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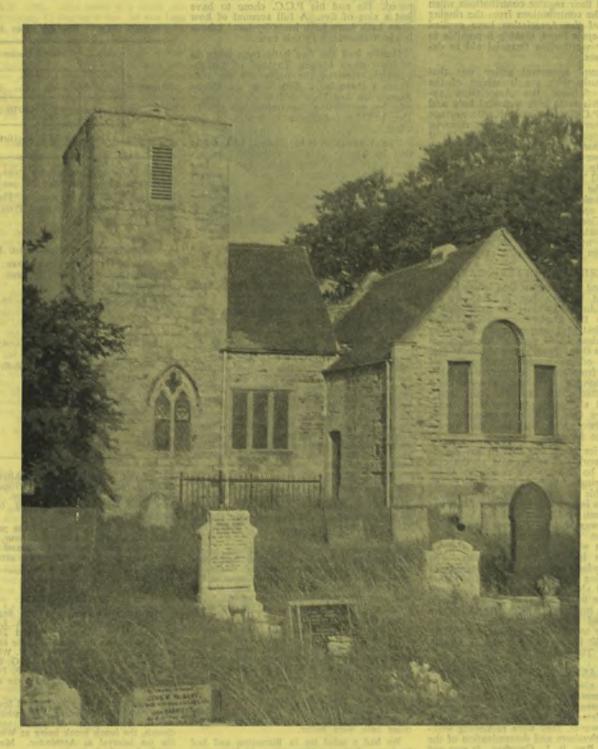
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The Church of St. Helen, Pinxton, Derbyshire

## Helping a Mining Village to get Ring of Eight

By GORDON A. HALLS

THE initial steps which made it possible for the Derbyshire Association to play such a significant role in the Pinxton project were laid in 1961. In that year the Association launched its Bell Repair Fund Affiliation Scheme. By paying an annual subscription any P.C.C. of a church having a ring of bells could become affiliated to the Association's Bell Repair Fund. At present 85 P.C.C.s within the diocese have joined and their regular contributions when added to the contributions from the ringing members of the Association have swelled the Bell Repair Fund, making it possible to give really worthwhile financial aid to deserving cases.

The second important action was that simultaneously with the launching of the Affiliation Scheme the Association appointed advisers to give technical help and advice to P.C.C.s requesting it. On average these advisers now deal with about seven or eight requests for help per year. About 90% of cases are dealt with entirely by these advisers. In the remainder additional outside help is sought from either the Central Council Towers and Belfries Committee or from the bellfounders themselves. One of the technical advisers, Mr. G. A. Halls, is also a special adviser to the Bishop's Advisory Committee to the Diocesan Consistory Court. It is in this role that he receives the more unusual requests coming mainly from churches having no bells.

## INDESCRIBABLE DETERIORATION

It was one such request that led to an inspection at Pinxton late in 1965 by G. Halls and John Morton (then architectural adviser to the Derby Association). The situation that they encountered at Pinxton was an indescribable state of deterioration and neglect that left no room for doubt that the whole of the internal construction of the tower from top to bottom would have to be removed. The timbers were completely riddled with woodworm, death watch beetle and all manner of rot and decay. There were two bells, one cracked completely in two parts. Both bells had almost non-existent fittings.

The advice given was that in any reconstruction work full recognition at the outset should be given to the possibility of installing a ring of bells at some time in the future. This in itself presented problems because the internal dimensions of the tower were 6½ feet by 12 feet and the height of the tower was 30 feet. However, with early consultation with the bellfounders (Taylors) plans were drawn up for a ring of eight bells installed on two levels. The plans included provision of a lattern roof and blocking up of the louvres for sound control. It also allowed room in the lower part of the tower for a vestry. The whole design is a masterpiece in showing what can be achieved by carefully planning at an be achieved by carefully planning at an early stage to cater for future possibilities. Every credit is due to the architect responsible—Mr. Thomas, of Derby.

## ENTHUSIASM AND DETERMINATION

Having given their advice and seen it readily accepted, the two Derby Association advisers never expected to see the plans fully implemented within the next three years. However, they were reckoning without the enthusiasm and determination of the Vicar, the Rev. R. L. Gwyther. It was not long before the Derby Association Com-

mittee were being called upon to consider making a grant from its Bell Repair Fund towards the cost of installing the ring of bells. The Association, trying in its small way to influence events, offered various amounts from £50 if a ring of five was installed with a frame for eight up to the full cost of the smallest bell if the full ring was installed. The Southwell Diocesan Guild also made a grant of £25. It was at this point that the first and only sign of wavering on the part of the Vicar of Pinxton was noted. He and his P.C.C. chose to have just a ring of five. A full account of how these bells have been hung by local labour is given elsewhere in this issue.

Hardly had the five bells been hung in position when Messrs. Taylors, of Loughborough, received the order for the outstanding three bells. This time the Derby Association has been able to play a major role by purchasing the treble bell (£167). The bell itself bears a statement to this effect.

The Association is very proud of the fact that by having its own technical advisers and a substantial Bell Repair Fund it has been able to influence the course of events at Pinxton. It has in some small way been able to steer the determined efforts of the people at Pinxton into achieving something of which they as well as the Derby Association can be truly proud.

## **OUTINGS**

## CHAPEL ALLERTON OUTING INTO THE YORKSHIRE DALES

Twelve people made an early start from Chapel Allerton, Leeds, on the morning of Saturday, August 24th. Our first call was at Pately Bridge at 9 a.m. The Vicar had warned us that we might have some difficulty ringing the bells and we found that some of them needed a lot of pulling. When we drew out of Pateley Bridge we were a party of 15 in four cars. A steep hill led us out of the town on to the mist-covered heather moors. We arrived on time at Kirkby Malzeard. The six bells are twice as heavy as our own at Chapel Allerton but go very easily and were a joy to ring. Here we could be more adventurous with methods and we rang Stedman and Cambridge. We also had an all-ladies band.

Next on the list was Aysgarth (6) We arrived by a very strange route, closing the windows to keep out the undergrowth. We had a packed lunch before ringing and then had to find the key . . . which was very elusive. The home-made sallies are very faded and dusty but perfectly usable.

Askrigg bells were almost the lightest six on the trip but before many touches had come round there were many exhausted ringers in the tower. This is not a ladies' tower at the moment but the new local band have already made an improvement and may yet do more.

We separated to go over the moors from Wensleydale into Swaledale. By now the mist had cleared a little and we had lovely if breathtaking views down into the dales. We were late at Richmond after witnessing an accident but were allowed extra time on the lovely eight. We then had to drive quickly down the A.1 because our timetable had been disrupted.

Burneston, the sixth tower of the day, was a ground-floor ring. The 5th bell proved to be a nasty surprise to the unprepared but the other bells were better.

We had a salad tea in Burneston and had to hurry down to Harrogate. Unfortunately we were 20 minutes late and found ourselves

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locked out, unable to ring. After this we split up, some staying in Harrogate for a meal and the others going home. We were very tired, but the outing had been very satisfactory.

We would like to thank all the people who helped to make this a successful tour, especially the Vicars and others who met and welcomed us. Also thanks to Ron, who arranged the outing.

M. W.

### A DEVON TOUR

In perfect weather conditions another successful tour, organised by Mr. A. L. Bennett, took place on Saturday, August 24th, when East Devon was the venue. Those accompanying him were Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Wheeler and daughter, Messrs. D. R. Mould, G. E. Mudge, J. C. Michelmore, E. J. Cann. P. Perkins, A. W. Myers, M. W. Myers, S. Pierce and A. N. Frost.

Towers visited were Brampford Speke, Poltimore, Whimple, Plymtree, Payhembury, Awliscombe, Kilmington, Musbury and Hawkchurch, the lunch break being at Whimple and the tea interval at Axminster. Most of the standard methods were rung, a great deal of this being tape-recorded.

A.L.B.

## OUR COVER PICTURE

## PINXTON'S FINE EXAMPLE OF "DO IT YOURSELF"

By the Rev. RONALD L. GWYTHER

THE vogue for "do it yourself" has its followers in Church circles, and the Parish of St. Helen, Pinxton, does its best to keep up with current practice.

Pinxton is a small mining village of some 4,000 people on the borders of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire, and about 14 miles northwest of Nottingham. The church building was begun about A.D. 1150 and the tower built about A.D. 1300. The tower is a squat rectangular edifice, 12 feet by 9 feet, 30 feet high and with a flat roof. Originally it had three bells, but when the present parish priest, the Rev. Ronald L. Gwyther, came to the parish in 1960 there were only two bells in the tower. One, cast about A.D. 1366 by Johannes de Stafford, and cracked completely into two, was hanging very precariously. The other was cast by Thomas Mears in 1803 and was being chimed for services.

## **OBLIVIOUS OF DANGERS**

The quinquennial survey carried out just after Father Gwyther arrived showed that if the chiming had gone on much longer the bell probably would have fallen through the floor. In fact the oak bell frame and floors, riddled with death-watch beetle and suffering from both wet and dry rot, had been condemned as dangerous in 1890. However up to September, 1960, the bell was chimed each Sunday with priest and choir in the vestry below seemingly oblivious of the danger suspended overhead.

With all the other repairs needed the survey showed that about £8,000 worth of work was necessary. The bells for a time were a luxury. By 1965 the essential repairs to the church had been largely carried out and in the process the men learned a lot about church repairs through "do it yourself."

With this experience and enthusiasm the Church Council began to look into the problem of the tower and repairs to the bells. The Diocesan Advisory Committee was most helpful and sent along its adviser. Mr. G. Halls, of Derby. On his advice the architect. Mr. Thomas, of Derby. consulted with Taylors, of Loughborough. Plans for a frame and eight bells were drawn up and costs estimates obtained. With all the works necessary the architect worked out a figure of just over £3,000.

## PLENTY OF FAITH

At that time there was no money. What money had been raised had been spent on repairs to the church itself. However, the old bells had to come down before they fell down. Some had plenty of faith, and persuaded the parish to apply for a faculty to take out the old bells and to implement the plan to erect the new ring of eight bells. The Chancellor must have had plenty of faith also, for the faculty was granted.

So a few men and the young servers began to clear out the tower. They began by taking out about two tons of bird droppings and ended with the removal of an old chimney stack inside the tower. One significant landmark occurred on the night four brave men took down the two old bells and thus allowed the choir to assemble in the vestry below in safety.

The bells and some of the bell frame were put on display in the Church Hall. Old choristers blanched when they saw what had been hanging over their heads. Interest rose, and it was decided to send out an appeal to every household in the village. The result was most satisfactory and an order for five of the eight bells was soon placed.



PUTTING A NEW BELL IN THE TOWER

### GIFT OF NEW BELL FRAME

Lots of people were now beginning to help. The Derby and Southwell Bell Ringers Associations gave generously. The milkman took the old bells down to Loughborough on his milk float for recasting. The owner of the local steel-fabricating plant ordered his men to make the bell frame and then sent it to Loughborough. Other men began to prepare the tower and dig the holes in the tower walls for the new bell frame and floors. The stone blocks of which the tower is constructed were terribly hard, and an ordinary hammer and chisel had little effect. Fortunately a firm nearby lent a compressor and drills and a wonderful Irish operator. By Palm Sunday Eve, 1967, the work was in full swing.

Slowly the work progressed. Most of it could only be done on Saturdays. Men who worked hard all week now found themselves working even harder on their day off. digging holes in stonework, hauling up great steel beams of the new bell frame. Clerks accustomed to pushing pens all week now found themselves pushing about great blocks of old timber and new steel work. They went to church on Sunday offering up bruises and blood hlisters. Women who came into church were likely to find themselves presented with dusters and mops and then working for hours to make the church clean for Sunday services. The congregations suffered minor inconveniences, but nobody complained—members just picked up dusters and cleaned their seats.

## HORRIFYING EXPERIENCES

The work had its moments, such as when a beam swung out of control and the parish nearly had to get a new priest. One man, helping to dismantle a floor, stood his crowbar upright on the main floor beam and was horrified to see it plunge through the rotten wood into the vestry below. He got down and did not come up again until the new steel joists were in position.

The old flat roof, which had to be replaced, was left as long as possible but it had to come off to allow the new bells to be lowered into the tower from above. The main beam supporting the old roof had been used throughout the operations to carry the block and tackle, and all the new steel bell frame had been hauled up on this. When it came to dismantling the old roof and dislodging this beam, men went white. It had been a case of "where ignorance is bliss," etc., for two of the men stood on the new bell frame and just lifted up the beam and threw it over the side.

The frame had been set in position by local fitters who, to their great satisfaction, got it to well within 1-5,000th of an inch. Mr. P. Taylor, of the Bell Foundry, like many other people, had been rather dubious of the claim to "do it ourselves." The excellence of the bell frame and the competence of the fitters convinced him otherwise. So much so that in his estimate for the final three bells he allowed just for the casting and tuning of the bells, stating in his letter that the men of Pinxton would do the rest. Finally a great crane, lent anonymously, arrived one day, and the new bells were put into their places.

### SPIRITUAL VALUE

It has been a marvellous experience, and the parish is now on the point of dedicating and installing the final three bells to complete the ring. The work throughout has been of a very high standard—it had to be passed both by the architect and Mr. Taylor. The "do it yourself" attitude has saved us well over £1,000, but that is small compared to what has been achieved on the spiritual side.

It has brought people to church, people who know they are wanted—men and women who are being prepared for Confirmation now. It has given the parish a sense of confidence that it can tackle big works and bring them to a satisfactory conclusion.

It is easy to pass disparaging remarks about bells in Pinxton and the starving millions outside. God can be glorified in Pinxton through the offering of time and work and money and effort. People have to gain confidence, feel that they are needed, and then they can go out to do even greater work for God.

### THE BELLS

The ring, five bells erected July, 1967.

	cwt.	qr.	lb.
Tenor	5	2	8
7	3	3	21
6	2	3	9
5	2	1	25
4	2	0	9

The final three bells are being dedicated on Sunday, September 15th, at 4 p.m. by Bishop T. R. Parfitt.

(See also page 704)

## REMEMBERING THOSE OF 250 YEARS AGO

Mr. Bevan Wilgress abandoned at short notice the making of a concrete path in his garden to take part in the memorial peal of Grandsire Triples for Mr. A. C. Haines at Hingham, Norfolk.

The ringers also remembered "James Brook, John Briggs, William Palmer, Robert Crane, Henery Howard, Wm. Callow, Tho. Melchior, Tho. Barrett," who rang John Garthon's composition at Mancroft just 250 years ago. They also noted the splendid work which Mr. Jack Elliot has done in the belfry in maintaining bells and fittings in perfect condition and cleanliness.

## WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT IN 12-BELL RINGING

## Peal of 40 Surprise Maximus Methods at Liverpool Cathedral

N the heavy bells of Liverpool Cathedral on August 17th a peal of historical significance was rung-5,040 spliced Surprise Maximus in 40 methods.

Such a meritorious performance is not only a new record for spliced Maximus ringing, but is crowned by having been rung on the heaviest bells in the country.

We are sure that many will re-echo the congratulations of Mr. J. L. Millhouse that appeared in our last issue.

Unquestionably, this is the finest achievement in 12-bell ringing ever accomplished and the Lancashire Association can record with pride a feat that will go down in the annals of 12-bell ringing.

### CONDUCTOR'S COMMENTS

The peal at Liverpool Cathedral on August 17th raises the record for Spliced Surprise Maximus from 35 to 40 methods. A feature of particular note. and pleasure to the participants, is that the peal was achieved by a band consisting entirely of ringers trained in Lancashire and Cheshire. The conductor wishes to thank Mr. J. Ridyard for the privilege of using the Cathedral bells, Mr. Shirley Burton for his assistance in obtaining new methods, and also those ringers from the Mannetster area who helped in the preparations chester area who helped in the preparations for this peal.

Would anyone keeping records of compositions please note that the composition of 35 methods rung at Leicester in September last year appears incorrectly in the 1967 Lancashire Association Report. The leads Redfield and Brigstow should be juxtaposed to obtain the composition as actually rung, although its truth is not affected in either form.

NEIL BENNETT.

## FINDING NEW BAND FOR PINXTON'S NEW BELLS

THE restoration of the tower and the plan to install a ring of bells at St. Helen's, Pinxton created a lot of enthusiasm in this small Derbyshire mining village on the borders of Nottinghamshire. Whilst the work was going on, the Rector, Father Gwyther, colected a few people together who were willing to learn to ring. Mr. Les Rawson, of Selston was asked to provide tuition and he readily agreed. Almost at the same time a young mannew to the village, who claimed to have learned to ring in London, came forward with an offer to help. The offer was accepted and he was left to get on with organising and training the new band. Unhappily the young man's abilities as a ringer and as a leader did not match up to what was required and interest and determination flagged. The band, such as it was, broke up. THE restoration of the tower and the plan it was, broke up.

The prospect of the bells being installed in the tower without a band of ringers to ring them was the cause of dismay among the "do it yourself gang of bellhangers." of whom Bryan Jones was one. The gang had expected to have a ready-made band of ringers to take to have a ready-made band of ringers to take over as soon as their work was finished. Bryan was doubly concerned because some weeks earlier the regulars in the Horse Shoes had jibed him as to whether the bells would ever ring. Bryan, being rather more full of drink than wisdom, had retorted that the bells would be ringing on July 15th—Carnival Day—when the procession went round the village. Much midnight oil had to be burned but with one day in hand Mr. Paul Taylor inspected the work, test-rang the bells and gave the O.K.

On Carnival Day everyone concerned with the work of installing the bells was well satisfield with the result, as the Selston band rang them for the first time. During the Carnival celebrations the conversation turned naturally towards bellringing and the lack of ringers at Pinxton. There were several suggestions. was that those who had hung the bells should was that those who had hung the bells should now ring them. Bryan's opinion was that he had done his bit and that it was now up to someone else. It was at this point that his friend Dennis dropped a bombshell: "I was going to tell you; I have been talking to the Rector about this ringing lark and I've volunteered that you and I will learn." Bryan's reply was short, sharp and unprintable. However, after a few more carnival celebration beers, bought by Dennis, Bryan found the idea more appealing and by the end of the evening was even looking forward to his first lesson. was even looking forward to his first lesson.

Some weeks passed before anything more happened; holidays interrupted organised activity. Early in September Father Gwyther made a fresh effort and decided to learn him-

self. There would now be about seven people wanting to learn to ring. Once again a Pinxton band went to Selston; this time progress was more positive and after a few weeks the learners were capable of ringing rounds and call changes. Following Mr. Rawson's advice, the band started to ring on their own bells at Pinxton, practising what they had learned at Selston. For some time the striking was erratic and even non-existent. Several stays were despatched—largely due to the lightness and quickness of the new ring (tenor five

With the exception of weddings the new With the exception of weddings the new bells had not been rung for service. By Oc-tober there was sufficient confidence to make the first attempt, so on Sunday, Oct. 15th. 1967, the bells were rung for Evensong for the first time by the local band. The band now ring regularly for service and they have started to train their own recruits. The strength of the band is now twelve, with the majority in the 11 to 15 age group.

The amount of time spent in teaching learners has slowed down the rate of progress in change ringing, nevertheless three of the band change ringing, nevertheless three of the band are learning Bob Doubles and two others can plain hunt the treble. If progress continues at the present rate it should be possible to ring Bob Doubles before too long.

This, then, was the beginning of the Pinxton band. They would like to thank publicly all those ringers who have helped and encouraged them so far, particularly Les Rawson, Cyril Jacques, Fred Ball, Gornet Noon, Stanley Harpham, Don Hutchinson and Stephen Marshall of the Selston band.

## **OBITUARY**

## REV. A. T. STEPHENS

The death occurred at Bournemouth on August 23rd of the Rev. Arthur Treeve Stephens in his 84th year. He was Rector of Shepton Beauchamp, Somerset, from 1945 until his retirement in 1963.

Although not a ringer, he took a keen interest after coming to Somerset and was chair-man of the Crewkerne Branch from 1948 until 1961. In appreciation of his devoted and faithful service he was made a vice-president of the Bath and Wells Association in 1962.

He was laid to rest at Shepton Beauchamp on August 26th. In the evening a half-muffled quarter peal was rung in his memory by the local band,

### R. L. HAWKSWORTH

Roger Lovatt Hawksworth was associated with Brewood Church all his life and became a ringer there under the direction of John Perry in the middle '30's. His work as a a ringer there under the direction of John Perry in the middle '30's. His work as a farmer restricted his peal activities but he had rung about 75, chiefly for the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. His first, on June 18th. 1938, was Grandsire Triples at Pattingham. His last was Grandsire Caters at St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent. The one of which he was most proud was a peal of Grandsire Triples by a local band, which he conducted. Outside of farming his main interest was his church with its magnificent ring of eight. He served on the P.C.C. and was a member of the choir. His unassuming but pleasant manner endeared him to all his associates, and the ner endeared him to all his associates, and the number of regular performing local ringers is evidence of his untiring efforts in the

His funeral was on August 28th, the service heing conducted by the Rev. R. Schottelvig and attended by numerous parishioners and friends. The bells were rung half-muffled be-fore and after the service and a peal of Grand-sire Triples was rung later in the day. K.

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First rung by the Cambridge University Guild at Christchurch Priory on August 20th, 1968.

## The Property of the Ancient Society of College Youths

By W. T. COOK-Librarian of the Society.

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INTIL the year 1936 the Master's badge of office was quite a small affair, not originally designed for the purpose. In 1837, at the time of the Society's bicentenary, the Master was Richard Mills. The Society at that time was at a low ebb and, in an endeavour to improve matters, he offered a silver medal to each of the band who should ring peals of Oxford Treble Bob Major, Royal and Maximus,

The first set of these medals was won by a band who rang a peal of Oxford Major at Newington in 1840. James Mash was one of the band, and his son, George, afterwards presented his father's medal to the Society. It sented his father's medal to the Society. It was this medal which was used as the Master's badge, and is now worn by the Immediate Past Master. On the obverse, surrounding a bell, are the words "Campanalogia. R. Mills, Master, 1837," and on the reverse "Society of College Youths, Established A.D. 1637." Details of the peal are also engraved on it. A similar medal, won by J. R. Haworth in 1841 for a peal of Oxford Royal, is also in the possession of the Society. Both these medals are approximately two inches in diameter. diameter.

### THE MASTER'S BADGE

The master's badge of office was designed by E. A. Young and presented by past officers in 1936 to commemorate the forthcoming tercentenary of the Society. At the ends of the ribbon are six coats of arms, those of Lord Brereton (the Society's first Master), St. Paul's Cathedral, Sir Richard Whittington, the City of London, Southwark Cathedral, and Sir Henry Tulse (Lord Mayor of London and Master of the Society in 1684). Beneath these on either side are reproductions of the Society's mace. The main part of the badge is surmounted by a reproduction of the the Society's mace. The main part of the badge is surmounted by a reproduction of the "Muse of Campanology" from the membership certificate, under which is a production of the old Master's badge, flanked by men wearing typical dresses of 1637 and 1937. The inscriptions on the badge read "Ancient Society of College Youths, 1637-1937," and "Vivamus unanimiter. Sit perpetuum."

At the Society's business meetings the Master uses a gavel with a head carved in the shape of a bell inscribed "Junior Society of College Youths, 1820." This Junior Society was founded in 1820 to supplement the work of the older Society. It survived until 1839. It is the custom at these business meetings to pass round what is known as the "Pence Box," by means of which members contribute to the Society's Benevolent Fund. The box normally used is a small one in light oak, but the Society used is a small one in light oak, but the Society also has a much larger one, carved from solid oak, with bell-shaped decorations on its lid and sides. This was made by Thomas Hussey, a ringer at Hughenden, Bucks. When Hughenden Church was restored in 1875 it was decided to augment the then existing ring of four bells to six, and Thomas Hussey made the box out of wood from the original bell frame to collect money to do this. Although he was not a College Youth he was always keenly interested in the Society, and when he was forced to give up ringing, in 1882, he presented the box to the College Youths. used is a small one in light oak, but the Society



THE MASTER'S CHAIN OF OFFICE

BUST OF W. T. COCKERILL

Nearly all the items of property I have so far described are kept in the bookcase which stands in the centre of the ringing room at St. Paul's. On top of this bookcase is a plaque with the following inscription: "The bust of W. T. Cockerill, made by Muriel Hiley, exhibited in the Royal Academy in Hiley, exhibited in the Royal Academy in 1929 and presented to the Ancient Society of College Youths by E. A. Young, was placed in this Tower by permission of the Dean and Chapter in 1938. In the same year, in his memory, W. S. B. Northover of Bridport made and gave to the Society this bookcase." The bust referred to will be familiar to all who have rung at St. Paul's It stands at the exact height of W. T. Cockerill, and on the pedestal is recorded that he was conductor of the St. Paul's band from 1911 to 1938, and secretary of the A.S.C.Y. from 1892 to 1937.

In the bookcase just mentioned, besides several books, manuscripts and other docu-ments, are also kept a stainless steel tray pre-

sented to the Society by J. E. Lewis Cockey in 1936 in appreciation of the assistance in ringing he had received from various members, ringing he had received from various members, and some gramophone records of historic interest. These are of half-muffled ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral on Armistice Day, 1927 (Stedman Cinques—a poor recording) and two test records of handbell ringing—three leads of Kent Treble Bob Major, and a bob course of Stedman Triples, rung in 1928 by C. F. Winney, H. R. Pasmore, H. Langdon and W. T. Cockerill (some first-class ringing on a light set of handbells).

(To be continued)

WOLLATON, NOTTS,—On August 3rd. 1,260
Plain Bob Minor: S. Humphrey 1, P. Hawcock 2,
J. Sneyd (first quarter) 3, G. Duke 4, Miss S.
Poplesion 5. R. Blackler 6, A farewell to J. Sneyd,
moving to Burton-on-Trent.

WOOTTON, OXON .- On August 18th, 1.296 Cambridge Surprise Minor: Rachel J. Sinden 1, J. Hedg-cock 2, Pamela E. Powell 3, P. J. Heritage 4, R. A. Reeves 5, E. R. Venn (cond.) 6.

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### LETTERS

INCOME TAX AND WEDDING FEES

Dear Sir,—" My attention was drawn to a lady in Surrey who recorded her wedding fees lady in Surrey who recorded her wedding tees on her Income Tax return." This is what our Editor said in a tootnote to a letter published in "The Ringing World" of July 19th. Whether this was with tongue in cheek or not I do not know. I recall this because only last week my accountant rather surprised me when he wanted details of income from this source for Income Tax purposes, This could well serve as a caution to other ringers, especially to tower captains or their secretaries who receive the money for distribution either to keep a record of its distribution, as the Vicar no doubt has to, or to keep no record at all and not to talk about it to non-ringers, as I think this is the way my accountant got his information. You will be pleased to know. however, that owing to the nature of my work

my income from wedding fees was nil.

In passing, I know of one church where £100 is quite often spent on flowers for the day and therefore charges a guinea a rope for the bells—or should I not have said this lest the Income Tax man hears?—Yours sincerely,

ALAN A. J. BUSWELL.

Cosham, Hants.

## WEDDING FEES

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Dear Sir,—May another G. Robinson answer the letter of his namesake in "The Ringing World" of July 19th? My experience has been that when a regular church member is married the ringers take the trouble to find out when the service is taking place so that they may join in the celebration and that they give their services freely as a wedding present. I should not keep my ringers long if I informed them that their services were required at such and such a time for the wedding of

at such and such a time for the wedding of someone who never entered the church at all—whether it were "for an hour or so" or even live minutes on a Saturday afternoon. Has Mr. Robinson ever in his search for motives asked why such folk really want the bells or whether the occasion is a proper one for their use at all?

No one else is expected to give his services free or for the benefit of church funds at a wedding—why should ringers? £5 is quite inadequate, anyway.—Yours faithfully.

GORDON ROBINSON.

Sherborne, Dorset,

## KEEPING "DOVE'S" UP TO DATE

Dear Sir,—We have just seen a new copy of "Dove's" and a discussion ensued: we have come up with the following suggestion. All come up with the following suggestion. All changes of practice nights, augmentations, etc., should be notified to Mr. Dove and the whole published at three- or six-month intervals in "The Ringing World." We have been caught by changes of practice nights which have been notified in "The Ringing World" and which have not been altered in our copies of "Dove" at the time. We are sure Mr. Dove keeps his copy amended. Could we ask that he should help ringers in this way—by keeping and sending regularly for publication a list of amendments. amendments,

amendments.

Could we further suggest that the next edition includes the postal town of each tower where this is different from the name of the tower listed.—Yours faithfully,

A. HORSFORD. All Hallows', Twickenham.

P. W. BEVINGTON. St. Mary's. Twickenham.

M. J. BANGHAM. Wimbledon.

D. BROCK. Sunburv-on-Thames.

N. F. EDWARDS. Chiswick.

J. F. M. MAYBREY. Esher.

M. J. SEAGRAVE, Cheltenham.

## AMBIGUITY OVER RECORD PEALS

Dear Sir,-Almost every issue of "The Ringing World" this year has included some re-ference to the rules of the Central Council. A common factor has been ambiguity. F. ference to the rules of the Central Council. A common factor has been ambiguity. F. Price asked for "clarification and modernisation" (page 59); B. J. Woodrulfe asked for "points to be clarified" in a two-column letter (page 103) and suggested that similar rules should be introduced for multi-spliced peals; "Anon." (page 598) extended this idea to include the calling of intricate compositions. The significance of the 6,720 has been explained, but not very well. We still do not know if it is necessary to publish the composition beforehand—presumably it is unnecessposition beforehand-presumably it is unnecesposition beforenand—presumably it is unnecessary because of the way in which the peals of Glasgow have been accepted. Yes—clarification is required but I suppose we shall have to wait for the next social week-end. The tangle of Doubles methods/variations which has developed since it was possible to ring 220 methods/variations has become far too technical for the average ringer to understand

Let us turn to the 13,140 Kent Treble Bob Maximus (Cam variation). I am afraid that Mr. Blagrove is almost lifty years too late in telling us that the Cam/Granta/Gonville variations are really spliced. These were introduced by the James brothers and rung, mainly on handbells, by the Cambridge University Guild in the early 'twenties and were first referred to as "cut vatiations. Peals have been published as Kent T.B. (Cam variation) ever since. I also believe that peals have occasionally appeared as Granta Treble Bob in the Nottinghame area in the past. There is no reason to change now, but it is interesting to note that a peal of Cam rung by a Lincolnshire band on April 26th. 1968. was published as spliced in two methods. When Treble Bob was first in-Let us turn to the 13,140 Kent Treble Bob

troduced Oxford and Kent were called variatroduced Oxford and Kent were called variations and perhaps this was the reason for the Central Council Decision to which C. Wratten refers on page 652 (Kent and Oxford half-lead spliced). Before the peal attempt began it was jokingly suggested that we were in fact attempting a peal of spliced. I am sure that none in the band would wish to establish a record length of Spliced Maximus in two such simple methods as Mr. Blazrove expects us to simple methods as Mr. Blagrove expects us to. I cannot agree that two types of bob were used. 1-4 was made with the treble leading at used. 1-4 was made with the treble leading at each bob—not like Mr. Blagrove's extents of Bob Minor with "two types of bob" (F. T. B., page 240). Yet another example of Mr. Blagrove's "whizzkiddery" which is good enough for himself but not for others.

It would appear that Mr. Blagrove is gunning for our long peal, but I am assured by another member of the Central Council that this is not so. There was nothing wrong with the tone of B. J. Woodruffe's letter (page 606)—he just asked why the peal of Pudsey had been accepted (The conductor still has not found the composition.) It appeared that there was no proof that the peal had been under the composition was true. We all want to see the matter of long length ringing sorted out but there are more important issues involved than the precise way in which the 13,140 Maximus was published. The rules must be clarified, punctuated correctly and all ambiguity removed so that there will be no need to introduce two categories—progressive lengths and record lengths proper—and the possible anomally of the former being longer than the latter will not arise again.—Yours faithfully, faithfully,

ALAN F. SCHOLFIELD. Clare College, Cambridge.

## HEREFORD CATHEDRAL WEST FRONT

Dear Sir,-I would like to stress the reasons why the west front of Hereford Cathedral was rebuilt by John Olrid Scott for A. W. Davis of Reading and clear up the many notes which have been written.

I have been doing research on the Scott family of architects for three years years now and I have so far been able to discover the

on Easter Monday, 1786, the west front of the Cathedral collapsed and the Dean and Chapter asked James Wyatt to restore the building. He was perhaps a little more successful in his vandalism at Hereford than that at Salisbury and Durham. Wyatt altered the whole proportion of the building by shortening the nave by 15 feet and erecting a new west end in his own particular Gothic style. His most flagrant action was the removal of all the Norman work in the nave above the arcading and substituting a design of his own. To complete his "more restrained compositions." he pulled down the old campanile, rearranged the monuments and put plaster mouldings on to

monuments and put plaster mouldings on to the arcade arches.

The mock-Gothic was a disgrace to the once noble Cathedral and at the turn of the century Dean Leigh managed to raise some £16.000 for the removal of Wyatt's west front. The work was carried out between 1904 and 1908 by John Olrid Scott, and perhaps the only lamentable thing was that Scott used Hollington red stone instead of local stone.

Wyatt's design is in no way worthy of

Wyatt's design is in no way worthy of merit but it must be stressed that he did patch up the west end and so preserve the Cathedral. I can, though, find no grounds to appraise his work for I find it hard to appreciate that 18th century mock-Gothic is finer than original Norman work.—Yours faithfully,

Clayboll Head

Clayhall, Ilford.

## ST. EDWARD'S SCHOOL, OXFORD

Dear Sir,-Three-bell enthusiasts and others may like to amend their copies of "Doves' to the effect that only two, and not three, of the bells at St. Edward's School, Oxford, are hung for ringing. "The Church Bells of Ox-fordshire" contains a similar error.

The bells were all cast by Taylor in 1879 and, excluding the sanctus, their notes are, rather curiously, F, E flat, C and F. The lighter pair are hung for ringing and are fully ringable; the heavier pair are hung "dead" and evidently always have been.

Incidentally, the bells of St. Michael's, Oxford. and Waterstock, both listed in the Guild's report as unringable, are both quite definitely hung "dead." Many Oxford ringers seem to be under the illusion that St. Michael's bells are still hung for ringing, although this ceased to be the case when the present framework and chiming fittings were installed in 1898. Waterstock bells, unlike St. Michael's have never been hung for ringing. Michael's, have never been hung for ringing: they were cast and hung as a chime by Gillett in 1888.—Yours faithfully.

Twickenham. CHRISTOPHER DALTON

## BELL ROPES JOHN NICOLL

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## REVIEW

## A BOOK YOU

"DISCOVERING Bells and Bellringing, a paperback of Shire Publications series, will, we are sure, delight the Exercise. John Camp, the author, writes in a delightful fashion and with a pretty touch of humour; we are certain that the young enthusiasts in our ranks will regard it as a book to be read at a sitting!

Bellringing arouses curiosity among the public and this book reveals much that the non-practising lover of bells wants to know, as technicalities are reduced to a minimum. The historical background tells how the change from the quarter- and half-wheel to the wholefrom the quarter- and half-wheel to the whole-wheel and the introduction of the slider and stay paved the way for a rapid advance in the art of ringing changes. In dodging and hunt-ing, the author emphasises a cardinal rule of ringing that is so taken for granted that be-ginners are rarely told of it—" that a bell can only change places with the bell that is ringing next to it, i.e. either before it or after it."

## BELFRY REFORM

The chapter headed "Ringers v. Clergy" is a useful addition to those searching for conditions prevailing in England 100 years ago.

Beer was the normal drink of most people in those days, when the water supply was anything but safe and tea and coffee were only for the well-to-do. An example is quoted from the accounts of a Lancashire parish: "Spent on ourselves when we met at the Abbey Arms to decide how much to give to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel."

A deep rift had developed between the ringers and clergy and this found expression at High

## WILL BYJOY

Wycombe in 1832, when the bells were rung to celebrate the passing of the Reform Bill. But a few days later, on the occasion of the annual visit of the Bishop of Lincoln, the ringers refused to turn out and the bells remained silent, the reason being his Lordship had voted against the bill in the House of

Few of the present generation realise that much of the reform was due to the Oxford Movement of John Henry Newman and Keble and the Cambridge Camden Society. The latter body, under the name of The Ecclesiological Society, sent representatives round the country talking to the ringers about their problems. They encouraged the appointment of tower captains not only to decide what was to be rung but also to be responsible for the general conduct of the ringers. Advice was to be rung but also to be responsible for the general conduct of the ringers. Advice was given on the formation of rules, which not only imposed penalties for bad ringing but also for bad behaviour. "The Ecclesiologist, the journal of the Camden Society, printed an article by a country curate on the best method of dealing with "an ungodly set of ringers."

At the same time came improvement in bells; rehanging them with ball bearings, and iron frames had taken the place of the old oak frames. Then came ladies in the belfry and eventual formation of the Ladies' Guild. gladly welcomed by some :--

> Like a breath of summer laden, Like a cheery ray of hope. Is the sight of gentle maiden Deftly handling of a rope.

RELATIONS WITH CLERGY

We hope that none of our clergy will take to heart the necessity of the clergy bridging the gap between the other servants of the Church and those in the belfry. "Instead of Church and those in the belfry. "Instead of taking an interest in them and making them feel they are performing an essential service for the Church, some clerics completely ignore the ringers, never visit the ringing chamber and are often woefully ignorant which of their congregation are in the band." Perhaps our president and other members of the Clerical Guild will take this general condemnation to heart and explore the means of creating a better understanding among the cloth, amplifying the work being attempted in the training colleges. training colleges.

Under the heading of "Mishaps and Dangers" the author has some useful observations to make about accidents in the belfry-which. happily, are comparatively rare. The most common type of mishap is letting a novice practise on a heavy bell before full control has been obtained. There is a responsibility on the tower captain or ringer in charge that belfry

doors are locked and a clearly-printed notice displayed if the bells are left "up."

The author concludes with a final reminder to all who participate in ringing—"Don't let your enthusiasm blind you to the fact that you your enthusiasm blind you to the fact that you are ringing for the Church—and for the Glory of God. Having this always in mind will ensure that you derive the maximum satisfaction from a hobby that is comparatively unusual, yet very much part of the fabric of English history."

The book is illustrated with eight pages of useful photographs and various diagrams. "Discovering Bells and Bellringing" is obtainable from Shire Publications, Gubblecote Cross, Tring, Herts, and is stocked by Heffer's Bookshop. 3-4. Petty Cury, Cambridge, price 5s, including postage.

including postage.

## PETER LAFLIN

### A Tribute.

Born in the then quiet village of Stoke-by-Nayland in the south-eastern corner of Suffolk justly, famed as the Constable country, Peter Laffin imbibed the beauty of that area, thus developing a keen eye for the loveliness of scenery and sounds which remained with him for the rest of his life. A few years after his birth the family moved to Debenham and he eventually joined the church choir and later on he learned to ring.

On leaving school Peter became apprenticed to a firm of builders and his technical abilities were of great use in keeping the old ring in good order; at that time the frame rested on oak pillars sunk into the ground floor, and the frame was kept rigid by wedges driven between it and the walls of the tower.

In course of time his ringing abilities were or course of time his ringing abilities were noticed by James Motts, then conductor at St. Mary-le-Tower, who thought highly of his back-end abilities and encouraged him in that direction; in those days the peals were somewhat slower than today, and Peter had to put his brakes on to suit the older men he was ringing with ringing with.

On August 2nd, 1914, we rang our first peal of Maximus, but it was five years before we met again. He served in the Royal Engineers during the First War.

In August, 1919, he emigrated to Canada and for the next seven years lived in Torontosix of the winters there he was unemployed. One evening, when cycling home from work, Peter met a car head-on and took flight over Peter met a car head-on and took flight over it, spreading himself on the road and badly marking his face. That evening was his first date with Annie, who eventually became his wife. His second summer was spent in building a house, timber-framed on brick and concrete foundations and floors of hard wood, principally maple. It was in this house that Peter and Annie lived during their stay in Canada. stay in Canada.

Peter had a very pleasing tenor voice, which gained him admission to a choral society. was the custom to combine the choral societies of the city into one and give recitals of the great works of Haydn, Handel and others.

But as idle winters were becoming hard to bear, Peter's thoughts turned towards home and in May. 1926, they returned and took up residence in Manchester; he obtained employment in the Electricity Department of the Corporation, living for a time at Blakeley and later moving to Stockport, where he resided for the rest of his life.

Here he joined St. George's, Heaviley, becoming towerkeeper and, later on, librarian of the Beeston library, for which he made a very fine bookcase. He also did much work very fine bookcase. He also did much work in the church and for its many activities, for he was a dedicated servant of his church.

All progressions have their occasional set-backs, and the loss of Annie, his wife, went

deep, but the arrival of grandchildren softened the blow and Peter, as is the wont of grandparents, could see himself in some of them, and it was a great joy for him to relate some of their incidents into at least one pair of willing ears.

His ringing was probably the great joy of his life, and being a member of the justly famed Cheshire band was the ultimate of his ringing life.

When retirement came Peter was ready for it and could give more time to his wood-turning, home wine-making and fishing.

Those of us who enjoyed his friendship are left with many precious memories and we can rejoice that his knowledge of men and matters rendered his conversation so interesting and fascinating, covering as it did a period of over

We hope that in the Shades he may meet and commune with the great ones of the past, the Haydns and Handels, the Wrens and Van-brughs, the Annables and Haleys, and perhaps our own greatly-loved John Worth.

E. JENKINS.

CHIPPENHAM, WILTS.—On Aug. 5th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: P. Stephens (first quarter) 1, R. Tigwell 2, D. Carey 3, J. Martin 4, G. Fell (first 'inside') 5, H. Fell 6, W. Page (cond.) 7, J. E. Martin 8, Rung half-muffied as a tribute to Jack Trout, a faithful member of the band for many years. who died on July 30th, aged 83.

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## LANCASHIRE PEAL WEEK'S 75 per cent SUCCESS

THIS year's tour of Lancashire (August 11th to 18th inclusive), organised by Dave Bennett and Geoff Fothergill, centred mainly on towers in or around the Bolton and Wigan Branches of the Association and resulted in 75 per cent. success—10 peals from 15 attempts. A striking feature—and one which distinguished this tour from last year's, from which, I think, only two participants remained—was the variety of the bands and the number of ringers who took part, although this did, at times, lead to some confusion. Five ringers shared the conducting as follows: Keith J. Walpole (4), Geoffrey Fothergill (3), James E. Andrews, John Asberoft and Richard Stevens.

An adventurous start to the week paid dividends when a good peal of Dorchester was scored on the Sunday at Farnworth. Monday saw a peal in six Minor methods successfully accomplished under Keth's guidance at Halsall, but the first failure of the week came at Walkden, when an evening attempt for Aldenham came to grief after only half an hour. As one of the band put it, "we never got off the ground."

On Tuesday morning Jim Andrews joined the party at Parbold, fresh from a holiday in Germany, and, amidst calls of "lazy" and threats to make him ring Leigh tenor next day, conducted a reasonable, if rather sluggish, peal of Plain Bob from the treble. Owing to their Tuesday practice, the Westhoughton contingent were prevented from ringing in the evening but, nevertheless, a peal of Kent T.B. Major was attempted at St. Helens, where, unfortunately, the ringing was not up to standard and the bells were set up after an hour and a half.

A GOOD, FAST PEAL

Undaunted by the previous failure, Geoff chose to ring Aldenham at Leigh and bullied Jim into ringing the tenor (the previous day's threats were not idle ones!). In spite of this however, a good, fast peal was brought round without a hitch in 2 hours and 48 minutes. The expression on David Makin-Taylor's face showed his obvious delight at ringing a peal in his home tower, whilst that of the tenor man was one of despair on realising that he had to recuperate in less than two hours to ring in the evening peal at Deane. Here there was some confusion in that one of the Westhoughton ringers did not arrive, but we were very grateful to Roy Jolley (also from the "Metropolis") who stood in at very short notice, enabling us to ring Bristol for an hour before some hesitation resulted in a late call and the prompter called "Stand!" It was decided, however, to try a fast peal of Grandsire, with Jack Ashcroft again at the helm, and this was duly accomplished in 2 hours and 25 minutes, probably the fastest peal on the bells, although, at the conductor's request, it was not claimed as such.

Judging from the yawning faces at Standish on Thursday morning, some of us had suffered a "hard day's night," but after bandaging operations had been completed and Keith Lister's tin of Elastoplast had again been put to good usc, an average peal of Yorkshire was rung after a shaky start. Two attempts were arranged for the evening: John P. Partington joined us at Hindley, and Painswick was scored, but the other attempt, Cambridge at Southport, was struck by ill fate—Dave's mad mechanical monster, which he affectionately calls his car, broke down en route.

SPECTATOR'S SANDWICHES

The choice of Swinton as the venue for Friday morning's attempt at Cambridge was perhaps unwise, as the beils are a heavy though good-toned eight and require a good deal of nard work. To make matters worse one of the young local ringers, who had unlocked the tower for us, insisted on watching the peal all the way through, and it was most disconcerting when, after three-quarters of an hour, she produced a pile of sandwiches and started munching happily. However, after an hour's very unsettled ringing, Keith called "Stand," much to everyone's relief. Jim's earlier idea to have a peal at Horwich in the afternoon was no longer a lost cause, and frantic preparations were made to raise a band, Albert Greenhalgh kindly stepping in at the last minute. The elusive peal of Cambridge was finally scored on the musical if rather odd-struck bells, and special mention should, I think, be made of David Makin-Taylor, who despite the fact that he had never rung a touch of Cambridge "inside" and also had a difficult rope to contend with, rang consistently well throughout.

Saturday's arrangement for a peal of Stedman Caters at Worsley resulted in a good peal of Cambridge Major, and the following day, whilst an almost certain peal of Christ Church Surprise Major at Accrington was brought to an abrupt end after two hours, by a broken rope, Double Norwich was successful at Newton-le-Willows

Thus ends the saga of a most enjoyable and, on the whole, successful week, for which we would like to give special thanks to our organisers-in-chief, David Bennett and Geoffrey Fothergill, and, of course, to all incumbents and local ringers for their co-operation.

J.E.A.

## **Between Matins and Evensong**

PRITTLEWELL RINGERS and Thorpe Bay Campanologists met at cricket between services on Sunday, August 18th. Of the 38 Prittlewell ringers at practice, 18 rang for Matins. Thorpe Bay were at a disadvantage, as only six rang for the morning service. Conditions of play were that each side should bat for an hour and a quarter with a brief interval in between so that the proceedings ended at 5.15 p.m. in order to ring for Evensong.

Prittlewell batted first and Thorpe Bay's demon bowlers had three batsmen back in the pavilion for three runs. The organiser of the event, a keen cricketer, then came to the crease and took the sting out of the bowling; indeed Jerry Bawn and David Sloman put on 59 for their partnership and the final score was 75. The best of the bowlers was the one in the yellow shirt!

Because of ominous dark clouds there was no interval. Thorpe Bay made a disastrous start, losing five wickets for five runs. An S.O.S. resulted in the scorer putting on the pads and the Prittlewell field was soon in the hunt for the ball. Although he once fell on his wicket in his delight at hitting the ball, this was deemed not out by the umpires. A crafty ball had him caught near the wicket and Thorpe Bay were all out for 44.

With an innings victory in prospect, Thorpe Bay were again at the wicket. Soon the Campanologists were in trouble and again the scorer had to give up his pen for the bat. Dogged batting followed and with only three minutes left on the clock the last Campanologist was out.

Thorpe Bay in the two innings had made 74. It was then found that the scorer had made a mistake in the Prittlewell total by

adding a run when two batsmen changed over when one was caught. So this made the scores level and the game was officially drawn. It is now assumed that the organiser (the keen cricketer) will again have his lads and lasses practising on Monday evenings before ringing practice.—"The Ringing World" Special Correspondent.

## A SUMMER SATURDAY IN DEVON

Three ringers from Somerset and Bristol set out for a peal attempt at Buckfast on a recent Saturday. Now six hours for the 100 or so miles from Bristol would seem reasonable—but not on a West Country summer Saturday! Bridgwater was almost impassable, but only a fool would try the A38!

Although fair time was made "across the hills" to Tiverton, it then seemed that all the motorists in the area had "taken to the lanes" to avoid Exeter—and these lanes are in general only wide enough for one vehicle! After much "backing up" and encounters with one calf on the road, a large milk lorry and a car stuck on a hill with a burnt-out clutch, they only made Moretonhampstead, 20 painful miles short, by the appointed starting time. The nearest they got to hearing bells was over the phone to the Abbey!

Since it took nearly as long to retrace their steps, they had to suffer 12 hours on the road without so much as ringing a bell, meeting a ringer, or even having a pint for their pains.

Albert Tyler, Brian Wylde and Pat Bird would like to apologise to those unknown and unseen ringers who waited in vain at Buckfast and hope they scored an alternative attempt. Their advice to all and sundry is—if you want to attempt a peal in Devon on a summer Saturday, either travel mid-week or don't bother!

## BELFRY GOSSIP

London ringers and others are reminded that tickets are necessary for the dedication of the bells of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on October 5th. Particulars are advertised.

Recent peals of Stedman and Cambridge within a fortnight have enabled Mr. J. Brain, of West Town, near Bristol, to complete the "family" in each method.

Mr. Herbert Hardwidge has completed his half-century as a ringer. He took part in a congratulatory peal of Stedman Doubles at Compton Bishop, Somerset, on August 10th.

Mr. F. E. Collins, former Master of the College Youths, rang his first quarter of Grandsire Doubles at Stourpaine, Dorset, on August 21st.

Two Penarth ringers—Elizabeth Jacklin and David Hobert—rang their first quarter at first attempt at Sully. They rang extremely well, reports our correspondent.

The Editor thanks Michael Haighton, of Nantwich, for the story of his visit to Little-borough tower on St. Bartholomew's Day and hopes that his wish for a light six in place of a solitary bell will materialise.

Owing to the indisposition of one of the band, a quarter peal of Bob Doubles was rung at Blofield, Norfolk, as a wedding compliment to two local ringers. A peal of Minor is to be attempted next month.

Geoffrey F. Durrant (aged 12), rang the treble to a peal of Plain Bob Major at Hawkley on August 17th, this being his first peal at the first attempt. A very praiseworthy achievement not only on account of his age but in view of the fact that he only learned to ring 12 months ago, and this at a four-bell tower at Aldwick, Sussex.

LONG LENGTH

CHAPEL ALLERTON, YORKS.—On Aug. 26th, 4,320 Allendale Surprise Minor: Jane P. Lawrence 1, J. Snack 2, Margaret Warford 3, Suzanne J. hers 4, K. B Sissons 5, R. R. Warford (cond.) 6. Peal attempt disrupted by complete light failure due to mains being switched off by a member of the public. Last changes rung in complete darkness,

QUARTER PEALS RUNG IN MEMORIAM PRINCESS MARINA, DUCHESS OF KENT. Died August 27th. Funeral, Windsor, Aug. 30th. 1968 BECKENHAM, KENT. — On Aug. 29th, at the Church of St. George, a quarter peal of Stedman

Triples: D. P. Smith 1, M. F. Oaksbett 2, Miss F. Cannon 3, D. E. Beach 4, Mrs. Christine Shiers 5, S. A. Nicholls 6, P. W. Cave (cond.) 7, M. Powell 8, CANTERBURY, KENT, — At the Cathedral, on

Aug. 30th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: L. A. Huckstepp 1, Miss F. Templeman 2, P. J. Small 3, N. J. Small 4, T. F. Collins 5, R. Eliot 6, D. Chatfield 7, E. T. Eades 8, T. H. Holmes (cond.) 9, A. S. Phelips 10. First of Caters 1, 4, 5 and 8. EGHAM, SURREY.—On Aug. 30th, 1,260 Grand-

sire Triples: I Summerhayes (first quarter) 1, N. Summerhayes 2, S. R. Elliott 3, W. A. Peck 4, A. D. Flood (cond.) 5, M. S. Loveday 6, E. T. Skipsey 7, C. M. White 8.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK.—At St. Margaret's

Church, on Aug. 27th, 1,260 Bob Royal: P. Gagen 1, R. Newson 2, D. Gagen 3, Shelagh R. Collins 4, W. W. Cousins 5, C. Tovell 6, R. Moore 7, L. W. Houghton 8, C. Cousins 9, N. V. Harding (cond.)

LYMPNE, KENT.—On Aug. 29th, 1,260 Doubles; M. J. Taylor 1, R. P. Brotherston 2, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 3, B. G. Butcher 4, R. A. Birch 5, R. G.

REIGATE, SURREY.-On Aug. 30th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: A. T. Shelton I, Carol Martin 2, W. E. Dunn 3, K. G. Game (cond.) 4, G. Stevens 5, W. Inwood 6. T. T. Jones 7, J. Knipe 8.

THREE QUARTERS IN SUSSEX

ON AUGUST 17th
RUSPER.—1,260 Plain Bob Triples: J. Knipe 1. K. G. Game (cond.) 2, J. Maybrey 3, Carol Marlin 4, R. Grant 5, W. E. Dunn 6, A. Long 7, A. Brown 8. First in method 4 and 5.

FAIRWARP.—1,260 Stedman Triples: A. Long 1, . G. Game (175th quarter, cond.) 2, R. Grant 3, /. E. Dunn 4, Carol Martin 5, J. Maybrey 6, A.

Knipe 8,

PETWORTH -1,280 Plain Bob Major: K. G. Game (cond.) 1, A. Long 2, W. E. Dunn 3, G. Stevens 4, Carol Martin 5, A. T. Shelton 6, R. Grant 7, A.

ADDINGTON, SURREY.—On Aug. 25th, 1.320 York Surprise Minor: E. G. H. Godfrey (cond.) 1, N. Bennett 2, Wendy Wallace 3, I. Wiltshire 4, Carol Cousins 5, C. H. Macve 6, For Matins. ALDINGTON, KENT.—On June 3rd, at Handen Wood Cottage, 1.260 Bob Minor: P. G. Erith 1-2, E. F. P. Bryant (cond.) 3-4, N. J. Davies 5-6.

ALTON, HANTS.—On Aug. 18th, 1.260 Grandsire Triples: Miss C. Law (first Triples) 1, Miss A. Biddle-combe 2, H. Moody 3, M. Lockyer 4, L. Noakes 5, C. Chennell-White 6, R. Corke (cond.) 7, E. Hedger Rung for the annual rural deanery service

ALVESTON, GLOS,—On Aug. 16th, 1.320 Cambridge Surprise Minor: J. Clatworthy (cond.) 1, J. W. Callard 2, T. Newlands 3, D. Rennolds 4, B. 5, P. A. Williams 6

APPLETON, BERKS. - On Aug. 24th, at the Church of St. Laurence, a well-struck touch of eight courses of Stedman Caters, on the occasion of the wedding of Ivor White, brother of Brian White and nepbew of Frank White: W. Hibbert 1, A. Kench 2, A. Stubbs 3, M. Chilcott 4, R. Overington 5, J. Chilcott (cond.) 6, A. Pattison 7, D. Hilling 8, D.

Chilcott (cond.) b, A. Fattson 7, Randall 9, M. Moreton 10.

ASHWICK, SOM.—On Aug. 22nd, 1,296 Spliced Surprise Minor (Surfacet and Beverley, York and Durham): R. Smith 1, D. Targett 2, A. Perry 3, J. Magrs 4, A. P. Beck (cond.) 5, R. Beck 6.

ASTON, HERTS. On Sept. 1st. 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: L. A. Izzard 1, P. C. Worthington 2, R. T. Falder 3, Rosemary A, Spicer 4, M. R. Worthington (cond.) 5, A. Gray (first quarter) 6. For morning service

AYLESTONE, LEICS .- On Aug. 25th, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: Judith Furnival (first quarter) 1, M. Bray (first "inside") 2, Mary D. Kinchin 3, A. S. Hayden 4, Sandra E. Poynor 5, T. I. Roper 6, T. R. Natt 7, A. J. Poynor (cond.) 8. Rung for Evensong and congratulate Mr. T. R. Natt on obtaining three "A" Level passes

## QUARTER PEALS

BACKWELL, SOM .- On July 24th, 1,280 Watford Surprise Major: 1. Brain 1, Diana M. Bridle 2, E. T. Lee 3, S. Brown 4, J. R. Taylor 5, A. E. Cox 6, R. C. Kippin 7, P. Bridle (cond.) 8, First in method for 3, 4, 6 and 7

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, LEICS.—On Sept. 1st, 260 Grandsire and Plain Bob Doubles: Andrea M. North 1, Cherrill L. Everard 2, M. D. Barsby 3, P. G. Chambers 4, R. Wilmore 5, B. S. Payne (cond.) 6. Rung to wish Andrea North success in her new

BEDDINGTON, SURREY. — On Sept. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Kathleen E. Chilcott 1, P. D. Dawson-Taylor 2, Clare F. Dolphin 3, Juliet S. Stoy (first as cond.) 4, R. J. Talbot 5, N. Thomson 6, F. D. Jennings 7, S. F. Kimber 8, For Evensong.

BENINGTON, HERTS.—On Aug. 16th, 1,280 Cambridge Surprise Major: M. Worthington 1, A. R. Carter 2, Brenda Harris (first Surprise) 3, G. Penney (cond.) 4, P. Worthington 5, D. C. Price 6, J. E. Ewer 7, F. W. Ellia 8. Also on Sept. 2nd, 1,264 Plain Bob Major: R. T. Falder (first Major) 1, Plain Bob Major: R. T. Falder (first Major)
Josephine Trigg 2, Brenda J. Harris 3, Rosemary Josephine Trigg 2, Brenda J. Harris 3, Rosemary A. Spicer 4, P. C. Worthington 5, S. J. Gullick 6, D. L. Gullick 7, M. R. Worthington (first Major as cond.) Rung to celebrate the birth of Charles Howgego, grandson of A. E. Jones, a ringer at this church,

BLOFIELD, NORFOLK .- On Sept. 1st, 1,320 Bob Doubles: H. Ford 1, K. L. Brown (cond.) 2, W. L. Gates 3, N. P. J. Cossey 4, H. W. Barrett 5, Rung in honou, of the wedding of David Blyth and Miss Gwendolyn Tooke.

BRAY, EIRE, - On Aug. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: D. McEndoo 1, Joy Pluckrose 2, L. R. Taylor 3, G. Pluckrose 4, P. W. Brown 5, C. J. Reede 6, J. P. O. Barry (first Triples as cond.) 7, D. Bell 8. A wedding compliment to Joy and George.

BRIDGERULE, DEVON. — On Aug. 28th, 1.302 Grandsire friples: D. J. Forder (cond.) 1, A. Jenner 2, M. E. L. Chapman 3, S. Jenner 4, H. Heard 5, P. J. Dye 6, T Chapman 7, H. Stacey 8.

BRIXHAM, DEVON .- On Aug. 12th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: R. E. Bell (first quarter) 1, J. L. Bell Dodd 3, N. L. Bell 4, R. Edden (cond.) 5, T. B. Davies (first quarter) 6.

BRONLLYS, BRECS,-On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): Miss G. M. James 1, Miss E. Smith 2, Mrs. G. E. Lewis 3, E. J. Smith 4, C. A. Lewis (cond.) 5, C. F. N. Wedgwood 6. First quarter by a Glasbury band since the 1930s.

BURRINGTON, SOM .- On Aug. 13th, 1,440 Minor (Double Oxford, St. Clement's, Plain Bob): R. Martin 1, J. Clatworthy 2, S. Bateman 3, P. L. Williams 4. D. Rennolds (cond.) 5, T. Newlands 6.

BUTCOMBE, SOM .- On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Mixed Doubles (four methods): S. Lucas 1, A. S. Whiteley 2, V. Roberts (cond.) 3, M. J. Whiteley 4, M. G. Eartlett 5, C. P. Walnwright 6, First Mixed Doubles (four methods): W. Williams (cond.) 1, S. Bateman 2, Janine Blanch 3, H. Coombs 4, T. Newlands 5, R.

CARDIFF, GLAM .- On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: T. T. Yeomana I, W. H. Harford 2, P. Thomas 3, R. B. Smith 4, M. J. Pryor (cond.) 5, C. Thomas (first quarter) 6. For Evensong,

CHALFONT ST. GILES. BUCKS .- On Sept. 2nd, 1.260 Kent and Bob Minor: B. Edwards 1, E. G. Swift 2, Mrs. J. Kelly 3, M. Hawkins 4, B. Pocock Butcher 6. Jointly conducted by 2 and 6. Patronal Festival and 35th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Swift.

CHOLSEY, BERKS,-On Aug. 13th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. J. Dye 1. Rosemary Morris 2, T. W. Palmer 3, K. W. Johnson 4, G. K. Cook 5, W. W. Rich (cond.) 6. First Plain Bob Minor "inside" 2, 4, Also on Aug. 19th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Eve Hodgson 1, T. W. Palmer 2, R. Hancock (first G.D., "inside") 3, P. J. Dye 4, W. W. Rich (cond.) 5, J. Hodgson (first covering) 6.

CROYDON, SURREY,-At the Church of St. John the Baptist, on Sept. 1st, 1,306 Stedman Cinques: Mrs. C. Foster 1, Miss E. Timmins 2, Mrs. W. F. Oatway 3, R. C. Stevens (cond.) 4, Miss C. Martin (first on 12) 5, F. E. Mitchell 6, R. Davies 7, N. S. Brown 8, I. M. Parry 9, C. M. Foster 10, A. Brown 11, W. F.

CHAWTON, HANTS.—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Miss J. Sims I, Mrs. M. Chennell-White 2. Miss M. Sutcliffe 3, G. Noakea 4, C. Chennell-White (cond.) 5, L. Noakes 6.

CHERITON, KENT.-On Aug. 21st, 1,260 Pl. Bob Minor: J. Thorne (first "inside") 1, A. Binstead 2, A. C. Eastmed 3, R. Elliott 4, K. Butler (cond.) 5, A. P. S. Berry 6. Rung for the appointment of the Barry Cooper as Rector of Cheriton and Newington.

CHIGWELL, ESSEX .- On Aug. 25th, 1,272 Kent Freble Bob Minor; P. M. Cuckson (first Kent as cond.) 1, M. Wareing 2, Susan F. Thomas 3, Laura M. Grindrod 4, G. H. Walker 5, J. E. Murfitt 6. First of Kent for all except the conductor.

CHURCH LAWTON, CHESHIRE,-On Aug. 21st, 1,440 Plain Bob Minor: R. Worrall 1, Shella Taylor (first quarter) 2, Mrs. W. Sherratt (first quarter) 3, C. A. S. Webb 4, N. Sherratt 5, W. Sherratt (cond.)

DEDDINGTON, OXON.—On Aug. 18th, 1,260 Pl.
abb Triples: W. H. Minnear 1, W. F. Cowley 2,
Brenda Ivings 3, W. Ivings 4, C. C. Clarke 5, M. W.
Coleman 6, A. W. Ivings (cond.) 7, O. J. Hemmings Rung for the visit of the Bishop of Colombo (Rt. de Sovaa).

DURWESTON, DORSET. — On Aug. 7th, Plain Bob Doubles: A. B. Corry 1, Susan M. Corry 2, T. G. Bleathman (cond.) 3, M. J. Corry 4, D. J. Knight B. R. Jeans 6, Rung for the golden wedding of r. R. G. Tapper (one-time captain of tower) and Mrs. Tapper.

EARL SHILTON, LEICS.—On Aug. 24th, 1.344
Bob Major: Lillian Bowley 1, J. W. Lawrance 2,
Jane M. Tooby 3, W. Newton 4, G. Wright 5, I. S. Merry 6, H. Bowley 7, G. A. Newton (cond.) 8 21st birthday compliment to Miss Elizabeth Jager, daughter of the Rev. G. and Mrs. Jager.

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EAST ILSLEY, BERKS.—On Aug. 19th, 1,334 Pl.
Bob Major: Patricia E. Hibbert 1, C. J. Hibbert 2,
L. F. Cox 3, B. M. Wheeler 4, J. W. T. Hibbert 5,
M. Dane 6, W. Corderoy 7, R. B. Blond (cond.) 8.

EASTON-IN-GORDANO, SOM.—On Aug. 22nd,

1.259 Doubles (Plain Bob, Grandsire): R. Tutton (first on working bell) 1, M. J. K. Griffiths (first "inside")
2. Helen Kirkpatrick 3, W. Willans (cond.) 4, S. J. Bateman 5, B. Martin 6.

GAYWOOD, NORFOLK.—On Aug. 25th, 1,440
Double Oxford and Kent T.B.: W. Shipp 1, R.
Harrop 2, V. Bowen 3, R. Shipp 4, C. Tovell 5, E.
A. Shipp (cond.) 6. Rung half-muffled in mcmory of lohn Etheridge.

GLASGOW.—On June 30th, at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1,260 Stedman Triplea: Miss F. Winderam 1, R. L. Preston 2, Miss J. Cleeve 3, R. M. Preston 4, J. Preston 5, T. C. Winderam 6, T. J. Winderam (cond.) 7. A. Haynes 6. Also on Sept. 1st, 1,280 Plain Bob Major: T. C. Winderam 1. R. M. Presson 2. Mins J Cleeve 3. D. M. Graham-Service 4. T. J. Winderam 5. M. J. Pink 6. P. T. Fisher 7. J. Preston (cond.) 8. Both for Evensong.

SHROTON, DORSET.—On Aug. 17th, Grandsire Doubles:—G. W Dennis 1, L. Ridout 2, D. J. Knight 3, B. Ridout 4, T. G. Bleathman (cond.) 5, Houghton 6. Rung for the Flower Festival.

SULLY, GLAM.—On Aug. 25th, 1,260 Doubles (Plain Bob and Reverse Canterbury): Elizabeth Jacklin ffirst quarter) 1, Susan M. Evans 2, Ruth E. Havard G. Davis 4, R. G. Havard (cond.) 5, D. Herbert (first quarter) 6. For Evensong.
THEBERTON, SUFFOLK.—On Aug.

Plain Bob Minor: J. M. Thorley (cond.) 1. Katharine M. Thorley 2, Ruth Bedford (first Minor "inside") 3, Christine Broadley 4, V. B. Bedford 5, S. J. Bedford

TWICKENHAM, MIDDX,-At All Hallows' Church on Aug. 25th, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Lesley Warwick (first quarter) 1, Pamela Brown (first Triples as cond.) 2, C. R. Harris 3, Mary Knisht 4, Anne Horsdord 5. P. W. Bevinston 6. E. Morris 7, A.

WESTON FAVELL, NORTHANTS.—On St. Bartholomew's Day, 1,260 Doubles (four methods): P. J. Verity 1, J. P. Sale 2, J. C. Parker 3, I. G. Morgan Edmonds (cond.) 5.

WHITSTONE, CORNWALL.—On Aug. 26th, 1,260
Double Court Bob Minor: M. E. L. Chapman 1, D.
J. Forder 2, T. Chapman 3, P. J. Dye 4, H. Stacey 5, Jenner (cond.) f.

WILTON, TAUNTON, SOM.—On 1.280 Cambridge S. Major: H. V. Yo August Young 1, D. F. 1.280 Cambridge S. Major: H. V. Young I. D. F. Sheldon 2. Brenda M. Bindon 3. Deborah Bishop 4. A. S. Bishop 5. A. H. Reed 6. K. E. Beale 7. R. F. Arscott (cond.) R. First of Cambridge 3. 7 and 8. Rung with best wishes to the tower captain (D. F. Sheldon) and Mrs. Sheldon, on their 36th wedanniversary

WYKE REGIS, DORSET. -- On Sept. 1st, 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Mrs. P. Herbert 1, G. Abbott 2, F. Stedman 3, J. Rose 4, P. Herbert 5, F. Symonds (cond.) 6, B. Kear 7, M. Harris 8. Por divine services and rung on the 94th birthday of the ringer of 3rd.

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### CRANFORD'S 25 YEARS OF HAPPINESS

As will be seen in the peal columns, a peal As will be seen in the peal columns, a peal of Bob Minor was rung at Cranford on August 18th to mark the 25th anniversary of the first peal on the bells. The ringers wished to dedicate this in memory of the Rev. Maurice Child, who was Rector here and gave permission for the first peal.

It was at his express wish that it should be rung on a Sunday for the Feast of the Assumption B.V.M.; a full peal before Evensong he felt was a most appropriate honour. He is regarded by those who remember him well as the founder of the Cranford ringing band with its happy associations with so many ringers. How pleased he would have been to know that in the anniversary peal three of his young ringers took part and that the effort produced a peal almost without blemish and comparable in striking to the first peal. Ringers who have enjoyed Friday practices at Cranford, the pre-College Youths' dinner "get togethers" and the Boxing Day mornings will hope that these will be traditions carried on for many years to come, fostering the happy fellowship which we ringers are so fortunate to enjoy. W. H. C.

## LOCAL RADIO

The Chapel Allerton outing on August 24th as covered by the B.B.C. both before and was covered by the B.B.C. both before and after the event. On the Wednesday before, an interview was made in the belfry with the bells ringing as a background for part of the time. Listeners to Radio Leeds could hear some indifferent St. Clement's College Bob Minor and some very well-struck Plain Bob Minor during the interview.

Two young members of the local band were interviewed live in the studio the next morning after the broadcast and were asked questions about bellringing. After the event there was another interview covering a brief summary of the trip and more general questions about

THE POSITION AT DURBAN
Mr. C. Chambers writes encouragingly from
Durban as follows: "Ringing here still shows
the good influence of Geoffrey Armitage having been with us for three months, and this is particularly so at St. Mary's. We have also been lucky recently with visitors, having had three from overseas this year, with a fourth

three from overseas this year, with a fourth calling next month.

"At St. Paul's we look like getting some beginners from the ranks of non-Anglicans. namely Catholics and Jews, but it is yet to be seen whether religious prejudice can be overcome, and it is no good counting one's chickens before they are hatched. However, if they are barred, it looks as if St. Paul's at the present time is all set for a decline." the present time is all set for a decline.

BECKENHAM'S LOSS

Mr. and Mrs R. Ling have been regular ringers at St. George's, Beckenham, for the past two or three years, but having recently moved away from the district will no longer be available. They will be sorely missed at Beckenham. On Sunday, August 24th, which was to be their last Sunday at St. George's, a pleasing little ceremony took place when the local ringers presented Mr. and Mrs. Ling with an ornamental hors d'œuvre dish as a token of their esteem and a recognition of their valuable services. In reply, Mr. Ron-Ling said how happy they had both been toring at St. George's, which was always a very happy tower. happy tower.

### **SOLUTION TO URANGWOT 6**

There were three ringers and each could have decided to be truthful or a liar, giving eight possible combinations. These may be set out together with the answers to the two

		Answer of	Answer o
3.4	5.6	1.2	3.4
Tr	Tr	Yes	No
	L	No	No
L	Tr	No	Yes
	L	Yes	Yes
Tr	Tr	No	Yes
	L	Yes	No
L	Tr	Yes	No
	L	No	Yes
	Tr L Tr	Tr Tr L L Tr L Tr L L Tr L L Tr L L Tr	3.4 5.6 1.2 Tr Tr Yes L No L Tr No L Yes Tr Tr No L Yes Tr Tr Yes

It will be seen that the only distinctive combinations are No, No and Yes, Yes, and when these occur the 5.6 man is a liar in both cases. Since 5.6 replied in the negative and he was lying, the peal was rung, and T. Surr paid for the drinks on that occasion. Two correct solutions were received and so the Editor has decided to split the beer money on this oc-casion between their senders:—

J. F. Roebuck, 12, Rothwell Close, Ormskirk. J. Q. Rahtz, B7, New Court,

St. John's College, Cambridge

### WALKING AND RINGING

St. Peter's Guild, Petersfield, had their annual walk on August 24th. The route took them over Butser, the highest hill in Hampshire, and into the rapidly expanding village of Clan-field. A long walk on the hard road brought them to Catherington, where they arrived at the church some 60 minutes late. Fortunately the tower was open, and mixed Doubles and Grandsire Minor were rung.

A picnic tea in a nearby field was possible through Mr. Hatherly's services in conveying the refreshments by car. The walk was resumed over Wardown Hill and through Queen Elizabeth Forest to Buriton, where more Doubles were rung at St. Mary's Church. A much enjoyed visit to the Five Bells Inn followed lowed. The walk was about 13 miles, and waiting cars took the company back to Petersfield. The captain and organiser of the walk, Mr. Ken Tipper, is thanked, together with incumbents and Mr. Hatherly.

## "IDLE FELLOWS"

Extract from "Cleveland Mercury," August 26th, 1893:-

At Long Ashton Petty Sessions, James Hacker and George England appeared on a summons charging them with smoking near Pill Church during divine service. Supt. Drewett asked that the case should be withdrawn, as he was not prepared to go into it.

Mr. Mirehouse, in dismissing the case, remarked: "Of course I am cognisant of what you men are charged with. It is not right that you should be smoking in a churchyard. Go back and tell your brother ringers, idle fellows, that they must not loiter in the churchyard."

N.B.—In Ellacombe's "Church Bells of Somerset" it is recorded that Pill Church possessed one small turret bell, but that there had formerly been six. This is dated 1870, so the puzzle is—what bells had the delinquents been right?

### KING CHARLES SURPRISE MINOR

A peal attempt in this method to enable Geoff Dodd to complete the sequence in the Kings and Queens Minor methods, made on August 17th at Winston, Hants, seemed fated from the start. The treble lacked a stay, oil had to be bought for the bells were dry, and the band was stopped by the Vicar for a further 30 minutes whilst a local builder inspected the tower. A good first 720 was spoilt at its end, so a quarter peal of 1,440 changes was rung, the first in the method by the following: M. Holbrook 1, R. W. Rex 2, B. M. Johnson 3, A. J. Mason 4, D. Jackson 5, G. K. Dodd (conductor) 6. Place notation is: 34—34.16—1236—14—1. 2nds. l.e. 36245. Bob 4ths. G. K. D.

## SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD

The August meeting of the Marlborough Branch, held at Overton with East Kennett on Saturday, August 17th, attracted an attendance of between 35 and 40 ringers of both sexes and all ages.

and all ages.

Members were present from Aldbourne,
Chisledon, Marlborough and Everleigh, and
they were joined by visitors from Stratton St.
Margaret, Blunsdon, Fittleton, Swindon and,
further afield, from Hannington, Nether Heyford (Northants) and Portsmouth.

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Also present were the Guild president (Mr. W. C. West) and Mrs. West, from Melksham. Ringing on the six at Overton was under the direction of Mr. A. Keen (Deputy Ringing Master), and ranged from the higher methods to rounds and call changes for beginners.

The Guild service at 4.30 p.m. was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev Frank Morley), with Mr. C. Brindley at the organ.

At the conclusion of the service Mr. G. Newman (chairman) paid a well-deserved tribute to the Rev. Roger Keeley, who was attending his last Marlborough Branch meeting before becoming Vicar of Whiteparish. Since coming to Marlborough as curate five years ago, Mr. Keeley has done a tremendous amount of work for the Branch, and while everyone was pleased at his preferment there was a feeling of sadness at his going.

Mr. Newman. on behalf of the Branch. thanked Mr. Keeley for all his help and guidance. and the Rev. F. Morley added his tribute. Mr. Keeley suitably responded. His induction and institution as Vicar of Whiteparish will take place on Tuesday. September 24th. at 7 p.m., by the Bishop of Sherborne.

Largely through Mr. Keeley's initiative since coming to Marlborough, the octave at St. Peter's, which was in a poor condition, has been taken down, and some of the metal will be used to add two more bells to St. Mary's six, at the east end of the town. This will give the Branch amother octave to keep company with St. Michael's. Aldbourne.

After the service a move was made to the Village Hall, where a flower show was in progress and tea was obtainable. All the exhibits were duly admired and ringing was resumed at East Kennett on the very light five and in the exceedingly small tower. Despite a threatening sky, a very pleasant meeting.

W. A. E.

The many friends of the Misses K. and G. Burchnall, of Sutton-on-Trent, Notts, will be sorry to hear that Miss Grace has broken her collar-bone. This was owing to a fall down the last few steps at Gamston Church after ringing a seven-method peal of Treble Bob on September 2nd. It is to be hoped that she will soon be well again.

TOWER BELL PEALS	
RECORD PEAL	
THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.	
LIVERPOOL.—At the Cathedral Church of Christ.	
On Sat., Aug. 17; 1968, in 4 Hours and 37 Minutes.	
A PEAL OF 5040 SPLICED SURPRISE MAXIMUS	
In 40 methods, comprising 144 each of Albanian, Aldenham, Bedford	
Belgrave, Brigstow, Cambridge, Deansgate, Feering, Gartree, Halifax	
Lambeth, Langley, Lincolnshire, Lindsey, Manitoba, Newgate, Oldham	
Pontefract. Prittlewell. Pudsey, Redfield, Rochester, Solihull, South	-
wark, Stoneygate, Superlative, Wembley, Wycombe, York and York	-
shire. 96 each of Ashton, Belvoir, Londinium, Saskatchewan and West	-
minster, and 48 each of Conisbrough, Eldon, Kidderminster, Que	ĸ
and Wigston, with 104 changes of method.	
Tenor 82 cwt. 11 lb. in A flat.	
Pucil lones Treble Remard F I Groves 7	

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Basil Jones		Т	reble	, Bernard F. L. Groves	-4	. 7
Richard S. Starkie	100		2	Cyril Crossthwaite .		. 8
Alan McFall			3	F. John Nelson		. 9
Neil Bennett			4	Robert B. Smith		10
C. Kenneth Lewis			5	John H. Fielden		. 11
Derek Butterworth				Frederick Shallcross .		Teno
				Jeffrey Brannan		1 ciloi
	- 1		c 1	ated to Mail Donnatt		

Arranged and Conducted by Neil Bennett.

This is the greatest number of methods yet rung in a 12-bell peal.

CONISBROUGH 1426 -3t-14-12-36-12-3t-16-3t-16-3t-16- hl 3t lh 12 KIDDERMINSTER 1573 --38--147t--50--169t--7t--18--129t--30--14--5t--16hl et lh 12

QUEX 1573 -38-147t-1250-369t-147t-58-169t-70-18-9t-10-

## A DEVON PEAL TOUR

ALL RUNG FOR THE GUILD OF DEVONSHIRE RINGERS EXCEPT CORNISH PEAL

APPLEDORE, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sun., Aug. 4, 1968, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5216 LINCOLNSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR

I CHOI	IO CWL.
Joan Beresford Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
Jane Foster 2	Norman Summerhayes 6
Edgar R. Rapley 3	Derek E. Sibson 7
Nicholas J. Davies 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor
Composed by Dennis Knox.	Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

SOUTH MOLTON, Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene. On Mon., Aug 5, 1968, in 3 Hours and 30 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5376 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR

		qr 12 lb, in D.	
Edgar R. Rapley	Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5	
Joan Beresford	2	Norman Summerhayes 6	
Nicholas J. Davies		Derek E. Sibson 7	
Peter M. Wilkinson	1 4	Dennis Beresford Tenos	r
Composed by Roge	er Baldwin.	Conducted by Dennis Beresford	

NORTHAM, Devon.—At the Church of St. Margaret, On Tues., Aug. 6, 1968, in 2 Hours and 53 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5056 RUTLAND SURPRISE MAJOR

ICHOI 14 CWL. 20	o to, iii i sharp.
Jane Foster Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
*Brenda M. Davies 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
Joan Beresford 3	Peter M. Wilkinson 7
Edgar R. Rapley 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor
Composed by Stephen J. Ivin.	Conducted by Dennis Beresford.
* First peal of Rutland Surprise	Major.

COMBE MARTIN, Devon.—At the Church of St. Peter-ad-Vincula.
On Wed., Aug. 7, 1968, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5120 SPLICED SURPRISE MAJOR
In eight methods, comprising 1,440 each of London and Rutland, 800
Bristol, 320 each of Cambridge, Lincolnshire, Superlative and York-shire and 160 Pudsey, with 129 changes of method.

	til 127 changes of method.
Tenor 10 cwt. 2	21 lb. in F sharp.
Joan Beresford Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
Jane Foster 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
Edgar R. Rapley 3	Nicholas J. Davies 7
Peter M. Wilkinson 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor
Composed by Roger Baldwin.	Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.
Rung within the octave of the I	

BIDEFORD. Devon.—At the Church of St. Mary.
On Thurs., Aug. 8, 1968, in 3 Hours and 14 Minutes,
A PEAL OF 5184 BRISTOL SURPRISE MAJOR

		gr. 10 lb. in E.
Jane Foster	Treble	Stanley G. Ponting 5
Joan Beresford	2	Derek E. Sibson 6
		Nicholas J. Davies 7
Peter M. Wilkinson	4	Dennis Beresford Tenor
		Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.

Т	AWS	госк,	Devo	n.—At	the	Church	h of	St. Peter.
On	Sat.,	Aug.	10, 19	68. in	3 H	Hours :	and	11 Minutes,
A	PEA	L OF	5050	LUND	NU	SURP	KISE	E MAJOR

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Joan Beresford Treble	Peter M. Wilkinson 5
Jane Foster 2	Derek E. Sibson 6
Edgar R. Rapley 3	Nicholas J. Davies 7
John N. Longridge 4	Dennis Beresford Tenor
Composed by Roderick W. Pipe.	Conducted by Dennis Beresford.

THE SOCIETY OF ROYAL CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.
ST. STEPHEN'S-BY-LAUNCESTON, Cornwall,—At the Church of St. Stephen.

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On Tues., Aug. 7. 1968,	in 2 Hours and 49 M	inutes.	
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A PEAL OF 5040 S	STEDMAN TRIPLES		
Dexter's No. 2.	Tenor 15 cwt. 1 qr.	20 lb. in E.	
Peter M. Wilkinson Treble	Stanley G. Ponting	5	
Joan Beresford 2	Derek E. Sibson	6	
Canon Arthur S. Roberts 3			
Harry Stacey 4			
Conducted by Derek E. Sibson.			

## A LANCASHIRE PEAL WEEK

ALL RUNG FOR THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

FARNWORTH-WITH-KEARSLEY, Lancs.—At the Church of St. John the Evangelist.
On Sun.. Aug. 11, 1968, in 2 Hours and 54 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5056 DORCHESTER SURPRISE MAJOR
Tenor 12 cwt. 1 gr. 8 lb. in G.

Joseph Thornley	44 .	. Treble	Brian A. Tomlinson 5
John Illingworth		. 2	John P. Partington 6
R. Keith Lister		3	Geoffrey Fothergill 7
James Cunliffe		. 4	John Ashcroft Tenor
			Conducted by Geoffrey Fothergill.
			the band and for the Association.
Rung to mark t	he oc	casion of	the Thomas Hardy Festival.

John Ridley Conducted by Keith Walpole.

DOUGLAS-IN-PARBOLD. Lancashire.—At Christ Church. On Tues.. Aug. 13, 1968, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR

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James E. Andrews	Treble	David C. Makin-Taylor	5
Geoffrey Fothergill	2	R. Keith Lister	6
Graham K. Austin	3	David J. Bennett	7
Thomas Hobson	4	Keith Walpole	Tenor
	Composed by		

Arranged and Conducted by James E. Andrews.

DEANE, Bolton, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Wed., Aug. 14, 1968, in 2 Hours and 25 Minutes,

A PEAL OF 5040 G	RANDSIRE TRIPLES		
Parker's 12-part. (7th obs.)	Tenor 12 cwt.		
Elizabeth Timmins Treble	Bernard Moss 5		
Geoffrey Fothergill 2	†Roy Jolley 6		
Keith Walpole 3	*John Ashcroft 7		
*James E. Andrews 4	David J. Bennett Tenor		
Conducted by John Ashcroft.			
* 25th peal together. 7 First in the method.			

STANDISH. Lancashire.-At the Church of St. Wilfrid.

Oil Thuis., Aug. 13, 1908,	in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.
A PEAL OF 5088 YORK	SHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR
*David C. Makin-Taylor Treble	R. Keith Lister
*Neil T. E. Burnett 2	James E Andrews . 6
Geoffrey Fothergill 3	Keith Walpole 7
*David J. Bennett 4	H. Lyndon Hatfield Tenor
Composed by A. Craven.	Conducted by Keith Walnole
First peal in the method.	Tenor 12 cwt.
Rung in memory of Thomas Gr	ounds, a ringer at this church for

over 50 years, who died on June 23rd, 1968.

LANCASHIRE PEAL WEEK—Continued.  HINDLEY, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Thurs., Aug 15, 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PAINSWICK SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 14½ cwt.	OTLEY, Suffolk—At the Church of St. Mary. On Tues Aug. 13, 1968, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.
David C Makin-Taylor Treble John P. Partington 6 R Keith Lister	Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 9\frac{1}{2} cwt. Stephen J. Bedford Treble   *A. Colin Banton 4 Vernon B. Bedford 2   Christopher J. Groome 5 Roger N Scholes 3   J. Martin Thorley Tenor Conducted by Christopher J. Groome.  * 50th tower for a peal.
First peal in the method by all the band. Rung as a 79th birthday compliment to John Halsall, who has completed 65 years as a local ringer.	PAKEFIELD, Suffolk—At the Church of All Saints and St. Margaret. On Wed Aug. 14, 1968, in 3 Hours and 7 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 PLAIN BOB MAJOR J. Martin Thorley , Treble   Stephen J. Bedford 5
HORWICH. Lancashire.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity. On Fri., Aug. 16, 1968. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. Albert Greenhalgh Treble R. Keith Lister 5 *David C. Makin-Taylor 2 Neil T. E. Burnett 6	Roger N. Scholes 2  Katharine M. Thorley 4  *Christine Broadley 4  Composed by F Bennett.  * First peal of Major.  * Stephen J. Bedford 6  Christopher J. Groome 7  A. Colin Banton Tenor  Conducted by A. Colin Banton.  Tenor 8½ cwt.
James E. Andrews 3 Keith Walpole 7 Geoffrey Fothergill 4 †David J. Bennett Tenor Composed by C. Middleton. Conducted by Keith Walpole.  * First peal of Surprise "inside." † First in the method.	BLYTHBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of the Holy Trinity. On Thurs Aug. 15 1968, in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being seven extents in eleven methods: (1) Surfleet and Beverley, (2) Double Oxford, Thelwall, St. Clement's and Childwall, (3) Cambridge. (4) Single Oxford and Plain Bob. (5) Oxford T.B., (6) Kent T.B. and
A WEEK IN SUFFOLK  ALL RUNG FOR THE SUFFOLK GUILD.  BENHALL, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sun. Aug. 11, 1968, in 2 Hours and 39 Minutes.	(7) Plain Bob.  Roger N Scholes Treble   Christopher J. Groome
A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being one extent each of St. Clement's and Oxford Treble Bob, two extents of Kent Treble Bob and three extents of Plain Bob Tenor 84 cwt.	MARLESFORD. Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew. On Thurs., Aug 15, 1968, in 2 Hours and 43 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being seven extents in twelve methods: (1) Hereward and Single Ox-
Christopher J. Groome Treble †Vernon B. Bedford	ford. (2) Surfleet and Beverley. (3) Cambridge. (4) Double Oxford, Thelwall. St. Clement's and Childwall, (5) Kent T.B., (6) Oxford T.B. and (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 9½ cwt.
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.  * Most methods to a peal. † Has now "circled the tower."  Rung as a 14th wedding anniversary compliment to the conductor  and Paddy	J. Martin Thorley Treble Roger N. Scholes 4 Christopher J. Groome 2 Stephen J. Bedford 3 Colin Banton Tenor Conducted by A. Colin Banton.
TANNINGTON. Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Ethelbert. On Mon., Aug. 12, 1968, in 2 Hours and 38 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR	LAXFIELD, Suffolk.—In the Staffroom of All Saints' Primary School. On Fri., Aug. 16, 1968, in 2 Hours and 4 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES In seven methods, being four extents each of Grandsire, Winchendon,
Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Cambridge, Double Oxford, Oxford T.B., St. Clement's, Kent T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 10 cwt.  Vernon B. Bedford Treble  *Stephen J. Bedford 4  Katharine M. Thorley 2  J. Martin Thorley 3  A. Colin Banton Tenor	St. Nicholas, St. Martin, St. Simon and Reverse Canterbury and 18 extents of Plain Bob.  Tenor size 13 in E.  J Martin Thorley 1-2 , A Colin Banton (cond.) 3-4  Christopher J. Groome 5-6  Conducted by Christopher J. Groome.
Conducted by J. Martin Thorley.	First peal on the bells.  GRUNDISBURGH, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Sat:, Aug. 17, 1968 in 3 Hours.  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB ROYAL
THORNHAM MAGNA. Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary On Mon. Aug 12, 1968, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being seven extents in seven methods: (i) Surfeet, (2) Cambridge, (3)	Cecil W. Pipe Treble †Roger N. Scholes 6 Vernon B. Bedford 2 †Stephen J. Bedford 7 Robert E. Lester 3 Christopher J. Groome 8 *J. Martin Thorley 4 A. Colin Banton 9
Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Kent T.B., (6 and 7) Plain Bob.  A Colin Banton Treble Roger N. Scholes 4  *Vernon B. Bedford 2 Christopher J. Groome 3  Christopher J. Groome 3	†Katharine M. Thorley 5 Peter S. Bedford Tenor Composed by H. J. Tucker Conducted by J. Martin Thorley. * 25th peal together. First of Royal. Tenor 8 cwt. HINTLESHAM, Suffolk,—At the Church of St. Nicholas.
* 25th peal together.	On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968, in 2 Hours and 29 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 SURPRISE MINOR Being seven extents in three methods: (1) Cambridge, (2) Beverley, (3) Cambridge, (4) Surfleet and Beverley, (5) Cambridge, (6) Surfleet and
BARKING, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Tues. Aug. 13, 1968, in 2 Hours and 52 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR Being seven extents in ten methods: (1) Surfleet and Beverley, (2)	(7) Cambridge.  Roger N. Scholes Treble   Christopher J. Groome 4  *Stephen J. Bedford 2  *Vernon B. Bedford 3    Christopher J. Groome 5  A. Colin Banton 5  J. Martin Thorley Tenor
Cambridge (3) Thelwall and Childwall, (4) Oxford T.B., (5) Double Oxford and St. Clement's, (6) Kent T.B., (7) Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt. J. Martin Thorley Treble Stephen J. Bedford	Conducted by A. Colin Banton.  * First peal of Surprise Minor.
*Vernon B. Bedford 3 A. Colin Banton Tenor  Conducted by A. Colin Banton.  * Most methods to a peal.	OTHER PEALS  THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. COMPTON BISHOP. Somerset.—At the Church of St. Andrew.
BRAMFORD, Suffolk.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Fri., Aug. 16, 1968, in 2 Hours and 44 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR	On Sat., Aug. 10, 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN DOUBLES  Ten callings.  *Rosemary Short Treble   †John Brain 4
Being one extent each of Single Oxford, Beverley, Childwall, Cambridge. Double Oxford, Oxford T.B. and Plain Bob. Tenor 11½ cwt. Stephen J. Bedford Treble   J. Martin Thorley 4  Vernon B. Bedford	George Prescott 2   Leonard Derrick 5   Herbert Hardwidge Tenor Conducted by George Prescott.
Roger N. Scholes 3 Christopher J. Groome Tenor Conducted by Christopher J. Groome. The conductor's 100th peal.	* First peal of Stedman Doubles. † First of Doubles and has now rung Stedman from Doubles to Cinques Rung as a compliment to Mr. H. Hardwidge on the completion of 50 years' ringing, which started at this tower.

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THE HEREFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  STRETTON GRANDISON. Herefordshire.—At the Church of St. Lawrence.  On Fri., Aug. 23, 1968. in 2 Hours and 37 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 MINOR  Being two extents each of Rev. Canterbury Pleasure Bob and Oxford Bob and three of Plain Bob.  Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 26 lb. in A flat.  Rosemary Collins Treble Patrick G. Hickey 4  *E. Charles Biggs	THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD.  METHERINGHAM. Lincolnshire.—At the Church of St. Wilfred On Sat., Aug. 24, 1968, in 2 Hours and 50 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5056 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR  Tenor 7½ cwt. in A.  *Kathleen Fox Treble Jack L. Millhouse 2  *Gillian Radley 3 † *Christopher J. Sharp 7 Margaret A. Parker 4 Peter A. Sharp Teno Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse 5 † The Composed by S. J. Ivin Conducted by Jack L. Millhouse First peal of Major. † First of Yorkshire Surprise.  (King's School Society.)  BARROWBY. Lincolnshire.—At the Church of All Saints. On Thurs Aug. 8. 1968, in 2 Hours and 40 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lb. in G. *G. J. N. Colborne (1963-5) Treble F. W. Pinchbeck (1925-30) 2 B. Buttery (1950-55) 5 P. A. Slight (1952-59) 3 W. R. Read (1952-59) Teno Conducted by Graham J. N. Colborne.  * Has now "circled the tower" to peals.  EATON, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Denys. On Wed., Aug. 21. 1968, in 2 Hours and 33 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLES  Comprising 41 extents in the following 28 methods—Stedman Slov Course. St. Botolph. Coxwell Place, Stedman, Grandsire, Revers Union Bob, Reverse St. Faith Bob. Reverse St. Julian Bob, West minster II. Blackburn, St. Hilary, Dragon Bob, New Bob, Huntspill St. Vedast, Blaisdon. St. Nicholas, Winchendon Place, St. Remigius Huntley. Reverse Canterbury, All Saints' Bob. Reverse St. Bartholomew, St. Simon, St. Martin, St. Osmund, Eynesbury Bob Plain Bob; and 101 variations—St. Laud. Susanmead, Wroughton St. Firmin, St. Eadburga, Aspley, St. Kenelm, Spindlebury. Simpson St. Katherine, St. Magnus, Kent, Sexagesima, Winchester. Wykeham Vectis, Quinquagesima. Southampton, Romsey, Hampshire, Ember St. Wilfred, St. Oswald, Sussex, Septuagesima. Stoke Bardolph, Arnold Sandford, Sulgrave, Iffley, Ardingly, West Hanney, Darwin, Epper stone, Sevalcliffe, Standlake, Rousham Burton Joyce, Lillingstone Brightwell, St. Merryn, Hadham, Chippingham, Saville, St. Clether Bradden, Kelmarsh, Tring,
MIDDLETON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Leonard. On Tues Aug. 13, 1968, in 2 Hours and 32 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12½ cwt. in G.  J. Barry Pickup Treble Michael J. Platt 2 Michael J. Tompsett 3 Cyril Crossthwaite 4 Composed by C. Middleton.  First peal of Surprise "inside."  MIDDLETON, Lancashire.—At the Church of St. Leonard.  John P. Partington 5 Michael D. Fishwick 6 Richard S. Starkie 7  Jeffrey Brannan Tenor Conducted by Jeffrey Brannan, † 200th peal.	John, Horskey, Ohediah, Southrepps, St. Columb, Marchington, For tune, St. Albans, St. Paul, St. Ambrose, St. John Evangelist, Elford Austrey, St. Feux, St. Wenceslas, St. Ignatius, Churchill, Amersham St. John Divine, St. Jude, St. Laurence, St. Austell, St. Stephen Eynsham, St. Leonard, St. Ninian, St. John the Baptist, Kennington Old, Graham J. N. Colborne Treble Peter A. Slight. 4  *Vaughan P. Evans
SOUTHPORT, Lancashire.—At Christ Church. On Thurs., Aug. 22, 1968, in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 STEDMAN TRPLES  Heywood's variation. Tenor 12 cwt. 1 gr. 3 lb. in F sharp.  *H. Lyndon Hatfield	MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSN. & LONDON DIOCESAN GUILD CRANFORD, Middlesex.—At the Church of St. Dunstan.  On Sun., Aug. 18, 1968, in 2 Hours and 34 Minutes,  A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR  Being four callings.  Josephine Pole Treble Michael J. Palmer 2 Jeffrey Britchford 5  Peter J. Woodgyer 3 William H. Coles Tenor Conducted by William H. Coles
THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  ANSTEY, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968, in 2 Hours and 47 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 10 cwt. 2 qr. 4 lb. in G.  Monica M. Jelley Treble Malcolm E. Wade 2 William A. Lacey 3 Martin Green 4 Composed by J. W. Washbrook.  THE LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  John Mary.  John M. Jelley 5 David F. Moore 6 Roland H. Cook 7 R. Kingsley Mason Tenor Conducted by R. Kingsley Mason.	A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR  Being seven extents. Sheila A. Spreadbury . Treble Joan Hooton
ASHBY FOLVILLE, Leicestershire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., Aug. 24, 1968, in 2 Hours and 55 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5088 LEICESTERSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. 1 qr. 12 lb. in G. *Dorothy Mason Treble *Monica M. Jelley	THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  LOUGHBOROUGH. Leicestershire.—At the Bell Foundry Campanile. On Tues., July 23, 1968, in 2 Hours and 30 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS  Tenor 6 cwt. 2 qr. 13 lb. in B. G. Ronald Edwards Treble John K. Smith 2 Rev. M. C. C. Melville 3 Hours and 50 Minutes, Composed by Edgar C. Shepherd, Conducted by Derek P. Jones.

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THE MIDLAND COUNTIES GUILD.  ILKESTON, Derbyshire.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Thurs July 18, 1968, in 2 Hours and 58 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR	ST. MARTIN'S GUILD FOR THE DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip. On Thurs., July 11, 1968, in 3 Hours and 17 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5042 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAXIMUS
Tenor 17 cwt. 9 lb. in E.  George L. Roobottom . Treble Joseph W. Cotton	Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.  Roderick W. Pipe Treble Richard J. Tibbetts
COLE-ORTON, Leics.—At the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. On Mon., Aug. 26, 1968, in 2 Hours and 35 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  Parker's 12-part (7th obs.). Frank Chambers Treble *Roger N. Scholes 2  Joseph W. Cotton 6	Arranged by Roderick W. Pipe. Conducted by Peter Border  BIRMINGHAM.—At the Cathedral Church of St. Philip. On Thurs Aug. 22. 1968, in 3 Hours and 8 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL Tenor 31 cwt. 21 lb. in D.
E. Frederick Gobey . 3 Derek P. Jones	John N. Lindon Treble Muriel Reay
THE NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.  KIDSGROVE, Staffordshire.—At the Church of St. Thomas. On Sat., Aug. 17. 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5152 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 11 cwt. 4 lb. in G.  Charles A. S. Webb Treble   Harold Dowler	THE SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD.  CORSLEY, Wiltshire.—At the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch On Mon Aug. 12. 1968. in 2 Hours and 48 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES  Being 40 extents (10 callings). and Morris's 240. Tenor 14 cwt Jennifer Alexander . Treble Reg Jones
THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.  HINGHAM, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Andrew. On Sat., Aug. 24, 1968, in 3 Hours and 25 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  Parker's 12-part (7th obs.).  Nolan Golden Treble H. William Barrett 5 Henry Tooke 2 George Sayer 6  "Bevan W. Willgress 3 Clifford Bird 7  Frank C. Arnold 4 Bert Gogle Tenor Conducted by Nolan Golden.	THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.  ASHTEAD. Surrey.—At the Church of St. Giles. On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968. in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5088 YORKSHIRE SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 12 cwt. 3 qr. 26 lb., in F.  Tony Skilton Treble *Geoffrey W. Stephens . 2 Peter T. Dale 6 *Juliet S. Stov ? Michael J. Parmer 7 A. Stephen Taylor 4 *Roy D. Mills Tenot Composed by N. J. Pitstow. * First peal of Yorkshire. First of Surprise as conductor.
* 50th peal for the Association Rung half-muffled in memoriam Allan Charles Haines, for 40 years a ringer at this tower.  PULHAM MARKET, Norfolk.—At the Church of St. Mary Magdalene. On Sat., Aug. 24, 1968, in 2 Hours and 56 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB TRIPLES  Tenor 13 cwt 50 lb. in F.  Thomas R. Roast Treble Desmond P. Mortlock . 2 Thomas E. Spight 5  Maureen P. Cubitt 4 Martin Cubittt	THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.  BURWASH. Sussex.—At the Church of St. Bartholomew. On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968, in 3 Hours and 6 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES  J. J. Parker's 12-part (6th obs.) Tenor 10 cwt. 1 qr. 21 lb. in G sharp. Paul FoxTreble Leslie W. Jarvis
THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.  SLOUGH. Buckinghamshire.—At the Church of St. Mary. On Sat., Aug. 24, 1968. in 3 Hours and 3 Minutes.  A PEAL OF 5040 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL  Tenor 17 cwt. 2 qr. 19 lb. in E.  William Birmingham . Treble   Reginald W. Rex 6 William Butler 2 Christopher C. Clarke 7	HANDBELL PEALS  THE CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.  BURLEYDAM. Cheshire.—At the Church of SS. Marv and Michael. On Sat Aug. 3, 1968. in 1 Hour and 38 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR  Being seven different extent. Geoffrey A. Edwards . 1-2 1 *John R. Scott 3-4  Frank R. Morton (cond.) . 5-6  * 150th peal.
David C. Brown	AUDLEM. Cheshire.—At Churchfields. On Sat., Aug. 17, 1968, in 1 Hour and 47 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5040 PLAIN BOB MINOR Being seven different extents. *Geoffrey A. Edwards 1-2   *John R. Scott 3-4  *Frank R. Morton (cond.) 5-6  * 150th peal together as a trio.
NORTHAMPTON.—At the Church of St. Peter. On Thurs Aug. 15, 1968, in 2 Hours and 45 Minutes. A PEAL OF 5024 NORTHAMPTON SURPRISE MAJOR Tenor 124 cwt. in F. Kilby R. Holtom Treble Shirley E. Ruddlesden	THE LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. CLEATHAM, Lincolnshire.—At Cleatham House Farm. On Fri., Aug. 9, 1968, in 2 Hours and 21 Minutes, A PEAL OF 5040 LITTLE BOB MAJOR Tenor size 15 in C. Mrs. J. Bray
Composed by Gabriel Lindoff. Conducted by Graham C. Paul. First peal in the method by all the band and for the Guild.	Rung as a 21st birthday compliment to Gillian, daughter of the conductor.

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## **ENGAGEMENTS**

EBSWORTH—SPARSHOTT. — The engagement is announced between Paul, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ebsworth, of 2, Sunshine Close, Kenilworth, Warwickshire. and Elisabeth Anthea Mary, only daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. C. D. T. Sparshott, of 5, Margetts Close, Kenilworth, Warwickshire. 4691

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## GREAT BADDOW, ESSEX

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Saturday, September 21st.

**BELLS:** 

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## LICHFIELD DIOCESAN FESTIVAL To be held at

Shrewsbury, Saturday, September 21st

Market Drayton (8) Cound (6) 11 00---12 00 11.00-12.00 12.45-12.30-Hodnet Berrington (8) Shrewsbury-St. Mary's (10) (12) 1.45— 3.00 3.00— 4.30 St. Chad's

Service, St. Chad's, 4.30 p.m. Preacher, The Bishop of Lichfield. Tea, St. Chad's Hall, 5.30 p.m. Ringing after tea, St. Chad's, 7.30-9.

Names for tea to Mr. E. F. Willcox, Hon Sec., 4, Abbots Place, Monkmoor, Shrewsbury, by Tuesday, September 17th. Strictly no name, no tea. 4631

KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Annual Dinner, Eliot College, University of Kent, at Canterbury, September 21st, 7 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets 19s. 6d. Application for tickets (with (s.a.e.) until Tuesday, September 17th, to Mr. B. J. Luck, 20, Beaconsfield Road, Canterbury. Bed and breakfast available Eliot College, 21s. per head. Apply Mr. Luck. — P. A. Corby, Hon. Gen. Sec. 4413

## RINGERS' SUNDAY, SEPT. 22nd,

KIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX

RIRBY-LE-SOKEN, ESSEX
Ringing 7-8 a.m., 10-11 a.m., 5-6.30 p.m.
Services: Holy Communion 8 a.m.,
Matins 11 a.m., Evensong 6.30 p.m.
Preachers: Rev. Lawrence R. Pizzey and
Canon Gilbert Thurlow, assisting the
Vicar. Rev Brian Redgers, and the
Rural Dean.
Ringing at towers in the District during
afternoon.
Social after Evensong and refreshments.

Social after Evensong and refreshments. Free breakfast for those who notify me. Everybody welcome to whole or part of day. See some of you at 7 a.m. Frank B. Lufkin, 108, Salisbury Road, Holland-on-Sea. 4531

SILSOE. BEDS.—The weekly practice on Tuesdays will be resumed on September 10th.

T P. Harris. 4684

SUFFOLK GUILD.—Conductors' course for Guild members, Henley, Saturday, September 28th. Meet in Village Hall at 3 p.m. Tea 5.30. Ringing 6.30–9. Those attending please notify by September 21st.—G. W. Pipe (R. Master), 8, Lansdowne Road, Ipswich. 4724

## T. EDITHA'S ABBEY CHURCH POLESWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE

Flower Festival

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PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD Half-Day Instruction Course in Ringing on Saturday, September 28th, at Islip and Thrapston.

Prospectus and application forms from Mr. M. Tyler, County Education Office, Guildhall Road, Northampton.
E. BILLINGS, General Secretary.

### ST. LEONARD'S, SHOREDITCH Rededication of the rehung ring of 12 bells.

Saturday, October 5th, 1968, at 3 p.m. Followed by ringing and tea at 4.30 p.m. Admission by ticket only, obtainable from D. E. Sibson, 15, Garden Royal, Kersfield Road, London, S.W.15, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope.

## LLANDAFF & MONMOUTH ASSN.

A dinner to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the formation of the Association will be held at the Grand Hotel, Cardiff, on Saturday, October 19th. Tickets (25s.) are now available from: M. J. Pryor, 43, Downton Road, Rumney, Cardiff. 4621

## 5th BRISTOL RINGING FESTIVAL Saturday, October 26th

29 towers available.

Ringers' service at 12 noon. Special visit to view the 9½ ton bell "Great George." Social evening with extension to 11.45 p.m.

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## PENKRIDGE PARISH CHURCH STAFFORDSHIRE

A FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS
Sept. 28th-30th, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. each day.
Ringing: 2-4.30 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.
Refreshments available in nearby Village
Hall. All welcome. FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — North and West Lindsey Branches,—One-day Ringing School at Lea (near Gainsborough), October 5th. 10.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. Fee, including tea, 7s. 6d. Bring own lunch, Beginners, plain methods and Surprise Minor groups. Details from and fees by September 25th to C. A Harrison, Greetwell Cross Roads, Kirton-Lindsey, Lincs.

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Coach and Horses Inn, Moreton, Wirral, Saturday, October 12th, 6 for 6.30 p.m. Tickets (27/6) from Mr. A. J. Martin, 28. Glenmore Road, Oxton, Birkenhead. before October 8th.

## UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### READING UNIVERSITY DINNER

Don't forget! It's on October 19th. Full details in a fortnight's time. Please try and come this year.

### UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX GUILD.

New students at Brighton are invited to join the Guild. Please contact Susan Hopkin, 18, Newton-Nottage Road, Newton, Porthcawl, Glam, or come to St. Peter's, Brighton, practice-Friday, 7.30 p.m.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON SOCIETY welcomes all ringers coming up this year Practices every Thursday, 6.30-8 p.m., at St. Olive's, Hart Street (tube to Tower Hill), commencing October 3rd. Further information from Audrey R. Alexander, 89, High Street, Stotfold, Hitchin, Herts. General meeting October 3rd. ing October 26th.

UNIVERSITY OF WALES SOCIETY. — New students are invited to write to R. Har-pole, Westcott, Heronway, Hutton, Brentwood. Essex, for details of this Society. 4698

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## **MEETINGS**

MELTINGS

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD, — Crewe Branch.—Goostrey, September 14th. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to W. Kerr. 107, Moreton Road, Crewe, by September 11th.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.— Evening practice. Elm (6), near Wisbech, Saturday, September 14th, 6.30–9 p.m. Churchyard Bob to Spliced Minor. 4656

September 14th, 6.30-9 p.m. Charlengard 165. to Spliced Minor, 4656 ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Cambridge District.—Evening meeting at Horningsea (5), Saturday, September 14th, 6 p.m.-7 p.m. Fen Ditton (5) 7 p.m.-8 p.m.—B. Pratt 4671

p.m. Fen Ditton (5) 7 p.m.-8 p.m.—B. Pratt Dis, Sec. 4671 ESSEX ASSOCIATION. — S.W. District — Evening meeting, Orsett (6), Saturday, September 14th. Bells 6-9 p.m. 4635

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Practice meeting at Crondall (6) on Saturday, September 14th, 6-9 p.m.—Mrs. B. R. Simpson, Dis. Sec. 4670 HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Western District.—Berkhamsted (8), September 14th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Names for tea to Mrs. D. Sennitt, 33, Curtis Way, Berkhamsted.

HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Names for tea to Mrs. D. Sennitt, 33, Curtis Way, Berkhamsted. 4649
HERTS COUNTY ASSOCIATION —
Eastern District.—Evening meeting, Hoddesdon (8), September 14th, 6 to 8.30 p.m. 4677
KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Maidstone District.—Striking Contest and by-meeting at East Sutton (6) on Saturday, September 14th. Contest starts 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. General ringing 6 p.m. Names for tea, please, to Mr M L. Howe, 83, College Road, Maidstone, KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Canterbury District.—Striking competition at Littlebourne on Saturday, September 14th. Bells from 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m., followed by tea. Names for tea, please, to Mr. T. F. G. Young, 2, Loddington Cottages, Littlebourne, near Canterbury, by September 12th.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD (Southern Branch) and LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD (Melton District).—Joint meeting at Harlaxton, Saturday, September 14th. Bells 2.30. Service 4.15 Tea 5. Denton bells (if available) in the evening Names for tea to Canon C. G. C. Robertson Harlaxton Rectory, near Grantham, Lincs (Tel. Grantham 3923).—F G. Vickers, Hon. Sec. 4617

LLANDAFF AND MONMOUTH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.—Llandaff Branch—Quarterly meeting, Bridgend (8), Saturday. September 14th. Bells from 2.30. Service 4, followed by tea and further ringing—lolo Davies, Branch Hon. Sec. 4628

LONDON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Church of St. Saviour, Markhouse Road. Walthamstow, September 14th, 2–3. Tea. new Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Church Road, Leyton, 6–8. No business.—Miss V. E Dupré, Hon. Sec. 4655

SOLITHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD—Craw-

Hon. Sec. 4655
SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD.—Crawford Cup Final, Orston, September 14th. 2.30.
Service 5.15. Tea 5.45. Ringing also at Whatton and Sibthorpe afternoon and evening.
Names for tea to W L. Exton. St. Ouen's, 4612

SURREY ASSOCIATION.—Northern District.—Evening practice, Thames Ditton (6), Saturday September 14th, at 7 p.m.—E. Godfrey, Hon. Sec.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Western Division.—Practice meeting at Wisborough Green on Saturday. September 14th. Bells (6) at 3 p.m., followed by service at 4,30. Tea in the Village Hall at 5 o'clock Bells in the evening until 8,30 p.m. Please notfy for tea to R. Wake. 28. Keynor Estate. Sidlesham, Chichester Susses. Chichester, Sussex

DERBY ASSOCIATION.—Dedication of the new ring of eight bells at Pinxton on Sunday, September 15th Ringing 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and after Evensong Service 4 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. Names for tea to Rev. R. L. Gwyther. The Rectory, Pinxton, Nottinghamshire. 4585

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-Northern District.—Surprise practice meeting at Stevenage on Tuesday, September 17th, 7.30-9 p.m.—Mrs. C. A. Agg. Dis. Sec. 4717

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—East Berks and South Bucks Branch.—Evening meeting at Penn. Wednesday, September 18th, Bells available 7.30-9 p.m.—J Muller. 4706

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.-Farn-

GUILDFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Farnham District.—Advanced practice, Hawley (8)
on Friday, September 20th, 7.30 to 9 p.m.
LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Manchester Branch. — Evening practice at St.
George's, Mossley. on Friday. September 20th.
Bells (8) 7.30 to 9 p.m. Please note: Roughtown bells not available. All welcome.—A.
Ward. Branch Sec. Ward, Branch Sec.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.-S. and W. District.—Evening practice at Hare-field on Friday, September 20th, at 7.30 p.m. —M. J. Palmer. 4664

BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSO-CIATION.—Taunton Branch.—Quarterly meet-ing, Rushton, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. Names for tea, please, to A. H. Reed, 41, George Street,

BATH AND WELLS ASSOCIATION. — Chew Branch.—Quarterly meeting at Backwell (8), Saturday, September 21st. Bells available 3 p.m. Service 4.30, followed by tea and business.—D. G. Yeo, Hon. Branch Sec. 4340

BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.—Biggleswade District.—Striking Competition will be held at Stotfold on Saturday, September 21st. Practice ringing 5 p.m. Draw and competition at 6 p.m., followed by buffet-social (including film "Ringers Required"). More details at Willington meeting on 14th. Closing date for entries September 16th.—Linda Fillison—4729 Ellison.

COVENTRY DIOCESAN GUILD. — Northern District.—Meeting at Wolvey on Saturday, September 21st, at 3. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to L. Trevor, 61, Walling 4668 Street, Nuneaton.

Street, Nuneaton.

ELY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. — Huntingdon District.—Evening meeting, Hemingford Abbots, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 5.30. Special methods: Lightfoot Surprise, Grandsire Doubles.—M. J. Dyer, Dis. Sec. 4690

ELY ASSOCIATION—Wisbech Branch.— Meeting, March. Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 2.30. Service 4.30. Tea 5.—J. Fox,

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.—Cirencester Branch Striking Competi-tion, Great Barrington (6). September 21st, 3 p.m. Service 6 p.m. Names for tea to Pearse, Silver Street, South Cerney, by 17th.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIA-TION.—Stroud Branch.—Meeting, Haresfield (6). September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Hardwicke (6) also available (6). September 21st. Bells 5 pair.
4.30. Tea 5. Hardwicke (6) also available after tea. Social gathering with handbells 9.15 at Beacon. Painswick (12) available 2-4 p.m. also. Names for tea to P. Screen, 22. Springfield, Hardwicke, Gloucester, by 17th. please.

HERTFORD COUNTY ASSOCIATION-St. Albans District.—Meeting at St. Paul's, Walden (6). September 21st, 3 p.m., with service and tea. Meeting follows in church.

King's Walden (6) available 6.30-8 p.m. Names
for tea to Mr. L. Dennison, 50. Strathmore
Road. Whitwell, Hitchin, Herts.—R. E. Hardy.

Dis. Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Bolton Branch.—Meeting at St. Peter's, Halliwell (Smithills), Bolton (8) on Saturday, September 21st. Bells 2.30. Tea 5 p.m., then business meeting. Evening ringing 6–8.30 at All Souls', Bolton (8), All visitors made welcome. Names for tea to Mr. J. Wood, 20, Moorside Avenue, Smithills, Bolton.—A. J. I., Branch Sec.

LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. — Preston Branch.—Meeting at St. Laurence's, Chorley, Saturday. September 21st. No tea arrangements, cafes nearby.—L. Walmsley. 4571

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD-Hinck-Let CESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Hinck-ley District.—Mecting. Cosby, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea at 5. Names for tea to Mr. K. Needham, 12, Park Close, Cosby, Leics, by the previous Wednesday, please.—C. M. Wells, Dis. Sec.

LEICESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.—Syston District.—Meeting, Thurnby, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea in Free Church Hall 5.15 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. J. Pawley, 8. Anthony Drive, Thurnby, not later than Friday, September 20th.—F. W. Faulkner, Hon. Dis. Sec.

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. - West Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Messingham on Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) afternoon Lindsey Branch.—Meeting at Messingham on Saturday, September 21st. Bells (6) afternoon and evening. Service 4.15. Tea. Special methods: London Surprise and St. Simon's Doubles. Notify me for tea by previous Tuesday.—Geo. L. A. Lunn, Crow Garth, Lea, Gainsborough. (Tel. 2623.)

MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION .--N. and E. District.—Meeting, North Minms, Saturday, September 21st. Bells from 3.15 p.m., followed by service and tea. Evening ringing.—E. H. Kilby, Dis. Sec. 4728 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — Bicester

and District Branch.—Annual general meeting at Piddington on Saturday, September 21st. Ringing 2.30 p.m. Service 4 p.m. Tea 4.45 p.m. Names for tea to Mr. C. Kinch, 3, The Causeway, Bicester, by 18th, please. 4727 OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Berks Branch.—Autumn meeting. Steventon.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—North
Berks Branch.—Autumn meeting. Steventon,
September 21st. Bells 2,45. Service 3,30.
Tea 4,30. Number for tea, please, to Corderoy, West-Wynds, Westbrook Street, Blewbury, by Tuesday, 17th.

OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD.—Sonning

Deanery Branch.—A combined practice will be held at Hurst on Saturday, September 21st, 6 p.m. till 9 p.m. 4705

m. till 9 p.m. 47 PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD. PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—
Peterborough Branch.— Meeting. St. John's,
Peterborough, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m.
Service 4.15 p.m. Visit to Cathedral bells
being arranged, 2.15 prompt. St. Mary's also
available for evening ringing. Names for tea
to R. Daw, 97. Fane Road, Peterborough. by
Wednesday, 18th.

PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN GUILD.—
PeterBorough Diocesan Guild.—
Daventry Branch.—Meeting at Bugbrooke (5).

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Saturday, September 21st, Names for tea to
Mr. K. Rogers, Downs Farm, Weedon, by
Monday previous.—Mrs. I. Webb, Branch Sec.
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SALISBURY DIOCESAN GUILD. — West Dorset Branch.—Meeting. Lyme Regis, Saturday, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30. Tea 5. Names for tea to J. Davis, Mount, Melplash, Bridport. Visitors welcome. SOUTHWELL DIOCESAN GUILD. — Newark District.—Meeting. Collingham, Saturday, September 21st. Bells, N. and S. Collingham, 2.30 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 5. N. Collingham and S. Scarle open in evening. Names for tea to D. J. Tysoe, 2, Valley View, Coddington, by Wednesday previous.—D. J. T., Dis. Sec. 4693

SUFFOLK GUILD. - Central District.

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Practice meeting at Brandeston (6) on Saturday, September 21st, 6.30-9 p.m.
SUFFOLK GUILD and ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—Joint meeting at All Saints', Sudbury, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m.
Names for tea, please, to Mrs. E. Reeve, 10, High Street, Long Melford, Sudbury, Suffolk, V September 19th y September 19th. 4669 SURREY ASSOCIATION. — Southern Dis-

Sorker Association. — Southern District. — Quarterly meeting, Epsom Common, Saturday, September 21st. Bells (8) 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15 p.m. Evening ringing at Ashtead. Names for tea to D. J. F.

Oakshott, 114, Manor Green Road, by Wednesday, 18th.—K. G. Game, Dis. Sec. 4640 SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION. Southern Division.—Quarterly meeting, Barcombe (6), Saturday, September 21st. Bells combe (6), Saturday, September 21st. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.15. Tea 4.45. Names for tea to J. M. Hills, 28, Sullington Way, Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex BN4 6PJ, by previous Wedplease

TRURO DIOCESAN GUILD. - Truro Branch.-Autumn meeting at Perran-ar-Worthal (6) on Saturday, September 21st. Bells 2.30 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5 p.m., followed by business meeting. Names for tea to Miss B. J. Duck, 1, Benson Road, Hendra.

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WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

Northern Branch.—Annual meeting at Beoley.
near Redditch. Saturday, September 21st, 3
p.m. Service 4.15 p.m. followed by tea and
business. Names for tea to Mrs. G. Ison, 10,
Clent Avenue, Crabbs Cross, Redditch, by previous Thursday, please.—Bernard C. Ashford.
Sec.. 17, Ham Lane, Pedmore, Stourbridge.
Worcs.

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### THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION

The annual Snowdon Dinner will held on Sat., October 19th, at the Victoria Hotel, Bridge Street, Bradford. Tickets (30/-) from F. A. Munday, 6, Rockwood Crescent, Woodhall Park, Pudsey, Yorkshire. plications, please.

YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. — General meeting at Knaresborough on September 21st. Committee meeting at 3 p.m. in the Church Hall. Service 4.15. Tea 5 p.m. Nominations for Central Council representatives will be received at the meeting. Bells: Pateley Bridge (6) 10.30–11.30; Boroughbridge (6) 10.30–11.30, Harrogate (8) 10.30–11.30 and 6.30–8; Aldborough (6) 11.15–12; Birstwith (8) 11.30–12.30; Beckwithshaw (6) 12–1 and 6.30–8; Whixley (6) 2–3.30: Kirk Deighton (6) 2–3.30 and 6.30–8.45. Nidd (not available now); Knaresborough (8) 2–4.15 and after the meeting. Names for tea to Mr. R. Gudgeon, Sharon, Forest Moor. Knaresborough, by Wednesday, September 18th.—W. F. Moreton. Gen. Sec. YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION. - General

DERBY DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.— Ilkeston District.—Meeting to be held at West Hallam (8) on Friday, September 27th, to com-mence at 7.15 p.m. until 9 p.m. Looking for-ward to good turn-up.—W. B., Hon. Sec. 4622

ESSEX ASSOCIATION.—N.W. District.— Meeting will be held at Great Hallingbury (5) on Saturday, September 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Tea 5.15, followed by ringing at Hatfield Heath (6) 6.45 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.—G. Blake, Hamlet House, Roydon Hamlet, Harlow.
LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — North

LINCOLN DIOCESAN GUILD. — North Lindsey Branch.—Evening meeting at Ulceby. Saturday, September 28th. Bells (6) from 6 p.m.—C. A. H. 4695
OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. — White Horse Branch.—Autumn meeting, Ashbury, September 28th. Bells (6) 2 p.m. Service 3.45 p.m. Everyone welcome. Names for tea to C. R. Miles. 24. Goodlake Avenue, Faringdon. Berkshire, by 25th.
SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—Fastern Division.—Practice meeting at Willings don on Saturday, September 28th. Bells 3 p.m. Service 4.30 p.m. Ringing 6-7.30 p.m. Bring own food: cups of tea provided. — G. M. FitzHugh. Hon. Div. Sec. 4685

## **QUARTER PEALS**

## TOUR OF EAST DORSET SIXES

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It was originally planned on August 21st to attempt four 720s of Minor and three quarters of Doubles on seven Dorset sixes. However, a quarter of New Bob was abandoned in favour of 720 Grandsire, due to lack of lubrication, ar Sturminster Marshall. St. Clement's at Canford and Stedman at Bryanston were unsuccessful, but some good ringing was enjoyed on the heavy six at Bere Regis and in the evening at Durweston. Ringers taking part were from Hordle, Lymington, Ringwood and Bournemouth, Details:—LYTCHETT MATRAYERS.—720 Double Oxford Bob Minor: J. Wilcock 1, Faith Riley 2, F. E. Collins 3, W. Shute 4, A. Nunn 5, W. T. Perrins (cond.) 6.

BERE REGIS.—720 Plain Bob Minor: J. Wilcock 1, Faith Riley 2, H. A. Mitchell 3, A. Nunn 4, W. T. Perrins 5, F. E. Collins (cond.) 6.

STURMINSTER MARSHALL.—720 Grandsire Doubles: Faith Riley 1, A. Nunn 2, J. Wilcock 3,

Doubles: Faith Riley 1, A. Nunn 2, J. Wilcock 3, W. Shute 4, W. T. Perrins (cond.) 5, F. E. Collins 6, STOURPAINE,—1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: Mrs. M.

Mitchell 1, W. Shute (cond.) 2, W. T. Perrins 3, A. Nunn 4, F. E. Collins 5, J. Wilcock 6, DURWESTON,—720 Rev. Canterbury Minor: J. Wilcock 1, Faith Riley 2, H. A. Mitchell 3, W. Shute 4, F. E. Collins 5, A. Nunn (cond.) 6.

SHERBORNE, DORSET. — On Aug. 31st. 1,260 Stedman Triples: Gillian M. Brearley 1. G. Prescott 2. G. Hebden 3. P. J. England 4. J. Brain 5. S. G. Smith 6. J. H. Gilbert (cond.) 7. J. K. Baker 8. UPHAM, HANTS.—On Aug. 25th. 1,260 Doubles (three methods): K. R. Stubbington 1, Mary White 2, H. O. Chaddock 3, D. G. Hatherly 4, C. E. Bassett

(cond.) 5, W. J. Stubbington 6. For Evensong.

## COLLECTION OF DOUBLES METHODS

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Section I.—Principles. Renumber all methods in the 1955 Collection by adding the prenx P to all numbers. Thus Stedman is P3.

Section II .- Methods With Two Hunts. Renumber all methods by adding the prefix T. Thus Antelope is 17. Add these irregular methods.

5, 1, 5, 123, 125, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1. Wollaton Place

345, 145, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1.

345, 145, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1.

T26 Rev. Wollaton Pl.
5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 123, 125, 1, 5, 1.

T27 New Wollaton Pl.
5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 145, 345, 1.

T28 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
120 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
121 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
122 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
123 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
123 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
124 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
125 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
126 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
127 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
128 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
129 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
129 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.
120 Rev. New Wollaton Pl.

5, 1, 125, 123, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1.

The calls for Newark, etc., are Wallflower bobs and singles, made above or below the treble as necessary. Six callings only, as in Antelope, etc.

The calls for Wollaton, etc., are Pink bobs and singles, made above or below the treble as necessary. Six callings only, as in Antelope, etc.

N.B.-The calling SBSP three times is false if rung to Antelope, Newark, Wollaton and their New and Reverse alterations.

Section III.—Methods With One Hunt. number all methods with One Hunt. Renumber all methods in the 1955 Collection by adding as a suffix the composition letter for the method. Thus 33A is Blackburn Place and 33L is Cranford S.C. Number Braywood, Welford and Longworth as 24N, 25N and 29N. The call for these methods is a Wallflower bob, call BPP or PBP each four times, or start 12345—21345—23154 and call PPB four times. call PPB four times.

Corrections to page 575:

47T should read 3, 145, 5, 3, 145, 3, 5, 145,

55V Names this Pensthorpe Bob.
79U should be Nunthorpe, not Gunthorpe.

Renumber Chavasse, Maltby and Callender as 77R, 80R and 84R. The correct call for these methods is a Grandsire single above the

The call for methods marked P is the following single:

51423 15243

Call SPPPSSPPPSPP or any transposition of this, but if finishing 15234 51234 with a single, start as in All Saints

Rev. St. Bartholomew may still be rung with a plain lead of Plain Bob for the bob, but this can now be called Spliced Rev. St. Bar-tholomew and Plain Bob. Similarly Rev. St. Sebastian.

All Saints' may still be rung with a plain lead of Plain Bob or Rev. Canterbury as a bob, but this can now be called Spliced All Saints and Plain Bob or Rev. Canterbury.

Additions to irregular methods III (b) on page 575:

66H Screveton Bob
3, 1, 125, 123, 345, 123, 125, 1, 3, 125.
68H Strelley Place Bob
3, 145, 125, 123, 345, 123, 125, 145, 3, 125.
70H Ossington Place Bob
345, 1, 125, 123, 345, 123, 125, 1, 345, 125.
80N Sutton-upon-Trent Bob
5, 1, 125, 123, 345, 123, 125, 1, 5, 125.

N.B.—In Section III, no method is the bobbed lead of another, or vice versa.

(To be continued.)

## QUARTER PEALS

ASHCOTT, SOM .- On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Doubles (aix methods): S. Lewis 1, B. Mills (first as cond.)
2, K. Prime 3, J. Coombs 4, J. S. Walton 5, J. R.
Lee 6. A 15th wedding anniversary compliment to J. R. Lcc.

ILKESTON, DERBYS. -- On August 18th, 1,280 D.N.C.B. Major: Gillian M. Brearley 1, M. G. Dodson 2, P. England 3, A. Flood 4, R. W. Rice 5, W. S. Rice 6, D. Orledge 7, R. O. Fry (cond.) 8.

KINGSBURY EPISCOPI, SOM.—On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: A. Rothwell 1, Mrs. D. Lesley J. Parker 2, R. Welch 3, R. Parker (cond.) 4, H. C. Clark 5, G. Pope 6. Rung by ringing friends of Mr. H. Westlake of Kingsbury Episcopi as a compliment to him on his 65th birthday and retirement. He has been a ringer and church member for over fifty years.

KING'S LANGLEY, HERTS.—On Aug. 18, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: P. Brentnall 1, Miss G. Barker (first inside) 2, J. Naysmith 3, P. W. Harper 4, K. D. Waples 5, R. J. Picton (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

KING'S LYNN, NORFOLK .-- At St. Margaret's on August 20th. 1,440 Minor (Cambridge and Plain): W. W. Cousins 1, D. Gagen 2, R. Newson 3, T. D. Leask 4, C. Cousins 5, N. V. Harding (cond.) 6, and L. W. Houghton cover. To welcome Mr. T. D. Leask from Thorne, Yorkshire.

KIRK DEIGHTON, YORKS,—On Aug. 17th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: J. S. Webb 1, Patricia M. Gardiner 2, M. Nunns 3, A. Cole 4, C. Maxfield 5, A. Newbold (cond.) 6. A birthday compliment to ringer of 2,

KNOWLE, BRISTOL.—On Aug. 15, 1,260 Doubles (four methods 4-6-8 covering): V. H. James 1, Janine M. M. Blanch 2, Suzanne J. Withers 3, M. J. K. Griffiths 4, Helen Kirkpatrick 5, L. Sutherland (first quarter) 6, W. Willans (cond.) 7, J. Boulter (first quarter) 8. Rung before Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the B.V.M.

LANGLEYBURY, HERTS.-On Aug. 15th, 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: A. M. Donaldson 1, R. J. Latham (first of Minor) 2, R. W. T. Slack 3, N. G. Hughes 4, A. J. Mason 5, B. R. M. Johnson (cond.) 6, Rung by the Winchester College Society.

LELANT, CORNWALL.—On August 16th, 1,320 Doubles (11 var. of Grandsire): Kathleen L. E. Ennor (first quarter) 1, T. J. Bell 2, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 3, R. P. Pearce 4, F. M. Bowers 5.

LITTLE CHART, KENT.—On July 22nd, 1,272 Minor (Oxford and Kent Treble Bob): Anne Barber 1, Pamela Court 2, R. A. Birch 3, A. P. S. Berry 4, P. C. Sinden 5, B. Johnson (150th quarter as cond.) 6. Also on August 17th, 1,260 Minor (2 methods): Jane Osenton 1, J. A. Hemsley 2, A. J. Leeves 3, Margaret Jenner 4, B. Johnson 5, R. Weeks (first Minor as cond.) 6. First in two methods 2 and 4.

LLANDAFF, GLAMORGAN.—At the Cathedral, on August 11th. 1,260 Oxford Bob Triples: Anne Cooke 1, Susan Harber 2, Anne Pilgrim 3, M. Pilgrim 4, N. James 5, S. Fenwick 6, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 7, T. Hopkins 8. For Evensong, Also on August 18th. 1,280 Plain Bob Major: Anne Cooke 1, F. Corney 2, P. Reading 3, N. James 4, J. Wood 5, P. A. Williams 6, N. W. H. Simon (cond.) 7, S. Fenwick 8. For Evensong.

LONGWOOD, YORKS.—On August 18th, Oxford T. B. Minor: A. Lunn 1, S. Williams 2, S. Lunn 3, D. Williams 4, B. Ellis 5, I. Roberts (cond.) 6. For Sung Eucharist.

LYMPNE, KENT.—On July 21st, 1,260 Doubles: A. G. Button 1, Elizabeth Todd (cond.) 2, G. J. Neilson 3, R. P. Brotherston 4, B. G. Butcher 5, D. Gower 6, Also on August 18th, 1,320 Doubles: M. J. Taylor 1, R. A. Birch 2, Elizabeth A. Todd (cond.) R. P. Brotherston 4, B. G. Butcher 5, P. I. Chittenden (first quarter) 6.

MELTON MOWBRAY, LEICS.—On Aug. 18th, 1,259 Grandsire Caters: J. H. Cook 1, Mrs. D. A. Day 2, O. Homewood 3, W. Clamp 4, H. Clayton 5, R. Preston 6, R. E. Manton 7, J. L. Day 8, R. H. Cook (cond.) 9, W. H. Holmes (first on tenor) 10. First Grandsire Caters 3 and 4. Rung for Evensong and as a welcome to the Suffragan Bishop of Michigan gan, Rt. Rev. A. N. Crowley, also a wedding anniversary compliment to Mr. J. L. and Mrs. Day and a birthday compliment to Stephen Manton,

NETHERAVON, WILTS.—On August 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: J. Day 1, W. Pearce 2, F. Pearce 3, R. Day 4, J. Pearce (cond.) 5, B. Hayward 6. First quarter 1, 4 and 6. For Sunday service.

NEW ALRESFORD, HANTS.—On Aug. 18, 1,344 Plain Bob Major: Prisca Treemer 1, Dorothy M. Huggins 2, Jane Dando 3, R. L. Underwood 4, Katherine Maundrell 5, M. Palmer 6, A. J. Mason 7. B. R. M. Johnson (first of Major as cond.) 8. First of Major 2, 3, 6 and 7. Rung for Deanery Service, and to mark Mr. Palmer's 50 years of ringing.

RUSHDEN, NORTHANTS.—On August 9th. 1,260 Plain Bob Minor: B. Hodgkins (first attempt) 1, Brenda Dixon 2, G. Muncey 3, B. Whitworth 4, E. Buckby 5, R. Coley 6, L. Hall 7.

SALEHURST, SUSSEX.—On August 3rd. 1,260 Grandsiro Triples: Margaret Jenner 1, O. Webster 2, Jane Osenton (first in method) 3, Marion Kemp 4, B. Johnson (cond.) 5, J. Hemsley 6, P. C. Sinden 7, P. Thomas 8.

SANDHURST, KENT,—On August 15th. 1,360 Little Bob Minor: Marion Kemp 1, Margaret Jenner 2, J. Hemsley 3, H. Deacon 4, O. Webster 5, B. Johnson (first in method as cond.) 6. First in method 1, 2, 3 and 5.

SHELFORD, NOTTS.—On July 28th, 1,320 St. Bartholomew's Bob: R. Mills 1, A. Lazzerini 2, D. Bradley (cond.) 3, D. Lazzerini 4, F. Bradley 5. On Braniey (cond.) 3, D. Lazzerini 4, F. Braniey 3. Ob Evensong. Aiso on July 30th. 1,260 Doubles (6 methods): R. Mills 1, A. Lazzerini 2, D. Lazzerini (first as cond.) 3, D. Bradley 4, F. Bradley 5, Ob August 6th, 1,320 Doubles (2 methods: R. Mills 1, A. Lazzerini (first as cond.) 2, F. Bradley 3, D. Bradley 4, D. Lazzerini 5.

SMARDEN, KENT,—On June 9th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: B. Johnson 1, Anne Barber 2, Pamela Court 3, H. Deacon 4, A. P. S. Berry (cond.) 5, P. C. Sinden 6, Also on July 7th, 1,260 Single Oxford Bob Minor: Pamela Court 1, A. P. S. Berry 2, H. Deacon 3, D. Manger 4, P. C. Sinden 5, B. Johnson (cond.) 6, 50th together 5 and 6, 150th together 3 and 6. Also on August 6th, 1,440 Beverley Surprise
Minor: E. Clifton 1, Elizabeth Stewart 2, R. Lucas
3, J. R. Cooper 4, G. Stewart (cond.) 5, M. W. Marshall 6.

SOUTH HARTING, SUSSEX—On August 22nd, 1,260 Doubles (Pl: Bob and Grandsire): Gillian Read 1. D. M. Hughes 2, R. Smith 3, V. Walder 4, R. B. Walton (cond.) 5, J. Cook (first quarter) 6, First in two methods 3 and 4.

SYDLING, DORSET.-On August 17th 1,260 Plain Bob Doubles: D. B. Ellery 1, Angela Quick 2, R. Williamson 3, A. Scott 4, M. J. Hiller 5.
TRURO, CORNWALL.—At the Cathedral, on

August 17th. 1,260 Plain Bob Royal: R. P. Pearce (first of Royal) 1, F. M. Bowers 2, V. Mary Matthews 3, G. F. Dunstan 4, A. Locke 5, C. P. Yates 6, T. J. Bell (first on ten) 7, G. D. Carter 8, C. G. Bryant 9, A. J. Davidson (cond.) 10, Rung to welcome members of the Lambeth Conference visiting Cornwall,

TWERTON-ON-AVON, BATH.— On August 18th, 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: Valerie Thompson (first away from cover) 1, A. F. Lee 2, Hilary Jacobs 3, J. H. Thompson 4, Shirley A. Cox (first as cond.) 5, Erica Pankhurst 6. For Evensong.

UPPINGHAM, RUTLAND .- On August 18th. 1,260 Minor (Single Oxford and Plain Bob): Patsy M, Barnes 1, J. C. Hudson 2, S. J. Franklin 3, R. N. Scholes 4, L. Atton 5, C. J. Groome (cond.) 6, For Evensong.

Evensong.

WALMER, KENT.—On July 8th. 1,360 Plain Bob Major: Anne Barber 1, Pamela Court 2, P. C. Sinden 3, A. P. S. Berry 4, R. A. Birch 5, K. Butler 6, N. J. Davies 7, B. Johnson (cond.) 8.

WALTHAM ABBEY, ESSEX.—On July 28th 1,295 Erin Cinques: Liz C. Duncan 1, Jane Chapman 2, A. J. Slade 3, Glynls Perry 4, Laura M. Grindrod 5, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 6, June Whitcher 7, M. C. Austin 8, R. Durrant 9, H. H. N. Duncan 10, I. L. Dear 8, R. Durrant 9, H. H. N. Duncan 10, I. L. Dear 11. J. E. Murfitt 12. First quarter peal of Erin Cinques for all the band. For Matins. Also on August 18th. 1,260 Grandsire Triples: Lynda Davey (first quarter) 1, Jane Chapman 2, Liz C. Duncan 3, Glynis Perry 4, G. Walker 5, R. E. J. Dennis 6, D. E. Cobb (cond.) 7, H. H. N. Duncan 8. For Matins.

WEST QUANTOXHEAD, SOM.—On August 14th 1,260 Grandsire Doubles: N. Arnold 1, B. Dennett 2, Miss M. Hill 3, L. Lyddon 4, C. Lock (cond.) 5. First quarter 1 and 3.

WICKHAMBREAUX, KENT.—On August 12th.
1,272 Kent Treble Bob Minor: A. Bourner 1, P. C. Sinden 2, Pamela Court 3, R. A. Birch 4, H. Deacon

B. Johnson (cond.) 6.
WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.—On June 30th. 1,272 Primrose Surprise Minor: P. Richardson 1, P. Staples 2, B. Johnson 3, D. Manger 4, R. Carlton 5, M. Lancefield (cond.) 6. For Evensong.

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