we quickly made the long climb to the peculiar ringing chamber, quite 28ft. square, the ringing floor comprising a balcony around the wall of the tower and open in the centre to the church below—it is quite a long drop. The ropes hang two on each side of the tower and the circle seems enormous. The bells are heavy going, tenor about 31 cwt. in D. However, Stedman Triples and Cambridge Major were rung until it became time to lower in peal.

Ring for evening service was performed at the Church of St. Laurence, Reading, which has a fine peal of 12 with tenor 23 cwt. 20 lb. in D. They were rehung and augmented to 12 by Mears and Stainbank in 1929. Mr. R. T. Hibbert and other local ringers extended a hearty welcome, and Cambridge Royal and Stedman Cinques were well struck.

After an early departure from Reading, the party began to break up, as the coach arrived at various home towns, after a very pleasant and happy week spent together, good ringing, many social hours and many new ringing friends made.

The whole party expressed their appreciation to Mr. W. Williams, who arranged the tour, and a special vote of thanks was given to Mr. W. F. Judge, of Oxford, who rendered great help. His local knowledge and assistance in securing towers was invaluable. Thanks were also accorded to the official organiser, Mr. J. M. Cripps, who fixed up the accommodation and had charge of the coach and carried out his duties right well. Special thanks are also due to the various incumbents and local ringers at all the churches at which we rang, for we had a cordial welcome at all places visited.

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A NEW PEAL IN SOUTH WALES.**HOW EBBW VALE GAVE THANKS FOR RETURNING PROSPERITY.**

A new peal of bells at Ebbw Vale, South Wales, has been given in thanks for returning prosperity, brought about by the pending restart of the blast furnaces and, later, the resumption of the steel works.

The dedication of the bells was performed by the Bishop of Monmouth on Sunday afternoon, September 19th, and so great was the congregation that the church was full half an hour before the service, which was relayed to another large gathering in the adjoining church hall.

In the course of the specially arranged service the Bishop and clergy, with the churchwardens, proceeded to the space beneath the tower and there the dedication took place, a course of Stedman Triples being rung immediately the ceremony had been performed by a band representing the Llandaff and Monmouth Diocesan Association. The ringers were J. W. Jones 1, F. Atwell 2, C. H. Perry 3, G. Popnell 4, G. Talbot 5, W. Page 6, J. Phillips 7, W. Heath 8.

The Bishop, in his address, recalled the period of sadness and distress, caused by unemployment, through which the district had passed, and spoke of the happy change that had now come about. Once again, he said, the pulse of industrial and commercial life was beating steadily, and for these great benefits they offered thanks and praise.

'The bells hung in this tower,' he continued, 'will be to you a perpetual reminder of the passing away of adversity. To the hearts and consciences of those to come they will be a reminder of God in all the facts and chances of this mortal life.'

'In times of great joy and great sorrow these bells will not be silent. Sunday by Sunday they will make themselves heard far and wide, calling men to come together. "Remember God"—that is what the bells will say. And this shall be the message of the bells to Ebbw Vale.'

After the address the Halleluia Chorus was sung, and the inspiring service terminated with the Benediction.

MILL WORKERS GIVE A BELL.

After the service touches of Stedman and Grandsire Triples were rung by visiting ringers.

One of the new bells was installed in honour of the Bishop. The Vicar's warden, Mr. A. S. Huxley, who alone raised £750 of the £1,400 collected by public and private subscription to pay for the peal, provided one bell in memory of his family. A third is in memory of a former churchwarden, Mr. H. Llewellyn Prole.

(Continued in next column.)

TREBLE BOB MAJOR IN B FLAT.**VICAR'S STORY AT LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION MEETING.**

A very enjoyable and pleasant meeting of the Southern District of the London County Association was held on Saturday week at St. Paul's, Hounslow. A fine day brought an early good attendance, and proceedings commenced with a touch of Stedman Triples. Several other methods followed. Tea was served in the Parish Hall. The District Master (Mr. H. Mance) took the chair at the business meeting which followed. Mr. H. Miller, of Ealing, was elected a member. The place of next meeting brought a suggestion for Putney and Fulham, if permission can be obtained, the date being November 20th.

Towards the end of the meeting, the Vicar, the Rev. H. M. Eyton-Jones, paid a surprise visit, and extended a hearty welcome to the association. He inquired if it was possible to ring 'a Treble Bob Major in B flat,' and then told an amusing tale of a talk with a visiting Archdeacon, who inquired of the Vicar whether his bells were rung on Sundays. The Vicar, with a wink of his eye, told the Archdeacon that when they were all present he thought the ringers could manage the above method! And the Archdeacon was very well pleased!

Before leaving, the Vicar was thanked by Mr. Mance for his kindness in granting permission for the use of the bells. Grateful thanks were also extended to Mr. Gash, the local towerkeeper, for his hearty welcome and excellent preparations for tea, in conjunction with his wife and helpers.

The members afterwards went over to Heston, where the bells were available through the kindness of the Vicar and local ringers, to whom many thanks were given.

Methods rung during the day included Grandsire, Stedman and Oxford Bob Triples, Plain Bob, Treble Bob, Double Norwich and two courses of Cambridge. Twenty-five members and friends attended from Bishopsgate, Chelsea, Chiswick, Ealing, Hillingdon, Heston, Hounslow, Isleworth, Kensington, Beckenham, Barnes, Pinner, Ruislip, Slough, St. Lawrence Jewry, Sunbury, Twickenham, Westminster, and a welcome visitor was the Rev. A. G. G. Thurlow, of Wokingham.

(Continued from previous column.)

The name of Sir William Firth, chairman of Richard Thomas and Co., Ltd., is appropriately identified with another bell, for he gave the fund a send-off with a handsome contribution.

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BELFRY GOSSIP.

A gathering of 75 members attended the Diamond Jubilee Festival of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association at Durham on Saturday, when, according to rule, Mr. Arthur Payne, O.B.E., relinquished the office of president. Mr. Murray D. Oubridge, of Gosforth, was elected to the office. A report of the proceedings will appear in our next issue.

The association's Sunday service ringing scheme was topped again last year by Whitley Bay in the 8 10 and 12 bell section, North Shields being a close second. Holy Trinity, Darlington, headed the six-bell section.

The East Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Association was founded in October, 1837. The jubilee is to be celebrated on Saturday, October 23rd, at Alfreton, Derbyshire, and it is interesting to note that the preacher at the service is to be the Rev. J. D. Nodder, one of the founder members.

The hon. secretary of the Central Branch of the Ely Diocesan Association appeals to members to make every effort to support the meeting at Haddenham on October 9th. The Vicar, like his predecessor, is ready to help forward the ringers' cause, and it is the duty of the members to try and strengthen this ready assistance. Particulars of the meeting are in our notice columns.

A band who visited Isleworth, Middlesex, on Saturday, for a peal of Stedman Caters met two short. After waiting three-quarters of an hour in vain for the absentees, they started for Cambridge Major, rang 2 hours 35 minutes—and then the tenor rope broke!

The new peal of eight bells at Ebbw Vale will be available for all ringers from 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 9th.

A correspondent asks to be allowed through 'The Ringing World' to thank 'Dr.' J. P. Fidler for the tonic, and directions. The patient is now progressing favourably, but a further supply of the tonic is required to complete the cure. We understand the tonic is 'canned,' and so would the patient be if he took it in too large quantities.

Readers who contemplate restocking their gardens should write to Messrs. D. Stewart and Son, Ltd., Ferndown Nurseries, near Wimborne, Dorset, for the firm's catalogue. See advertisement.

We regret that pressure on our space compels us to hold over a number of interesting reports, but these will appear in due course.

TWO-PART PEALS OF STEDMAN TRIPLES.

'ASTRONOMICAL' NUMBER POSSIBLE.

Mr. G. Wilfred Slack, B.Sc., Ph.D., sends us the figures of a peal of Stedman Triples in two equal parts, with one single only in each part. We regret that space will not permit us to publish the peal in detail. It is made up mostly of bobs in sets of two and six, but there are occasional sets of four, and in ten places in each half one bob only. The single is in the first six in each half and the half-peal end is 2314765. There are 598 bobs and two singles, with 240 plain sixes.

Mr. Slack says it is 'one of a type of peal which Francis Bacon says is impossible of attainment. I offer no apology for the large number of calls which are in the peal, but I would like to point out that they can be reduced to some extent.

The peal would probably be a delight to Mr. Trollope and the other variation lovers, as it is easy to show that there are at least 278,942,752,079 other two-part peals with the same properties as that enclosed and which are simple variations of it, whilst, if the symmetry of the peal is not a vital factor, then we find that the total number of peals which are mere variations of the above is not less than the almost astronomical number of 194,525,048,269,007,814,559.'

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

STANDING COMMITTEE'S RESOLUTIONS.

A well-attended meeting of the North Norfolk Branch was held at Marsham on September 18th, when the four branches were represented, members supporting the gathering from Aylsham, Buxton, Dersingham, Fakenham, Garboldisham, Halvergate, Hethersett, North Walsham, Norwich, Reedham, Saxlingham, Scottow, Wroxham, Wymondham and Yarmouth, while Miss K. Willers, secretary of the Ely Diocesan Association, was a welcome visitor.

The Rev. H. S. Sharpe, Rector of Marsham, conducted the service and joined the assembly at tea at 'Ringers' Cafe.

At the business meeting which followed it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hethersett on November 27th.

A number of belfry elections were ratified, viz., Miss S. R. E. Bowyer and Messrs. H. W. Gayton, B. G. Key, R. M. Harvey and C. A. Vessey, while Mr. H. J. Boyce, formerly of Lowestoft, was made a life member on his removal to London.

Mr. H. Tooke (hon. secretary) said the Rev. Mr. Boorman would be glad to meet any ringer on October 9th, when an informal meeting would take place at Garveston.

The Rev. H. S. Sharpe was thanked for his cordial welcome and participation in the meeting.

The Standing Committee of the association then met and a number of resolutions were discussed. It was resolved to adopt a badge; to meet in the various branches instead of in Norwich as formerly; and to reimburse in certain cases half the rail or bus fares of the members attending the meetings of the Standing Committee.

A varied selection of methods was rung during the afternoon and evening to satisfy the tastes of novice and 'expert' alike.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

THE ELSEE MEMORIAL SCHEME.

Stained Glass Window to be Provided.

The annual meeting of the Lancashire Association was held at Bolton on Saturday. The bells in seven towers were placed at the disposal of the members and made good use of. Service was held in The Saviour's Church at 4.30, the late start being due to the Lord Bishop of Hulme, who was the preacher, being unable to arrive sooner. Even so, he had left a church full of girl guides to someone else's care. He gave an encouraging address on 'Help.' Tea was served in the schools to 68 members and friends—not large for a railway centre like Bolton, but each branch sent a contingent. The business meeting was presided over by the Rev. A. Scott, supported by the Rev. J. Baxendale (Vicar) and the officials and most of the committee.

The committee's report was read by Mr. W. H. Shaker (hon. secretary).

The balance sheet, presented by the honorary treasurer (Mr. C. I. Davies), showed membership subscriptions amounting to £70 3s., hon. life members £1 1s., non-resident life members £2 14s. 6d., affiliation fees £10 14s. Other items brought the total receipts to £92 14s. 3d. The expenditure was £71 19s. 3d., and the balance in hand £129 7s. The auditors' reports were also satisfactory.

The voting for the officers was returned by Mr. Davenport. Mr. C. Sharples (Blackpool) was elected vice-president for two years.

Mr. T. Wilson was elected as ringing secretary, and Messrs. Barnes and Wilkinson re-elected auditors, all for a term of two years.

The alterations of rules, suggested by the committee, were discussed. Two were referred back to the committee, two were passed and one dropped as not necessary.

Wigan was chosen as the meeting place for the next annual meeting on the last Saturday in September, 1938, after a vote on three districts.

Three new members were elected.

After a report from the committee on the Canon Elsee Memorial, it was found the association could not see its way to go on with the larger schemes. It was, therefore, decided to provide a stained glass window over the memorial which the parish have erected in St. George's Church to the late president.

The President proposed a vote of thanks to the Bishop, the Vicar of The Saviour's Church, the organist, choir and the ringers, also to the Vicars and ringers of the other churches and to the ladies who served the tea.

A special vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. H. Davenport, the retiring vice-president, for the way in which he carried out the work which was laid on to him by the death of Canon Elsee, until the appointment of a new president.

Mr. Sharples, who has been elected vice-president, has been for many years hon. secretary of the Fylde Branch of the association. He joined the association in 1895.

75 YEARS A CHORISTER.

BURNHAM VETERAN HONOURED.

On Thursday, September 23rd, Mr. 'Charlie' Walker completed his 75th year in the choir at Burnham, Bucks, and was presented by the parishioners with a silver hunter watch (suitably inscribed) and the balance of £5 in cash. In honour of the occasion the St. Peter's Society rang their first quarter-peal of Oxford Treble Bob Major: *M. A. Blamey 1, G. W. Limmer 2, *P. A. Blamey 3, *B. O'Neill 4, *C. A. Burgess 5, *J. D. Taylor 6, *J. E. Taylor 7, G. H. Limmer 8. * First in the method.

On Sunday for evensong on the 40th anniversary of the dedication of the two trebles, a local quarter-peal of Bob Major: P. A. Blamey 1, C. A. Burgess 2, M. A. Blamey 3, Miss S. M. S. Blamey (first quarter-peal of Major) 4, B. O'Neill 5, G. W. Limmer (first Major as conductor) 6, J. E. Taylor 7, G. Gilbert 8.



MR. C. SHARPLES.

TEACHING BEGINNERS.

WHAT IS THE BEST METHOD?

Letters to the Editor.

Sir,—Mr. Wood seems to have an aversion to Grandsire Triples, very much like Mr. Trollope has to Stedman. Wise instructors do not need to be told by Mr. Wood or anyone else how to teach beginners, for their experience often dates back long before Mr. Wood handled a bell. It is beyond question that Grandsire is the best method to teach beginners, and it is far in advance of any, both for pupil and teacher. There is far better ringing done throughout the country with Grandsire than any method one cares to name. Even if a band can only ring Grandsire well it is far better than much of the third rate banging about in other methods one hears in many places.

Mr. Wood says you learn to lead with your ears. Is that all? Wise instructors can tell him something more is required to obtain the perfect lead. Probably Mr. Wood's theory in this direction is the cause of much indifferent striking, more often in Major methods than in Triples, owing to not having learnt the true art of correct leading in all its stages. If you cannot obtain a good lead from the tenor, how can you expect to get it from moving bells in 7-8.

Much of Mr. Wood's article is like his peal of Bob Major, composed many years ago. Nobody now thinks of composing in such a method, for all the best has been attained in this direction. Mr. Wood is in a minority over this question, and when his experience is greater he will realise that Grandsire is a method that has interested, and will continue to interest, far more ringers than he imagines.

W. SHEPHERD.

OLD AND SUCCESSFUL INSTRUCTORS FAVOURED GRANDSIRE.

Dear Sir,—During my 59 years' close experience of change ringing all over the British Isles, the old question as to the most suitable method to introduce to a new ringer has constantly cropped up, and I would like to quote the united opinions of three of the most successful instructors I ever remember—James Pettit, Matthew A. Wood and John M. Hayes. It was simply this: 'Speaking of methods, Grandsire is the mother of them all, and takes the rust off all the others'!

I also know that one of the best known instructors in the North of England shared this opinion wholeheartedly, and that was none other than the late Thomas Hattersley, of Sheffield. Other successful men were George Wanklin, of Gloucester, Josiah Wathen, of Tewkesbury, Freeman Ball, of Chester, and James R. Haworth, of London, all of whom started beginners with the Grandsire method. One great feature of this teaching was the fact that every pupil must first of all be thorough master of his bell and strike call changes perfectly before being allowed to take part in any method ringing.

I, also, have taught a good many beginners in my younger days, and, if my opinion counts for anything at all, it certainly goes in the same direction, inasmuch as it is most essential that a good 'lead' must be observed, and that is best learnt from the 'tenor behind'—preferably Grandsire, although my favourite method of all is Stedman.

It would also be well if more people were to ring properly at first and follow the golden rule of 'Audi, Vide, Tace' (eyes and ears open and mouth closed) before trying to thrust their new ideas down other people's throats! Heaven forbid that others in the 'rising generation' will advocate starting learners in the discordant jangling of the unmusical 'Surprise' methods! I have noticed with much regret that the standard of ringing in some towers that were famous for striking examples of good ringing in days gone by are now hopelessly inferior, compared with what formerly obtained. F. E. DAWE.

OTHER WAYS OF TEACHING.

Dear Sir,—In reply to Mr. S. H. Wood's article in last week's 'Ringing World,' I would like to make the following comments:—

1. 'Nearly all instructors teach the same method of hunting up, namely, by striking after the bell that strikes after you in the previous change.' This I do not attempt to teach, it being, in my opinion, a time-wasting practice. Take the Triple methods recently under discussion, I would first teach the pupil how to make second's place, as in Bob Triples, and third's place, as in Grandsire Triples, and how to return to lead. Then how many bells are to be passed before striking the treble and hunt bell and the order to strike those same bells to return to lead, and when and how to make the dodge, and so each lead. The same principle applies to Bob Major. The pupil to record it on paper and learn it before attempting to ring it.

2. 'Learning to strike evenly over other bells which cannot be done in ringing rounds.' I recommend the beginners to ring Rounds, Queen's, Tittums and Whittington and not to let any one beginner ring the same bell more than once during each practice.

3. 'Learning to lead.' This can be done while No. 2 is in progress, by the more advanced pupil taking the treble and teaching him to lead, first by rope-sight, then by ear, in the latter case by his turning away from the tenor, and before any change ringing is attempted.

4. I consider the best method to begin a band with is Stedman Triples, as every position known in ringing is therein contained. It is a different matter when a band is one short where they ring Grandsire or Bob Triples.

ARTHUR PRINCE.

Bath.

MORE LETTERS ABOUT TEACHING.

A BEGINNER'S EXPERIENCE.

Dear Sir,—I have read with much interest the controversy in 'The Ringing World' on odd or even-bell methods for teaching beginners. In support of Stephen H. Wood's article, which favours even-bell methods, I give my diary entries from the time of commencing change ringing: Mastered plain course of Bob Minor in three weeks, November 3rd to 17th, 1936; rang 720 Plain Bob Minor, January 17th, 1937; rang 720 Oxford Bob Minor, January 31st, 1937; rang 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, February 9th, 1937; rang 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor, February 23rd, 1937; rang 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor, April 6th, 1937; conducted 720's in the following methods: 720 Oxford Bob, August 8th, 1937; 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, August 22nd, 1937; 720 Oxford Bob, August 22nd, 1937. Since starting change ringing I have rung 22 720's in this method.

W. H. DEACON.

Sefton.

AN OPPORTUNITY IN LONDON.

Dear Sir,—May I, in this final reply to Mr. A. P. Cannon, thank him for his information as to his Sunday activities. I was well aware that he did appear at various times in divers places as the spirit moved him, but even this I do not think places him in a position to criticise or lightly condemn the methods employed by a good number, if not the majority, of those who instruct beginners. His remark about my 'Sunday service gospel' he answers himself in his letter published in 'The Ringing World' of September 10th.

If he would cease his wanderings, get together a band of youngsters and set going one of the peals in London at present silent, I, for one, would listen to his advice on teaching with due respect, and, who knows, we might even think him worthy of a touch of Bob Triples as a welcome on his next visit to Hastings.

He might even try to emulate the feat of that old 'war horse' of Battle, Mr. W. Franks, who has turned, in evident disgust, from the present-day youth and filled his tower with young ladies!

Hastings.

C. A. LEVETT.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.

ORDSALL WIN CUP CONTEST.

The North Notts Association met at Sutton-on-Trent on Saturday, September 18th, to compete for the tenth time for the Crawford Silver Cup. Although many ringers were present, only three teams entered the contest, Barnby-in-the-Willows, Warsop and Ordsall. Ordsall, being drawn to ring first, rang 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor at a moderate speed and with closed leads. Next came Barnby. Bob Minor and open leads at a rather quicker pace seemed to have won the cup for them. Warsop, competing for the first time, also rang Bob Minor with open leads. There was no further ringing before tea, which was served in the Parish Hall; the excitement as to the result of the competition spoiled no one's appetite.

The meeting afterwards was cut down as much as possible, so that an early return could be made to the tower. The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, acting as chairman, mentioned the regret he felt at the death of the Vicar of Edwinstowe (the Rev. F. C. Day Lewis), who had kindly entertained the ringers to tea when the bells were recently rededicated. Those present stood in silence for a few moments as a token of respect.

Mr. Wilkinson welcomed Mrs. Rowsell once again to the competition meeting. Her father, Mr. Crawford, had long been interested in the association, and interest was still maintained by Mrs. Rowsell.

The result of the contest was then announced as follows:—

- 1 Ordsall, 197 faults
- 2 Barnby, 202 faults
- 3 Warsop, 307 faults

Mrs. Rowsell presented the cup to Mr. J. Hurst, captain and conductor of the Ordsall band, and said that she was pleased to be present once again to hand the trophy to the best team of the day. Ringing in North Notts always had and always would interest her.

The Rev. R. F. Wilkinson, replying on behalf of the Ordsall team, said that while he was pleased the cup had gone again to his tower, he and Ordsall ringers would always be pleased to see it go to another team. Interest was still alive in this competition, but it would be better if the cup was won by different teams each year. He was pleased to see a team from Warsop, where there were only four bells, and he hoped this young band would be encouraged to compete again.

The judges, Mr. J. Moss, of Bolsover, and Mr. W. Allwood, of Chesterfield, gave no criticism of the ringing. 'We are all friends and want to remain friends' was their only remark.

Three new members were elected, Messrs. K. Mayer, P. Holmes and C. W. Metcalfe, all non-resident members.

After this meeting the entire company went up for a pull, those who had competed having first preference. Grandsire and Stedman Triples, Little Bob, Double Norwich, Cambridge Surprise and Original Major were all rung during the evening, with rounds on eight for the learners. At 8.30 the bells were rung down, everyone having thoroughly enjoyed the meeting.

R. T.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MR. LESLIE MORRIS ELECTED SECRETARY.

The September general meeting of the Yorkshire Association was held at Kirkburton, near Huddersfield, on Saturday, September 18th, when members were present from Sheffield, Ecclesfield, Far Headingley, Cawthorne, Wath-on-Deane, Rotherham, Armley, Leeds, Longwood, Lindley, Ripponden, Shipley, York, Selby, Rothwell, Bradford, Pudsey, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Almondbury, Batley, Sutton-on-Hull, Headingley and the local company.

The bells, a nice peal of eight, tenor 15½ cwt., by J. Taylor and Co., were raised soon after 2 p.m. and kept going in short touches until 5 o'clock, when, in the Schoolroom, an excellent tea was thoroughly enjoyed by the 60 members and friends present. The president (Canon C. C. Marshall) took the chair at the business meeting which followed. He was supported by Mr. George Lewis (vice-president) and Mr. S. F. Palmer (hon. treasurer). An apology was received from the general secretary, Mr. J. E. Cawser, regretting his inability to attend.

The president proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar of Kirkburton (the Rev. A. Sephton) for allowing the use of the bells and his consent to hold the meeting there. He (the president) explained that owing to the vast territory of the association it had not been possible to pay a visit to that part of the county for some considerable time, but it gave him and the officers great pleasure to be again amongst their Kirkburton and district friends.

The Rev. A. Sephton suitably replied and gave the association a very warm welcome.

A vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. F. Rayment and seconded by Mr. R. H. Vigor, to the local company for their help in making the meeting so successful, was pleasantly acknowledged by Mr. H. Armitage.

Six new members were elected.

A notice of motion having been previously given, Mr. George Robinson, Leeds, proposed that a free tea be provided by the association at the annual meeting at a cost of not more than £7.—After discussion it was defeated on a show of hands.

A further motion by Mr. Robinson authorising certain expenditure in connection with the next Central Council meeting, to be held at Leeds next year, was recommended to be dealt with at the annual meeting in January.

Great regret was expressed at the resignation of the general secretary, Mr. J. E. Cawser, who did not seek re-election at the close of his term of office. As his increased business engagements prevented him from regularly attending the various meetings, he considered that someone else should be appointed who could do so.

One nomination for the vacancy was received, Mr. Leslie W. G. Morris, of Holbeck, Leeds, being duly proposed and elected to the position.

The President drew attention to the association's forthcoming dinner to be held at Leeds on October 9th, when he hoped to see as many members present as possible.

Further ringing was indulged in until 9 p.m., which brought a most enjoyable gathering to a close.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

HOLBECK RINGERS OVERCOME DIFFICULTIES.

The September meeting was held on Saturday last at St. Matthew's, Holbeck. The attendance in the afternoon was small, but this caused no surprise, as the Holbeck meeting was the fourth ringing meeting in this area in five successive Saturdays. A wedding prevented ringing from commencing at the usual time, and the bells were raised in peal about 3.30 p.m. Some good practice was put in before tea. Afterwards the attendance was all that could be desired and more than the tower could hold all at once. Ringers were present from Armley, Bailey, Birstwith, Burley, Bradford Cathedral, Drighlington, Headingley (St. Michael's and St. Chad's), Elland, Idle, Leeds Parish Church, Pudsey, Rothwell, Sherburn and the local company.

The business meeting was held in the tower, the president being in the chair.

Four new members were elected, viz., Messrs. W. H. Johnson, of St. Michael's, Headingley, A. Cryer and H. Jones, of Holbeck, and A. Cole, of Hunslet.

The vote of thanks to the Vicar, churchwardens and the local company was proposed by Mr. F. Rayment, who remarked that he was pleased the local ringers were 'sticking to it,' as he knew they had had a very rough time.

The Rev. G. R. Norton, in reply, said that the tower had had a bad time and the company had been in danger of cracking up, but he hoped they had now got over the difficulties. They had promise of expert help and would be grateful for any other assistance on their practice night.

It was then pointed out that the Beginners' column in 'The Ringing World' would prove helpful if the local ringers would take a copy or two of the paper.

The next meeting is due to be held at East Ardsley on Saturday, October 30th.

GUILDFORD.—At St. Nicolas' Church for evensong on September 26th for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples: S. Radford 1, E. Etheridge 2, W. Breeze 3, W. Cope 4, G. Tomsett 5, F. Radford 6, S. Elton (conductor) 7, R. Radford 8.

THE LINCOLNSHIRE TOUR.

(Continued from page 615.)

On Thursday we were favoured for the day by the company of Mr. Harry Chapman, of Keystone. He came early and left late, and revived Manchester memories at intervals. Those of the team not ringing at Swineshead in the morning spent a half-day at Surfleet for lunch and a look over the Glyn Garth establishment, where modern machinery sterilised bulbs and graded tomatoes. The frailty of mankind was exhibited by Bill Henley, who tipped over a barrow-load of the fruit at 'handstroke.'

Our better half team were successful with London Surprise Major at St. Mary's, Swineshead, but as I did not go to this tower I have no notes to give except that the old ring of eight, 1794, with tenor 46in. diameter, were cast by T. Osborne, of Downham, and remained intact for just on a century, the 4th being recast in 1883 by Taylor and Co. Previous to 1794 there were four bells, as mentioned in the Harleian MSS.

BOSTON'S FAMOUS TOWER.

The clans assembled at Boston Stump at 4 o'clock and were met by Mr. F. Dewey, who led us to the stair door and told us to 'take it gently'; there were only 365 steps to tackle. Fortunately, a heavy ship's cable winds round the newel, affording some assistance to wind and limb. Up, up, up you go, and when you reach the ringing room, down you sit. The old builders wisely put two staircases, one in each of the piers adjoining the nave, to facilitate building. To-day the numerous tourists who wish to view the Fen Country have to go up one and down the other. We got off into Cambridge Royal about 5 o'clock, but soon gave up the method. Such a wide circle of ropes required eyes of many facets; the high dome in the centre of the ringing room hid the lower part of several ringers (especially the conductor), and the ringing became slow enough for Sextuples. This attempt made good practice for the Kent Royal that followed in proper ten-bell compass.

Here is another expert restoration by Taylor's, a new iron frame, three old bells recast, two new trebles added, all of which was duly reported in 'The Ringing World' at the time.

We rested for an hour at the Peacock Hotel, which faces the Square, the market place of Boston, and from its windows Nathaniel Hawthorne (the American writer), Duke of Edinburgh and the Tichborne Claimant and others have in the past gazed out upon the busy centre of this ancient town.

HOW THE 'STUMP' WAS REPAIRED.

There are one or two matters of interest to bellringers, relating to St. Botolph's Church and the county, which I ought to mention.

About the year 1415 Dr. Fleming, a famous Rector of Boston, afterwards Bishop of Lincoln, enlarged the chancel and began the erection of the tower. This great pile was not part of the original buildings, which is considered to be the finest in England and the highest in Europe. The stone vaulting (floor to apex) is 137ft. high and there are many church towers that could be stowed inside it. The consulting architect, Sir Gilbert Scott, was afraid the weight would be too much with the swaying of the bells in their massive oak frame in 1853, which led to the carillon being installed.

In 1927 Canon Hutchinson (Vicar) found the cracks in the roof and tower so obviously needed attention that again a scheme of restoration was undertaken, when Sir Charles Nicholson was called in. It is recorded that John Cotton, a noted Puritan Vicar, sailed, with many of his friends, for Boston, Massachusetts, in 1633; and how the residents there in the year 1930 came to the rescue of old Boston by collecting upwards of 55,000 dollars within three weeks, for the repair of this tower and rehanging the bells, as a tercentenary gesture, is well known. On the base of the tower are registered the levels of great floods of the past. County history records the havoc caused by inundation, all sufficient to give Jean Ingelow a theme for her long poem, 'High tide on the Lincolnshire coast.' Mr. Alex. Young raised the question of the 'Brides of Enderby' in a recent issue of 'The Ringing World,' which has been cleared up years ago in North's 'Bells of the County' (page 328).

The Boston Bell Committee of 1867 selected as one of the 28 tunes to be played upon the 44 bells of Van Aerschoot's carillon an air of that title, but it never existed and the authoress of the words refused to compose one for the committee. I rather believe the lady had some association with Enderby Mavis (one of three parishes of Enderby), where there are three bells. It is up to the Boston men to discover more about this writer.

During our tour my thoughts frequently turned on the 'Nine Tailors,' the fascinating ringing novel by Dorothy L. Sayers. I expected to see Mr. Redhead's beautiful tower looming up at one of our villages and our team knocking off a touch on her octave! The peal of Treble Bob Major in her book is called incorrectly; it will be found in Snowden's, pp. 22 and 121, as composed by James Wilde, of Hyde, Cheshire, the father of our Dunedin friend, J. S. Wilde. Fenchurch St. Paul, by Mr. Redhead, has several features resembling Boston tower if the lantern on top were omitted and the windows of the two upper storeys were transposed. Of course, Lord Wimsey would not be an abbreviation of Winchelsea, a noble ringer of the county.

W. H. F.

(To be continued.)

NOTICES.

THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS.

TERCENTENARY DINNER: FINAL NOTICE.

Four hundred tickets have now been allotted. If any more members wish to attend, they should apply at once, so that the committee may reserve for them any tickets which may be returned.

Detailed arrangements for the day will be published about a fortnight before the date.

WILLIAM T. COCKERILL.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Quarterly meeting on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Burbage, nr. Hinckley. Bells (8) open from 2 p.m. Committee meeting 4. Tea 5, followed by general meeting.—Ernest Morris, Gen. Hon. Sec., 24, Coventry Street, Leicester.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Blackburn Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Padiham on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Meeting 6.30 p.m. Everybody welcome.—F. Hindle, Branch Sec., 58, Anvil Street, Blackburn.

ESSEX, HERTFORD AND MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATIONS with LADIES' GUILD.—A joint meeting of the above associations will be held at Leytonstone (St. John's) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea to follow.—E. J. Butler, W. H. Lawrence, C. T. Coles, E. K. Fletcher, Hon. Secs.

LEZANT, LAUNCESTON, CORNWALL.—Rededication service by the Lord Bishop of Truro on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at 3 p.m.—a ring of six, tuned and rehung by John Taylor and Co., Loughborough.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Eastern District.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Campsall on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea at the Old Bell Inn at 4.30 p.m., 1s. 3d. per head.—H. S. Morley, Hon. Dis. Sec., 5, Ebor Street, Selby.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Bicester Branch.—The half-yearly meeting will be held (p.v.) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, at Stratton Audley. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m., followed by short business meeting. Ambrosden, Bicester and Launton bells, also available at times which will be announced at meeting. Those requiring tea please notify F. Sharpe, Launton, Bicester, Oxfordshire.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Bridgwater on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5.15.—J. T. Dyke, Hon. Sec., Chilcompton.

ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM (Established 1755).—Quarterly meeting will be held at the Parish Church, Coleshill, near Birmingham, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (8) available at 3.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Business meeting to follow.—T. H. Reeves, Hon. Sec., 136, Newton Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham 11.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Furness and Lake District Branch.—The next practice meeting will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Kendal, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (10) available at 2.30 p.m.—N. M. Newby, Branch Sec., Brewery Mount, Ulverston.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Newbury Branch.—A meeting of the above branch will be held at Farnborough on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells (5) available at 3 o'clock. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. at 6d. each. All ringers welcome.—H. W. Curtis, Hon. Sec., Church Road, Shaw, Newbury, Berks.

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Penarth on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Service at 4.30. Tea and business meeting follows. — J. W. Jones, Hon. Sec., Cartref, Altery View, Newport, Mon.

CLEVELAND AND NORTH YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will be held at Ormesby on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Bells 8 (tenor 18 cwt.). Tea will be provided at the Bungalow Café at 5 p.m. United buses, No. 63 or 65, service from Middlesbrough, half-hourly service.—J. Reed, Hon. Sec., 67, Hedley Street, Guisborough, Yorks.

SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.—The next meeting will be held at Wortley Church (bells 8) on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. For tea please notify Mr. William Wooler, Sheffield Road, Wortley, near Sheffield.—M. E. Wilson, Hon. Sec., 13, St. Ronans Road, Sheffield 7.

ST. PAUL'S, WALDEN.—The next meeting of the Northern District of the Hertford County Association will be held at St. Paul's, Walden, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. The bells will be available at 3 p.m.—Don Mears, Hon. Dis. Sec.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Reading Branch.—The autumn meeting will be held at Tilehurst on Saturday, Oct. 2nd. Tower open at 3 p.m. Tea, at 1s. per head, at 5 p.m., at the Rectory. Service at 6 p.m. Buses from Reading Stations. All ringers welcome.—E. G. Foster, Hon. Branch Sec., 401, London Road, Reading.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting of the West Norfolk Branch will be held at St. Margaret's, King's Lynn, on Saturday, Oct. 2nd.—W. J. Eldred, Branch Sec., 4, Wellington Street, King's Lynn.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch.—A ringing practice will be held on Saturday, October 2nd, at Hanslope. Bells (6) available from 5 p.m. All ringers welcome.—Walter Sear, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Bletchley.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Wigan Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Crossens on Saturday, October 2nd. Bells available from 3 p.m.—S. Forshaw, Branch Sec., 38, Poolstock, Wigan.

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND NORTH SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN GUILD.—Service ringing, St. Clement Danes', Strand, October 3rd, 10 a.m. Practices, October 11th, at 6.30 p.m., followed by quarterly meeting at 8.15 p.m., and October 25th, at 7.30, at St. Clement Danes', also St. Mary's, Lambeth, November 2nd, at 8 p.m.—T. W. Taffender, Hon. Sec.

ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS (Established 1637).—A dinner committee meeting will be held at the Coffee Pot on October 5th, at 7.30 p.m. Meetings for practice will be held at St. Andrew's, Holborn, on October 7th (8 p.m.); *St. Paul's Cathedral on the 12th; St. Magnus' on the 14th and 28th; Southwark Cathedral on the 21st; *St. Mary-le-Bow on the 26th, at 7.30 p.m. * Business meeting afterwards.—William T. Cockerill, Hon. Sec., Frodingham, 32, Edgeley Road, Clapham, S.W.4.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North-West Division.—A mid-week meeting will be held at Bishop's Stortford on Wednesday, October 6th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m. Those intending to be present kindly advise me.—H. A. Wacey, Hon. Sec., 69, Rye Street, Bishop's Stortford.

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SEND YOUR ORDER AND REMITTANCE TO-DAY.

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—North-Western District.—The next meeting will be held at Lambeth Parish Church on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available from 3.15 p.m. Tea 5.30. Service 7.30. All ringers and friends welcome. Will all those requiring tea please notify me by Wednesday, Oct. 6th?—F. G. Woodiss, Hon. Dis. Sec., 28, Strathearn Road, Sutton, Surrey.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—The annual Snowdon Commemoration Dinner, in memory of the late Jasper Whitfield Snowdon (founder and first president) and past officers of the association, will be held at the Leeds and County Conservative Club, South Parade, Leeds, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at 6 p.m. Tickets, 4s. each, may be had on application to Mr. F. G. Sherwood, 8, Vesper Walk, Kirkstall, Leeds 5, or reservation of same not later than Oct. 7th. Bells available during the afternoon: Parish Church (12), St. Michael's, Headingley (8), St. Chad's, Far Headingley (8).

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the South-Eastern Division will be held at Rettendon on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business meeting after. Will all those who require tea please let me know by Wednesday, Oct. 6th, certain?—H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Div. Sec., 7, Upper Arbour Lane, Springfield, Chelmsford.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.—A meeting will be held at Tunstall on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) available from 3 p.m. Service at 5 p.m. Will those requiring tea kindly notify Mr. W. Thompson, 29, Furlong Road, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs, not later than October 6th?—Andrew Thompson, Hon. Sec.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—The annual district meeting will be held at Canterbury on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The following bells will be available: St. Stephen's (8), St. Alphege's (6) and St. Dunstan's (6) from 3 p.m. and after meeting. Cathedral (12) after meeting only. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business meeting in St. Dunstan's Parish Hall. Please send your names to reach me, not later than Wednesday, Oct. 6th. — B. J. Luck, Hon. Dis. Sec., 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Preston Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Preston St. Mark's, on Saturday, Oct. 9th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Tea arranged for all those who notify the Rev. J. Maddoch, St. Mark's Vicarage, Preston, not later than Oct. 7th.—A. Blogg, Branch Sec.

NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—South Norfolk Branch.—The last general meeting of this branch for 1937 will be held on new ground, on Saturday, Oct. 9th, at Bergh Apton. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, 5 p.m., at the George and Dragon, Thurton. Also Brooke bells, one mile distant. Special methods: Oxford Bob Minor and London Surprise Minor. Names for tea by Oct. 5th, please.—A. G. Harrison, Hon. Sec., 90, Denmark Street, Diss, Norfolk.

SCOTTISH ASSOCIATION.—The half-yearly meeting will be held at St. James', Underwood Road, Paisley, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available 2.30 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., by kind invitation of the St. James' Society.—Charles R. Raine, 21, Grosvenor Crescent, Edinburgh.

NORTH NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The next meeting will, subject to the bells being available, be held at Elston, near Newark, on Saturday, October 9th. Ringing on the six, 3 to 9 p.m. Please notify me for tea.—R. Towler, 19, Ordsall Road, Retford.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North Bucks Branch (Newport Pagnell Deanery).—Saturday, October 9th, at Emberton (six bells). 2.30 Ring up. Service 4. Tea in the Rectory about 4.30. Business: order of meetings, at 6.30 p.m. in the belfry.—Rev. J. F. Amies, Ravenstone Vicarage, Olney, Bucks.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Frome and Midsomer Norton Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Beckington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea and meeting 5 p.m.—E. H. Nash, Hon. Sec., The Talbot, Mells.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION.—Swindon Branch.—Monthly meeting at St. Mark's, Swindon, on Saturday, October 9th. Eight bells. Usual arrangements.—W. B. Kynaston, 3, Dumbarton Terrace, Victoria Road, Swindon, Wilts.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Wisbech Branch.—The branch will meet at Terrington St. John on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. We should like *you* to be present.—W. W. Cousins, Dis. Sec., Terrington St. John, Wisbech.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—V.W.H. Branch.—The autumn meeting will be held at Hinton Waldrist on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (9) available at 2.30. Service at 4.30. Those requiring tea please notify not later than Thursday, October 7th.—R. Gilling, Hon. Sec., Fernham, Faringdon.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—The next meeting will be held at East Coker on Saturday, October 9th. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow.—F. Farrant, Martock.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND DISTRICT GUILD.—The next meeting will be held at Hartfield on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Everybody welcome. Please notify for tea, if possible.—B. Saunders, 18, New Road, Ridgewood, Uckfield, Sussex.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Chester Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Tarvin on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Please notify regarding tea not later than Thursday, October 7th.—J. W. Clarke, Wayside, Circular Drive, Chester.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Eastern Branch.—The quarterly meeting of the above will be held at Benington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea at Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. Will all intending to be present for tea please let me know by Tuesday, October 5th?—W. E. Clarke, Hon. Sec., Park House, 99, Norfolk Street, Boston, Lincs.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—The next meeting will be at Desford on Saturday, October 9th. Bells ready at 3 p.m. Usual short service at 4.30 p.m. Tea, 1s. each, at 5 p.m. Names for tea by Thursday, October 7th, please, to W. A. Wood, Fosseway, Croft, near Leicester.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—Wellingborough Branch.—A quarterly meeting will be held at Wilby on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow. Kindly send cards for tea arrangements to A. Bigley, Branch Sec., 30, Allen Road, Irthlingborough, Northants.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Central Branch.—A meeting will be held at Haddenham, Cambs, on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (6) available from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m., free, by kind invitation of the Vicar (Rev. K. G. Sandberg).—F. Warrington, Dis. Sec., Over, Cambs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Lancaster Branch.—The next meeting will be held at Morecambe on Saturday, October 9th. Bells ready at 2 p.m. Tea at 4.30 p.m. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend this meeting, as they will also be able to view the illuminations after the ringing.—E. Swain, Hon. Sec., 29, Beecham Street, Morecambe.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Northern Division.—A meeting will be held at West Grinstead (six bells) on Saturday, October 9th. Tower open 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting to follow. Numbers for tea by Wednesday previous to meeting.—O. Sippetts, 10, Albany Road, Crawley.

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Bridgwater Branch.—The quarterly meeting will be held at Cossington on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available 2.30. Service 4. Tea 5. All are welcome. Those requiring tea please let me know not later than Tuesday.—C. Evans, Hon. Sec., 17, Wellington Road, Bridgwater.

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KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—The annual district meeting will be held at All Saints', Maidstone (10 bells), on Saturday, October 9th. Bells available from 3 p.m. Service at 5. Tea in the Old Palace at 5.45, followed by the annual business meeting. The association will provide tea for those members who send me their names before the Wednesday previous.—A. Waddington, Hon. Dis. Sec., Malthouse Farm, Egherton, Kent.

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—A meeting will be held at Biggleswade on Saturday, October 9th. Bells (8) available at 3 p.m. Tea at 5. All ringers will be welcome. The secretary hopes to be present. All ringers wishing to see him, please come.—C. J. Ball, 25, Tempsford Road, Sandy.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Rossendale Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. Nicholas' Church, Newchurch, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available from 6 p.m. Please do your best to attend. The success of the meeting depends on you.—J. Porter, Hon. Sec., 11, Chesham Bank, Huntley Mount Road, Bury.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Liverpool Branch.—The next meeting will be held at St. James', West Derby, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (6) available from 3 p.m. Service at 4.30 p.m. For tea, please notify Mr. H. Hancock, 60, Sandstone Road, Stoneycroft.—H. Grundy, Branch Sec.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—North Eastern Division.—A meeting will be held at Great Bromley on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 2.30. Service 4.15 p.m. Will all those intending to be present please notify me as soon as possible?—F. R. Sparling, Hon. Sec., Station Hotel, Wivenhoe.

WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION.—Western Branch.—The branch annual meeting will be held at St. John's, Worcester, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) from 3 p.m. Short service 4.15. Tea (at a small charge) in the Parish Hall, 5 o'clock, followed by business meeting and election of officers. Please send word by Tuesday, October 12th.—G. E. Large, Branch Sec., Hawford, Worcester.

EAST DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSOCIATION.—The jubilee festival will be held on Saturday, October 23rd, at Alfreton. Ringing from 2.30 to 4.30. Service in church, address by Rev. J. B. Nodder (founder member of association). High tea at 6 o'clock in the Parish Church Mission Hall, Mansfield Road. Tickets, 2s. gents, 1s. 6d. ladies. Applications for tickets, accompanied by remittance, must reach me by Monday, October 18th.—J. W. England, 49, The Common, South Normanton.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.—A joint meeting of the Ladies' Guild, the Middlesex County Association and London Diocesan Guild (S. and W. District), and the Oxford Diocesan Guild (East Berks and South Bucks Branch) will be held at St. John's Church on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (10) from 3.15 and after tea. St. Andrew's, Uxbridge (8), from 3 to 4.30 p.m. Service 4.45. Tea, in St. John's Hall, at 5.15 p.m., 1s. each. Social evening (refreshments) in the Hall from 7.30 p.m. All ringers and friends welcomed, but will you endeavour to notify for tea, please. Note: Hillingdon (Swakeleys) station is unsuitable; book to Uxbridge.—Mrs. E. K. Fletcher, 45, Walsingham Road, Enfield; F. W. Goodfellow, Seaford, Slough Road, Iver Heath, Bucks; and A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Manchester Branch.—The next practice meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Prestwich, on Saturday, October 16th. Tower open for ringing at 6 o'clock. Members and non-members are cordially invited to attend.—Joseph H. Ridyard, Branch Sec., 35, The Crescent, Worsley.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Lewisham District.—The annual district meeting will be held at St. Mary's, Lewisham, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Further details next week. Please ensure that your tower is adequately represented.—A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec., 24, Stanmore Road, Belvedere, Kent.

WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Northern Branch.—The annual meeting of the branch will be held at Halesowen on Saturday, October 16th. Bells available at 3 p.m. Service in church at 4.15 p.m. Tea at 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Please send names for tea by Wednesday previous.—J. S. Mason, Branch Sec., 19, Broadwell Road, Oldbury, near Birmingham.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Burton District.—By the kind invitation of Canon H. E. Fitzherbert, M.A., R.D., the autumn meeting of the above district will be held at St. Peter's, Netherseale, on Saturday, October 16th. Bells (8) available at 2.30 p.m. Tea will be provided for those who notify me by Wednesday, October 13th. All ringers and friends welcome.—J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseale, Burton-on-Trent.

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