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### WEST COUNTRY ROUND RINGING.

In a letter which appeared in our last issue, Colonel Jerram wrote of the Cornish round ringers. He said that change ringing makes no appeal to the best of them; they have their own ideal and standards; and they consider that to raise the bells perfectly in peal, to ring some perfect rounds, and to fall the bells again perfectly in peal, is superior to anything that what they call 'scientific' can offer. This, to an ordinary change ringer, is almost unintelligible. For him raising and round ringing are no more than the humble preliminaries of his art, and falling the necessary close; and he is likely to consider that a style of ringing which puts these things in the most important place must be either undeveloped, or decadent, or both. Where lies the truth?

Let us follow Colonel Jerram's advice and do justice to the round ringers. They are the direct inheritors of the oldest tradition in the Exercise. The style of ring-ing they use is the same as that which, five hundred years ago, made the people of England love their bells and add to the number. It is the same style as Shakespeare and Milton knew and appreciated. changes and progress the Exercise has experienced during five centuries have left these men untouched, and the improvements in bell hanging have affected them little. Bell hangers have given them full wheels which they could well have done without, and sliders and stays which they did not need. The position of the rope on the wheel has been altered to serve the purposes of change ringers; the round ringers clung to the old style or accepted the new under protest when it was forced on them. Change ringing which gradually spread over the rest of the country stopped short of the West; until somewhere about seventy years ago it was quite unknown there, and the attempts to introduce it since have had, outside the towns, but scanty success. Stoney alone, and in comparatively recent times, has been adopted by some of the bands, and that because it could be easily adapted to the style and ideals of the older round ringing.

Now, a thing does not remain in constant and regular practice through centuries unless it has proved itself useful for the purpose intended; and, judged by that test, round ringing has held its own, in its own district, at least as well as change ringing. There is no part of the country where there are better bells than in the

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West. There is no part where they are more loved and valued, or where the ordinary people, farmers and the like, are more ready to put their hands in their pockets to find money for them. So far as the public and the Church are concerned the conversion of round ringers into change ringers need not be any great improvement, nor the substitution of change ringing for round ringing any particular advantage. To a change ringer continuous and unrelieved round ringing is intolerably monotonous, and so, doubtless, it would be to any other person who deliberately and consciously listened to the But for the persons to whom the sound of the village bells across the fields is a pleasing background, for other thoughts and other things, the very monotony has a pleasant and soothing effect, just as the constantly repeated details of a good wallpaper makes a restful background to other objects in a room. It may hurt our pride as change ringers to have to acknowledge it, but we are forced to admit that, so far as the purposes are concerned for which bells and ringing were invented, good round ringing can serve pretty well as efficiently as our most elaborate and complex method ringing.

The strength of the round ringer's position lies in this; that it is possible to set and maintain a very high standard within the narrow limits of his art. He is not called upon for any great intellectual strain; nowadays he is seldom called upon (as he once was) for any great physical strain. But he is called upon to use his ears to the utmost. He does not aim at many things, but in the one thing he does aim at he seeks as near perfection as is possible.

Everything that a round ringer can aim at and achieve can be done as well, and usually far better, in change ringing. The outside effect of changes well struck is much greater than that of the best round ringing, and subtle and varied rhythms and musical effects can be produced which will please the critical and attentive ear and of which round ringing is totally incapable. Butand this is the whole point-unless the change ringer pays as much attention to the way he rings and strikes as the round ringer does, he cannot expect to excel or even equal the other on his own ground. Change ringing has so vastly more to offer than has round ringing that the ringer is sorely tempted to neglect what, after all, is the most important thing. The Exercise has reason to boast of the great advance that has been made in method ringing during these last fifty years. It will have even more solid grounds for satisfaction when it can boast that the quality of the best ringing of the past is not only generally maintained, but surpassed.

#### TEN BELL PEAL.

APPLETON, BERKSHIRE.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Three Hours and Four Minutes,

At the Church of St. Lawrence,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS, 5003 CHANCES;

Tenor	14 cwt.
RICHARD WHITE Treble	WILLIAM JUDGE 6
JOHN E. SPICE 2	
MISS MARIE R. CROSS 3	REV. C. ELLIOT WIGG 8
	GORDON CAUDWELL 9
WILLIAM C. PORTER 5	GEORGE HOLIFIELD Tenor
Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.	Conducted by Walter F. Judge.
First peal in the method by all,	on the bells, and by the Guild.

#### EIGHT BELL PEALS.

LEATHERHEAD, SURREY.
THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Dec. 30, 1944, in Three Hours and Seven Minutes, At the Church of SS. Mary and Nicholas,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES:

PRITCHARD'S FOUR-PART		Tenor 19 cwt.
		CHARLES SMART 5
		GEORGE MARRINER 6
		WILLIAM G. NEWBERRY 7
JOHN HOYLE		ALBERT HARMAN Tenor
Cond	ucted by	A. H. Winch.

ENDERBY, LEICESTERSHIRE.
THE MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 6, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,
At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist.

A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURF	RISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES			
MIDDLETON'S.	Tenor 12 cwt.			
*Francis W. Jelley Treble	Mrs. H. J. Poole 5			
†Peter J. Staniforth 2	HERBERT W. PERKINS 6			
JILL POOLE 3	HAROLD J. POOLE 7			
REDVERS F. ELKINGTON 4	+FREDERICK E. WILSONTenor			
Candandad by Dunyana E Lygregory				

\* First peal. † First peal of Cambridge Major.

. WOODBRIDGE, SUFFOLK.
THE SUFFOLK GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 6, 1945, in Three Hours and Thirty Minutes,
At the Church of St. Mary,

### A PEAL OF OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5184 CHANGES;

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LESTER G. BRETT : Treble	FRANK L. FISHER	5
SYLVIA R. E. PIPE 2	GEORGE A. FLEMING	
CHARLES CLARKE 3	*PHILIP C. BICKNELL	
WILLIAM J. G. BROWN 4	CECIL W. PIPE	
Composed by H. Dains.	Conducted by SYLVIA R.	E. PIPE.
N 771 1 1 1 11 12 11 1 1720	and mould in the mothed on a	anduator

First peal in the method. First peal in the method as conducto OXFORD.

THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Wed., Jan. 10, 1945, in Three Hours and Two Minutes,
At the Church of St. Martin and All Saints,

#### A PEAL OF DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5216 CHANCES; Tenor 72 cwt. in A flat.

VICTOR J. F. BENNETT Treble	WILLIAM C. PORTER 5
NEIL ALLNATT 2	JOHN E. SPICE 6
RONALD H. DOVE 3	WILLIAM JUDGE 7
,	WALTER F. JUDGE Tenor
Composed by C. W. ROBERTS.	Conducted by WALTER F. JUDGE.

BURNHAM, BUCKS.
THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Three Hours,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER,

#### DEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES:

A PEAL OF GRANDSINE	INIFEED, DOGO UNANGED,
PARKER'S TWELVE-PART (7th the	observation). Tenor 16 cwt.
*HILDA M. TAYLORTreble	A. JAMES GLASS 5
JOHN E. TAYLOR 2	NORMAN V. HARDING 6
JOHN M. GAYFORD 3	GEORGE GILBERT 7
FRANK H. HICKS 4	FRANK C. W. KNIGHT Tenor
Conducted by	GEO. GILBERT.

\* First peal on eight bells.

## BIRMINGHAM. THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOOESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Six Minutes.

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY, SELLY OAK,

## A PEAL OF CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES; MIDDLETON'S COMPOSITION. Tenor 121 cwt.

FRANK E. PERVIN Treble	RICHARD J. B. HADDEN 5
FRANK W. PERRENS 2	HENRY H. FEARN 6
I. FRANK SMALLWOOD 3	JOHN PINFOLD 7
JOHN W. SMITH 4	WILLIAM B. CARTWRIGHT Tenor
Conducted by FI	MANK W. PERRENS.

\* First peal in the method.

### RAWMARSH, YORKSHIRE. THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Three Hours and Four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY,

#### A PEAL OF YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANCES;

Tenor 121 cwt. JOHN H. BROTHWELL ... Treble | \*ARNOLD HILL \*ARNOLD HILL ... ... 5
\*G. GORDON GRAHAM ... 6
J. EDWARD CAWSER ... 7 \*HARRY WILSON ... . 2 \*G. GORDON GRAHAM ... 6
†ARTHUR FIRTH ... ... 3 J. EDWARD CAWSER ... 7
F. BERNARD DITCHER ... 4 †JOHN E. TURLEY ... ... Tenor

Composed by ARTHUR CRAVEN. Conducted by J. EDWARD CAWSER. \* First peal in the method. † 50th peal.

COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE, THE SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD. On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty-Two Minutes, AT CHRIST CHURCH,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Rung silent. Umpire, Francis Brotherton.

First silent peal in the method by all.

#### SIX AND FIVE BELL PEALS.

BECKFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE. THE WORCESTERSHIRE AND DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION. On Tues., Dec. 26, 1944, in Three Hours and Three Minutes,

#### AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST, 4 PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES!

Forty-two six-scor	res, ten callings.		Tenor	16 cwt.
*J. STRAWFORD	Treble	T. TRENFIELD	Fee	4
T. NEWBURY	2	F. MILES	444	5
(). ATTWOOD		*G. STALLWOOD	***	Tenor
•	Conducted by	O. ATTWOOD.		4

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles.

BLACK NOTLEY, ESSEX. THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Twenty-Three Minutes. AT THE CHURCH OF SS. PETER AND PAUL,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Being 42 extents. Tenor 7½ cwt. in B flat. \*MISS MABEL HUTLEY ...Treble | STANLEY BONES HENRY PRATT ... ... 2 | ROBERT LE BEAU ... ... 3 RONALD SUCKLING ... ... Tenor Conducted by RONALD SUCKLING.

\* First peal. First peal in the method by all.

KERESLEY, WARWICKSHIRE. THE WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Fifty Minutes,

AT THE CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 5040 CHANGES;

Forty-two six-scores, ten callings. Tenor 64 cwt. \*W. BRIAN ELLENDER ... Treble | ALBERT E. BRISTOW ... 3 HAROLD FOLWELL ... ... 2 | †THOMAS A. HASTINGS ... 4 ALBERT E. BRISTOW ... 3 HAROLD FOLWELL ... 2 WILLIAM A. STOTE ... ... Tenor Conducted by WILLIAM A. STOTE.

\* First peal. † First peal of Doubles. First peal of Doubles as conductor.

#### HANDBELL PEALS.

BUSHEY, HERTS. THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 5, 1945, in Two Hours and Seventeen Minutes,

### AT 50, RUDOLPH ROAD,

A PEAL OF I					
*RALPH BIRD	1-2	EDWIN ]	ENNINGS	(	5-6
HAROLD G. CASHMORE	3-4	ERIC B.	HARTLEY		7-8
Composed and	Conducte	d by H. (	G. CASHMOR	E.	

\* First handbell peal.

BUSHEY; HERTFORDSHIRE.

THE HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

On Fri., Jan. 12, 1945, in Two Hours and Thirteen Minutes,

AT 50, RUDOLPH ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANGES;

HOLT'S ORIGINAL. Tenor size 15. Edwin Jennings ... ... 1-2 | Harold G. Cashmore ... 5-6 Ernest C. S. Turner ... 3-4 | \*Eric B. Hartley ... ... 7-8 Conducted by ERNEST C. S. TURNER.

\* First peal in the method on handbells.

ENFIELD, MIDDLESEX.
THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION AND LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD.

On Sat., Jan. 13, 1945, in Two Hours and Twenty-Eight Minutes, AT 24, SUFFOLK ROAD,

#### A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES!

MRS. J. THOMAS ... ... 1-2 | ERIC A. DENCH ... ... 5-6 JOHN THOMAS ... ... 3-4 | \*SYDNEY T. HOLT ... ... 7-8 Composed by F. BENNETT. Conducted by J. THOMAS. Conducted by J. THOMAS. \* First peal on handbells.

#### MISCELLANEOUS PERFORMANCES.

HITCHAM, BUCKS.—On December 29th, for practice, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor: Hilda Taylor 1, Jean Broomfield 2, Freda Murkitt 3, Mary Pemberton 4, Joyce Hearn 5, Frank Hicks 6. First in the method by all.

SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On December 30th at St. Gregory's, 720 Cambridge Surprise Minor: B. Cornell 1, H. G. Herbert 2, C. W. Clarke 3, A. A. Fitch 4, D. H. Elliott (conductor) 5, A. Haynes 6. SUTTON-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On December 30th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: Miss K. Burohnall 1, Miss G. Burchnall 2, G. Foster 3, \*H. Denman 4, C. Briggs 5, \*F. Hooper (conductor) 6, A. J. Chamberlain 7, F. Milner 8. \* First quarter-peal in the method. First of Stedman 2s. conductor.

BATH.—On December 31st at St. Michael's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. D. Evans 1, T. F. King 2, E. King 3, Cpl. E. G. Moore 4, H. Andrews 5, G. Hawkins (conductor) 6, F. Merrett 7, H. Merrett 8. CLAY CROSS.—On December 31st, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor; and on New Year's morning, 1,260 Kent and Little Bob Minor: Miss F. M. Price 1, Miss M. Hudson 2, Mrs. M. Hatton 3, W. Swain (conductor) 4, D. Birkumshaw 5, J. W. Price 6.

BIRMINGHAM.—At St. Martin's on New Year's Eve, 651 Stedman Cinques: T. H. Reeves 1, A. D. Cook 2, J. N. Lindon 3, W. C. Dowding 4, J. Pinfold 5, A. Walker (conductor) 6, L. Tuffrey 7, H. H. Fearn 8, E. Mansell 9, H. C. Spencer 10, G. E. Fearn 11, W. T. Froggatt 12.

Fearn 8, E. Mansell 9, H. C. Spencer 10, G. E. Fearn 11, W. T. Froggatt 12.

GAMSTON, NOTTS.—On Sunday, December 31st, 720 Bob Minor: G. Pilgram 1, S. Carnell 2, Miss J. Salt 3, J. Newboul\* 4, W. Rich 5, R. Ashforth (conductor) 6.

RUARDEAN, GLOS.—On January 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: W. T. Penn 1, Har. Marfell 2, How. Meek 3, G. Wilks 4, W. Bishop (conductor) 5, W. Beard 6.

FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.—On Jan 1st, 720 Bob Minor: C. G. Gardner 1, J. Mason 2, P. J. Mason 3, W. J. Jones (conductor) 4, D. J. C. Mason 5, R. N. Elliott 6.

CHALFONT ST. PETER.—On January 1st, 720 Bob Minor: R. Stone 1, F. Bolton 2, E. G. Swift 3, Mrs. M. King 4, A. Swan 5, F. J. Bolton (conductor) 6.

HOLME PIERREPONT, NOTTS.—On Monday, January 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: \*C. Saville 1, Walter White (conductor) 2, \*E. Dale 3, \*A. Lygo 4. \*C. Knapp 5. \* First quarter-peal.

HARROW.—On January 2nd, at 170, Headstone Lane, on handbells, 720 Bob Minor: John R. Mayne (conductor) 1-2, P. M. Mayne 3-4, C. C. Mayne 5-6.

ANSTEY, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Tuesday, January 2nd. 1.260 Stedman Triples: Miss Jill Poole 1, Peter J. Staniforth 2. Dennis Dodson 3, J. Stuart Iliffe 4, Ernest Morris 5, Josiah Morris 6, Redvers F. Elkington (conductor) 7, Frank C. W. Knight 8.

MULBARTON, NORFOLK.—On January 3rd, 1,440 Doubles, being 720 Grandsire, 480 Plain and 240 Aprill Day: Mrs. E. A. Goodman 1, F. W. Middleton 2, J. R. Smith 3, W. G. Saunders 4, F. C. Goodman (conductor) 5.

EDENHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE.—On Thursday, January 4th, 720

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the method.

WORCESTER.—On Sunday, January 7th, at All Saints', 720 Kent
Treble Bob Minor: H. J. Bentley 1, D. R. Morris 2, G. Hinton 3,
J. J. Jeffries 4, D. Sayers 5, G. Ambler (conductor) 6.

PORTSMOUTH.—On Sunday, January 7th, at the Cathedral, 1,260
Stedman Triples: \*W. A. Theobald 1, J. D. Harris 2, T. R. Thorp 3,
\*S. E. Cook 4, \*H. A. Nobes 5, \*J. H. Hunt 6, F. W. Burnett (conductor) 7, W. Scaife 8. \* First quarter in the method.

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The peal at Leatherhead on December 30th was rung for the completion by Mr. A. C. Otway of 50 years' service as a ringer at Leatherhead.

#### THE MONTH'S PEALS.

During the month of December, 70 peals were rung, 61 of them on tower bells and nine on handbells.

The tower bell peals were: Grandsire Doubles 4, Triples 11, Caters 3; Bob Minor 4, Major 5; Stedman Triples 8, Caters 2, Cinques 1; Doble Norwich Court Bob Major 2, Kent Trobe Bob Major 4, Oxford Little Bob Major 1, Cambridge Surprise Major 2, Lincolands 1, Broot 1, Two Minor 2, Five 1, Seven 2; Ten Surprise Minor methods 1, The handbell peals were: Grandsire Triples 2, Caters 1; Stedman Triples 1, Caters 1; Kent Treble Bob Royal 1; Little Bob Royal 1; Double Norwich Court Bob Major 1; Cambridge Surprise Major 1.

#### SERVICE TOUCHES. STEDMAN TRIPLES.

2314567 Out quick Make bob 3425167 1 34512 First Whole Turn 4165372 2 5314736 Last Whole Turn 2351467 Make bob 2314567 In quick 2314567 S 3421576 1 Out quick with Single Make Single S 4765321 75436 5274316 6-7 up 6-7 down twice 52437 1 2314567 2 In quick 2314567 4732651 3 In Slow S 7543261 2 First Half Turn with Single 75324 1 Last Half Turn 1325476 5 6-7 down The bells come round as the bob is made. 2314567

4732651 3 In Slow
47263 1 First Whole Turn
S 7652431 2 Last Half Turn with Single
2143657 4 6-7 up
The bells come round at the first change of the following Six. The Treble is the observation for the first two touches, the Seventh for the last two.

#### ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the St. Martin's Guild for the Diccese of Birmingham was held at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, on January 6th, the Master, Mr. Albert Walker, being in the chair. Seven life members were elected, Messrs. W. A. J. Knight, H. Hoskins, P. Richards, C. Richards, A. D. Collins, P. J. Dyke and G. W. Beaumont. It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting at Aston in April, and the next bi-quarterly meeting at Harborne in February.

February.

Presenting the annual accounts, the treasurer, Mr. T. H. Reeves, said the Guild's finances were in a healthy condition. The only outstanding liability was for the writing up of the peal book, which would be taken in hand as soon as a suitable writer could be found. The president and vice-presidents were re-elected, Mr. Albert Walker was re-elected Master, Mr. George E. Fearn Ringing Master, Mr. T. H. Reeves secretary and treasurer, and Messrs. A. Paddon Smith and E. T. Allaway trustees. Messrs. H. H. Fearn and R. J. B. Haddon were appointed auditors.

Mr. Reeves reported that he had booked the Connaught Rooms at the Imperial Hotel for the Henry Johnson Commemoration on March 3rd. It was decided that it should take the form of a lunch at 1.30 p.m. At the suggestion of Mr. A. P. Smith, Mr. T. H. Reeves was invited to occupy the chair.

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#### NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

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A meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Association was held at St. John de Sepulchre, Norwich, on January 13th, at which 30 ringers attended from Mulbarton, Buxton, Wymondham, Norton Subcourse, Ranworth, Acle, Wroxham, Hawkhurst. Northrepps, Norwich, Redenhall, Diss, New Buckenham and Wighton. Methods were rung up to Cambridge Major.

At the business meeting mention was made of the deaths of Canon Meyrick, a former Vicar of St. Peter Mancroft, in whose time the 12 were rehung, the Gabriel (semitone bell) added, and a sacring bell hung in the north-ceast turret; and of Arthur L. Coleman, a former general secretary of the association. After discussion it was decided to issue a report for the years 1942-43-44. Members of the North Norfolk Branch arranged their next meeting for February 10th at Wroxham, and members of the South Norfolk Branch arranged for March 3rd at Saxlingham Nethergate. In the absence of the secretary of the East Norfolk Branch, Mr. J. G. W. Harwood, no action was taken for this branch. The election of John R. Smith was confirmed, Mrs. Golden was elected an hon. member, and the probationers, John Moor, Christopher Moor and Lucy Moor, were elected full members. full members.

DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL COTTON.

As reported in our last issue, a half-muffled peal of Stedman Caters was rung on the bells of Leicester Cathedral to the memory of Samuel Cotton, who died on December 30th at the age of 78.

He went to Leicester from Worcester, in the year 1890, and with the late George Cleal, who came from Tewkesbury, quickly formed a very fine handbell band. Peals of Grandsire and Union Triples were later followed by Stedman, including silent peals of Triples, Caters and Cinques. He was an excellent tower bell ringer, though not a prolific peal ringer. For the Midland Counties Association he rang 30 peals.

The funeral service was at the Cathedral and Stedman Caters.

The funeral service was at the Cathedral on January 3rd, and the Provost paid tribute to Mr. Cotton's long and devoted services to the belfry and the church.

JOINT MEETING AT ROTHERFIELD.

About thirty ringers attended a joint meeting of the East Grinstead and District Guild and the Sussex County Association, held at Rotherfield on January 13th.

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Service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. H. E. Collins, and tea was in the Institute. Mr. T. Sone presided at the business meeting of the East Grinstead Guild. at which it was decided to defer the annual meeting until March 10th, and to hold a ringing meeting and a committee meeting at Hartfield on February 10th. Mr. W. Rogers was elected a member.

Ringers were present from Coleman's Hatch, Lamberhurst, Tunbridge Wells, Wadhurst, Uckfield, Heathfield, Hastings (Blacklands) and the local belfry.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.

MEETING AT ROTHWELL.

The annual meeting of the Kettering Branch of the Peterborough Diocesan Guild was held at Rothwell on January 6th and was attended

Dy 30 persons.

The secretary's report and balance sheet showed an increase in membership of 18, and a bank balance of £35. Of the total number (140) of ringing members, 30 are in His Majesty's Forces. The Rev. C. R. Norcock was elected president, and Mr. H. Baxter re-elected hon. secretary and treasurer. Ten new members were elected from Rothwell and Weekley.

#### WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD.

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The annual meeting of the Winchester District of the Winchester and Portsmouth Diocesan Guild was held at Winchester ou January 6th. The Archdeacon of Winchester (chairman of the district) presided and was supported by the secretary, Mr. W. G. Goodchild. Among those present were the Rev. S. M. Watson (Rector of St. Maurice's), Mr. Wilfred Andrews, captain of the Cathedral ringers, Mr. W. Linter, general treasurer, Mr. G. Pullinger, secretary of the Southampton District, and some 50 ringers from Alresford, Beddington, Birmingham, Bishopstoke, Bournemouth, Chester, Fareham, King's Somborne, Longparish, Micheldever, North Stoneham, Salisbury, Stockbridge, Teddington, Twyford, Winchester and Wonston.

The Chairman referred to the death of the former chairman, the Rev. Norman C. Woods, who presided at their meeting last year. Continuing, he said he attached great importance to associations such as that or the ringers and to the fellowship which they engendered, and he wanted to do all he could to help in their work. He hoped it might be possible to hold one or two district meetings during the forthcoming year.

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The statement of accounts showed that 34 honorary and 70 ringing members had subscribed during 1944 and that the financial position

was quite satisfactory.

The Archdeacon of Winchester was re-elected district chairman, and

The Archdeacon of Winchester was re-elected district chairman, and Mr. Goodchild hon. district secretary and treasurer. The district representatives, Mr. W. Andrews, Winchester, and Mr. H. Newnham, Alresford, and the district auditor, Mr. G. Smith, were re-elected. New ringing members were elected—five from St. Maurice's, Winchester, four from Alresford, two from King's Somborne, and two from Wonston. It was proposed to hold a joint meeting of the Winchester and Southampton Districts at Hursley early in May, the exact date and details to be left to the respective secretaries. The Guild service was held in the Cathedral, at which an address was given by the Rector of St. Maurice's.

#### UNATTACHED MEMBERS.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,-Upon re-reading your excellent leader on 'Unattached members,' I was struck by the fact that a list of such members can They sometimes contain names of ringers who live near the border between two associations and are service ringers in one association, but, taking an interest in the affairs of the other, pay an ordinary ringing member's subscription annually. Thus they are association, but, taking an interest in the analis of the an are an ordinary ringing member's subscription annually. Thus they are listed as 'unattached' instead of 'non-resident.' The Manchester unattached list in the Lancashire Association report contains such ringers' names.

25, Hallam Street, Stockport.

#### ST. JOHN S. DEPTFORD.

The tower and spire of St. John's Church, Deptford, were completed in the year 1873 and the ring of bells opened by the Ancient Society of College Youths on the last day of 1874. On the last day of 1944 the seventieth anniversary was celebrated by a meeting in the belfry, at which the clergy, churchwardens and other church officials were present. Mr. A. A. Hughes, Mr. E. A. Young, Mr. H. Hoskins and others represented the College Youths. Letters of congratulation and good wishes were read from Mr. A. B. Peck, the Editor of 'The Ringing World,' Mr. F. M. Mitchell, hon. secretary of the Kent County Association, and others. The Vicar, who was unavoidably absent, wrote expressing delight in the knowledge that the bels have reached their three score years and ten, and said that their have reached their three score years and ten, and said that their message was needed now more than ever. During evensong the choir rendered 'Christmas Bells.' Mr. F. W. Richardson and the local band rang a touch of Grandsire. Triples.

#### BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.

MEETING AT ILMINSTER.

At the annual meeting of the Crewkerne Deanery Branch of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association, held at Ilminster on January 6th, the officers were elected for 1945 as follows: The Rev. G. G. Hickman, chairman, Mr. J. T. Locke, hon. secretary, and Mr. T. H. Taffender, Ringing Master.

The methods rung during the afternoon and evening were Grandsire Doubles and Triples, Stedman Triples, Plain Bob, Kent Treble Boh and Double Norwich Court Bob Major.

#### A REQUEST FROM THE FORCES.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir,—Would it be possible, through the medium of your valuable paper, to bring to the notice of any who have the love of change ringing at heart the following urgent need?

There is in this part of France an enthusiastic body of soldiers and airmen who wish to learn and further their knowledge of change ringing. As no facilities exist for practice on tower bells, it would only be possible to use handbells; unfortunately, none of these are available either.

available either.

We recall a request for a set of handbells being made by a unit in Gibraltar some time ago, and which was successful. Is it possible that a small set of eight or ten handbells is lying unused in England and which could be loaned to this group? If any member of the ringing fraternity can help in this matter I should be glad if he would first communicate with me, and I will arrange for the bells to be collected and for their return and would take every possible care of them whilst they are in my charge. to be consected and for their return and would take every possible care of them whilst they are in my charge.

W. EDGAR CLARKE. Chaplain, R.A.F.
Chaplain's Office, SHAEF (AIR) MAIN, SHAEF-F.P.O., c/o B.L.A.

#### BARNSLEY AND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

At the annual meeting of the Barnsley and District Society, held at St. Mary's, Barnsley, on January 18th, members were present from Cawthorne, Bolderstone, Darfield, Doncaster, Eastwood, Felkirk, Hoylandswaine, Sandal and Wath-on-Dearne.

Service was conducted by the Rector, the Rev. Canon W. E. Wilkinson, honorary president of the society, and tea was served at the Royal Hotel. At the business meeting, which followed, Oathon Wilkinson took the chair. The balance sheet showed a profit on the year's working of £4 4s. 4d. The balance sheet of the society's contest also showed a profit.

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Mr. J. R. Brearley, of Bolderstone, was elected president, Mr. D. Smith was re-elected hon. secretary, and Mr. H. Chant was re-elected treasurer. Messrs. R. Ford and L. Steele were appointed auditors. The retiring president, Mr. E. Brookes, was thanked for his services. Nino new members were elected. The next meeting will be at Sandal or February 19th.

on February 10th.

#### COURSES ALL CALLED DIFFERENTLY.

To the Editor

Dear Sir,—With reference to your note in this week's 'Ringing World' re the peal at Acton, a similar composition has been rung at least twice for the Yorkshire Association. There are probably others by the same author, Arthur Craven. I came across several with 13 out of 15 and 16 courses called differently. The repeating courses were nearly always 1 W 2 H. I should think there are a number of peals of Treble Bob Maximus with all the courses differently called. J. E. CAWSER.

Ashton Lane, Braithwell, near Rotherham.

#### DEATH OF MR. HUGH BEECHY.

The death is announced of Mr. Hugh Beechy at the age of 58 years, which occurred on January 6th. He had been a member of the St. John's, Peterborough, company for 25 years. The funeral was on January 9th, and the ringers present were Messrs. Vaughan, Cross and Warner, of St. John's, and Mr. F. Rawlinson, of St. Mary's. St. John's bells were rung half-muffled in the evening.

#### DEATH OF MR. C. E. READ

The death at the age of 77 is announced of Mr. C. E. Read, who had been a ringer at Ewell Parish Church for over forty years and leader of the band for the greater part of the time. The funeral was on December 11th. Handbells were rung over the grave and the tower bells half-muffled after the service.

#### DEATH OF A LANCASHIRE RINGER.

News has been received that Able Seaman Percy Norman, a member of the band at Oswaldtwistle, Lancashire, was on a ship torpedoed by enemy action, and is missing, presumably drowned.

SOUTHPORT.—On Sunday, December 31st, 720 Bob Minor: W. Sumner 1, \*Brenda Howard 2, \*Jack Sumner 3, Betty Sumner 4, \*Eric Sumner 5, Ernest Sumner 6, Norman Heaps (conductor) 1, Richard Sumner 8. 6-8 covering. \*First 720.

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NOTICES must be received NOT LATER THAN MONDAY.

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Maidstone District. - Meeting at Leeds, Saturday, Jan. 20th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30. Cup of tea and bun in Parish Hail 5, followed by business. Bus leaves Maidstone for Leeds 1.45, or a No. 10 bus to Hollingbourne Corner every 20 minutes.—C. H. Sone, Dis. Sec.
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—The first of a series

of 12-bell practices at St. Laurence's, Reading, on Saturday, Jan. 20th, 5.30 to 8.30 p.m.-R. T. Hibbert, Gen.

Sec., and A. D. Barker, Hon. Treas.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Hinckley District.—Annual meeting at Earl Shilton, Jan. 20th, 3 p,m. Tea in schools 5 p.m.—W. A. Wood, Dis. Sec.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. -Portsmouth District. — Annual meeting at St. Mary's, Fratton Road, Portsmouth, on Saturday, Jan. 20th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—R. J. Stone, 16, Penhale Road, Fratton, Portsmouth.

DISTRICTS ASSO-WORCESTERSHIRE AND CIATION.—Northern Branch.—Meeting, Stourbridge, Saturday, Jan. 20th, 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Tea, business and social to follow. — Bernard C. Ashford,

Sec., Bowling Green Road, Stourbridge.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Southern Branch. -Annual meeting at Edenham, Saturday, Jan. 20th, 2 p.m. Service 4.30. Business 6 p.m.—C. Bradley, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Leicester District.—Annual meeting, Jan. 20th. Ringing, 3 p.m., St. Saviour's (8) and Belgrave (8). Tea and meeting 5.30 p.m., St. Saviour's Schoolroom.—H. W. Perkins, Hon. Dis. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. — Burton District. — Meeting at Newhall, Saturday, Jan. 20th. Bells (6) 3.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m.-

J. W. Cotton, Hon. Sec., Overseal.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION. - Loughborough District. - Annual meeting at Loughborough, · Saturday, Jan. 20th. Parish Church bells 3 to 4 p.m. Foundry bells 4 p.m. Own arrangements for tea. Meeting in Foundry 6 p.m.—A. E. Rowley, Hon. Sec. HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — St.

Albans District.—Meeting at St. Michael's, St. Albans, Saturday, Jan. 20th, 3 p.m. Tea at Olde Times Cafe 5.15 p.m.—R. Darvill, Dis. Sec., 23, Elm Drive, St.

Albans.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Deanery of Glaston.—Annual meeting, Glastonbury, Jan. 20th. Bells: St. John's (8) and St. Benedict's (6), 3 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea and business at St. George's Hall.-W. H. Marsh, 4, Dovecotes, Street, Somerset.

SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. - Southern Division. — Meeting at Seaford, Saturday, Jan. 20th,

2,30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.

WARWICKSHIRE GUILD.—Meeting at Bedworth, Saturday, Jan. 20th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business.—D. E. Beamish, Gen. Hon. Sec., 21, Gipsy Lane, Nuneaton.

BARNSLEY SOCIETY.—Practice at Barnsley third Saturday in each month from Jan. 20th, 4 p.m. - D. Smith, 28, Chapel Street, Shafton, near Barnsley.

COLLEGE YOUTHS. — Bell Foundry, Whitechapel Road, E.1, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m.—A. B. Peck, 1, Eversfield Road, Reigate.

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION.—Ilchester Deanery Branch.—Annual meeting at Yeovil, Saturday, Jan. 27th. Service 4.30. Tea and business to follow.

—F. Farrant, Martock.

WINCHESTER AND PORTSMOUTH GUILD. -Basingstoke District.—Annual meeting at Basingstoke, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names to Mr. J. B. Woodley, 40, Mortimer Lane, Basingstoke, by Jan. 23rd.—J. G. Stilwell, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS AND DISTRICT SOCIETY. — Meeting at

Pudsey, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Tea, 4.30 p.m., only for those who notify Mr. W. Barton, 9, Pembroke Road, Pudsey, near Leeds, by Jan. 24th. Business in Conser-

vative Club.-H. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION.—Nottingham District. — Annual meeting at Basford, Saturday, Jan. 27th. Bells (8) at 2.30 p.m. Tea 4.30 p.m. Election of officers and important business. — T. Groombridge, jun., Hon. Sec., 74, Dornoch Avenue, Sherwood.

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—South-Eastern District.— Annual meeting at Widford, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30 p.m. Service 5.30. Tea and business after.-H. W. Shadrack, Hon. Dis. Sec., 48, Arbour Lane, Chelms-

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. — Lewisham Dis-- Meeting at St. Mary's, Lewisham, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea (by invitation) to Mr. C. H. Walker, 60, Longhurst Road, Lewisham, S.E.13.—A. G. Hill, Hon. Dis. Sec.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farnham District.—Annual meeting at Farnham on Saturday, Jan. 27th. 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea and meeting 5 p.m. Names to F. C. W. Knight, Per-nett, Broomleaf Road, Farnham, by Jan. 24th.—W. Viggers, Acting Hon. Sec.

SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS. -Annual general meeting at St. Martin-in-the-Fields on Saturday, Jan. 27th, 5.30 p.m. Ringing 3 to 5 p.m.— G. W. Steere, 46, Milton Avenue, Sutton, Surrey.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION. -Bristol Rural Branch.—Annual meeting at Mangotsfield, on Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Business after tea. Names by Jan. 25th.—Cyril R. Harding, 77, Bromley Heath Road, Downend, nr. Bristol.

KENT ASSOCIATION. — Sittingbourne, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.45. Service 4. Tea and meeting at Cremer's (opposite Town Hall). Names to G. H. Spice,

35, Woodstock Road, Sittingbourne.

BATH AND WELLS ASSN.—Cary Branch. — Annual, Ditcheat (8), Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 5 p.m. Tea 5.30 p.m.—H. C. Lintern, Alhampton, Ditcheat.

E. DERBYSHIRE AND NOTTS ASSN.—Clav Cross, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names to J. W. Price, I, Bertrand Avenue, Clay Cross.

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. - Chertsey District. — Annual meeting at Ottershaw, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m., Infants' School, Brox Road. Names by Jan. 24th to F. E. Hawthorne, Hon. Sec., 39, Queen's Road, Thames

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.—Gainsborough District. - Annual, All Saints', Gainsborough, Saturday, Jan. 27th. Ringing afternoon and evening. 4.15. Business in the Vestry 6 p.m. No tea.—Geo. L. C. Lunn.

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Peterborough Branch. —Annual, St. Mary's, Peterborough, Saturday, Jan. 27th. Service 4 p.m. No tea.—W. H. Waldron, 137, Scotney Street, Peterborough.

DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE ASSN.—Gateshead, St. Mary's (8), Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30. Bring food. Cups of tea provided. — Frank Ainsley, 30, Aysgarth

Avenue, Grangetown, Sunderland.

STOWMARKET, SUFFOLK.—Practice, Saturday,
Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. No tea. — Oliver G. Barnard.

CHESTER GUILD.—Stockport and Bowdon Branch. —Annual, Cheadle, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5.15. Names to Mr. F. Carr, 15, Crescent Grove, Cheadle, Cheshire.-T. Wilde.

PETERBOROUGH GUILD.—Daventry Branch.— Annual, Daventry (8), Saturday, Jan. 27th. Names to W. C. Moore, 5, William's Terrace, Daventry, Northants.

OXFORD GUILD.—Clewer, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 3 p.m. Tea, Is. 3d. Committee after tea. Names to A. D. Barker, Cambridge, Wexham, Slough, Bucks.

LANCASHIRE ASSN.-St. Mary's, Deane, Bolton, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30 p.m. Business 6.30 p.m. -Peter Crook.

ESSEX ASSN.-N.E. Division. - Annual, Mistley (6), Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea at Thorne Hotel 4.45 p.m. Bring food.—Leslie Wright, Park Farm Cottages, Shimpling, Bury St. Edmunds.

ELY ASSN.—Wisbech Branch. — Annual, Wisbech (10), Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5 p.m.—W. W. Cousins, Terrington St. John, Wisbech. BATH AND WELLS ASSN.—Lympsham (6), near Weston-super-Mare, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 6.30 p.m.-

E. J. Avery, Sandford, Bristol.

DEVON GUILD.—N.E. Branch. — Annual, Calverleigh, Saturday, Jan. 27th, 2.30. Service 4.30. Names to C. G. Dymond, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD GUILD.-Adderbury (8), Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 2.30 p.m. — E. Pearson, Adderbury West, Ban-

SHROPSHIRE ASSN. — Annual, Shrewsbury, Feb. 3rd. St. Mary's (10) 3 p.m. Service and business, St. Chad's, 4 p.m. Tea at Ward's cafe. Evening, St. Chad's (12).—E. D. Poole, Hon. Sec.

DONCASTER SOCIETY. — Annual at Doncaster, Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 2.30 p.m. Names to W. E. Lloyd,

3, Cranbrook Road, Doncaster.

KENT ASSN.—Whitstable, Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 3. Service 4.15. Names to C. C. Dilnot, 75/77, Oxford Street, Whitstable.—B. J. Luck.

ESSEX ASSN.—Northern Division.—Annual, Braintree, Saturday, Feb. 3rd, 2 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Names to H. G. Felton, 42, Panfield Lane, Braintree.-Hilda

G. Snowden.

SURREY ASSN.-N.W. District.-Annual, Epsom, Saturday, Feb. 3rd, Christ Church, 3 p.m. St. Martin's in the evening. Service, Christ Church, 5 p.m. and business, Christ Church Hall. Names to Mrs. Massey, 173, Coverts Road, Claygate, Surrey.

#### BIRTH.

BRUNTON.—On Jan. 12th, in Danbury Park Nursing Home, Essex, to Florence Gertrude (nee Knight), wife of A. Brunton, late Church Kirk, Lancs, a daughter, Patricia Ann.

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ADLINGTON, LANCS.—On Thursday, January 4th, 720 Boh Minor: Brian Dickinson (first 720) 1, Arthur Rigby (first inside) 2, F. Rigby (conductor) 3, J. Hill 4, J. Blackburn 5, J. H. Gartside 6.

NORBURY, CHESHIRE.—On Saturday, January 6th, 1,280 Bristol Surprise Major: A. J. Brown 1, J. Fernley 2, J. A. Milne 3, W. W. Wolstencroft 4, W. Fernley 5, T. Wilde 6, P. Laffin 7, J. Worth (conductor) 8.

Wolstencroft 4, W. Fernley 5, T. Wilde 6, P. Laffin 7, J. Worth (conductor) 8.

ROTHERFIELD.—On Sunday, January 7th, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor: R. Mitchell 1, E. Bishop, jun. 2, A. R. Miles 3, A. Lewry 4, F. Hammond 5, W. Rogers (conductor) 6, E. Bishop, sen. 7.

STREATHAM.—On Sunday, January 7th, at St. Leonard's, 720 Bob Minor: E. E. Bish 1, E. L. Miles 2, A. Miller 3, J. W. Chapman 4, J. W. Euston (conductor) 5, R. Sanders 6.

MAIDS MORETON, BUCKS.—On Sunday, January 7th, 720 Bob Minor: F. Townsend (first 720 of Minor) 1, F. Case 2. W. Yates, jun. 3, E. Nichols 4, H. Stopps 5, F. Vickers (conductor) 6.

HUGGLESCOTE.—On Sunday, January 7th, 1,260 Stedman Triples: O. A. Over (first quarter-peal in the method) 1, G. D. Hadfield 2, A. E. Rowley 3. J. Cadle 4, J. H. Dean 5, E. J. Tovell 6, H. Moult (conductor) 7, H. Powdrill 8. Rung half-muffled for T. Aldread, one of the local band, who died on December 31st.

ST. ALBANS.—On Sunday, January 7th, at St. Peter's, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: B. C. Johnson 1, Mrs. A. M. Fergusson (first quarter-peal) 2, W. Ayre 3, A. Dale 4, R. Dobson 5, C. F. Sayer 6. R. Darvill (conductor) 7, T. J. Southam 8.

PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—On Sunday, January 7th, 720 Grandsire Doubles: Richard Dixon 1, William Perry 2, Charles Towers 5. Frederick Lowier 4, Frank Lufkin (conductor) 5, Robert Chambers 6. HANDSWORTH. SHEFFIELD.—On Sunday, January 7th, 790 Cambridge Minor: Mrs. E. Dorice Kelly 1, Albert Allwood 2. Harold Taylor (first 720) 3, Jack G. Brothwell 4, John H. Brothwell 5, John E. Turley (conductor) 6.

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